

# CLEY PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Cley Parish Council Traffic Management Meeting held on  
Thursday 22nd July 2021  
at 6.30 p.m. via Zoom**

**Attending:** Cllr Holliday (Chairman and NNDC District Cllr), Cllr Allen (Vice-Chair), Cllr Meadows, Cllr Williamson, Cllr Holman, Cllr Baker, Cllr High and Parish Clerk Gemma Harrison.

There were 11 members of the public present.

## **1. Welcome and to consider apologies**

1.1 Cllr Holliday welcomed everyone to the meeting to discuss the results of the traffic management consultation. Cllr Holliday reminded everyone that this was a discussion of the results and Cllrs were all open minded as to what the next steps might be.

## **2. To receive declarations of interest and requests for dispensations by Cllrs in any of the Agenda items listed.**

2.1 No declarations of interest.

### **Public Participation**

- A member of the public was concerned that the yellow lines shown are incorrect as they depict a bigger area than where the cones were originally placed.
- A member of the public raised concerns about how vehicles can be stopped from parking on the other-side of the road.
- A member of the public was worried the questionnaire led people towards voting for yellow lines and wanted to remind Cllrs the problem is sporadic and occurs 3–4-months of the year. The member of the public suggested volunteers to look after cones.
- A member of the public reiterated the previous concerns raised and stated consideration must be given to where the cars are going, and sensible parking must be encouraged. The Car Park is not clearly signed which doesn't help.
- A local resident suggested a cone custodian system whereby residents adopt a designated parking area, parking bays should be marked by white boxes.

Where practical, no parking notices displayed to discourage parking. Allow traffic passing areas and pedestrian safety zones which are all low-cost options. In conjunction with this white lines, t bars etc could be used to discourage parking from targeted areas such as at the bottom of Town Yard. The resident also suggested reducing the status from A road to B road. Maps and extent of primrose lines needed clarifying. Improved signage is required to Village Hall Car Park.

- Local resident speaking on behalf of 3 other residents as well as himself, stated that no pavements bring issues. There is a problem that needs to be resolved, the solution must work and not exacerbate the issues. Fully support the village gates, this can be used to inform drivers of the narrow road and need to drive with care. Tail gaters is a big problem. Speeding is an issue, when there are parked cars, drivers are restricted and cannot speed. If the yellow lines are installed how will the speeding be stopped. Lots of people walk through the village and this needs to be thought about. The member of the public welcomed the cones custodian idea and volunteered to look after the cones in Area 1.
- A member of the public stated that there were traffic challenges in Cley. The consultation was very well written but believed the democratic process is flawed and hoped residents along the High Street should have more of a say on what happens next.
- The Clerk read a statement from a member of the public objecting to the yellow lines and a statement from PC Jason Pegden who wrote in support of the yellow lines. PC Pegden stated that at the moment he has no powers to enforce anything with regards to obstructing parked cars.

**3. To receive the results (as shown in the separate Appendix A and shared on screen during the meeting) and discuss the traffic management consultation with regards to;**

3.1 Whether there is a traffic management problem in Cley. Overwhelmingly there was agreement that there is a traffic management problem in Cley with 89% of people agreeing there is a problem, 64% of people agreed that traffic flow has improved since the cones were installed.

3.2 Installation of yellow lines. The majority of people responded in support for the installation of yellow lines (70%) but there was some discussion on the costs of the orders and speeding which need to be taken into consideration before adopting this approach. The concerns and benefits raised in the consultation were shared with Cllrs.

3.3 Installation of village gates. This was well supported in the consultation with 75% of people in support of installing village gates.

3.4 The additional SAM2 was discussed and 76% of people welcomed the idea of purchasing an additional SAM2 for use in Cley. Cllr Meadows took the opportunity to share the latest statistics with Cllrs. The current SAM2 is positioned in 4 different areas and moves between areas every 6 weeks. The camera recorded 84,000 vehicle movements which is an average of 1300 a day with 9am, 11am and 5pm all busy times of day. The average speed recorded was 26 mph. Only 18% of vehicles were speeding. The data was predominantly off peak and so it will be interesting to report back findings from over the busier summer holidays. Cllrs thought it would be useful to have an additional SAM2 outside of Crabpot Books.

3.5 People were asked whether they owned or intended to purchase an electric vehicle (EV), 6 people responded stating they already owned an EV with 54 people intending to purchase one and 49 responded they would use EV charging points in the Village Hall car park. 107 people responded stating that EV charging would benefit the community.

3.6 The Clerk shared other comments which had been included in the consultation and Cllrs AGREED that several items needing exploring further. The Clerk will arrange a site visit with Steve White and someone from Highways Policy Team to discuss the consultation and suggestions received from the consultation. Clerk to look at the mapping of the yellow lines and tweak maps to reflect the areas previously identified for the cones. Clerk to ask Highways for a clicker to be able to better assess traffic flow movements coming in from Salthouse. GH

**4. Date and time of next Full Parish Council Meeting Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September at Cley Village Hall.**