

**Henleaze, Stoke Bishop and Westbury-on-Trym
Neighbourhood Partnership
29 February 2012**

Report from the Transport Working Group

1. Introduction

The Group's last quarterly Meeting was held at the Westbury-on-Trym Academy in mid-January. Notes of the Meeting have been circulated to all attendees (and Group Members) and can also be viewed on the NP's website (www.activenp.co.uk).

2. Greater Bristol Bus Network (GBBN)

As a result of issues raised at the June NP concerning the relocation of a bus stop on Falcondale Road, the GBBN Team subsequently withdrew its original proposal.

A revised proposal was published by the GBBN Team in mid-January, confirming their decision to relocate the bus stop further up Falcondale Road - just the other side of the turning into Falcondale Walk (adjacent to No. 4). Work was scheduled to start week commencing 6 February.

3. Minor Traffic Schemes

The majority of the work approved by the NP in June 2010, for implementation in 2010/11, has been completed. These schemes included:

1. A feasibility scheme for the remodelling of the Old Sneed Avenue/Stoke Hill junction. The feasibility scheme was completed and circulated for public consultation. As a result of the public feedback, the scheme was redrafted and has been submitted to the NP for approval.
2. A feasibility study for remodelling the Passage Road/Greystoke Avenue junction is currently on-going and the results from recent traffic counts at the junction are currently being evaluated.

Schemes approved at the March 2011 NP, for implementation in 2011/12, were:

1. Parking Restriction Review and implementation in the area of Twickenham Road, Wimbledon Road, Brookland Road and Phoenix Grove. The local consultation has been completed and the scheme should be delivered during 2012, following the granting of the requisite Traffic Regulation Order (TRO).

2. Parking Restriction Review and implementation in the areas of Etloe Road, St Albans Road, Royal Albert Road and Devonshire Road. A preliminary design study was completed last year and consultation with local residents took place in September. Feedback from this consultation is currently being analysed.
3. Review and implementation of additional parking restrictions at the junction of Bell Barn Road and Shirehampton Road (including the latter's junction with Stoke Paddock Road). A preliminary design study has been completed and local consultation took place last September. Feedback from the consultation is currently being analysed.
4. Falcondale Road traffic signal sequencing review. This was completed in January and results are currently being evaluated.
5. Parking Restriction review along Stoke Lane, from Falcondale Road to Parry's Lane. This has been delayed and will rollover into the next financial year - subject to sufficient funding being available.

Schemes for implementation this financial year (but not funded from the NP's devolved budget) include:

- Pedestrian Crossing at Roman Way/Portway junction - major improvements to the Portway, including a light-controlled crossing on the Portway near Roman Way, have been completed.
- Parry's Lane – a "Links to Schools and Communities" project, funded by Sustrans, will enable a new zebra crossing on Parry's Lane to be completed this financial year.
- Linden Road/Coldharbour Road Junction. Elimination of flooding at the dropped kerbs was transferred from the NP's budget to the Highways Maintenance budget at the NP Meeting last June. The work is currently scheduled for completion within the current financial year.

4. Highway Maintenance Schemes, 2011/12

As reported to the last NP Meeting in December, all 4 carriageway surface dressing schemes that were approved at the March 2011 NP have now been completed. Also, all 5 footway resurfacing schemes that were approved at the June 2011 NP have been completed.

5. Phoenix Grove Footpath

Following sustained spells of heavy rain, flash-flooding continues to affect a section of the public footpath between Henleaze Park and Phoenix Grove. The resultant puddle is so deep that it prevents pedestrians, particularly local school children, using the path. BCC engineers have

completed a topographical survey of the area and have proposed a drainage solution, costing approximately £2200.

However, there is no funding currently available from the Highways Maintenance budget for the remedial work to be completed. As a consequence, funding is currently being progressed by way of the NP's Well-Being Fund, with an application from the Henleaze Society.

6. Possible Minor Traffic Schemes for 2012/13

In previous years, BCC's Traffic Management Team has published its proposals for minor traffic schemes in January, for possible implementation in the following Financial Year. This has allowed sufficient time for the Traffic Management Team and the Transport Working Group to discuss the costed proposals and to prioritise the schemes for presentation to the Spring NP Meeting for approval.

However, this year, Traffic Management's proposals have yet to be published. Therefore, proposals from the Transport Working Group will be presented to the next NP in June.

A Table detailing all the current potential schemes, as known to the Transport Working Group, is appended to this Report. However, it should be noted that some of these issues are very recent additions, following the latest round of Forum Meetings and have not been subject to any detailed investigation, or discussions, with the Traffic Management Team. All known issues are included for completeness but the potential solutions for some would be way in excess of the NP's very limited devolved budget.

7. Recommendations

The Neighbourhood Partnership is requested to:

1. **Note** the GBBN Project Team's revised proposals for the relocation of a bus stop on Falcondale Road.
2. **Note** the current progress with the NP's Minor Traffic Schemes, as previously sanctioned by the NP.
3. **Note** that funding for a scheme to alleviate the on-going problems with flooding of the Phoenix Grove footpath is the subject of an application to the NP's Well-Being Fund.
4. **Note** that proposals for minor traffic schemes for implementation in 2012/13 will be presented to the next NP Meeting in mid-June.

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Prioritisation of Minor Traffic Schemes for Possible Funding in 2012/13

Ref	Ward	Location	Details	Comments	Ward Ranking
H112	Hen	Westbury Road (near Brecon Road)	Incorporate pedestrian crossing with existing central pedestrian refuge.	There are already 2 Zebra Crossings close to the proposed site. Also, the proximity of a road junction and a bus stop would need to be considered.	
H114	Hen	Northumbria Drive - exit from Waitrose car park	Safety concerns for pedestrians crossing car park exit	Waitrose have done what they can with signage. Site will be examined for possible further improvements.	1
H115	Hen	Henleaze Road, exit from Tesco	Safety concerns for pedestrians on pavement	Contact Tesco to request improvements to their road markings and signage	2
H116	Hen	Grange Park junction with Brecon Road, Waterford Road & Antrim Road	Inconsiderate parking in junction area restricting access, in particular in Grange Park	Review extent of current enforceable parking restrictions ("yellow lines")	6
H117	Hen	Henleaze Road/ Northumbria Drive Junction	Excessive speed of traffic entering mini-roundabout	Repaint existing road markings and review junction layout	3
H118	Hen	Park Grove, near junction with Henleaze Park	Install Zebra Crossing, for the benefit of children attending local school	Suggested location is not very practical. Low volume of traffic does not support a 24/7 solution.	
H119	Hen	Howard Road	Excessive speed of traffic (1 complaint)	Conduct survey to establish extent of the problem.	4
H120	Hen	Westbury Park	Weekday Resident Parking Permit Scheme	Conduct a consultation with residents	5
S106	SB	Rockleaze, Downleaze and Circular Road	Parking and one-way restrictions have been requested in order to minimise traffic congestion that results from inconsiderate parking in this area of The Downs	This requires a Parking Review, followed by Consultation and a TRO for "yellow lining" work.	4
S107	SB	Kewstoke Road junction with Stoke Hill	Building out the pavement at the entrance to Kewstoke Road to (1) provide informal people-gathering space outside the village hall, (2) prevent car-parking immediately outside the hall, (3) improve visibility for cars coming out of Kewstoke Road; building out the pavement either side of Stoke Hill to (1) reduce the Stoke Hill road-width as a passive traffic-calming measure and (2) make pedestrian crossing of Stoke Hill easier.	Requires a survey and a detailed design study, plus Consultation. This would cost approx £7000 to £8000.	3
S108	SB	West Dene junction with Coombe Lane	Inconsiderate parking on junction - exacerbated when large numbers of visitors attend the University Sports Ground	Problem being monitored. Possible solution would be to introduce parking restrictions.	2
S110	SB	Parry's Lane/Abbey Gate	Introduce parking restrictions at junction	Could be included with W112	Included with W112
S111	SB	Cooks Folly Rd/Knowle Hill junction	Introduce parking restrictions at junction	Could be included with S106	Included with S106
S113	SB	Seawalls Road & Seawalls	Parking problems around junction	Could be included with S106	Included with S106
S114	SB	Stoke Road junction with Saville Road	Junction is blocked by parked cars in left hand lane and stationary cars in right hand lane	Additional parking restrictions on approach to junction (when driving towards Stoke Bishop). Could be included with S106	1 (Could be included with S106)

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W108	WoT	High Street	Temporary/permanent pedestrianisation of the High Street between Church Road and the War Memorial.	Various scheme currently being examined and costed by SusWot. However, the cost of implementing any major proposals would be outside the NP's devolved budget.	
W109	WoT	Eastfield Road (near top of Waters Lane)	Pavement build-outs and pedestrian crossing improvements, including the widening of footways between Albert Place and Waters Lane.	Cost estimated at approx £10k. Will be prioritised for possible inclusion in 2012/13 devolved budget.	2
W112	WoT	Stoke Lane, from Falcondale Rd to Parry's Lane	Undertake a parking review to include parking restrictions at all junctions (including Abbey Gate)	Parking restriction review and implementation sanctioned at March 2011 NP . However, this was only part-funded and will require additional funding to complete.	1
W114	WoT	Chock Lane	Introduce additional traffic-calming measures	Road is already subject to a mandatory 20mph speed limit. Additional "minor signing & lining" to be considered. Speed humps could provide a solution at approx cost of £10k each	4
W115	WoT	Great Brockeridge/Downs Road	Introduce parking restrictions in the vicinity of junction, to alleviate inconsiderate parking	Could be included with W112	Included with W112
W116	WoT	Reedley Road/Briarwood junction	Introduce parking restrictions in the vicinity of junction, to alleviate inconsiderate parking	Could be included with W112	Included with W112
W117	WoT	Southmead Road, near Alexandra Road	Incorporate pedestrian crossing with existing central pedestrian refuge.	Under review for prioritisation in 2012/13. Possibility of cross-boundary joint funding with NP4	
W118	WoT	Henbury Road, near junction with High Street	Parked vehicles obstructing pavement - opposite No 20	Raising the dropped kerb could provide a (costly) solution. Short-term solution: install a line of steel demarcation studs	3
Footway Resurfacing Schemes for Possible Funding in 2012/13					
M105	Hen	Hill View	Broken concrete hauling-ways	Under review for prioritisation in 2012/13	
M107	WoT	Abbey Road	Uneven paving slabs at Stoke Lane end of Abbey Road	Under review for prioritisation in 2012/13	
M108	WoT	Priory Avenue	Uneven paving slabs	Under review for prioritisation in 2012/13	
M112	WoT	Eastfield	Uneven, deteriorating footpaths	Under review for prioritisation in 2012/13	
M113	SB	Glen Drive	Uneven, deteriorating footpaths	Under review for prioritisation in 2012/13	
M115	WoT	Stoke Grove	Uneven paving slabs	Under review for prioritisation in 2012/13	

As at: 13 February 2012