

**Henleaze, Stoke Bishop and Westbury-on-Trym
Neighbourhood Partnership
10 March 2014**

Report from the Transport Working Group

1. Introduction

The Working Group's last quarterly Meeting was held at Westbury-on-Trym Academy in January. Notes of the Meeting have been circulated to all attendees and can be viewed on the NP's website on page: www.activenp.co.uk/2014/01/transport-working-group-meeting-21-january-2014/

2. City-wide 20mph Rollout Scheme

The 20mph Rollout Team's proposals for our (NP3) area were formally presented to the NP last September and the details subsequently debated at all three of the NP3 Neighbourhood Forums last October.

The Informal Consultation for the NP3 area (Phase 3) closed last October and the feedback was included in draft proposals which have now been published on the Council's website:

www.bristol20mph.co.uk/how/westbury-horfield-lockleaze-henleaze-stoke-bishop and these will form the basis of the requisite Speed Limit Order (SLO). As part of the SLO process, a further formal consultation period is required, which is planned to commence in April. This will be the last chance to challenge the consultation process, or the final proposals.

3. Greater Bristol Bus Network (GBBN)

The debate has continued as to the efficacy of the GBBN bus lane on the approach to the White Tree Roundabout. A letter from the Mayor, George Ferguson, regarding removal/redesign of this bus lane has been received, following an enquiry from the Partnership.

The Mayor's response identified that the post-scheme traffic counts have not yet been completed and remain to be undertaken by the Highways Team. David Mayer has requested, as NP3 Chairman, that the Terms of Reference for the traffic survey should be submitted to the NP for its approval before implementation.

4. Devolved Section 106 Money – Henleaze Road Bus Stop.

Approximately £8k of Section 106 money (ZCD.967), specifically for “the provision of improvements to the bus stopping facilities at the southbound bus stop near Rockside Drive on Henleaze Road”, has been accrued since 2004. Costed options were presented to the Transport WG with the two main options being the full funding of two Real Time Information (RTI) display boards at two bus stops near Rockside Drive, or to part-fund a single new bus stop at a total cost of £30k. As no source for funding the £22k shortfall has been identified, it was felt that the S106 money should be used to fund two RTI display boards, in line with the wishes of local residents.

Therefore, the Neighbourhood Committee should agree to commit the £8k of Section 106 money to fund two RTI display boards or, alternatively, to continue to hold the money until a later date as a contribution towards an as yet unfunded bus stop facility - costing approx £30k.

5. Minor Traffic Schemes

The majority of the work approved by the NP in June 2010 and March 2011, for implementation in 2010/11 and 2011/12 respectively, has been completed. The Highways and Traffic Team has confirmed that it is their intention to complete all schemes sanctioned by the NP for delivery in 2012/13 by the end of the current (2013/14) Financial Year.

All current schemes are detailed below, some of which have been outsourced to *CH2M Hill* (previously trading as Halcrow Consultants). Also included are the six schemes sanctioned at the last NP, for delivery in 2014/15, subject to the NP’s Minor Traffic Schemes budget being approved by Cabinet.

- 1. Parking Restrictions (“Yellow-lining”) in the Westbury Park area (H105) and in the Stoke Bishop area (S101, S103, S107, S109, S115 & S116)** - the Transport Working Group has been advised that some of this work has been completed but the remainder is with BCC’s lining contractors, Glamorgan Lining, for completion.
- 2. Junction of Southmead Road, Henleaze Road and Eastfield Road (H111)** - a feasibility/design study was sanctioned at the last NP. However, outline proposals for a new development on the “Quarry Leaze” site could refocus the need for improvements at this junction.
- 3. Northumbria Drive, entrance to Waitrose car park (H114)** - a Planning Application has been submitted by Waitrose to revamp their car park arrangements, including a redesigned entrance. Discussions are on-going and Planning Permission has not yet been granted.
- 4. Henleaze Road, exit from Tesco (H115)** – a review of on-street parking arrangements and entrance layout has been completed by

CH2M Hill and the results are being appraised, prior to issuing a report to the June Meeting of the NP.

5. **Junction of Northumbria Drive and Henleaze Road (H117)** – a review of existing road layout at this mini-roundabout has been completed by CH2M Hill and the results are being appraised, prior to issuing a report to the June Meeting of the NP.
6. **Park Grove, pavement build-outs near schools (H118)** – an outline scheme is being progressed by CH2M Hill and a report is awaited. Subsequent capital works will be funded from a recent LST grant.
7. **West Broadway and South Croft (H123)** – a review of the current road layouts and traffic counts have been completed and a report has been commissioned. This Review and Report has been funded from the NP's Local Community Small Grants fund.
8. **Pedestrian Crossing on Coldharbour Road (H125)** – a design study has been completed by CH2M Hill and a report will be issued to the June Meeting of the NP. Subsequent capital works will be funded from a recent LST grant.
9. **Road Junctions in Henleaze (H127 to H132)** - a parking restriction review and subsequent TRO (after public consultation) for many road junctions in Henleaze - including Downs Park West/Henleaze Road; Wanscow Walk/Henleaze Road, Henley Grove/Henleaze Road; Brean Down Avenue/White Tree Road; Eastfield/Eastfield Road; Grange Park/Brecon Road/Waterford Road/ Antrim Road - was sanctioned at the last NP.
10. **Additional parking restrictions around the Downs area (S106, S111, S113 & S114)** - a report will be presented to the June NP after which a public consultation will commence, with subsequent TRO to be progressed for completion before the end of 2014.
11. **Shirehampton Road (S117)** - design study for a crossing point to serve a new playground on Stoke Lodge was sanctioned at the last NP.
12. **Eastfield Road, at top of Waters Lane (W109)** - a redesign of the junction layout, with a new pedestrian crossing point, has been completed by the Council's Highway Engineers and the draft Report was discussed at the last Transport WG Meeting. The Final Report, with costed proposals, will be presented to the March NP for approval.
13. **Stoke Lane Area parking review (W112)** - the Public Consultation closed on 12 January and the results will be evaluated, prior to formal consultation for the requisite Traffic Regulation Order (TRO). The public response had been very good, with residents of Lampeter Road asking for the inclusion of double yellow lines down one side of "their" street!
14. **Chock Lane traffic-calming (W114)** - a draft Report, detailing all practical traffic-calming options, was presented to the last Transport WG Meeting for discussion. Subsequently, a local presentation was held for the benefit of local residents and other interested parties. The Final Report, with costed proposals for chicanes and other pedestrian safety features, will be presented to the March NP for approval. A recent £5k LST Grant, secured by the Transport Working Group, will go

towards funding some of these improvements. However, funding for any major improvements has yet to be secured.

15. **Pedestrian Crossing on Southmead Road (W117)** - outline scheme being progressed by CH2M Hill; subsequent capital works to be funded from recent LST grant secured by the Transport Working Group. It is currently estimated that the scheme should be completed by September this year.
16. **Falcondale Road/Greystoke Avenue Junction (W119 & W133)** - funding for a design study was approved at the last NP and includes the provision of an additional crossing point on Falcondale Road.
17. **Falcondale Road/Westbury Road Junction (W121)** - funding for a design study was approved at the last NP and will address the locations of the current Zebra Crossings.
18. **Coombe Lane Junction with Canford Lane (W134)** - funding for a design study was approved at the last NP

6. Recommendations

The **Neighbourhood Committee** is requested to:

1. **Commit** £8k of Section 106 money (ZCD 967) to funding two RTI display boards at bus stops near Rockside Drive, or continue to hold the money until a later date as a contribution towards an as yet unfunded new bus stop facility, costing approx £30k. (Item 4, above).

The **Neighbourhood Partnership** is requested to:

2. **Note** the current progress with the City-wide 20mph Rollout Scheme (Item 2, above).
3. **Note** the lack of progress with removing the remaining section of bus lane on the approach to the White Tree roundabout, or the publication of any traffic surveys to justify its retention (Item 3, above).
4. **Note** the current progress with the minor traffic schemes, previously sanctioned by the NP (Item 5, above).

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