

**Henleaze, Stoke Bishop and Westbury-on-Trym  
Neighbourhood Partnership  
22 September 2014**

**Report from the Transport Working Group**

**1. Introduction**

The Working Group's last quarterly Meeting was held at Westbury-on-Trym Academy in July. Notes of the Meeting have been circulated to all attendees and can be viewed on the NP's website ([www.activenp.co.uk](http://www.activenp.co.uk)).

The Meeting included the Group's AGM, where an NP Rep from each Ward was elected to represent their Ward for the next 12 months. It was agreed that Alan Aburrow (WoT), Mark Baker (SB) and Simon Tomlinson (Hen) would represent their respective Wards.

Alan Aburrow indicated that he was prepared to continue as Chairman and, as there were no other nominations, this was unanimously agreed.

As this was the Group's AGM, the Group's Terms of Reference were revisited and, after a brief discussion, it was agreed that no amendments to the Terms were necessary. Therefore, the current Terms of Reference are appended (as Attachment 1), for formal approval by the NP.

**2. City-wide 20mph Rollout Scheme (Phase 3)**

The formal consultation for the NP3 area (included in Phase 3) closed last May. The proposals were then modified to form the basis of the requisite Speed Limit Order (SLO). Major changes included the adoption of additional 20mph restrictions for sections of Stoke Lane, Parry's Lane and Coombe Lane but retention of 30mph on Stoke Road. The scheme becomes operative from 26 September.

**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. At the last NP Meeting, the Area Manager (Highways Division) took an Action to produce a "draft monitoring plan" to review the current situation. The plan was subsequently circulated to NP Members for comment, prior to execution. Now that the school holidays are over, the monitoring survey will proceed imminently.

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

At the last NP, the Neighbourhood Committee agreed that accrued Section 106 money (ZCD.967) should be committed to fund an RTI display board plus a raised mounting platform at the bus stop near Rockside Drive. This accrual (approx £8k) would now be supplemented with additional central

funding to provide a new bus shelter. All work should be completed within the current Financial Year.

## **5. Minor Traffic Schemes**

Particulars for all the Highway Issues referenced in this Section are further amplified in Appendix 2.

Currently, the on-going schemes include:

1. **Junction of Southmead Road, Henleaze Road and Eastfield Road (H111)** – a Planning Application (14/01347/F) to redevelop the “Quarry Leaze” site for 32 sheltered units includes the provision of a new zebra crossing across the Henleaze Road dual carriageway. However, the position of the crossing point could be reviewed as part of any future upgrade to the mini-roundabout and realignment of its feeder roads.
2. **Northumbria Drive, entrance to Waitrose car park (H114)** - a Planning Application by Waitrose to include a redesigned entrance was granted on 2 May and work is currently in progress.
3. **Eastfield Road, at top of Waters Lane (W109A)** - a new pedestrian crossing point was sanctioned at the last NP and is being progressed.
4. **Stoke Lane Area parking review (W112)** - the Public Consultation closed on 12 January. The Formal Consultation stage for the requisite Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) closed on 1 August and the requisite “Objection Report” is currently being prepared for consideration.
5. **Chock Lane traffic-calming (W114)** – funding for over-runnable chicanes and footway improvements was sanctioned at the last NP and is currently being progressed.
6. **Henleaze Road, Tesco Access (H115A)** - this issue is currently being evaluated, prior to public consultation for any proposed improvements.
7. **Park Grove pavement build-outs (H118)** - should proceed to public consultation by end of September, prior to implementation.
8. **The Downs Parking Review (S106, S111, S113, S114)** – currently out for public consultation, prior to implementation. The consultation closes on 21 September.
9. **Southmead Road zebra crossing (W117)** - should proceed to public consultation by mid-September, prior to implementation.
10. **Coldharbour Road zebra crossing (H125)** - should proceed to public consultation by mid-September, prior to implementation.
11. **West Broadway and South Croft (H123)** - feasibility study for possible traffic calming has been completed. Options will be pursued with local residents when funding is available.
12. **Shirehampton Road (S117)** – the funding for a pedestrian crossing point, near Stoke Lodge, was sanctioned at the last NP for implementation during 2014/16 – subject to local consultation.
13. **Additional Parking Restrictions in and around Westbury village** (including W132, W135, W136, H131, W139, W140 and possibly

W138) - funding was sanctioned at the last NP for implementation during 2014/16 - subject to local consultation.

14. **Additional Parking Restrictions in Henleaze** (including H127-H130, H132 and H135) - funding was sanctioned at the last NP for implementation during 2016/17 - subject to local consultation.

The whole length of the A4018 corridor from Cribbs Causeway into Bristol is currently subject to close scrutiny by BCC's highway engineers in order to improve traffic flow and minimise congestion arising from the proposed 8,000-plus housing development at South Gloucestershire's CPPN ("Cribbs/Patchway New Neighbourhood") development. Therefore, several of the Highway Issues on the WG's schedule for possible funding are to be included:

- **Falcondale Road/Greystoke Avenue** junction (W119 & W133)
- **Falcondale Road/Westbury Road** junction (W121)
- **Falcondale Road**, improvements to the capacity of all signalised junctions and the possible introduction of a Clearway (W123, W124, W125, W126, & W127).

Possible improvements to the A4018 corridor were discussed at length during the last Transport Working Group Meeting. Draft proposals by BCC transport Officers appear to rely heavily on an over-provision of bus lanes as the only means of traffic mitigation. However, other vehicles need to be considered - otherwise drivers will only look for rat-runs through residential areas. Currently, there are no firm plans for utilising the "Henbury Loop" as a means of traffic mitigation.

The Transport WG suggested that it would be a good idea to invite senior BCC Officers to address the next NP Meeting in September or December. Another suggestion was to hold a joint NP2/NP3 public meeting in North Bristol to highlight the impending traffic problems, whereby BCC Officers could increase public awareness and engage in debate about the potential solutions.

Although NP3 has a Minor Traffic Schemes budget of approx £51k for 2014/15, the latest diktat from the Highways Team is that they can only guarantee to deliver one scheme per Partnership per year. This issue was discussed at the last NP Meeting and it was acknowledged that limited resources within BCC were the main cause. Councillor Gollop (Deputy Mayor) took an Action to raise the issue with Assistant Mayors Mark Bradshaw and Gus Hoyt to try and improve the situation.

**Westbury Road Pavement** (W138) - there is an issue of over-intensive parking of vehicles on this wide section of footway between Falcondale Road and Southfield Road. The Area Manager (Highways Division) has confirmed that following receipt of the final Stopping-Up Order from the DfT for the area in front of numbers 138 to 150 Westbury Road, the Council will be able to start the necessary processes to formally adopt the remaining

footway areas along Westbury road as public highway. This will clarify ownership of the various areas and will enable any remaining issues over pavement parking to be considered and addressed as necessary.

## **6. Footway Refurbishment Schemes, 2014/15**

Currently, BCC's Highway Maintenance Teams are concentrating their efforts on this year's surface dressing programme – at the expense of delivering the footway refurbishment schemes. There is also a backlog of footway refurbishment schemes from last year to be completed. At the last NP Meeting, the Neighbourhood Committee agreed to fund the following six footway maintenance schemes from the 2014/15 devolved budget:

F15: Grange Park (remainder that was not funded in 2013/14) - £4.5k

F3: Kellaway Avenue (remainder that was not funded in 2013/14) - £17k

F9: Druid Stoke Avenue - £8k

F5: Priors Court Road (but only half) - £12k

F2: The Crescent (but only half) - £17k

F6: Sandyleaze (Part) – £balance

Outstanding schemes from last year include Farne Close, Montroy Close and some dropped kerbs.

## **7. Recommendations**

The **Neighbourhood Partnership** is requested to:

1. **Approve** the Transport Working Group's current Terms of Reference, following their review at the Group's recent AGM (Item 1, above).
2. **Note** the current progress with Phase 3 of the City-wide 20mph Rollout Scheme, which becomes operative from 26 September (Item 2, above).
3. **Note** the progress with the current traffic survey as a prelude to the possible removal of the remaining section of bus lane on the approach to the White Tree roundabout, or to justify its retention (Item 3, above).
4. **Note** the inclusion of a new bus shelter at Rockside Drive, in addition to the RTI display and raised mounting platform funded from devolved Section 106 money (Item 4, above).
5. **Note** the current progress with the minor traffic schemes and footway refurbishment schemes previously sanctioned by the NP (Items 5 and 6, above) and the potential impact of additional traffic volumes on the A4018, arising from the Cribbs/Patchway New Neighbourhood (CPNN).
6. **Note** the current progress with establishing the issue of footway ownership in Westbury Road, prior to progressing any parking restrictions (Item 5, above).

Alan Aburrow  
Chairman, Transport Working Group  
(3 September 2014)



### Henleaze, Stoke Bishop and Westbury-on-Trym Neighbourhood Partnership

#### Transport Working Group - Terms of Reference (September 2014)

##### **Aims:**

- To research, review, monitor and report on transport and related issues in the 3 Wards of Henleaze, Stoke Bishop and Westbury-on-Trym, ensuring that the views of residents from the area are considered.
- To work with Bristol City Council Traffic Management and other relevant statutory service providers to make recommendations to the Neighbourhood Partnership regarding devolved budgets.
- To influence additional transport related issues as agreed by the Neighbourhood Partnership and negotiate relevant activity from citywide and other budgets.

##### **Powers:**

- To design and carry out consultation activity.
- Report findings back to the Neighbourhood Partnership who will discuss options – final decisions will be taken by the elected councillors for each Ward at the Committee element of the NP meeting.
- Gather information from residents, using forums, public events and meetings, and by other forms of public consultation, as deemed appropriate.
- Work with Council Officers.
- To revisit the Terms of Reference every 12 months - which will be agreed by the NP Board.

##### **Membership:**

- One chair, who is a Neighbourhood Partnership Elected Representative, to be elected annually by the Working Group and who will lead the Group, chair the meetings and liaise with BCC staff.
- One of the elected NP Ward Representatives from each ward to represent and lead the work of each Ward – to be elected annually.
- The Group must include one NP Elected Representative from each Ward to be quorate.
- Interested residents from each Ward to carry out surveys, take part in walkabouts etc.
- A Representative from BCC's Highways and Traffic Team
- The Police point of contact will be Insp Mark Runacres, who can be e-mailed regarding relevant issues.
- All members may be offered training as appropriate.

##### **Meetings:**

- To meet quarterly to plan and discuss areas of work – to ensure wider participation by meeting on different nights of the week throughout the year.
- Additional meetings may be called on a needs basis.

Henleaze, Stoke Bishop and Westbury-on-Trym Neighbourhood Partnership

Transport Working Group

Highway Issues Reviewed in WG Report to September 2014 NP

Ref	Ward	Location	Details	Progress	Status
H111	Hen	Southmead Rd/Henleaze Rd/Eastfield Rd junction	Better traffic management at this junction with the inclusion of pedestrian crossing(s).	A new Zebra Crossing is included in Planning Ap 14/01347/F to redevelop Quarry Leaze site.	Under Review
H114	Hen	Northumbria Drive - exit from Waitrose car park	Safety concerns for pedestrians crossing car park exit	Best solution would be to reconstruct exit to prioritise vehicular access. Changes included as part of Planning Application 13/05166/F, granted 2 May 2014	In progress
H115A	Hen	Henleaze Road, exit from Tesco	Safety concerns for pedestrians on pavement	H115 Report completed and will be used to work-up proposals for improvements. Any new Parking Restrictions could be included in H127 etc	Under Review
H118	Hen	Park Grove, near junction with Henleaze Park	Install Zebra Crossing, for the benefit of children attending local school. However, low volume of traffic does not support a crossing as a 24/7 solution.	<b>A Design Study and consultation for an uncontrolled crossing point was sanctioned at the June 2012 NP.</b> Public consultation imminent.	In progress
H123	Hen	West Broadway and South Croft	Excessive speed of vehicles travelling along West Broadway and South Croft	Local consultation into possible solutions (costing approx £2-3k) <b>sanctioned at March 2013 NP. Draft Report completed.</b>	Report Complete
H125	Hen	Coldharbour Road, between Cairns Road and Halsbury Road	Install pedestrian crossing.	A £25k LST Grant was awarded in October 2012. Public consultation imminent.	In progress
H127	Hen	Downs Park West, junct with Henleaze Rd	Inconsiderate parking on junction	Parking restrictions ("yellow lines") to be included in next local parking review	Parking Review sanctioned at June 2014 NP for inclusion in 2016/17 budget
H128	Hen	Wanscow Walk, junct with Henleaze Road	Inconsiderate parking on junction	Parking restrictions ("yellow lines") to be included in next local parking review	
H129	Hen	Henley Grove junction with Henleaze Road	Extend parking restrictions further along Henley Grove	Parking restrictions ("yellow lines") to be included in next local parking review	
H130	Hen	Brean Down Ave, junction with White Tree Road	Introduce parking restrictions at junction	Parking restrictions ("yellow lines") to be included in next local parking review	
H131	Hen	Eastfield junction with Eastfield Road	Introduce parking restrictions at junction	Parking restrictions ("yellow lines") to be included in next local parking review (W136?)	
H132	Hen	Grange Park junction with Brecon Road, Waterford Road & Antrim Road	Inconsiderate parking in junction area restricting access for through traffic, in particular in Grange Park	Extent and adequacy of current enforceable parking restrictions ("yellow lines") to be reviewed (Previously considered as H116)	
H135	Hen	Downs Park East, junct with Henleaze Rd	Inconsiderate parking on junction	Parking restrictions ("yellow lines") to be included in next local parking review	See H127
S106	SB	Rockleaze, Downleaze and Circular Road	Parking and one-way restrictions have been requested.	Included in "Downs Parking Review". This requires a Parking Review, followed by Consultation and a TRO for "yellow lining" work. Scheme currently out for public consultation.	In progress
S111	SB	Cooks Folly Rd/Knowle Hill junction	Introduce parking restrictions at junction	Included with S106 at minimal additional cost	In progress
S113	SB	Seawalls Road & Seawalls	Parking problems around junction	Included with S106 at minimal additional cost	In progress



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Ref	Ward	Location	Details	Progress	Status
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 SB). Also to include section opposite Ladies Mile. <b>Work sanctioned at June 2012 NP.</b> Included with S106	In progress
S117	SB	Shirehampton Road	Requirement for a crossing point when new Children's Playground is built on Stoke Lodge	<b>Scheme sanctioned at June 2014 NP</b> for inclusion in 2014/16 programme.	In progress
W109A	WoT	Eastfield Road (near top of Waters Lane)	Pavement build-out, including the widening of footway between Albert Place and Waters Lane.	W109 Design Study completed and pedestrian crossing point in progress. Remaining footway improvements "under review"	Under Review
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 consultation (£4k) <b>sanctioned at June 2012 NP</b> and completed Spring 2014. Statutory consultation commenced 10 July 2014.	In progress
W114	WoT	Chock Lane	Introduce traffic-calming measures	Funding for minor Capital Works (£5k) granted from LST Fund plus £7.5k from NP's "Local Community Small Grants" fund for footway improvements and over-runnable chicanes.	In progress
W117	WoT	Southmead Road, near Alexandra Road	Incorporate pedestrian crossing with existing central pedestrian refuge.	<b>Feasibility study (£1k) sanctioned at June 2012 NP.</b> Capital works (£20k) granted from LST Fund. Public consultation imminent.	In progress
W119	WoT	Falcondale Road, near junction with Greystoke Avenue	Introduce a pedestrian crossing, across Falcondale Road	Feasibility study required. A cheaper (£15-20k) option could be to incorporate a central refuge island, without a formal crossing.	Included in CPNN mitigation review
W121	WoT	Falcondale Road/ Westbury Road junction	Current location of both Zebra Crossings is a hazard to pedestrians and vehicles	Review accident statistics with a view to the relocation of both crossing points. Design Study sanctioned at Dec 2013 NP, subsequently decision reversed at March 2014 NP.	Included in CPNN mitigation review
W123	WoT	Falcondale Road	1 of 6 recommendations contained in a traffic signal sequencing review, previously sanctioned by the NP (Ref W105)	Connect the lights to the Council's private fibre network (BNET) to give enhanced reliability, cost £30k-£50k.	Included in CPNN mitigation review
W124	WoT	Falcondale Road	1 of 6 recommendations contained in a traffic signal sequencing review, previously sanctioned by the NP (Ref W105)	Install traffic cameras on the BNET system, cost approx £20k but dependant on completion of W123	Included in CPNN mitigation review
W125	WoT	Falcondale Road	1 of 6 recommendations contained in a traffic signal sequencing review, previously sanctioned by the NP (Ref W105)	Introduce a "Clearway" during peak hours, cost £10k	Included in CPNN mitigation review
W126	WoT	Falcondale Road/ Stoke Lane junction	1 of 6 recommendations contained in a traffic signal sequencing review, previously sanctioned by the NP (Ref W105)	Improvements to the capacity of the Stoke Lane junction, cost approx £25k	Included in CPNN mitigation review
W127	WoT	Falcondale Road/ Henbury Road junction	1 of 6 recommendations contained in a traffic signal sequencing review, previously sanctioned by the NP (Ref W105)	Improvements to the capacity of this junction. These would cost approx £200k and be funded from the Council's capital budget, probably within the next 5 years	Included in CPNN mitigation review

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Ref	Ward	Location	Details	Progress	Status
W132	WoT	Eastfield Road, at Cote Lea Park junction	Difficulty for pedestrians using crossing point, due to parked vehicles restricting visibility	Will require parking restrictions if parked vehicles are to be moved further away from crossing point.	Under Review (see W136)
W133	WoT	Greystoke Ave, junct with Falcondale Road	Recent BCC Report highlighted that existing pedestrian refuges at the junction were poorly sited and proposed that improved crossing points plus a 2-lane exit from Greystoke Ave to Falcondale Road (at a cost of approx £40k), would provide benefits to both pedestrians and traffic	Review recommendations and pursue options. Also to include W119. Design Study sanctioned at Dec 2013 NP, subsequently decision reversed at March 2014 NP.	Included in CPNN mitigation review
W135	WoT	Cote Lea Park junction with Pinewood Close	Inconsiderate parking on junction, reducing visibility for drivers	Parking restrictions ("yellow lines") to be included in next local parking review (W136)	In progress
W136	WoT	Holmwood Gardens, Passage Road, Shipley Road and Westfield Road	Roads currently being used for all-day commuter parking with resultant visibility problems and pavement parking	Review current parking restrictions with a view to providing additional double yellow lines. <b>Parking Review sanctioned at June 2014 NP.</b>	
W138	WoT	Westbury Road	Inconsiderate parking on footway between Falcondale Road and Southfield Road	Ownership of footway to be determined	Under Review
W139	WoT	Rosery Close	Roads currently being used for all-day parking with resultant problems for residents	Parking restrictions ("yellow lines") to be included in next local parking review. See W136	In progress
W140	WoT	Southdown Road and Hillsdon Road	Problems with "rat-running" to avoid Henbury Road/Falcondale Road traffic lights	Could be included with CPPN mitigation review or local parking review - see W136	Under Review