

Minutes of the 20's Plenty Working Group – Tuesday 23 August 2016

Present: Cllr Claire Belsom (FTC) (CB)
Cllr David Simmons (SBC) (DS)
Cllr Mike Henderson (SBC) (MH)
Amanda Russell (AR)
Tim Stonor (TS)
Ellie Jupp (EJ)
Gulliver Immink (GI)

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Tom Gates. Kirstie Williams (KCC) has confirmed that she will not attend any further meetings.

The Chair, AR, proposed that Item 3 of the agenda be heard first.

2. Co-option of other Members

Following a brief introduction of themselves, GI and EJ were proposed by MH, seconded by DS and were duly co-opted as members of the working group.

3. Election of a Chair

DS proposed CB as Chair and EJ as Vice Chair, seconded by MH and agreed by all.

4. Declarations of Interest

None.

5. Minutes of the Minutes dated 14 June 2016

Minutes were agreed.

6. Terms of Reference and the Purpose of the Working Group

It was agreed that the terms of the reference for the group were as those set out in Cllr Whiting's email of 20 May 2016:

- To elect a chairman and conduct business at meetings and arrange meetings
- To examine how 20mph could be implemented throughout all residential streets in Faversham
- To prepare a report with recommendations to be discussed at the JTB to be held on 4 July 2016

7. Department of Transport's Guidelines on Setting Local Speed Limits

AR felt it was important to establish which guidelines the group would be working to. KCC's guidelines are superseded by the national guidelines, which are cheaper and easier to achieve.

KCC's guidelines has two phases; signing the entrance and repeating and physical changes to the area (narrowing of splays, calming measures, rumble strips). The national guidelines say you do not require all of these. AR also stated that KCC's guidelines do not take into account vulnerable road users under the Equality Act 2010.

AR would request the project initiation document from Tunbridge Wells.

Action: AR

MH pointed out that the concept has already been approved in Faversham and the ToR were that the group consider how it would be implemented and the following should be considered:

- i. Designing an entry point
- ii. Costings
- iii. Funding

It was agreed to work to national guidelines, but also that KW needed to be an active participant with support from KCC. MH agreed to contact Matthew Balfour of KCC.

Action: MH

KW had promised information on funding and has since confirmed that LTP funding had been categorically denied. Nothing has been received regarding public health funding. KW has offered to meet at her own offices, but this was considered unsatisfactory and it was agreed to lodge concern at this approach. It was, however, noted that Cllr Whiting's original email did state one attendance from KW.

8. The Area included within 20mph

TS presented a proposal with 15 suggested entry points for signage. A discussion took place over Western Link, however it was considered difficult to reduce 60mph to 20mph and may not receive support from the public.

9. Funding Options and Strategy

DS and MH agreed to provide £250 each from their SBC Localism fund to pay a consultant to review the initial proposals.

Action: DS, MH

Funding could come from FTC, SBC, KCC and Highways. Members of the public could also be asked to contribute.

MH will ask Mike Knowles if he can design and cost signage proposals to take to KCC.

Action: MH

TS left the meeting at 7.35pm

10. The Next Steps

It was agreed that either MH or DS would report on progress at the JTB on 12 September. A request would be raised for another meeting with KW.

Action: DS, MH

GI to draft an initial two page report for circulation.

Action: GI

A formal presentation to the JTB would take place on 19 December.

11. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 22 September, 5pm, The Guildhall