

## **Notes of the Pixham Speed and Parking Action Group (STAG) meeting held on Monday 20 May 2024**

Present:

Debbie Whitton -co Chair

David Barrett – co Chair

Anthony Harrison (committee member)

Brian Downing

Sue Mills

Christian Marroni

Joy Profitt (notes and actions)

Apologies: Pat Smith, John Hammond.

Debbie Whitton brought the meeting up to date on the outstanding actions from the previous meeting as follows:

1. Christian reported on the meeting with representatives of Stonegate which was largely positive. Stonegate were happy for their contributions to be used for mitigation. The STAG representatives had to push for trees and bollards as well in certain locations. Hazel Watson had suggested publishing an open letter to Stonegate thanking them for all that they had done which would enable the community to better hold them accountable. Christian commented that it would be far harder to ask Stonegate to pay for traffic mitigation further up Pixham Lane than the Cricket Club, though the s278 mentioned improving pedestrian access as far as the church.

2. David had been unable to paint the road sign at the top of Pixham Lane outside the nursing home and he would contrive to do this. All other actions from the previous meeting had either been completed or superceded.

Matters were then covered arising from the Pixham Residents Association AGM:

1. The PRA had made a very generous donation of £1,000 towards the cost of the 2 vehicle-activated speed signs. The application for these is due to be considered in August.

2. It would be more appropriate for the PRA to contact the representatives of the Cricket/Athletics/Football Clubs about the continued parking on the verges.

3. The improvements being made by Thames Water at the sewage works should be complete within the next 4/5 months.

The following actions were agreed :

1. David would paint the outstanding sign.

2. An article would be published in the Pixham Post in due course giving information about

the tree planting and bollards along the verges as per advice and consultation with the Highways Department. **NB Highways Officer has again said that the Council will not install bollards/posts on verges.**

3. It was agreed that we should, in parallel, follow up with SCC about the siting of the bollards and trees. The Highways Department had plenty of trees and were looking for sites. **Done - site visit with Robbie Stewart and PRA 5/6/24, potential for 13 trees. Debbie and Susie following up with the residents whose houses they would be outside. Also ideally need them to commit to watering 'their' tree(s) for the first 2 years.**

4. Debbie to contact the Highways Department to inform them that the trees and bollards will be included in the Section 278. **Done - have put Robbie Stewart (Trees) in touch with Matthew Strong (Highways Engineer).**

5. A further meeting to be scheduled once the planning application for the additional houses, including the s.278, has been approved by MVDC.

6. An open letter to Stonegate to be put onto FB and into the Pixham Post, once planning application has been approved.

7. Anthony reported that the '40' speed roundels by Downsvale at the junction with the A25 hadn't been replaced since the recent A25 roadworks had happened. Debbie to report to SCC.

Additional points: Hazel Watson also suggested we contact the other Lib Dem councillors (Draper and Rosam) to ask them to support the s278. Christian has done this.