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<u>Minutes of a Traffic Advisory Sub-Committee meeting held on the 16th January</u> 2025 at 2pm, online via TEAMS

PRESENT: Cllrs Mark Walker (Chair), Sandra Coleman, Tom Festa, Jo Graves, Alex Keyser

ALSO PRESENT: Katherine Jang, Acting Town Clerk & CEO Odele Parsons, OCC 1 member of the public

TAC26	Apologies for absence Cllr Geoff Saul and Cllr Steve Akers gave apologies for the meeting.
TAC27	Declaration of interests None received
TAC28	 Minutes Cllr Coleman proposed to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Cllr Keyser. RESOLVED: That the minutes from the sub-committee held on the 3rd October 2024 were signed and approved by the Chair as an accurate record. Matters arising: Tree planting on the Leys, for OP to contact the trees officer Members queried why there is no SID on Worcester Rd. OP replied that SIDs are not effective on roads with a high speed limit. Cllr Coleman to follow up with Cllr Saul regarding the costs to close the town centre car park for events.
TAC29	Public Participation None received
TAC30	LCWIP Odele Parsons gave an update on the 6-stage LCWIP plan. Currently OCC are close to completing the Network plan for cycling, in collaboration with Cllr Festa, and the Network plan for walking. The next stage is ranking the routes and prioritising improvements. The final stage will be pulling together a completed active travel plan, which will be published for public consultation. The plan is slightly behind schedule due to sick leave over the Christmas period, but the consultation is due for the 1 st Feb, which will be taken to the cabinet for decision in April 2025. The public consultation will be on OCC's Let's Talk online portal and at Chipping Norton Library.
	New Street/High Street/West Street Options Appraisal



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	The options appraisal study has been completed and circulated to key
	stakeholders in December 2024.
	Clirs raised:
	 The roundabout option (Option 5) has been discussed widely in town, and most residents believe this option to be the most sensible idea.
	Odele replied that the constraints with space at this junction meant that
	the two zebra crossings shown in other options were not possible.
	Additionally, due to the traffic studies done at the junction it showed that
	there were unequal traffic flows at the 3 arms, with the West Street arm
	with the lowest levels of traffic. Roundabouts only function well if all
	arms have equal levels of traffic.
	- Closing the gaps from the car park onto the pavement? Cllrs raised that
	there are no pedestrian routes into the car park (Topside) at all, and that
	pedestrians take these desire paths onto safe pavement. OP replied that the car park would need to be considered and refigured, most likely
	losing one row of spaces.
	Timeline – At the moment there is no set timeline as no funding has been
	allocated.
	Windrush Valley HGV Study
	The ANPR study report is due back Feb 2025. An update will be given by Cllr
	Saul at an upcoming meeting.
	Vision Zero Update
	This primarily encompasses the new 20mph scheme for Oxfordshire.
	Implementation of large cycle symbols in the middle of lanes is planned on A
	and B roads in Chipping Norton.
	- Walk to School Day, in May. Members discussed partnering with schools
	and publicising this more widely. To add to the next meeting's agenda.
	For the Clerk to write to Lee Turner (OCC) to ask about the delivery of the
	project, as it was understood that it was due within this FY.
	- Copy in Cllr Festa and OP.
TAC31	County Officer's Report As per OP's report
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TAC32	District Officer's Report
	None received
TAC33	Update from Cllr Saul on OCC Highways matters including the HGV
17033	working group
	Cllr Saul not present
	Cllrs requested the Churchill SID data for the next meeting.
TAC34	Cycling
	Covered earlier in agenda



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	Rusty Riders starting again in March 2025.
TAC35	Pedestrian and Road Safety Covered earlier in agenda
TAC36	Parking No updates received.
TAC37	Date of the next meeting Thursday, 27 th March 2025, 2pm via TEAMS

The Chair closed the meeting at 3:20pm