

# Horton Parish Council Meeting

Champney Hall on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2019

## Minutes

#01	Councillors		
	A	<p><b>Present, and apologies and declaration of interest</b>  <b>Present:</b> Cllrs Coogan and Crame and the Chair Cllr Bovington. No members of the public  <b>Apologies:</b> Ward Cllrs Cannon, Larcombe and Muir, Parish Cllrs Patel, Gibbons and Dunga</p>	
	B	(and questions from the public if appropriate): none	
#02	Statutory items:		
	A	<b>Recording Requests received:</b> none so recording was not permitted	
	B	<b>Minutes of previous meeting for approval:</b> Proposed and seconded (Cllrs Crame and Coogan) signed by the chair	
#03	Matters arising from previous meetings of the Parish Council (unless due to be covered later):		
	A	<p><b>Village Christmas Tree &amp; Carol event:</b> The event was enjoyed by all who attended, and the clerk received a letter of thanks from Deputy Mayor, Cllr Gary Muir. The number that attended was disappointing. Clerk to increase number of posters next year to ensure it is publicised better. [NB CLERK HAS ALSO MADE A NOTE FOR THE PC TO PICK THE DATE EARLIER NEXT YEAR SO IT CAN BE INCLUDED IN WRAYSBURY NEWS MAGAZINE]</p>	BH
	B	<b>Pavement Parking &amp; Speeding:</b> See #03/D	
	C	<b>Victorian Style Lights (Village green) update:</b> Three of the four lights have been installed and are working, the final one needs a two man crew and should be fitted any day now.	BH
	D	<b>Parish Liaison Meeting:</b> See Appendix A	
	E	<b>Flytipping at Queen Mother Reservoir:</b> TW advise they have removed the waste, and are waiting for fencing contractors to replace the fence	
	F	<b>Mud on road and footpath:</b> Complaints for residents that the mud, rain and leaves are making the footpath treacherous. The Clerk raised this as a request to Cappagh. The road has been swept from The Old Five Bells to Horton Depot, and RBWM will get the footpath cleaned within the next 7 days	
	G	<b>Annual review of Clerk's wages &amp; pension:</b> A complicated evaluation sheet is being completed to calculate the correct amount.	JC FB
	H	<b>AJNR dog waste bag dispenser:</b> Has been installed and is being topped up by a volunteer. Clerk proposed purchase of three tins of chocolates as a Thank You for the three volunteers. Unanimously agreed	BH
	I	<b>Tree Survey:</b> Clerk is still trying to establish ownership of trees – ie which ones the PC is responsible for	BH
	J	<b>Council training:</b>   Clerk at Datchet PC is arranging training – probably next spring. Cost will be about £16 per head if all spaces are taken. There will be two Cllr sessions and the ability to request more training (general and specific) as required. Clerk is looking into completing the CILCA course – to be discussed with the above trainer	BH
	K	<b>Wraysbury Bridge lighting:</b> Being delayed by Network Rail processes but will hopefully happen soon.	
	L	<b>£2000 donation from Cappagh:</b> This has now been received. This money, plus £1000 from Jayflex and £200 from Mitchellsons was contributed as part of our Defibrillator funding request. . The Cappagh money was the final donation and they advised that we could put the excess towards benches in the village. The Cllrs asked the clerk to ask Cappagh if this money could be put towards other village projects instead.	BH
	M	<b>Website Legislation (changes):</b> Clerk to ask mh-p for a quote for new proposals to be implemented. Clerk also raised that she was sorting out archived documents – did Cllrs think these should go on the website (there may be costs ) or on a blog, or in the shared drive?. Clerk to find costs and to ask WPC who their web host is and what do they do with their archived documents	BH
	N	<b>Community Right To Buy (CRTB):</b> <a href="mailto:CRTB@RBWM.gov.uk">CRTB@RBWM.gov.uk</a> have advised that they confirm that <i>having</i>	

		<i>reviewed the application it has been considered suitable for listing so have requested that it be added to the RBWM website to start a 2-week consultation process. Letters will also be sent to the parish council and the owner and occupier of the premise and then a decision will be made after the 2 week period by the lead member for this area. However the acknowledgement only covered the Crown's nomination, not the convenience store. Clerk has asked for clarification</i>		BH
	<b>O</b>	<b>Any other matters arising from the previous minutes :</b> None		
<b>#04</b>		<b>Planning applications and Highways:</b>		
	<b>A</b>	<b>Planning Applications received:</b> see appendix		
	i	<b>19/03224 18 Coppermill Road:</b> Part retrospective application, Single story rear extension. Cllrs were concerned that the plans appeared to be hand drawn or at least labelled by hand which is not normal architectural practice, and would like to know whether RBWM have sent an inspector to site to assess the plans. They asked to clerk to advise RBWM that they ask the planning team to ensure that: there is adequate off-street parking provided under the proposals; any hard surfaces are made of porous materials and retained thereafter, or provision be made and retained to direct run-off water from the hard surface to a permeable or porous area or surface within the curtilage of the property; that rain water be stored within the confines of the property, not added to the main drains and that all permitted development rights be removed and no expansion permitted for at least ten years. Additionally any gates that are provided shall open away from the highway and be set back a distance of at least 7 metres from the nearside edge of the carriageway of the adjoining highway (Relevant Policies - Local Plan P4.), and any concerns expressed by neighbours are taken into account.		BH
	ii	<b>Any other applications received in time to be discussed at the meeting:</b> none		
	<b>B</b>	<b>Planning Enforcement Complaints:</b> See appendix		
	i	<b>18/50162/ENF: Tudor Cottage (between Stone Frigate &amp; Chesils):</b> Home office or accommodation. Clerk chasing, no reply		
	ii	<b>154 Coppermill Road:</b> Apparent dwellings in rear garden: Clerk chasing, no reply		
	iii	<b>Mitchel &amp; Sons:</b> Retrospective application refused, reinstatement works? Planning enforcement are planning formal enforcement action		
	iv	<b>Any other enforcement issues received in time to be discussed at the meeting</b>		
	<b>C</b>	<b>Other planning issues, decisions and appeals:</b>		
	i	<b>19/01945 Brookfield:</b> Consent to retain security PIR lights and CCTV cameras	Refused	
	ii	<b>19/02095 Little Court:</b> Consent to retain and carry out internal & external alterations	Granted	
	iii	<b>19/02133 Trevescan:</b> Alterations to existing roof with new front And dormer windows, roof lights, first floor side windows and alterations to fenestration	Refused	
	iv	<b>19/02180 Mitchell &amp; Sons:</b> provision of 9 new parking spaces	Refused	
	v	<b>19/02195 Garages at 1-12 Milton Close:</b> 2 x 3 bedroom dwellings & other items	Refused	
	vi	<b>19/02926 144 Coppermill Road:</b> single storey rear extn	G P D*	
	vii	<b>Any other issues, decisions or appeals received in time to be discussed at the meeting:</b> None		
	<b>D</b>	<b>Any other Planning items:</b> See appendix		
	i	<b>Horton Municipal Graveyard:</b> No update		
	ii	<b>CIL payments:</b> No Update		
<b>#05</b>		<b>Chairman's Communications / RBWM Communications:</b>		
	<b>A</b>	<b>Remembrance Day Collection:</b> The Horton Parish Council Collection raised £81.19 towards the villages' total of £2721.25 (plus one cheque outstanding)		
	<b>B</b>	<b>Any communications received after the agenda has been published:</b> The Clerk received a nomination form whereby the Parish Council can nominate a past chair and guest to attend the Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2020. Cllrs asked the clerk to nominate Dale Davies.		BH
<b>#06</b>		<b>To receive reports from Borough Councillors, Parish Councillors or Clerk:</b>		
	<b>A</b>	<b>Parish Conference:</b> No one represented HPC at this conference. The minutes have been added to the shared drive at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/HPCCLrsDrive">https://tinyurl.com/HPCCLrsDrive</a> . The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March		
	<b>B</b>	<b>Ward Councillors' report:</b> Ward Cllrs sent their apologies		

C	<b>Heathrow Expansion update:</b> A working group with representatives from Bray, Datchet, Horton and Old Windsor are working on a joint reply, and considering mitigation requests			
D	<b>Borough Local Plan:</b> Cllr Crame submitted HPC's response to the BPL on 14 <sup>th</sup> December. See Appendix B			
E	<b>Neighbourhood Plan:</b> The Referendum has been arranged for 30 <sup>th</sup> January. Clerk to check arrangements with Electoral Services at RBWM, and whether we can also have traffic management consultation at the same time.		BH	
F	<b>Traveller Local Plan &amp; Parish Community working group:</b> This group wrote to RBWM in support on increasing the size of the Datchet site			
G	<b>HEELAS &amp; Call for sites (Pickins Piece):</b> RBWM claim not to have been aware that this was submitted as a potential dwelling site, although they did acknowledge receipt of our email. Cllr Crame is chasing a satisfactory resolution		JC	
H	<b>NAG Report:</b> See Appendix C			
I	<b>BALC / HALC / NALC updates:</b> Available from <a href="https://tinyurl.com/HPCCLrsDrive">https://tinyurl.com/HPCCLrsDrive</a>			
J	<b>Flood Warden's report.</b> Flood Warden advises that Environment Agency do not have any plans to clear the Colne, but private individuals are not permitted to do any work themselves without permission.			
K	<b>River Thames Scheme report:</b> No update			
L	<b>Parish Council Reps:</b>			
	i	<b>Play equipment Rep:</b> Cllr Gibbons was unable to attend		
	ii	<b>Proof reading policies Rep:</b> Cllr Dunga was unable to attend but he and the Clerk are working on policies.		
	iii	<b>Defibrillator Guardians:</b> Cllr Coogan reported all was in order		
		<i>Weekly: Check the defibrillator is inside the cabinet.</i>		Checked
		<i>Weekly: Check the "green" ready light is on.</i>		Checked
		<i>Monthly: Check pad expiry. (If less than one month order new pads via the defib supplier).</i>		09/2021
<i>Monthly: The keypad lock may need spraying with WD40 or similar.</i>		Checked		
M	<b>Parish Liaison Meeting:</b> See #03/D			
N	<b>Greens Report:</b>			
	i	<b>Split Willow Tree</b> (adjoining TW land at Coppermill Road) RBWM to remove it, and another dead maple leaning on the fence. Whole site to be surveyed in near future.		
	ii	<b>Coppermill verges (east side):</b> Some confusion as to whose responsibility this is. Clerk trying to resolve with RBWM and Garden Designs. Shrubs at rear of cut verge to be removed by RBWM		
	iii	<b>Weed killer treatment at St Michael's</b> (6 x pa total £126)	These items are on the latest quote from Garden Designs, but clerk is not aware that HPC pays for church work other than the mowing and strimming agreed 2018/11/20/#06/M. Clerk to check with St Michael's PCC	
<b>General cutback of vegetation [ivy] at St Michael's church</b> (1 x pa total £210.00)				
O	<b>Climate Change Committee:</b> No update			
P	<b>Highway Issues :</b> No current issues			
Q	<b>Any communications received after the agenda has been published:</b> The clerk will inform the Councillors but no discussion or vote will take place until the next meeting			
#07	<b>Other Communications or Consultations:</b>			
A	<b>Rubble and boulder spillage outside Broom Lodge / St Michael's :</b> Has all been removed			
B	<b>RBWM information on Parish Councils:</b> HPC contact details are out of date on at least two RBWM pages. Clerk is liaising with RBWM to get this updated.		BH	
C	<b>Setting a date for the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) and the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council (AMPC)</b> It was agreed to hold the APM on 12 <sup>th</sup> May, followed immediately by the AMPC. <i>(The APM is an opportunity for all registered electors of Horton to receive the Parish and the Ward Cllrs' Annual Report, to receive the provisional Parish accounts, and Champney Hall accounts, to ask questions and raise matters of interest or concern. The AMPC is the meeting at which the Parish Council's Chair and Vice Chair will be elected for the next year.)</i>		BH	
D	<b>Any communications received after the agenda has been published:</b> The clerk will inform the			

		Councillors but no discussion or vote will take place until the next meeting				
	i	<b>Hanging Flower Basket outside St Michael's Church.</b> It was reported that a farm vehicle had hit and broken the hanging basket. Clerk is liaising with the driver's insurance to get the basket replaced.				BH
	ii	<b>Neighbourhood Plan Referendum: (also see 6E).</b> RBWM have advised they wish to direct residents to the Parish Office to view the plans. Clerk has advised them we don't have a parish office and made alternative suggestions. She also advised them that the last two elections have seen an election kit (signage and the voting booth) being left at Champney Hall – we do not have the storage space for one let alone 2!				
<b>#08</b>		<b>Financial</b>				
	A	<b>Any receipts:</b> to advise the Councillors of any receipts over and above the precept and the compensating grant. The replacement £2000 from Cappagh (see 2019/11/19/#08/E) and St Michael's contribution of £1322.50 to the cost of mowing and strimming the church yard (2018/11/20/#06/M) have been received since the last meeting.				
	B	<b>VAT Update:</b> Clerk to remind RFO to raise 19/11/19/#08/B (VAT query) with the internal auditor asap				BH
	C	<b>Payment of invoices:</b> to receive for approval a list of invoices received. Proposed and seconded Cllrs Crame and Coogan. Cllr Bovingdon signed the list and the cheques. Clerk to take the cheques to Cllr Sinclair Hill to be countersigned,				BH
		Date	Payee	Invoice/details	Cheque N°	Value £
		17-Dec	HMRC	Mth 9	300567	83.60
		17-Dec	B. Hickley	MTh 9	300568	753.18
		17-Dec	JRB Enterprises	20550	300569	155.22
		17-Dec	Garden Designs	3275	300570	690.00
		17-Dec	McMillan Cancer Support	EMail-13/12/19	300571	50.00
		17-Dec	Janet Crame (tree)	EMail-13/12/19	300572	350.00
		17-Dec	RBWM	IP195898X	300573	272.50
		17-Dec	Garden Designs	3324	300574	1704.60
	D	<del>Accounts for previous Q submitted for approval if applicable</del> – Not applicable				
	E	<b>£2000 donation from Cappagh:</b> See item #03/L				
	F	<b>Any other Finance items received after the agenda has been published:</b> None				
<b>#09</b>		<b>Questions from the public:</b> None				
<b>#10</b>		<b>Dates of future meetings: 2019 &amp; 2020, Third Tuesday of each month</b>				
		Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2020		Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020		
		Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2020		Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> August 2020		
		Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2020		Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> September 2020		
		Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2020		Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2020		
		Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 * AMP & AMPC (see #07/C		Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2020		
		Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2020		Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2020		
		Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June 2020				

## END OF MINUTES

The meeting finished at 20:40

All votes were unanimous unless specified.

\*\* Un-adopted Minutes – these are not deemed to be a record of the meeting until signed by the Chair \*\*

Minutes prepared by Clerk to the Council: Mrs Benta Hickley, 4B Bells Lane, Horton, SL3 9PW

Note: Personal callers by appointment only.

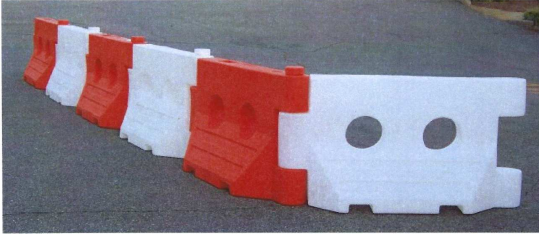

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## Appendix A

2019 12 04  
Parish Liaison Meeting (including parking & speeding)  
And  
Heathrow Update

### Parish Liaison Meeting

<b>1</b>	<b>Present (for PLM)</b>	
	Andy Jeffs, Louise Freeth, Tony Carr, Freda Bovingdon, Janet Crame and Benta Hickley	
<b>2</b>	<b>New Staff:</b>	
	We were introduced to Louise Freeth who will take over from Andy Jeffs	
<b>3</b>	<b>Arising from previous meeting</b>	
	i	Horton and Wraysbury Plan: Referendum to held at earliest opportunity (and to include info about parking and speeding)
	ii	<p><b>Mineral extraction:</b> paper published re Historic sites but no action. Fields will be dug up – we need to minimise traffic issues. Poyle Road has a condition re no stacking on main road. Q: does RBWM enforce early or late operations? We believe Jayflex turn left out of their Horton Road Site occasionally. Routing would be policed by Planning Enforcement. Ben Smith can implement ANPR (static image, every vehicle reg number checked, Trading Standards would enforce) <b>HGV:</b> CCTV can help if no HGVs at all are permitted, but our area is “No HGV except for access” which makes it harder.</p>
	iii	<p>Tony Car explained that the hoped-for traffic islands for Coppermill Road would be difficult to install. However, he proposed an alternative solution – a raised pavement area with bollards which sits at the side of the road and forces traffic to slow down as they cannot properly pass otherwise. To try out the idea there is a temporary coned-off arrangement which can be installed at various points along the side of Coppermill Road. Horton needs to pursue this with them. It will be raised at the NAG meeting for discussion</p>
		 

### Heathrow Update

<b>1</b>	<b>Present (for HU)</b>	
	Margaret Lenton, John Lenton, Jane Clemance, Chris Joyce, Freda Bovingdon, Janet Crame and Benta Hickley	
<b>2</b>	<b>Matters discussed</b>	

i	Heathrow: Road works at J13 are part of the proposed Heathrow road upgrade plans. This is already causing severe traffic delays and Wraysbury, Horton and Datchet are being used as a rat-run
ii	Chris advised that Heathrow may reroute the River Colne –it is not a navigable river so EA will not take action against this being rerouted, however we can ask for flooding prevention works
iii	There will inevitably be noise, pollution, traffic, air quality, construction inconvenience, etc issues, so they may offer to take flood prevention action to mitigate other issues
iv	RBWM plans to submit request for mitigation package – the Villages need to consider all the disadvantages we will suffer and draw up a list of all the things we want to have to help soften the blow. Chris advised we should ask for everything including some form of ‘precept’ to allow us to maintain the work we ask for e.g., upgrade to Champney Hall etc. JC reiterated that our biggest requirement is to enforce traffic management so that HGV movements cannot go through the Village centre and no through traffic for normal cars, vans etc.
	Heathrow’s consultation ended September 2019. (Plans, impact and mitigation) RBWM claims that this consultation was inadequate, and they are opposed as benefits are far lower than impact – this will be challenged through court.
v	If new plans go ahead, RBWM are asking for a comprehensive investment to compensate
vi	Heathrow’s current traffic plans are inadequate: Currently funding M25, M4, A4, A3044 changes. Major investment to public transport to East but none to west
vii	Heathrow are investing in green spaces, but no good if no one can get there!
viii	A “Development Consent Order” will be submitted and local authorities will be asked if the consultation has been adequate
ix	(D, H, OW, W and Bray) have joined as Working Group to minimise effects on parishes -JC is coordinating this and Chris Joyce happy to join the Parishes’ working group
x	Heathrow should present their next plans for consultation in March 2020

## Appendix B

### Horton Parish Council Response to the

### Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead Borough Local Plan - December 2019

Horton Parish council welcomes many of the amendments and changes to the Borough Local Plan (BLP) but we cannot support or fully endorse the BLP until further additions and amendments are included.

The specific areas which concern Horton Village and for which we have requested assistance from the RBWM are:

- The expansion of Heathrow Airport
- The Joint Minerals and Waste Plan
- A Gypsy and Traveller Policy.

#### 1. Heathrow Expansion

We have raised this with the RBWM Planning Team directly in person and in writing. The reasons given for not including proposed mitigation plans in the BLP included (initially) that the RBWM were opposed to the airport expansion. More latterly, we were told that when the BLP was produced, there had still not been any confirmation that the expansion would take place; inclusion of any policy was therefore not necessary. In fact, the joint Mineral Plan – also referred to in the BLP – clearly states that certain areas of

the Borough have been reserved for Heathrow. We therefore do not accept the BLP's approach to Heathrow expansion and are clear that there should be policies directly relating to the protection of the Villages which will be affected. The BLP's Spatial portrait refers to the Aviation policy being set at National Level. We have not yet seen evidence of meaningful RBWM/local Parish consultations with government referred to in point 3.2.3.

## 2. Transport

We fully support the submission presented by the Royal Borough Action Group (RAG) in response to the BLP, dated December 2019.

(From the RAG Submission) – 'Theme 3: The new Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) submitted as part of the new evidence does not address the challenges of delivering the necessary infrastructure, especially transport. Although the production of a new Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) is welcomed in principle, and although this document lists a large number of strategic and local transport infrastructure projects which have been identified as necessary to support the new Plan and its land allocations, very few of these are given high priority, and very few appear to be in any way funded'. Reference is made throughout the plan to shifting demand and projected changes to the likely demographic. However, the plan needs to cover current day situations as well as projections. A high percentage of Horton's population fall outside the anticipated and existing social structure of the rest of the Borough, evidenced by the number of social housing developments. The Village also has a high percentage of ageing population. These factors are not currently addressed by the Borough, nor does the plan show detail of how to accommodate these requirements going forwards.

From the BLP – 'Objective 7 - **Sustainable transport** To promote sustainable transport and alternatives to the use of private vehicles: Promote the use of public transport'.

Horton has no school, no medical centre or Doctor's surgery, and only one general store. We have very limited bus routes and whilst train stations are located at the outskirts of the Village, they are not within walking distance for the majority. The Parish Council would like to see real understanding of the transport difficulties faced in the Village and a constructive way to address this, rather than the hope that future housing development projects will make provisions. Indeed, our Neighbourhood Plan submission included a Development Brief to force Developers to submit and discuss plans for larger developments with local residents before submission to the Planning authority. However, this was modified to 'encourage' rather than 'force', by the RBWM planning Team. We are therefore reliant on the Borough to make provisions for the Village.

## 3. Traffic

This is extremely important, particularly in relation to the planned expansion of Heathrow Airport and the existing mineral extraction activities. Many of the Planning Applications which will be submitted for Heathrow expansion will not be directly handled by RBWM. However, all Parishes in the vicinity of the airport will be seriously affected by these plans. Traffic management is paramount to the protection of the Villages yet the BLP makes little or no provision for or even acknowledgement of this.

Horton Village is sandwiched between the M4 and M25 and is used as a 'rat-run' for vehicles of all types to avoid congestion on the M25 and gain access to the M4; and vice versa. There are restriction signs in place for HGV movements but there is no enforcement and they are therefore completely ineffective. We believe that in removing the original HA41 Land North of Churchmead School proposed housing development from the 2017 BLP submission version, the Borough have missed a key opportunity to help mitigate traffic congestion and throughput which affects Horton and Datchet. This project should be reconsidered. There needs to be a complete review and restructure of the traffic routing through Horton, Wraysbury, Datchet and Old Windsor.

The current Mineral Extraction workings located within the Village and on the outskirts necessitate many HGV movements into and out of the Village. The Borough needs to enforce their policies to ensure that these vehicles do not deviate from agreed routes. Indeed there must be policies in place to ensure that future mineral extraction work does not allow HGV movements through the Village.

## 4. Air Quality

From the RAG Submission – 'Theme 4: The attention given to air quality issues in the Plan and in the accompanying Sustainability Appraisal is inadequate. Despite some allocated sites being identified as having major air quality impacts, no appropriate mitigation is currently planned. Given existing levels of traffic congestion in the Royal Borough, the extent of new development proposed in the Plan, and the lack of detail about traffic infrastructure improvements (or certainty that these will be carried out), the lack of adequate air quality assessment or proposals for mitigation means that there will be negative health impacts for residents. In this respect, the Plan does not conform with the clear requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), nor with current Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) or National Institute for Health Care Excellence (NICE) guidance'.

We would further comment that there is no mention of a policy or plan to measure existing or future air quality in the surrounds of Datchet, Horton and Wraysbury where the greatest effects of aircraft movement are already visible: e.g. residents frequently complain of oily deposits on washing and garden water. Expansion of the airport will necessarily increase not only pollution due to aircraft movements, but also substantial air pollution from traffic movements and construction work on proposed building developments.

## 5. Gypsy and Traveller Policy

We fully support the Response to BLP Submission from the Datchet, Wraysbury & Horton Gypsy and Traveller Workgroup dated November 2019. There has been no progress made with a Gypsy and Traveller Policy by the Borough despite assurances that this was the case. According to supplementary documentation to the BLP - Local development Scheme updated in October 2019 - the target date for submission is now Summer 2021. We have endorsed the evidence of substantial errors and inaccuracies in the Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment which the GRT Workgroup highlighted. Horton is one of the Villages which has a large proportion of the GRT community in the Borough. We do not support the Policy HO4 as it falls far short of any meaningful proposals to resolve the evident accommodation shortfall for established GRT families in our immediate area.

Furthermore, Policy HO 4 is vague and contradicts other Housing Policy: 'Planning permission will be granted ....where all of the following criteria are met.....a. the site is suitably connected by sustainable modes of transport to a settlement with health care, retail, and school facilities with capacity '.....Policy HO3 Affordable Housing states : 7. Development proposals for limited affordable housing within the Green Belt, to meet local needs only, will be permitted as an exception where all of the following criteria are met: ..... 'schools with capacity, health, shops and other community facilities are within reasonable travelling distance'.

## Conclusion

Whilst some progress has been made, the RBWM BLP still needs a good degree of amendment and change to meet their stated criteria:

'Our Villages to be largely protected from new development.

RBWM will remain a place where everyone can thrive in a safe, healthy and sustainable environment'.

## Appendix C

# Datchet Horton & Wraysbury Neighbourhood Action Group Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at Champney Hall, Horton **Minutes**



1	<p><b>Present and Apologies:</b>  <b>Present:</b> Janet Crame and Benta Hickley (Horton PC), Henry Perez (Wraysbury Speedwatch), Linda O’Flynn (Datchet PC), John Lenton and Margaret Lenton (Wraysbury Parish Council) , Duncan Dimbleby (Community Warden), and PC James Large &amp; Sgt Rachel Jinks from Thames Valley Police.</p>	
2	<p><b>Matters arising from last meeting:</b> Police visits to villages: Benta suggested Horton meetings could be at St Michael’s on a Tuesday morning from 11:30 after church service.  Margaret Lenton reminded the meeting that it had previously been agreed for each meeting to be chaired/minuted by the relevant Councillor/clerk of the hosting Parish. Janet Crame was therefore asked to Chair the meeting.</p>	RJ JL
3	<p><b>Speeding</b>  Janet advised that HPC had meet with Andy Jeffs and Tony Carr to discuss speeding in the village, particularly on Coppermill Road. A number of ideas had been discussed but although Bumpouts had been proposed, problems with so many drives onto the road made that impractical. The main problem with speed detection vehicles is that residents post it on Facebook.</p> <p>Horton and Wraysbury Clerks have been putting 30pmh (or 40 or 20 as appropriate) stickers on wheelie bins. These have generally been met positively by the residents and will hopefully work as a reminder to drivers</p> <p>Road narrowing seemed to be the better solution: narrow oblique islands at the side of the road to narrow it to single lane in place (permanent), or plastic water filled barriers (temporary) doing the same job. Horton PC understand that Tony Carr will arrange for these to be put in place.  Accidents seem to be a combination of parked cars and speeding cars. Also concern about trees and shrubs in the inner part of the bend at the Wraysbury end. Promises have been made by RBWM to cut back the trees.</p> <p>The section of Wraysbury Road that suffered a fatality earlier this year (approaching the Lammas area of Staines) is still a 40mph. TVP advise that the borough needs to action a speed reduction, RBWM seem to be waiting for Police report. Margaret to write to RBWM on behalf of WPC and Wraysbury Speedwatch. James to chase TVP. HPC to write on behalf of NAG and Speedwatch expressing their concern no action taken</p> <p>Datchet and Wraysbury have had a high number of SID (speed indication devices) damaged by catapults from passing cars.</p> <p>NB Travellers’ “elders” are happy to speak to any of their community that are suspected of this damage. Please talk to Janet</p>	ML JL BH
	<p><b>Other road issues</b>  Horton also has a problem with bad parking: commuters parking at the end of the double yellow lines, and parking on footpaths. Linda suggested shopping parking bays like Datchet has. Benta &amp; Janet to look into these with RBWM</p> <p>A pedestrian in Datchet was lucky to survive being hit by a car overtaking on the wrong side of the road. Rachel was not aware of this. James advised that Datchet is part of a “purple route” (for the Queen) which restricts what can be put in place</p> <p>Wraysbury has a parking problem with the area at the front of the new Co-op. Henry has spoken to their Executive Resolution team and understands they are implementing new arrangements in January (unless this has to go through planning approval first). He is forwarding photos of each and every transgression: this involves shoppers as well as delivery vehicles</p> <p>Pavement parking needs to be reported by the pedestrian experiencing a problem, not by others (<i>Rachel and James – please advise how this should be reported</i>). PCSOs have restricted powers regarding parking but this may be reviewed. Margaret advised that the Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee advised that PCSOs can use Gatso guns in local communities. Rachel and James to get more details</p>	BH JC  RJ JL RJ JL
4	<p><b>Fly Tipping</b></p>	

	<p>This should be reported to the Street Care team via the reporting pages or RBWM Customer Services If there is clear evidence of the originator ask Tony Robinson for assistance for private prosecution (National Trust have had some success with this) Environmental Agency deal with waste licences.</p> <p><b>Horton:</b> not too bad in last 6 months (have had temporary CCTV in main problem area) <b>Wraysbury:</b> Back of village hall car park is a problem area <b>Datchet:</b> experiencing some problems</p>	
5	<p><b>Anti-Social Behaviour</b> Horton had problems with abusive males in a car whilst the village Christmas Tree was being erected. James has taken the registration number and will issue a Section 59 warning ("Vehicles used in manner causing alarm, distress or annoyance (1)Where a constable in uniform has reasonable grounds for believing that a motor vehicle is being used on any occasion in a manner which— (a) contravenes section 3 or 34 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 (c. 52) (careless and inconsiderate driving and prohibition of off-road driving), and (b) is causing, or is likely to cause, alarm, distress or annoyance to members of the public" Once a warning is given, if the driver is caught doing the same thing again any time in the next 12 months his car could be seized. )</p>	
6	<p><b>Crime figures since last meeting:</b> Residential burglaries (including attempted, garages and vamoose (keys stolen so car can be stolen): None in Horton, 9 each in Datchet and Wraysbury</p> <p>There does not seem to be any pattern and there has not been a significant spike given the dark nights. Christmas is a high risk time. Residents can request a free Home Security Survey.</p> <p>Theft from motor vehicles: mostly opportunist. James' figures show 3 in Horton, 7 in Wraysbury and 11 in Datchet</p>	
7	<p><b>Other issues</b></p>	
	<p>A <b>Scam phone calls:</b> Funding as made Call Blocker phones available: people can apply online or ask for help at Wraysbury's Old Baptist Church Coffee morning (Wednesdays). Janet and Benta to try and arrange for a laptop to be available</p>	BH JC
	<p>B <b>Wraysbury Station bridge lighting:</b> Until this is actually installed residents would appreciate police presence to deter attacks</p>	RK JL
	<p>C <b>Knife Safety:</b> Police are asking for ideas / suggestions on how to promote knife safety – how to get to groups. Let Rachel know any ideas. (Although not a major problem in DH&amp;W) Attacks are very rarely random – usually both parties are known to each other and the attacked are drugs or gang related</p>	All
	<p>D <b>Junior Parish Council:</b> Margaret had a successful first meeting. A number of Wraysbury children attended and Churchmead brought 6 children, (and next time will bring more.). Police to be invited to give a briefing of issues in the area (James happy to attend, and will also bring info of problem solving procedure), and PCSO Les to bring Food Station.</p>	
	<p>E <b>Wraysbury Christmas Tree Event:</b> Henry asked for thanks to be forwarded to PCSO Les for his attendance and efforts at the Wraysbury Christmas Tree Event.</p>	
8	<p><b>Any Other Business:</b> Margaret had received a request from the chair of the newly formed Welley Road Neighbourhood watch scheme asking if he could attend the NAG meetings, it was agreed this should be encouraged. Margaret to let them know. Unfortunately no significant interest in other NW schemes. People do appreciate the Alert emails from Jeff Pick.</p>	ML
9	<p><b>Next Meeting:</b> Proposed 4<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> March: Rachel and James to check availability and confirm their preferred date</p>	RK JL