

AVEBURY TRANSPORT GROUP EXHIBITION AT THE RED LION PUBLIC HOUSE

7 MARCH 2018:

SUMMARY RECORD OF ORANGE POST-IT NOTES

STATISTICS

- ❖ 50 signed in as attending (+5 not signed in?) + 7 members of APC councillors = **over 60 attended**
- ❖ **50 Post-It Notes** collected

<i>NUMBERS FOR EACH ISSUE ('OTHER' ADDED AT [H])</i>		
A	Achievements	0
B	A4/West Kennett Avenue	21
C	Beckhampton	4
D	Trusloe	2
E	On-street parking	3
F	Green Street	2
G	Footpaths, by-ways	9
H	Other	9

KEY	
APC	Avebury Parish Council
NT	The National Trust
WHS	World Heritage Site
WK	West Kennett
WKA	West Kennett Avenue
WMBBPC	Winterbourne Monkton and Berwick Bassett Parish Council
WMH	Windmill Hill

A. ACHIEVEMENTS of the Transport Group

- “Thanks for an excellent and clear exhibition presenting the issues.”

B. Improving A4 at West Kennett / Future of West Kennett Avenue

- **Support Transport Group proposal** to narrow A4 carriageway, add a footpath and introduce speed limit.
- Need a **40 or 50mph speed limit** on A4.
- **Ridgeway crossing** dangerous for pedestrians as limited sight lines for A4 motorists.
- WKA has become a rat-run with use of **satellite navigation systems**.
- Do not want **WKA closure** or **A4 road narrowing**.
- **WKA closure** would prevent farm use and require rebuilding of stock shed at Avebury.

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- **WKA closure** would inconvenience Avebury and East Kennet residents and make access to Alton Barnes more difficult.
- **Do not close WKA:** at major events there would be more illegal parking with need for more police enforcement.
- WKA closure would **significantly increase travel distance for school runs** (4x per day during term) so keep open for cars but **close to HGVs**.
- **WKA closure** would lead to its **delisting** and possible maintenance deficit.
- **Very dangerous** for farm vehicles if there is no right-turn lane off the A4 into the WKA.
- **Closing the WKA** would be an inconvenience but worth it if A4 is narrowed.
- **A4 traffic calming measures** must not encourage dangerous manoeuvres by drivers.
- Restriction/closure of WKA must not delay arrival of **emergency vehicles**.
- A4 road narrowing to remove right-hand turn into WKA unnecessary if **A4 traffic is slowed further east**.
- How would **emergency vehicles** cope if WKA closed?
- **WKA closure would drive trade** to Waggon and Horses and away from the Red Lion.
- Prefer WKA status quo but, if not possible, **close it to HGVs** but allow use by cars and emergency vehicles.
- **Prefer no WKA closure** but work now needed to improve it, including restricting access by HGVs and buses.
- **Would WKA closure be by barriers** and, if so, how would farmers operate them conveniently?
- **No objection to WKA closure** as it's too narrow for a two-way road.
- **"Make West Kennett safer: close the Avenue."**
- **Weight and width restriction** needed for WKA.
- We should put a **weight restriction** on WKA.
- Signage at WKA entrances: **"No HGVs except for access."**
- **Weight restriction for WKA** would reduce erosion and should be preceded by carriageway edge repairs.
- **Weight restriction for WKA** better than closure as, if closed, still have A4 and A4361 running through WHS.
- **Restrict weight and width along the WKA** (farm vehicles excepted) and sign it accordingly: **please consider other parish views on this**.
- **Ban HGVs from WKA:** Avebury is a working village and needs to WKA open.
- Plant **hawthorn hedges along the WKA** to reduce verge erosion.
- **Trial closure** for WKA (4x per year?) to 'sell' idea.

C. BECKHAMPTON

- Agree with some narrowing to allow speed limits.
- Cherhill has a **40mph speed limit** and the same would benefit our residents and tourists.
- **40mph speed limit** as a special measure for a WHS between WK and Beckhampton with **raised section** dividing west- and eastbound traffic to force lower speeds.

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- Add **local features or statues** to Beckhampton roundabout to achieve a natural slowing effect as in France.

D. TRUSLOE

- Agree with the TG's proposals but would like a **20mph speed limit** throughout Trusloe.
- Concerns over **dog fouling** and condition of **footpaths** might be addressed by parish news articles and inspections.
- **Double yellow lines** might prevent weekend use by visitors avoiding NT car park charge.
- **Lay-bys** allowing residents to park off carriageway would be good.

E. ON-STREET PARKING in Avebury High Street

- "Generally agree with the TG's way forward."
- High Street car park needs to be **available for visitors** when NT closes main car park.
- NT should be invited to respond to request for allocation of more **disabled parking spaces** in High Street car park.
- Yellow lines needed.
- **Village parking permits** during solstice a great idea but need enforcement.

F. GREEN STREET

- **Surface** must be improved to the by-way as it is a public road.
- Improve **signage** at top of road.
- Consider **barrier** but will need to be open e.g. at harvest time.
- **Yellow lines** are needed.
- **Satellite navigation** systems can take Marlborough-bound drivers down Green Street.
- Need to **enforce** closed period for Ridgeway access.

G. FOOTPATHS, BY-WAYS

- "Transport Group proposals seem **entirely reasonable.**"
- "A connected path network is a superb idea."
- The **lack of safe paths** between WK and Beckhampton and the Ridgeway is an issue.
- Act to **improve safety of pedestrians** walking along the A4361 between Avebury and Berwick Bassett.
- **Restrict use of Ridgeway and other by-ways** by vehicles to limit physical damage to the routes and reduce risk to walkers and cyclists.
- **By-ways closed to vehicles** need on-going maintenance to avoid becoming overgrown.
- **Better FP signage** is needed.
- **Improve signage and replace missing signs.**
- **Stiles** between WMH and Monkton need repairing.
- **Dog fouling** is a problem.

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- **Footpath 22** (Church Walk/Bray Street) is “downright dangerous” for all its users.
- The surface of the **FP22**, the main link between Avebury and Trusloe, is very poor and is dangerous especially for pedestrians of impaired mobility.
- APC and WMBBPC should combine their efforts to improve **footpath conditions**.

H. OTHER

- **Community shop** should allow locals a discount because prices are so high on certain items that they are obliged to go to Marlborough (and, as public transport is inconvenient, often expensive taxis have to be used).
- There should be a **20mph speed limit** on roads through the village.
- Support **speed limit extensions** to cover Beckhampton to Avebury.
- **Village website** should have a place on it to allow reporting of parking problems in the High Street.
- Useful to facilitate **email** recording of details of scale, timing, and frequency of nuisance parking.
- **Red Lion proposals** good but stone setts can present slip and trip hazards when wet.
- Any road works adjacent to the Red Lion should include **speed reduction for vehicles turning left into the High Street**.
- NT to be invited to improve clarity of **parking information** at High Street car park.
- Introduce a **cycling lane** between Avebury and Winterbourne Monkton.
- NT should be invited to make more use of **West Kennett Farm** allowing parking, providing services (café?), and encouraging walking to Avebury.
- Please try to improve **public transport**, especially between Avebury and Marlborough.
- We could **reduce traffic** through Avebury by information campaigns and by **satellite navigation providers** discouraging usage of the A4361 through the village.

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