

Traffic Committee meeting. December 17th 2019

Reading Room 3:30pm.

Present: Gerry, Joe, Simon and Sandra.

Elizabeth Forbes – Residents' Representative re 20mph speed limit extension

The purpose of the meeting was to consider how to progress the results of the traffic counts undertaken at 5 Tisbury locations in November.

The volume of data provided that had only recently arrived, was too great for any purposeful discussion; however, the summary sheet provided indicated that none of the sites were initially suitable for CSW monitoring due to the slow speed of the traffic.

Although this was disappointing with respect to CSW, it was felt that analysis of the raw data would be beneficial to determine whether traffic on any particular day, time slot or type of vehicle could be discerned as travelling at speeds unacceptable to local residents.

This would take some time!

Elizabeth reminded everyone that the issue in Court Street had been ongoing for some time and that one of the deciding factors in establishing the need for either 20mph zones or limits, was the level of public demand for a scheme; this could more than adequately be demonstrated by the 2018 petition set up by Elizabeth Jones.

There was a short discussion on the method of canvassing residents' opinions to demonstrate public opinion as this was one of the deciding factors for introducing 20mph limits or zones. This could involve a number of methods, including FaceBook, Survey Monkey, newsletter question.

Another factor relevant to Court Street is the volume of quarry or similar traffic (apparent on the traffic count/personal observation), highlighting that Court Street entrance to the village is the only one available to some vehicles (due to height/weight).

Elizabeth asked for printouts of the raw data from the recent counts and also that of the 2017 Hindon Lane count; to be provided by Sandra.

It was agreed that Sandra would arrange with the CATG Highways Engineer to discuss with the committee how the 20mph limit extension could best be progressed given the latest traffic counts.

Agreeing to meet again in March, the meeting finished at 4pm.