

Lacock Parish Council - Highways & Parish Steward Report – February 2021

1. Lacock Parish Traffic Issues

At the December LPC meeting the LPC discussed and voted to proceed with the Atkins Project Plan. Jane Durrant, LPC Chair, made various requests for a meeting with W Councillor Bridget Wayman. Eventually, Jane did receive notification from WC that they will provide another £2.5k contribution towards the project costs. The NT were also asked to make a contribution and they are considering this request.

2. Melksham By Pass Online 1st phase Consultation –ended on 17th January 2020

Pete Shaw submitted an online response from the LPC, before the deadline. Ideally, the Lacock preferred route is an eastern route that joins the A350 as near the south of the village as possible. Hopefully, other parishioners made similar online responses.

3. Enforcement of 7.5 tonne Weight Restrictions

Now awaiting a reply from the Lorry Watch team. Peter Glen was advised that Lacock is top of the priority list for the new Lorry Watch team training early in the New Year.

4. CATG Report

Progress since 2nd December last CATG meeting.

4.1 The Notton Crossing

At the last CATG, they decided cancel the original issue and asked for a new issue to be raised relating to vehicles and cyclists.

Derek Walters subsequently requested information from WC Highways on the existing road layout at the A350 at Notton and Mons Lane right turn junction. However, WC Highways were unable to locate these layout plans; suggesting reference is made to the DMRB guidelines and regulations.

This new issue will be discussed at the LPC on 11th February, prior to any agreement to submit the issue for consideration at the March CATG meeting.

4.2 The 30 mph limit on Abbey Bridge

The WC consultation notice to reduce the traffic limit to 30 mph has now expired. We are now awaiting the result consultation before WC Highways schedule to complete the change of signage and road markings.

5. Lacock Traffic Group (LTG) Subcommittee reporting to the LPC

Areas of work still under consideration, in addition to those listed in the CATG report section 3 above.

5.1. Parking schemes and costs to prevent unlawful parking in and around the Village.

The LTG undertook a survey of cars parked in the village, morning, afternoon and night, over a week which was completed. The analysis and recommendations remain as 'work in progress'.

6. Parish Steward (PS)

Work for February

- The PS returned to his PS duties in January.
- The PS cleared debris for the Whitehall Traffic islands and the worked with the WC Road Sweeper tanker cleaned the village
- Priority remains with clearing drainage grips and gully's in Reybridge and other areas for the next few months
- Investigate the reported narrow pavement problems at Corsham Road. The PS has reviewed this and cannot cut back the grass banks wide enough for two people.
- The PS reported in early December that the lamp light at the top of Nethercote hill is still not working. Awaiting a WC response.
- Ask for the WC Road Sweeper tanker to return again this month to keep the gutters clear of debris.

Let us know of any other work or potholes needing repair?

**There is always more that can be done, so please let us know of any other jobs that need doing ASAP.
Stuart Gregory and Pete Shaw**