

**Minutes of meeting on 12th February 2015,
 Civic Centre, Trowbridge**

Chair:

Ray Conneely (RC) Massey Wilcox Transport Ltd

Present:

Laura Gosling (LG)	Wiltshire Council
Kingsley Hampton (KH)	Wiltshire Council
Barnaby Appleton (BA)	Wiltshire Police
Philip Martlew (PM)	Swindon Borough Council
Jenny Raggett (JR)	Campaign for Better Transport

Apologies:

Tom Elliott	Highways Agency
Carolyn Lightfoot	Wiltshire Council
Thomas Hutchinson	Wiltshire Council
Rob Murphy	Wiltshire Council
Colin Davis	Aggregate Industries
Barry Hood	Road Haulage Association
Anne Lock	Campaign for Better Transport
Ian Gallagher	Freight Transport Association
Katie Fielding	Wiltshire Association of Local Councils

Item	Action
1. Apologies As above	
2. Minutes of meeting on 9th of October 2014 The minutes of the meeting dated 9th October were agreed.	
3. Matters Arising Discussion regarding the C13 Dinahs Hollow weight restriction in Dorset and its knock-on impact on Wiltshire roads. JR asked questions about the strategic nature of the A350 through Wiltshire. Discussion about whether a decision had yet been made on The Range application in Chippenham. LG to find out more about the status of the application.	LG
BA commented that a new weight gate is due to be installed on Station Road in Westbury to prevent drivers from getting as far as the weight restricted bridge.	



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<p>JR asked what transport modelling has been undertaken in Trowbridge to assess the impact of new development. LG to speak to colleagues.</p>	LG
<p>4. Freight Update Wiltshire</p> <p>Freight Studies</p> <p>B4069 Draycot Cerne to Lyneham update Temporary weight restriction still in place on the B4069 whilst A350 road works are ongoing. Wiltshire Councils monitoring of HGV numbers has as expected shown a significant drop on the B4069. Few reported complaints from local residents or hauliers regarding the weight limit however BA noted that a local haulier had contravened the restriction and had been addressed by the police.</p> <p>A361 Seend to Littleton Fork Initial findings of the impact of the signage on HGV numbers, has indicated little or no impact. Another survey is due to commence in the spring.</p> <p>A350 Road works update LG raised issue of A36 closure may have impact on traffic on the local network particularly when works overlap.</p> <p>Wynsome Street Atkins study received by officers but some amendments required before publication. JR raised the issue of impact regarding the Westbury Bypass (post meeting has sent details to LG)</p> <p>Long Street After the initial scoping report, the Area board has not contacted the council to proceed with the full study.</p> <p>Latton Weight restriction TRO consultation undertaken without any objections, weight limit will be implemented by summer 2015.</p> <p>Hilperton Relief Road KH gave an update on the proposed routes for HGVs in Trowbridge when the HRR opens in summer 2015.</p>	
<p>5. Freight Assessment and Priority Mechanism (FAPM)</p> <p>LG gave an update on the proposed FAPM amendment. The amendment is with senior officers prior to a cabinet decision LG will report at next FQP.</p>	LG



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6. Freight Update Swindon

PM gave an update...

- On new TNT super depot on Highworth Road. It will have 100 loading bays.
- Hodson structural weight restriction (Broome Manor Lane) is currently being investigated as the road is slipping into the adjacent field. This is a rural road between Chiseldon and south Swindon,
- Update on Swindon bridge strikes. Swindon has two of the most frequently struck bridges in the UK and the Wootton Bassett road bridge was struck again in February. **PM** suggested that more signage may be investigated however significant signage is already in place and may be more a consequence of driver behaviour/education.

7. Swindon is reviewing the PRN signage and HGV signage throughout the borough, there may be the possibility of some road reclassification.

Update from the Freight industry

Members of Freight industry were not present at this meeting.

8. **RC** raised the continuing and worsening issue of driver shortage across the industry. **JR** offered her services as a professional writer to raise the profile of this issue in transport press. **RC** to raise bullet pointed issue list / brief.

RC/JR

FQP Terms of Group

The amended procedure was agreed in principle.

As per the draft procedure, the voting of the Chair and vice chair could not be taken forward given the absence of the RHA & FTA. It was agreed that this would be postponed to the next meeting.

9. Any other business

KH provided an update on Lorrywatch; there have been 18 prosecutions in Bradford on Avon in the last month and 6 in Westbury.

BA asked whether Community Speed Watch (CSW) volunteers could do Lorrywatch at the same time as their CSW activities. **KH** said that whilst this is a possibility, there may be some resource issues with Trading Standards. Post meeting **BA** has indicated that some discussions between Trading Standards and PCC have taken place regarding this **KH** to investigate and report back.

KH



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	<p>JR raised a question regarding a large sign advertising a business park located in Hawkeridge. JR suggested that outline planning permission exists for this and has concerns for potential HGV movements in the area. KH to investigate and supply JR relevant information.</p>	KH
	<p>BA highlighted potential disruption as rail electrification works are undertaken by Network Rail in Royal Wootton Bassett around October. KH to provide further details.</p>	KH
	Current Roadwork's in Wiltshire & Swindon:	
10.	<p>http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwayspavements/roadworks.htm See below link for roadwork's in Swindon: http://www.swindon.gov.uk/ts/ts-roadshighways/Pages/ts-roadshighways-roadclosureslist.aspx</p>	
	Date and venue of next meeting	
11.	Date set for 10.30 a.m. Thursday 18th June 2015 at Swindon.	

