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<p>4. Freight studies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• B4069 Draycot Cerne to Lyneham update <p>LG provided an update on progress with the voluntary agreement with hauliers. Since the introduction of the agreement in December 2011, traffic counts have been undertaken on a regular basis and these show that the overall number of HGVs has reduced. Further traffic counts will be undertaken in November and an evaluation of the outcomes of the voluntary agreement will be undertaken at the beginning of 2013.</p> <p>After a meeting with local residents, Wiltshire Council have also agreed to implement a number of village gateways and associated signage along the route to raise drivers' awareness which can result in lower vehicle speeds and more considerate driver behaviour.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cricklade <p>SL stated there have been a number of queries/issues with regards to traffic levels through Cricklade, specifically with regards to HGV movements along the High street. Cricklade Town Council (TC) undertook their own traffic survey in March 2012 to understand the concerns since the last survey was conducted by Wiltshire Council in 2004. Cricklade TC requested that the issue of HGV movements, particularly from Calcutt Street through to Chelworth Industrial Estate was raised at the FQP. Concerns were also raised with regards to general construction traffic from new development in Swindon.</p> <p>MM requested that a letter be sent by the FQP to the Planning Case Officer in relation to Tadpole farm to request that the construction traffic impact is mitigated as the development comes forward.</p>	<p>SL</p>
<p>5. Update of Freight Gateway</p> <p>KH stated that the Freight gateway website has now gone live. A promotional leaflet has been produced showing the key features of the website and has been distributed through the FTA and RHA newsletters.</p> <p>MM suggested a link on the Highway Agency's as it is regularly used for traffic updates by the drivers.</p>	<p>KH</p>
<p>6. South Marston HGV routing review.</p> <p>No further action since matter last raised. Possibility of addressing the issue</p>	





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in the next financial year, if funds are available.

7. Merlin way Weight restrictions

BS, gave an update on work that has been undertaken with Instruction and advice on issues to be aware of to Covingham Parish Council in undertaking a HGV Origin Destination survey around their local area. No reported action on undertaking these surveys by the Parish Council has been taken forward, as of yet.

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Update from the Freight Industry

IG and MM gave an update from the industry on a number of items, including:

- Road user charging for Lorries (Vignette)
- Fair Fuels UK campaign
- Freight Carbon Review
- Speed limit review for HGV's on 'suitable' roads

All agreed the new item on the agenda was useful addition and will be carried forward for future meetings.

9. Update on B&NES HGV Restrictions

KH announced that the DfT had confirmed that the appeal regarding the B&NES aspiration for HGV restrictions had been upheld (31/10/12). The DfT gave four defined reasons for their decision but summarised:

'Overall we must conclude the appeal is valid and should be upheld. Should the scheme be implemented as proposed, without agreeing a suitable alternative route with the affected authorities, this would be in breach of the legislation'.

'We would urge BANES to work with Wiltshire and Somerset councils to identify an alternative scheme that will be acceptable to all parties'.

The first meeting to discuss the appeal decision and possible future actions took place in January with a tentative further meeting pencilled in for late March.

10. Lorry Watch Update

KH delivered an update on behalf of Thomas Hutchinson regarding the Lorry Watch schemes currently operating within the county.





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11. LEP Update	
<p>SL outlined the role of the LEP's and some of the work that has been currently going on. The Swindon and Wiltshire LEP is currently in the process of prioritising a number of schemes/projects, which include transport schemes for prioritisation to re-vitalise the local economy. A recent presentation by a LEP Board Member requested support and a 'voice' from the logistics industry to give direction to the LEP. RC requested sending a letter to the Chair of the LEP offering support and an offer for a Member of the LEP to attend an FQP meeting or, a sub-group set-up to capture views and comments to help inform the LEP Board.</p>	SL
12. Update on the management of sub-standard bridges (Note)	
To be circulated after the FQP meeting.	
13. Minerals and Waste information (Note)	
Circulated	
14. Any other business	
<p>KH raised issue of Member ship and need to draw in some additional freight operators to the meeting. IG agreed to mention the FQP at Freight Council meeting he attends and try to attract new members.</p>	
<p>SC mentioned work that 'ForwardSwindon' are currently undertaking to engage with local businesses in Swindon. Des Evans of M.A.N asked for a local freight contact and the Chair's contact details were passed on.</p>	
<p>15. Current Roadwork's in Wiltshire & Swindon: 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>	
16. Date and venue of next meeting	
Date set for 10.30 a.m. Thursday 28 th February 2013 at Civic Centre, Trowbridge.	

