

Ponteland Neighbourhood Plan - Subgroup Report

Topic Group **Transportation & Highways**

Meeting date 21 Oct 14

Attendees:

- **Will Moses**
- **Peter Cowey**
- **Chris Winks**
- **Gavin Warrinder**

Items discussed

- Subgroup Report
- Castle Morpeth District Local Plan
- Problem junctions (cycles & vehicles)
- Traffic management in conjunction with relief road
- Establishment of new cycle routes and improvement of existing
- Disabled Access
- Alternative transport
- Airport
- Footpaths

Decisions

1. Agreed to take forward CMDCLP Policies
2. Diamond junction and "Badger/Dobbies" roundabout have significant issues
3. Traffic management should include parking and cycle provision in new developments and a planned increase in provision to be included in major projects, retention of lorry parking until Meadowfield businesses are relocated, loss of garage space to be evaluated, 20mph speed limit at schools or possibly all residential areas
4. School campus should be reserved beyond life of plan to allow eventual relocation of schools to remove traffic congestion in village and Broadway
5. Railway footpath to be upgraded to cycle path and link to other initiatives, cycle path along Rotary Way, in association with traffic calming following construction of relief road possible narrowing of A696 through village to include cycle path, similarly to Callerton Lane with 20mph limit now
6. Disabled access thought now covered by DDA and will be discussed by Healthcare group
7. Measures needed to encourage cycling, an increase in cycling to a target of 10% of journeys would increase driver awareness, 10% cycle parking and dedicated accesses in new developments. encourage joining up with other areas and initiatives such as school "cycle trains"
8. Maintain dialogue with Airport regarding expansion into remaining space towards Prestwick. Problem of light pollution from car park

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9. Improve footpaths in Darras Hall, possibly in conjunction with traffic calming at new developments (eg chicanes and pedestrian refuges, consider reduction in road width (possibly in conjunction with 20mph restriction and one way streets)
10. Improve access onto railway path (barriers are difficult for some users)

Action agreed	Date by	Name
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Outstanding Issues to Follow up

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