

Clerks Report 15th April 2019

CORRESPONDENCE

SPEEDING

Park Lane

I live on Park Lane and regularly observe people speeding through our village, particularly along Park Lane and Ludgate Street.

My wife and I moved to Tutbury in 2015 and a short while after we lost two of our cats on Park Lane who were killed by speeding drivers.

I find the problem is particularly prevalent during the summer months and in the evenings when there is relatively less traffic on the road.

My concern is both for my pets and for the many children who live and walk through Tutbury.

I did speak with the local PCSO who was well aware of the issue of speeding on Park Lane back in 2016 but the problem persists.

I'm not sure if this has previously been discussed in any local parish meetings and whether the issue has been raised with the County Council? I would hugely welcome efforts to reduce the speed of drivers throughout the town.

I really hope you can help before there is a serious accident and am more than happy to attend a future parish council meeting if you think this would be helpful.

Green lane

As part of the Peveril Homes development in Tutbury, a new vehicle entrance was made to give access to Green Lane for a group of new houses that face the lane. The 30mph signs were moved further along Green Lane (driving out of Tutbury) (to the bottom of my garden) to incorporate that entrance into the 30 mph zone.

I have raised this because:

- The 30 mph signs are higher than my 6ft fence and are in the direct line of sight of my downstairs window.
- One of the old end-of-speed restriction signs (driving out of Tutbury) remains, which is confusing for drivers - is the end of the 30 zone there or at the new signs further along the road?
- It was always, in my opinion, a bad idea to end the speed restriction at the old position, because of the narrowness of the lane and its sharp bend, and frequent use by pedestrians and horse riders. That is even more the case now, because there are now houses both sides of that section of Green Lane. In other words, the edge of the built-up area of Tutbury is no longer where it used to be. I believe that the end of 30 zone (start of 30 coming the other way) should be at the far end of Green Lane at its junction with Belmot Road.

I believe there should be a review of traffic flow, with the option of a one-way system or quiet lane status considered.

Burton Street

- Two separate issues have been conflated – safety outside school and safety at the mini-roundabout – just because a solution is not suitable for one problem, it **does not** preclude its use to solve the other problem – combining the two provides the opportunity to produce the wrong solution for both
- Responding to Cllr Crossley's points:
 - Speed bumps of whatever type do not reduce parking spaces – a drive through Hilton will show that people park over speed bumps with no problem
 - Speed bumps cause wear and tear on vehicles – so what! It is a minor price to pay for road safety and basically an irrelevant argument – there is a cost to all improvements.
 - Increased pollution – an argument I once agreed with but as far as I have seen the only study into this concluded that the increased pollution was imperceptible and again it has to be weighed against a possible death – either of a child outside school or someone at the roundabout – not a particularly good argument.
- Looking at the mini-roundabout – signs will not help – the problem is people coming down Burton St. too quickly and giving a quick look to their right, assuming that they can get away with it. No amount of signs will make any difference. The only solution is to physically reduce vehicle speed and that probably requires a speed bump – preferably one that goes half way across the road (c.f. Rolleston) so that they cannot be ridden over like the ones in Hilton.
- Speed bumps may work outside school (both sides of the road – people go up as quickly as they come down) although I often think that in those environments drivers become too focused on watching the speed bumps rather than watching out for children. My personal preference would be for flashing '20' signs at start and finish times – they work well on the guilt emotion near schools.
- Having said all that, I would have thought that the roads section of the County Council would be the best advisors on what works where – they ought to be the road safety experts?

Cllr Training Correspondence

SPCA Planning training with Rolleston to be confirmed please let the clerk know who is interested in attending.

The following course are available with the SPCA at Stafford.

Chairmanship Skills Training Course – Wednesday 12 June 2019

Local Councillor Training Courses

TUESDAY 14 MAY 2019

WEDNESDAY 29 MAY 2019

TUESDAY 18 JUNE 2019

Planning

Rolleston Neighbourhood comments are invited Plan consultation deadline 1st May

P/2019/00283

Proposal: Felling of 1 Beech tree Location: 1 Castle Street, Tutbury, Staffordshire, DE13 9JF
Grid Ref: 421096 328905 Gary Shilton 05-04-2019

P/2019/00129

Proposal: Outline application for B1, B2, & B8 uses including means of access

[see guidance of change of use](#)

Part B

- **B1 Business** - Offices (other than those that fall within A2), research and development of products and processes, light industry appropriate in a residential area.

- **B2 General industrial** - Use for industrial process other than one falling within class B1 (excluding incineration purposes, chemical treatment or landfill or hazardous waste).
- **B8 Storage or distribution** - This class includes open air storage.

Location: Land at Fauld Industrial Estate,, Fauld Lane, Fauld, DE13 9HS
Graham Northern15-04-2019

Consider the traffic implications of this applications :

[P/2019/00311](#)

Erection of replacement cricket nets and surfacing
Tutbury Cricket Club, Bridge Street , Tutbury, DE13 9LZ

P/2019/00268

Proposal: Erection of a single storey side and rear extensions and loft conversion with rear dormer

Location: 117 Holts Lane, Tutbury, DE13 9LG

P/2019/00390

Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension

Location: 49 Burton Street, Tutbury, Staffordshire, DE13 9NR

P/2019/00385

Proposal Change of use to form new dwelling from existing garage including single storey side extensions

Location: Residential unit adjacent to 3 Cherry Tree Cottages, Fauld Lane, Fauld, DE13 9GR

Cornmill Lane Playing fields

Report from meeting

Informal meeting of Tutbury Tigers and Tutbury Parish Council on Sunday 24th March 2019 @1.30pm

Present: JM Tutbury Tigers (Vice Chairman)

SD Tutbury Tigers (Treasurer)

Councillor Lesley Evans Representing Tutbury Parish Council

1. JM stated that the Tutbury Tigers seniors wished to return to the Tutbury Playing Fields not just for financial reasons (at present costing £70 per match at Shobnall). However improvements needed to be made to the pitch to enable this to happen. JM felt that they had been unable to reach a solution to this problem. The pitch itself was in poor condition not just the worn patches but the size. JM suggested that the goal posts be moved closer to the original position which is much wider.
2. LE questioned as to what would happen to the junior pitch, JM replied that the larger pitch would be shared between juniors and seniors. This thought was also shared by SD.
3. JM and SD were concerned with the condition of the pitch not just the worn areas but the need for it to be rolled as it was in a dangerous condition, the length of the grass was also a problem. On several occasions they had been unable to play due to the grass length also that the contractor mows on top of mowed grass which builds up and kills off the grass. They have had to rake the pitch before they could play.
4. JM suggested that rather than the contractor cut the whole field as they have done in the past may it not be better to half this action and double up on cutting the pitch itself this would ensure that the pitch is kept short.
5. Another suggestion from JM and SD was to take down the goal posts after the season (last match 4th May 2019) and they could be re-erected prior to the beginning of the season say 1st August 2019. They would assist with the removal and re-erection. This would give the pitch a rest to recuperate. Together with this action the pitch needs to be seeded and treated. They felt strongly that if the goal posts were left up out of season children would automatically play between them, if no posts are there then they would play anywhere on the playing field.
6. LE advised JM and SD that the Parish Council had limited funds as their money came from the precept, which came from Villagers Council Tax and not all villagers were interested in football. She also advised JM and SD that she could not agree on any points as this was an informal meeting and any comments would be reported back to the Councillors at the next Parish Council Meeting for their consideration JM and SD understood this.
7. LE asked if Tutbury Tigers could work with the FA to get a Pitch Assessment and Groundsman Resource to review the Pitch. SD advised that this had already been booked and paid for but they were awaiting a visit.

8. LE asked if Tutbury Tigers could apply for Grants and JM and SD said they could once the PA & G R review findings had been received.
9. LE requested JM and SD thoughts on 'moveable goal posts' both agreed that these would be a waste of money, basically due to the logistics.
10. JM and SD expressed their concern that the relationship between the Parish Council had broken down and suggested a bi-annual formal meeting would be valuable to both parties. Not a full Parish Council meeting, a meeting with the 'Recreational Committee and the Tutbury Tigers committee.
11. LE asked JM and SD if they had any thoughts on the siting of a 5 a side pitch. JM and SD expressed their thoughts on the waste of the basket ball court. This would be suitable for a 5 a side in bad weather if the surface was changed. LE reminded JM and SD the limitation of funds but JM and SD said once again they could apply for a grant funding. They both added that this could bring in revenue to the Parish Council as it could be hired out.
12. LE exchanged email addresses with SD to enable her to forward the draft minutes to be checked by JM and SD to enable her to pass the final minutes onto the Tutbury Parish Council via their Clerk.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 2.15pm.

Quote for pitch improvements

Item 2- Over-seeding Main Pitch.

Supply and drill BSH Rapid Sports Renovator Grass Seed @ 20gms per m2 using a Vredo Over seeding drill.

Price £485.00 + VAT

Item 3 - De-compaction

For de-compacting football pitch using Imants Shockwave de-compactor.

Price £295.00 + VAT

Or

For de-compacting football pitch using a Verti – drain.

Price £325.00 + VAT

Rolling of the pitch

£115

Grass seed £44 sack

Bust Shelter Review

Holts Lane.....Shrubbery needs a cut back and the wooden structure of the shelter needs a coat of wood treatment/preservative.

Park Lane.....Overgrown with Ivy and once again a spruce up. The tiles are missing and damaged at the front of it

Duke Street....No serious problems but if we are going to tidy the shelters then a coat of paint would not go amiss.

High Street.....Wood in serious need of repair and treatment, badly neglected on the lower sections where the pointing has deteriorated which also needs addressing.

Burton Street.....No serious problems but once again a coat of paint as a small amount of graffiti has appeared! Maybe cutting back of surrounding hedge.