

**GREAT BUDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**  
**NOTES OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION TRAFFIC MEETING**  
**7.00pm 20<sup>th</sup> April 2015 Great Budworth Parish Hall**

**Part 1**

- 1 **Welcome and Chairman's Opening Remarks:** The Chairman welcomed the large number of members of the public who were present at the meeting. He advised those present that this was a public meeting to seek resident's views on proposed plans to assist the current parking issues in the village. (see Appendices 1)
- 2 **Attendance:** Councillor Bill Anderson; Councillor Peter Davies; Councillor John Hickey; Councillor Peter McAndrew (Chair); Councillor Malcolm Torrance; Councillor Bob Wilkinson  
  
Clerk Caroline Marshall
- 3 **The meeting was open to members of the public** – 26 Members of the public attended
- 4 **Declarations of Interest:** None
- 5 **Presentation:** Councillor Hickey gave a presentation on the proposed measures (Appendices 2)
- 6 **The following key points/suggestions were raised by members of the public present:**

*Other options to consider:*

- The introduction of a one way street traffic system the village.
- Identification of specific parking places for residents who do not have designated parking.
- The Parish Council to purchase the land off the Avenue to use for additional parking (Cllr McAndrew advised that this had previously been explored but that the cost had been prohibitive)
- Requesting the school to donate some of its land for parking as it was felt that many of the parking issues are caused by school traffic.
- The introduction of double yellow lines through the village.
- More encouragement for visitors to the village to use the parish field at busy times.
- A separate consultation with those that do not have off road parking to hear their views and suggestions.
- To encourage those with off road parking to use it.

- A community scheme whereby those who have unused off road parking share it with those who do not have designated parking.
- To consult with the school once a decision is made on a parking scheme.
- To include disabled parking within the plan.
- For the Parish Council to re-open negotiations regarding the purchase of the field by Farthings Lane.
- To consider using the piece of land by the Allotments for parking.

*Concerns raised:*

- Who will police the parking issues if a scheme of restricted parking is put in place – a concern that that the police would be too busy.
- That introducing restricted parking on Church Street and High Street will just move the parking issue elsewhere in the village.
- Whether the parking on Church Street warranted a restricted parking scheme (Cllr Hickey advised that these were the suggestions made by CWAC Highways but that if the community didn't wish for these to be as restrictive they could be amended)
- Whether 2 signs would be enough and that perhaps repeater signs could be included.
- That including any kind of signage, double yellow lines etc. would ruin the aesthetics of the village and future filming opportunities.
- More use of the Parish field will cause more traffic congestions as the road leading to it is a single track and private road.
- Where would contractors park if people were having work done to their homes.
- That at pedestrians cannot walk safely through the village due to the parking which needs to be resolved.

**7. Next Steps:**

- Notes of meeting to be published in Budworth Bulletin and on Parish Website.
- That any residents unable to attend the meeting who wish to express their views contact the Clerk, a Councillor or attend the next Parish Council meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> May 2015 to express their views.
- The Parish Council discuss the views expressed and suggestions made and consider the most appropriate action.

Signed as a true record .....

Councillor P McAndrew  
Chairman  
11<sup>th</sup> May 2015