



**Bishop's Waltham Parish Council**  
**A Meeting of the Parish Council's Planning and Highways Committee will be held in**  
**the Ruby Room in the Jubilee Hall Bishop's Waltham**  
**on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024 at 7.00pm.**

**The meeting will be open to the public unless the Committee directs otherwise.**

**Agenda**

**All papers/reports are available from the Council office (except where classified as confidential).**

1. To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance
2. To receive and accept declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests relating to items on this agenda
3. To receive and accept any personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests relating to items on this agenda
4. Public Session – *for information only*
5. Parish Council's Tree Warden's Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result
6. Parish Rights of Way Warden's Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result
7. To approve the minutes of the Planning and Highways Committee – 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024
8. Actions Arising from the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee – 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024  
*- for information only*
9. Financial position year to date – *to note current position*
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14. Basingwell Street Car Park Bin Store Facility – Response from Winchester City Council – *for consideration*

15. Correspondence – Beeches Hill – *for consideration*

16. Chairman's report – *for information only*

17. Requests for future agenda items – *for information only*

18. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2024

19. Motion for confidential business:

**The following motion will be moved on the completion of the above business: That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.**

20. WCC and SDNPA Enforcement Lists – *for consideration*

21. Speed Indicator Devices – *for consideration*

- i) Quotations for & Related Equipment
- ii) Locations check

*EMcKenzie*

**Clerk to the Committee**

**16.7.24**

## **Right of Way Report for July 24**

**Footpath 43 stiles to kissing gates:** I met with Rich, from KM Fencing, Hedge End, at Tangier Farm on 9th July to measure the fence line where the two stiles are to be replaced with our stored kissing gates. We also met the landowner, Mr Mark Gregory, who was very helpful and happy for the work to be done. Cattle may be in the fields but the contractor will be able to fence off the area to do the work. KM fencing have since sent a quotation to the Executive Officer of £495.00 + VAT for each gate and she has accepted this. We have a provisional date of 29<sup>th</sup> July for the work to be done.

There is still one more kissing gate to be installed along this Right of Way at the parish boundary at Park Lug but this will eventually be installed by The Ramblers at the same time that they install one that they have purchased for Durley.

Also along **Footpath 43:** One of our volunteer wardens has spent a long time cutting back vegetation between Albert Road and The Avenue. Further work is needed requiring a hedge trimmer.

We will be holding a Volunteer Wardens' meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> July. Hopefully, we can arrange some sessions for several of us to go out to tackle one or two of the most overgrown, but most used, Rights of Way.

I have, yet again, been contacted by someone who is interested in becoming a volunteer warden. We now have 9 wardens.

Ruth Shields

July 2024

# Bishop's Waltham Footpaths

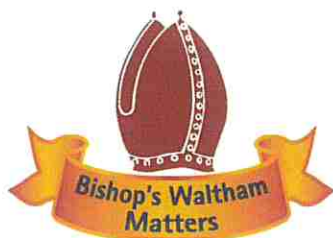


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KM Fencing  
info@kmfencing.co.uk

**PURCHASE ORDER – BWPC/170724/KM**

**17th July 2024**

Item	Unit Price	Qty	Sub Total	VAT	Total
To cut back existing fencing and flatten ground. To erect kissing gates supplied. To tie existing fencing back into each side of kissing gates using 100mm round.	£495.00	2	£990.00	£198.00	£1,188.00
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Enquiries: Hannah Fisher  
Telephone: 01489 892323  
Email: finance@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk

Universal Services, The Castle, Winchester  
Hampshire SO23 8UL

Telephone 0300 555 1391  
[www.hants.gov.uk/countryside](http://www.hants.gov.uk/countryside)

Enquiries to **Kim Dawkins**

My reference **PPO 5236**

Direct Line

Your reference

Date **18 July 2024**

E-mail **Kim.dawkins@hants.gov.uk**

Dear Bishops Waltham Parish Council

### **Proposed Diversion of Part of Bishops Waltham Footpath 31**

Hampshire County Council has received an application to divert part of Bishops Waltham Footpath 31 under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980. A plan showing the proposed route is attached.

Hampshire County Council has published a guidance document outlining the criteria that will be considered in assessing applications for diversions, either in the interest of the landowner or of the public. This document can be viewed on the HCC website at the following address and should be read in conjunction with the requirements of the Highways Act 1980.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/rightsofway/definitivemap/pa thorders>

#### **Definitive Alignment (A-B)**

##### **SU 5580 1866 and SU 5578 1862**

That part of Bishops Waltham Footpath 31 commences at Point A on the plan (SU 5580 1866), proceeding south-westward to Point B (SU 5578 1862).

Approximately 46 metres in length.

#### **Proposed Alignment (B-C)**

##### **SU 5578 1862 and SU 5577 1862**

A 1.5 metre wide grass path commencing at Point B on the plan (SU 5578 1862), proceeding north-westward down steps to a junction with Dean Lane Point C (5577 1862).

Approximately 8 metres in length

Director of Universal Services  
**Patrick Blogg**

## Background

The application has been made in the interest of the landowner, for privacy, security and safety reasons. That part of Bishops Waltham Footpath 31 which the applicant has applied to divert runs through the courtyard of Metlands Farm and exits through a gate onto Dean Lane. The proposed route would exit onto Dean Lane via 8 steps, approximately 36 metres further south than the current terminus.

If you have any comments to make and wish them to be considered by the Council, I would be grateful if written submissions could be sent to me at the email address above by the 15 August 2024, if possible. Should you wish to discuss any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

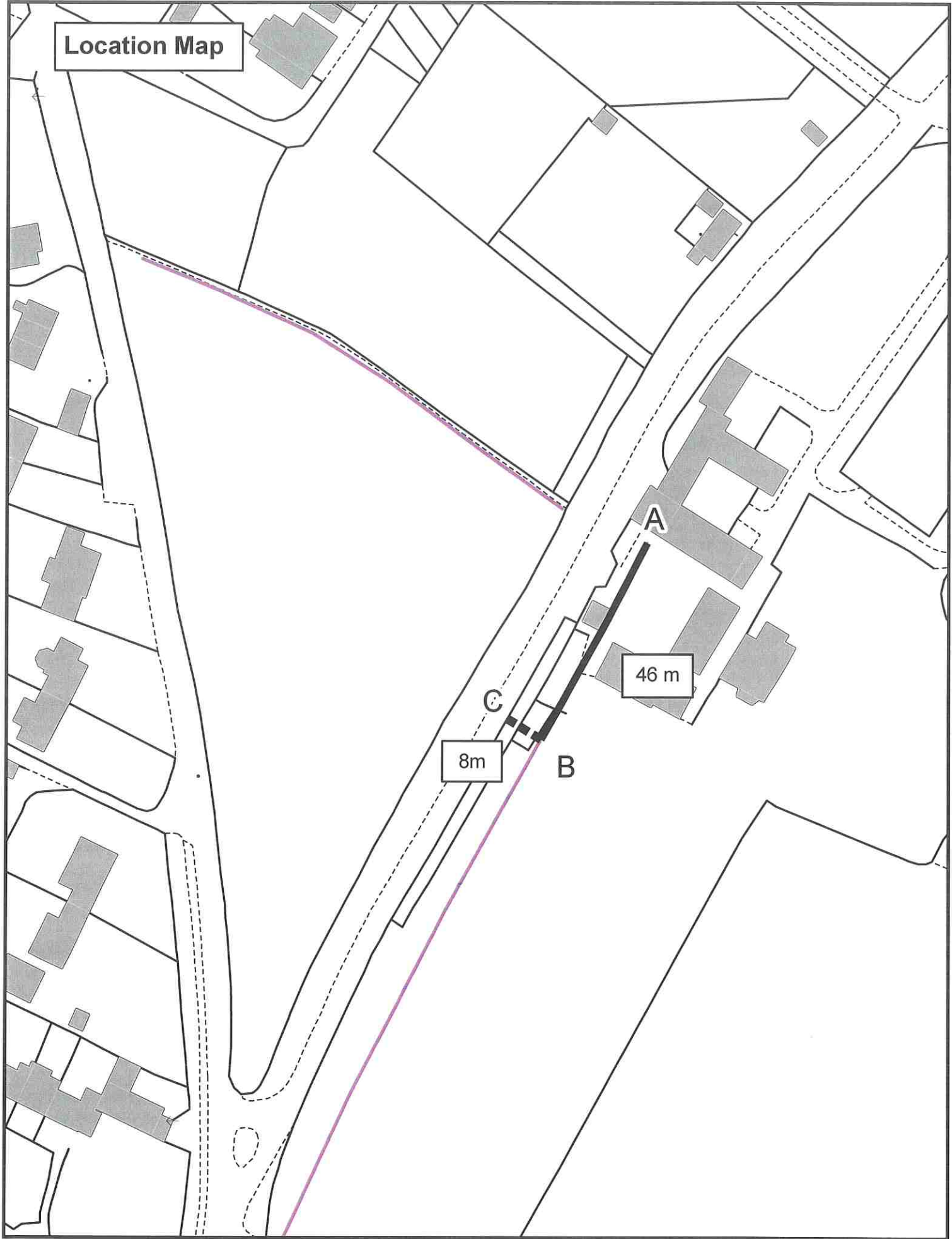
*The personal data you provide in any response will be treated in accordance with Data Protection Legislation, and may be published in a decision report, be disclosed to other interested parties, including the landowner (or their representatives). It may also be made public if the matter is referred to the Planning Inspectorate. Your data will be retained for a maximum period of 3 years from the date that the application is resolved. In the event that this changes to a legal event order, it will become part of the permanent records kept on rights of way in Hampshire. The legal basis for our use of this information is the compliance with a legal obligation – Highways Act 1980.*

You have some legal rights in respect of the personal information we collect from you. Please see our website Data Protection page for further details: [www.hants.gov.uk/dataprotection](http://www.hants.gov.uk/dataprotection) You can contact the County Council's Data Protection Officer at [data.protection@hants.gov.uk](mailto:data.protection@hants.gov.uk) If you have a concern about the way we are collecting or using your personal data, you should raise your concern with us in the first instance or directly to the Information Commissioner's Office at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

Yours faithfully,



**Kim Dawkins**  
Countryside Access Admin Officer



**LEGEND 1:1,000**

- Existing Footpath
- Footpath to be deleted
- - - - - Footpath to be added



## BISHOP'S WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council Planning and Highways Committee held at the Jubilee Hall, Bishop's Waltham on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at 7.00pm

<b>Present:</b>	Cllr Homer	Co-opted Member for meeting
	Cllr Jelf	
	Cllr Jones	Chairman
	Cllr Nicholson	
	Cllr Smith	
	Cllr Williams	
	Cllr Wood	Co-opted Member for meeting
<b>Non-Committee Member:</b>	Cllr Marsh	
<b>Also in attendance:</b>	Mrs McKenzie	Committee Clerk/Executive Officer
	Mrs Shields	Parish Rights of Way Warden
<b>Members of public:</b>	1	

#### **PH28/24 To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance**

Cllr Conduct – Family Commitments

Cllr Wilson – Family Commitments

Apologies for non-attendance were also noted from the Tree Warden.

**Resolved: To accept apologies for non-attendance and co-opt Cllr Homer and Cllr Wood onto the Committee for this evening's meeting.**

**Proposed: Cllr Jelf**

**Seconded: Cllr Jones**

**All in favour.**

#### **PH29/24 To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda.**

Cllr Williams – agenda item 11 (PH38/24) as District Councillor and Deputy to the WCC Planning Committee.

#### **PH30/24 To receive any declarations of personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.**

Cllr Williams - Enforcement issues in Confidential Section agenda item 19 (PH46/24).

#### **PH31/24 Public Session**

Correspondence had been received regarding building activity at the old Lloyds Bank building. Advice given to resident to record activity and pass to WCC Enforcement Team if appropriate. The member of the public present asked about information on the Speed Indicator Device (SID) for Beeches Hill. Mr Ford provided an update confirming a schedule for the devices and purchase of new equipment. Cllr Nicholson gave information on Speedwatch reports pre-covid. It was noted that there was no space currently for a new pavement without landowners giving up land for such. The Police source 'Crash Map' highlighted no incidents on the stretch of road of concern to residents and therefore no action was planned by the Police or Hampshire County Council in this area. Cllr Jones reiterated support to residents where possible, particularly in reducing speed in the area, and indicated the opportunity for community groups in



considering 20mph initiatives. The Parish Council had not budgeted for the initiative and would have to consider all areas requesting a review of speed and prioritise accordingly. Cllr Williams added that residents should make comments on footpaths via the current consultation by WCC on a local cycling and walking infrastructure plan. The member of the public noted that Cllr Bowerman of HCC had agreed to a sign at the junction of the B3055 and Beeches Hill.

**PH32/24 Parish Council's Tree Warden Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.**

Mrs Grover was not present but had sent a report outlining her idea to apply for more trees for the parish and locations for Autumn planting.

**PH33/24 Parish Rights of Way Warden's Report - to consider any motion put to the meeting as a result.**

Footpath 43 – a contractor had been found for the kissing gate installation but then contact had been lost. Another company was now being followed to request their services for this project.

Footpath 31 – an application for a route diversion was in progress and this was being monitored. A new Community Engagement Ranger was in position and contact had been made to foster positive relationships for work in the parish.

**PH34/24 Minutes of Meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee – 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024**  
**Resolved: to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee of the 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024**  
**Proposed: Cllr Jelf**  
**Seconded: Cllr Williams**  
**All in favour who were present at the meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**PH35/24 Actions Arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

Noted.

In relation to the SID on The Hangers, a letter was to be sent to the resident to cut back the vegetation blocking the pole and SID.

**ACTION: Send letter to resident about overgrown vegetation ACTION: Clerk to the Committee**

**PH36/24 Financial Position Year to Date**

Budget for bus shelters noted – review bus shelter audit for priorities.

*Cllr Williams left the room.*

**PH37/24 Planning Applications: to ratify the responses from the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk.**

Only one noted and that was a no comment response.

**24/00975/FUL**

**Closing Date: 19 July 2024**

Changes to internal arrangements and add patio doors.

**Chase Mill, Winchester Road, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1AH**

**Resolved: to ratify the responses from the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk.**

**Proposed: Cllr Smith**

**Seconded: Cllr Wood**

**6 in favour, 1 abstention**



**PH38/24 Planning Applications for consideration**

**SDNP/24/02221/HOUS**

**Closing Date: 28 June 2024**

Erection of one and two storey rear additions: replacement and re-siting of front porch.

**Dundridge Farm, Dundridge Lane, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1GD**

**No objection.**

**24/01001/HOU**

**Closing Date: 3 July 2024**

Proposed single storey rear extension

**4 The Priory, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1GX**

**No objection.**

**SDNP/24/02348/HOUS**

**Closing Date: 9 July 2024**

Erection of a freestanding greenhouse within the garden, situated to the south-west of the dwelling.

**Hilltop, The Hangers, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1FZ**

**No objection.**

**Resolved: to make the comments recorded to the relevant Planning Authority**

**Proposed: Cllr Smith**

**Seconded: Cllr Wood**

**6 in favour, 1 abstention**

**PH39/24 Planning Applications.**

**Decisions by WCC Delegated Officers/Committee, SDNP Planning Authority and Appeal Decisions.**

Noted.

The Old Granary application was noted as permitted for the upper floor but change of use for the ground floor was now also being applied for.

Midi Cote windows were now being replaced inline with the approved planning application.

Frequent updates to the Abbey Mill site were being considered and ongoing monitoring in place.

*Cllr Williams returned to the meeting.*

**PH40/24 Correspondence – Martin Street**

The correspondence requesting a review of road lining on Martin Street and Victoria Road was noted and to be referred to Hampshire County Council for further consideration. It was suggested that some occasional parking there may be contractors from the nearby building site and so a reminder should be sent to the site manager about allocated parking.

**ACTION: Send reminder to Abbey Mill Site Manager about contractor parking**

**ACTION: Clerk to the Committee**

**PH41/24 20mph Speed Limit Information**

The information was noted and it was made clear that there were strict criteria to be applied for the scheme at any location suggested. It was considered that there were advantages and disadvantages to the scheme which would need to be balanced in any further discussion of this initiative.



**PH42/24      Chairman's Report**

The weed clearance events in the High Street were noted as successful, including outside the Social Club. This activity was next planned for the end of May 2025 in preparation for the Carnival event in early June. It was noted that volunteers at this event could be included in the November thank you for community groups.

**PH43/24      Requests for future agenda items**

None at this time.

**PH44/24      Date of next meeting Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024.**

Noted. Cllr Nicholson gave his apologies for non-attendance as has family commitments on this date.

**PH45/24      Motion for confidential business:**

**The Chairman then moved: That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.**

All members of the public left, or had already left, at this point.

**PH46/24      WCC and SDNPA Enforcement Lists**

The lack of movement on the lists was noted disappointedly.

The case of the property on Paradise Lane was reviewed. The parking issues anticipated were not considered a matter of concern in reality but further screening to avoid traffic distraction was recommended to pass onto the enforcement officers.

The SDNPA enforcement list had not been available when papers collated so the report would be reviewed next month.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7:56pm.

# Bishop's Waltham Parish Council

## Actions Arising from the Planning & Highways Committee meeting 25.6.24

Minute Number	Subject	Action	Date for completion	Action by	Notes
PH080/23(iii), PH098/23, PH242/23, PH21/24	Dog bins	Sites at Botley Rd and Winchester Rd to be considered	Sep-23	EO	Agenda item Sept 23 to consider sites - Deer Walk, Shore Lane, Botley Rd. Agenda item June 24.
PH105/23, PH132/23, PH208/23	Speedwatch Camera	To charge battery and position on Cricklemede	Nov-23	BN	In progress.
PH118/23	School Crossing Patrol	To write to HCC about H&S concerns	Nov-23	EO	Matters in public domain
PH142/23, PH205/23, PH207/23, PH226/23	20s Plenty	To monitor discussions at WCC	Complete	EO/JW	Ongoing
PH145/23	Footpath 2 Issue	To report to HCC	Complete	EO	Discussed June 24.
PH148/23	Bus Shelter Posters	To investigate posters for poster holders	Jan-24	EO	
PH148/23	Printer for road signs	To investigate cost	Complete	EO	Considered too costly
PH167/23	Ensure Design Statement Included in Local Plan updates	To monitor changes and ensure DS included	Oct-24	EO/KJ	Ongoing
PH170/23	Footpath Signage	To liaise with Bargate re footpath signage	May-24	EO/ROW	Discussed June 24.
PH178/23	St George's Square Bus Shelter	To seek costs for repairs	May-24	EO	
PH205/23, PH237/23	Beeches Hill Correspondence	i) To consider SID for the top of Beeches Hill ii) To request traffic enforcement	i) Complete ii) Complete	EO	Top of hill site considered favourably by working group.
PH206/23	Write letter to HCC	To send letter requesting arrows at Crown roundabout	Apr-24	EO	
PH208/23, PH227/23, PH06/24	Speed Indicator Devices and Speedwatch	i) To charge speedwatch camera and purchase tripod ii) To meet to install SID and plan schedule iii) Review posts and panels, seek quotes and sites approval	i) June 2024 ii) Complete iii) Complete	Working Group (EJ, TC, KF) and EO	In progress
PH217/23	Contact with HCC	i) Liaise re High St resurfacing and lining ii) Consider suspension of traffic enforcement where lines unclear	Jun-24	EO	
PH218/23	Cones and Signs	To list equipment required for purchase	Complete	PL	
PH226/23	Traffic on B2177	To send letter to correspondent	Complete	EO	
PH227/23	Roadside Training	To investigate cost of roadside training for 2 groundsmen	Complete	EO	£215 pp + VAT
PH237/23	BW House green space	To advise resident of open space	Complete	EO	
PH237/23	Willow Road	To inform HCC of traffic issue in this area	Complete	EO	
PH247/23	Footpath 12 Access	To set meeting with stakeholders	May-24	EO	Discussed June 24.
PH06/24	Parked cars issue	To report parked cars opposite Grovers Field to Hampshire Highways	Complete	EO	
PH21/24	Additional Bins	To gather suggestions from social media and cllr surgery	Aug-24	EO	Ideas gathered at Family Fun Day and Cllr Surgeries
PH35/23	Vegetation overgrowth	To write letter to resident	Complete	EO	Address on The Hangers
PH40/23	Contractors' Parking	To contact Site Manager about this	Complete	EO	Abbey Mill site





## **Bishop's Waltham Parish Council**

### **Planning and Highways Committee**

**23.7.24**

#### **Agenda Item**

**Planning Applications: to ratify responses from Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk**

No responses recorded for this month.

**Proposal: to ratify responses from Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk, if appropriate**



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### **Planning and Highways Committee**

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#### **Agenda Item - Planning Applications - *for consideration***

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#### **Proposal:**

**To consider the planning applications tabled above and make recommendations as a result.**

**Executive Officer 17.7.24**



## **Bishop's Waltham Parish Council**

### **Planning and Highways Committee**

**23.7.24**

**Agenda item: Decisions by Delegated Officer to Winchester City Council, WCC Planning Development Control Committee, South Downs National Park Authority and Appeals inspector up to 17.7.24**

**SDNP/24/01900/HOUS**

**Closing Date: 5 June 2024**

Single Storey oak framed garden room extension to east elevation. Relocation of glazed canopy from east elevation to south elevation.

**Rose Cottage, Beeches Hill, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1FD**

**Application Approved.**

**SDNP/24/00673/FUL**

**Closing Date: 18 March 2024**

Proposed demolition of existing stable block, to be replaced with barn containing 6 stables and storage for tractor and hay

**Seagrave Stables, Vernon Hill, Bishop's Waltham SO32 1FH**

**Application Approved.**

**24/00975/FUL**

**Closing Date: 19 July 2024**

Changes to internal arrangements and add patio doors.

**Chase Mill, Winchester Road, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1AH**

**Application Approved.**



## **Bishop's Waltham Parish Council**

### **Planning and Highways Committee**

**23.7.24**

#### **Agenda Item – New Government Changes to Planning Law – Proposal from Cllr Wood – for consideration**

In view of the new government proposing changes to planning legislation, it is recommended that letters be written and sent to key stakeholders regarding proposed changes and the potential impact of such on Bishop's Waltham.

A related news article on 'Planning Reform' from the BBC on 17th July 2024 is attached for information.

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**Proposal: to consider the matter arising and make any recommendations as a result**

**Executive Officer 16.7.24**

# Ministers want planning reform to boost UK building

Sam Francis, BBC Political reporter, Published 17 July 2024 [www.bbc.co.uk](https://www.bbc.co.uk)

**Labour have placed planning reforms at the heart of their mission to drive economic growth, pledging to get Britain building.**

Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer has repeatedly promised his government will be "builders, not blockers".

The new Planning and Infrastructure Bill, announced on Wednesday, will "turbocharge building of houses and infrastructure", the government said.

But experts have warned that despite the proposed changes, it will be "extremely easy" to derail housebuilding, if not infrastructure, through local planning objections.

Government statistics suggest the current system for approving new homes is in a quagmire.

Local planning authorities meet deadlines for minor applications in only 10% of cases, and only 1% handle major applications within the legal 13-week time limit.

Labour campaigned on a pledge to build 1.5 million homes in five years by streamlining planning and fast-tracking major infrastructure projects.

So will the government's proposed reforms work?

The Planning and Infrastructure Bill promises to provide more resources to hire the 300 new planners Labour has said will help speed up approvals for new homes.

**Local communities will be able to determine only "how, not if" homes and infrastructure are built, the government says.**

The legislation also aims to simplify the process for granting consent to major infrastructure projects - such as hospitals and electricity pylons - needed to supply vital services to new housing.

**The BBC understands that more schemes will be labelled Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects, granting final approval to the housing secretary rather than local councils.**

Labour's English Devolution Bill will also give the mostly Labour, metro mayors new powers to create Local Growth Plans. Deputy Prime Minister Angela Rayner has previously promised these will help mayors "deliver local economic growth with better housing".

Sweeping changes to the National Planning Policy Framework, the guidelines which govern the house planning system, are expected later this month.

The changes are expected to set out details of Labour's long-trailed plan to allow councils to approve housebuilding in poor quality areas in the green belt - known as the "grey belt".

Proposals to stop locals and councils blocking new homes, allowing them input only on the style of the buildings, were floated in the media ahead of the King's Speech.

## **'A wrench in the process'**

Even with these changes the new system is "pretty similar to the system we have now", Ant Breach from the Centre for Cities think tank told the BBC.

The changes "makes sense if you're trying to make the current system as efficient as it can be," Mr Breach says.

Despite restrictions on planning opposition, it will be "extremely easy to go to court and throw a wrench into the entire process", he warns.

Achieving higher levels of housebuilding will force the government to "constantly be picking battles", Mr Breach adds.

If the government wants to consistently deliver on its plan for an average of 300,000 homes a year, "this must be the first step in a series of planning reforms", he says.

Centre for Cities advocates a zoning-based planning system in the UK - similar to those used in other developed countries - allowing projects presumptive permission if they comply with local regulations.

Even with planning reforms, a shortage of supplies, builders and planners may "ultimately slow all this down", warns Jonathan Werran, Chief Executive of the devolution focussed think-tank Localis.

Mr Werran argues Labour's commanding majority in the Commons and its extensive control over local councils present a "once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to push through planning reform to delivery".

"But do we have enough construction workers to achieve this? Unlikely.

"There are supply chain bottlenecks that may ultimately slow this down and it takes time to train a planning officer and ensure they have the expertise," he says.

Although the proposals have largely been welcomed, early signs of rebellion from local authorities are emerging.

"Above all, reform must be done in partnership with councils, rather than to them," warned Tim Oliver, Leader of Surrey County Council and Chairman of the County Councils Network.

"Whilst we await further details on housing targets in the imminent revised National Planning Policy Framework, housing must be fairly allocated across the country," he said.

Cllr Claire Holland, housing spokesperson for the Local Government Association, said "councils want to work closely with the government to ensure new planning proposals deliver more high-quality affordable homes where they are needed".

But, she argued, it is councils which need "the proper levers" to deliver more housing at speed.

Environmental groups have also issued a warning. Magnus Gallie, senior planner at Friends of the Earth, said "unlocking" the planning system "too much could undermine its overall purpose, which is to regulate land use for the public good while balancing competing priorities".

"Labour must ensure that in 'taking the brakes off', it does not undermine the legitimate concerns of local communities and other stakeholders, which would invariably lead to more legal challenges and delays," he added.



## Bishop's Waltham Parish Council

### Planning and Highways Committee

23.7.24

#### **Agenda Item – Basingwell Street Car Park Bin Store Facility – Response from Winchester City Council – for consideration**

**From:** Winchester City Council **Sent:** Friday, July 12, 2024 **To:** Parishclerk@bishopswaltham-pc.gov.uk  
**Subject:** Bishop's Waltham Car Park Bin Store Facility and Houchin Street Bin Obstruction of the Highway

Sorry for the slow response but as you can imagine I wanted to consult internally with the wider council before I came back with a formal position.

Firstly, thank you for taking the time to deal with this, and we certainly understand the parish councils wishes to return the space to community use as it's not being used, but we don't feel we can remove the bin store. This is primarily for three reasons.

1. The reasons for providing the bin store are still very much evident, the bins are still an eyesore blighting the area, and they are still placed literally in the carriageway. We do note that Hampshire County Council have said they will not remove them, but this was not permission to place them there. The bins are still not permitted under The Highways Act, they are an obstruction to highway users on a narrow road, if there was an accident the highway authority would direct all liability towards the trader who placed it there, and the staff using the bin would not be insured to do so in the event of an accident. So the bin store not only improves the visual amenity, it is a massive help to traders, staff, highway users and pedestrians.
2. We do of course welcome the views of residents and traders, personally I'm very keen on engagement as for the best will in the world I can't know everything and nobody knows what an area needs better than the parish council or the people who live there, but to date the reasons put forward by the traders for not using it haven't been substantive, and the positions taken haven't held up well to scrutiny. If we hear of a good reason not to use the bin store we would of course reconsider its provision, but to date, we haven't heard of one.
3. There are three things happening in the next 9 months which will play a significant factor in increasing the requirement for the bin store to remain in situ, the introduction of trade recycling, the introduction of food waste recycling both of which will be happening by law 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 and will substantially increase the number of bins in the road, and the narrowing of the carriageway by HCC to accommodate a virtual walkway, which may well focus highways users attention, and HCC's, on the placement of trade waste bins in the carriageway.

Thank you for your support and for engaging with us on this, and it is disappointing that the traders haven't yet seen fit to use the facility, which was provided primarily for their benefit, but we can't get away from the basic fact it was provided for sound reasons and it should be getting used, so we feel it should remain in situ until it does.

As ever if there's anything I can do to help please let me know, I'm happy to speak at a public meeting, parish council, with traders, and as before I'm happy to clad it in wood to make it more attractive, but I can only do that when it starts to be used to justify the additional investment.

As ever if you have any questions, or if I can help in any way, please let me know.  
Service Lead – Engineering, Winchester City Council, Special Maintenance Depot

**Proposal: to consider the correspondence attached and make any recommendations as a result**

**Executive Officer 16.7.24**



## Bishop's Waltham Parish Council

### Planning and Highways Committee

23.7.24

#### **Agenda Item – Correspondence – Beeches Hill – *for consideration***

See the following letter from a resident of Beeches Hill.

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**Proposal: to consider the correspondence attached and make any recommendations as a result**

**Executive Officer 16.7.24**

Planning and Highways Committee  
Bishops Waltham Parish Council

10<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Dear Councillors,

When I attended your last meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> June, I was given copies of the latest updates (dated March 2024) relating to the introduction of 20-mph speed limits in Hampshire. In addition to Town and Parish Councils, it is now permitted for community groups to request these, but only on a full cost recovery basis, estimated to be £20k for each new scheme.

In the course of discussion, it was stated by the Chairman that it would be unreasonable for the Parish Council to meet such expenditure for Beeches Hill because relatively few residents would benefit. It was therefore suggested that our nascent pedestrian safety group should meet this expenditure. The logic presented was, with about 100 houses, this would amount to *only* £200 for each property. Firstly, I must correct the mathematics. Although the number of properties from which pedestrians might walk to our village greatly exceeds 100, that number includes houses in Dean and other outlying areas. The main factor for them is reducing the speed limit along the shared 40-mph stretch between Vernon Hill and Lower Lane. The number of houses on Beeches Hill, Vernon Close, Margaret Cottages, New Road and Primrose Terrace, which would directly benefit from the 20-mph zone we propose, is only 60 in total (but three properties are currently vacant). Even assuming for one instant that every single one of these would be prepared and able to pay, it remains unrealistic for each of these properties to fund a premium of £350 on top of existing council taxes. This is for a road safety issue which our elected authorities should address.

The wider point, however, is to question whether BWPC's "Twenty's Plenty" initiative has been discarded completely. If there is no money allocated in the Council's current budget to support a 20-mph scheme on Beeches Hill, it must be assumed that similarly there are no funds either for any of the other six sites where traffic speed has been raised as a concern. I note the minutes of the P&H Committee meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> February state, "Committee/Council should take this initiative into account when budgeting in September for 2025 onwards." I hope this is taken forward and would hope that the case supporting Beeches Hill is given careful consideration at that time. As I said at that meeting, a review of all the other six sites shows that a pavement is provided for pedestrians in each case, yet there is none on Beeches Hill. Accordingly, I asked if this placed Beeches Hill at the top of the priority

list, but I was told this could not be assumed. If not, I wish to be enlightened for the reason this would not be so.

The other matter raised concerned how many residents would benefit if the PC decided to expend its limited funds in this way. I find this an invidious argument because it is impossible to use such a subjective factor to differentiate in any manner between the seven proposed "Twenty's Plenty" sites. The only measure to decide an order of priority should be a proper assessment of the dangers posed to your constituents, particularly to the children who must walk along this road.

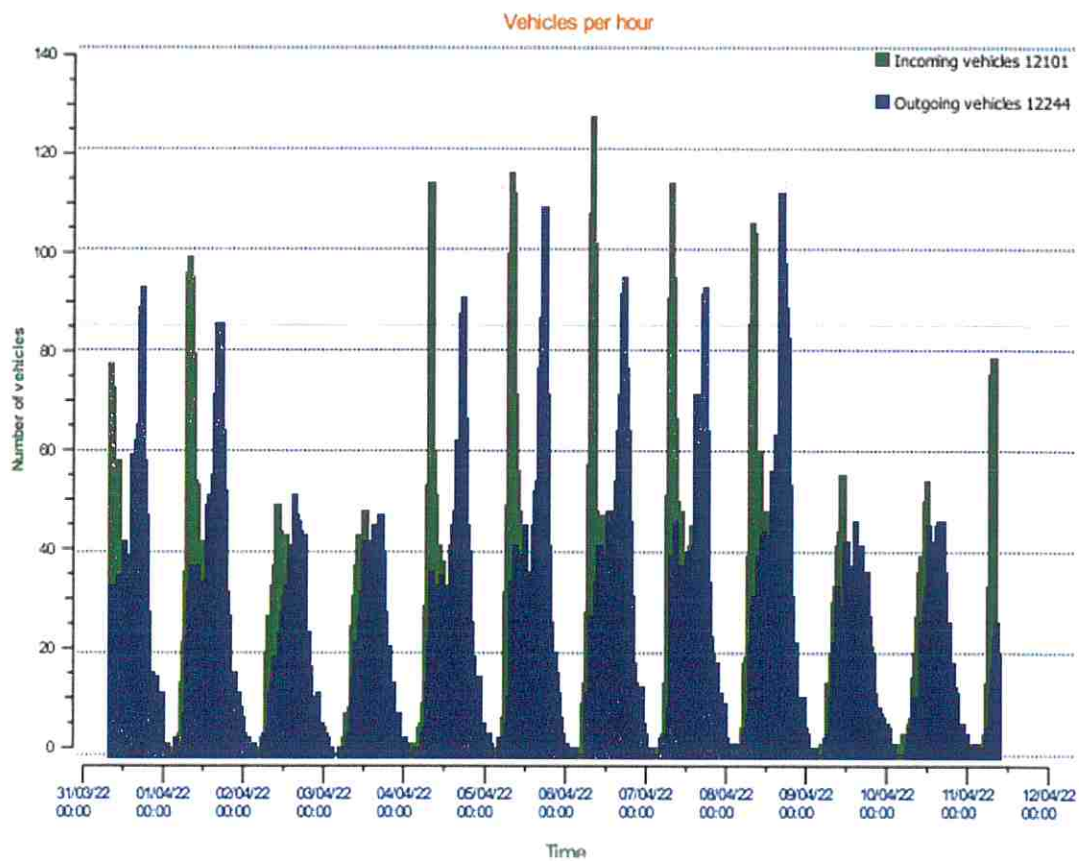
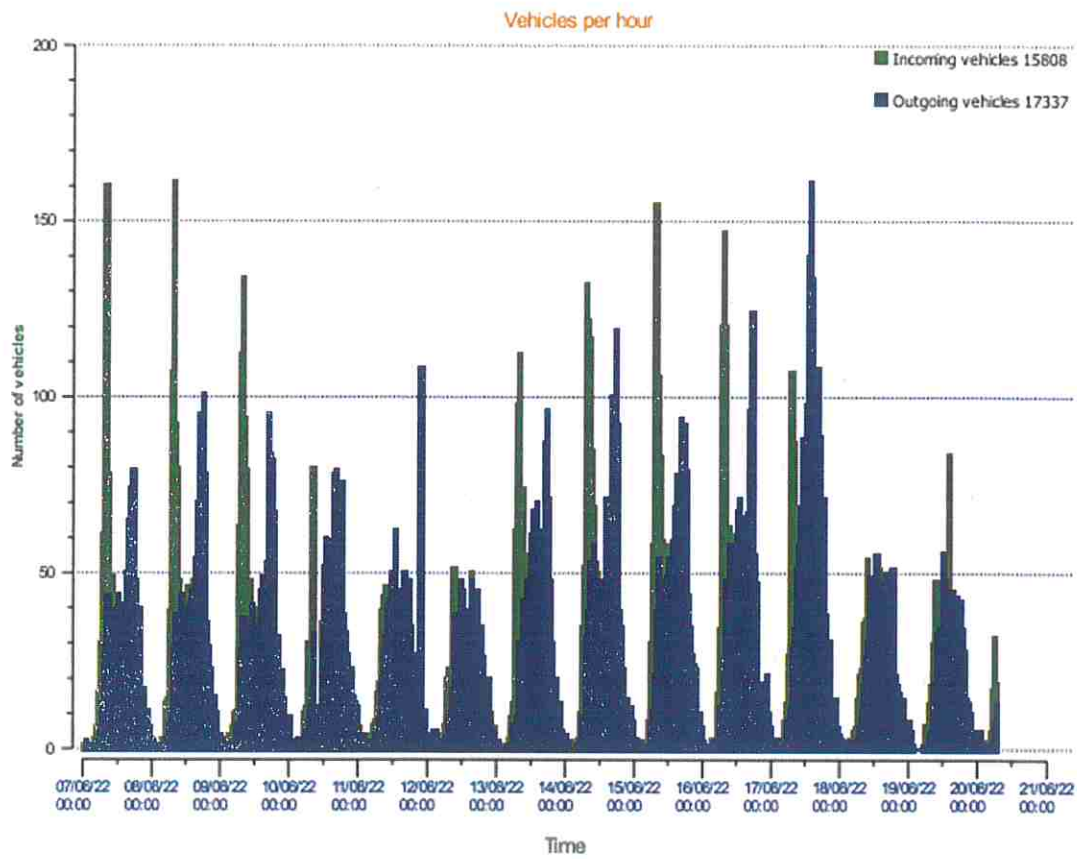
The absolute assessment of the danger posed to pedestrians on our narrow, busy road, especially when (albeit sparse) SID data shows that speed limits are being routinely disregarded, dictates that action should be taken to address the situation on Beeches Hill. In addition to their speed reduction role, the collection of data from SIDs is important and we look forward to the promised reinstatement of the bottom device and the installation of a new SID at the top of the Hill. Monitoring the traffic for ourselves yesterday (see the final pages), we recorded a **maximum of 425 vehicles per hour** through this very narrow road (noting that the term has already ended for private schools and this number could regularly be higher). This was during the morning 'rush hour' (0730-0830) at the same time as when residents are trying to get safely to work or to school. This shows that **traffic has more than doubled** since the last SID reports in 2022 (see the next page).

Accordingly, we hope that funds for Beeches Hill might be found in the PC's next budget round. In the meantime, we will strive to reinforce the case for a 20-mph speed limit – hopefully in concert with the Parish Council - in accordance with the HCC's website check-list, ready for the Parish Council to make our case to HCC.

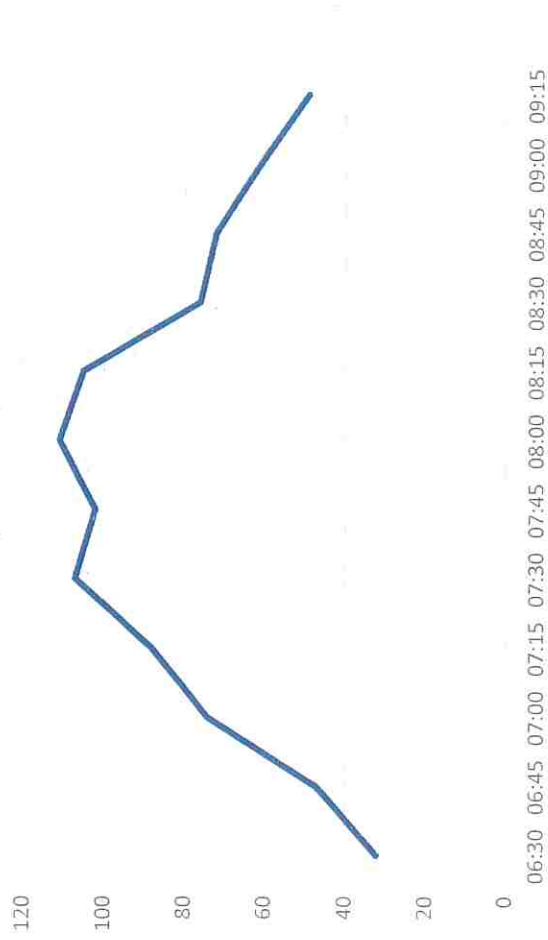
In sum:

- To expect a community group such as ours to raise £20k is unrealistic.
- We must therefore wait for the next BWPC budget to fund a 20-mph scheme for Beeches Hill.
- Before that time, our community group will endeavour to reinforce supporting evidence and arguments, working with the Parish Council to do so.
- SIDs at the top and bottom of the Hill are essential now to help reduce traffic speed. They can also provide essential evidence concerning excessive speeds and density of traffic. In this regard, I wish to be assured that the application has been made for a licence for the new top SID.

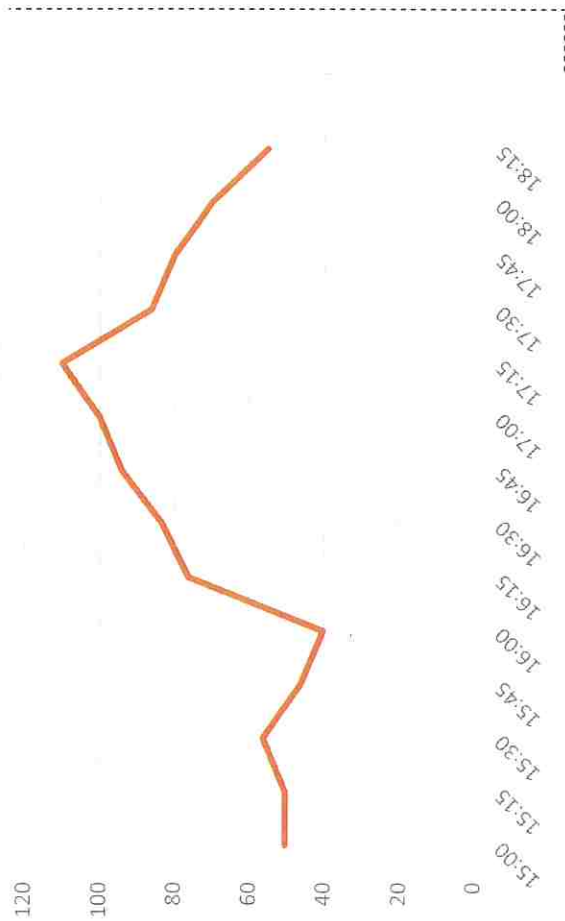
Yours faithfully,



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	DOWN	5	2			
07:00	UP	45	16		1	74
	DOWN	9	3			
07:15	UP	59	23			88
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07:30	UP	77	19			107
	DOWN	9	2			
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	DOWN	19	5			
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	DOWN	14	4			
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09:00	UP	33	8			61
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18:00	UP	9	1			70



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