

National Highways A1 Buckden Roundabout and A1 SAG meeting

Minutes from March 20 2023 2 pm

Attendees

Alan Marnes AM, Anne Howell-Jones AHJ, Caroline Underwood CU, ,
Alan Trille AT, Andrew Rosamond AR, Tom Bevan TB , Ellie Pierce EP

Apologies

John Taylor JT, Carl Chalin CC, Gerald Sansom GS

Outstanding Actions

A428 Modelling will this affect A1 villages north of Black Cat Roundabout. AT has a meeting set with Skanska team to discuss this on behalf of the Parishes and will report back at next meeting.

SUSTRANS – AT has arranged for a meeting with SUSTRANS and MH to understand any future plans HDC may have for the area. AT to confirm date with MH and SUSTRANS.

A1 Buckden roundabout meeting

A1 General update PF design –

AT advised group that there has been very little movement since last meeting in December.

AR advised the group that Tilia Homes are no longer the developer at the site. PF have not advised our team on any further plans at this stage to provide any further design information. There is currently no developer on board for the site.

A1 Buckden RBT meeting closed.

A1 SAG

Buckden – Issue with UKPN removal of hedge on A1 near allotments to north of village was raised as a concern. CU advised the group that they had been informed NH has advised the contractor that there is no need to re-instate the hedge. AR advised this has not come from NH. CU to go back to construction team, AR has provided CU with contact details for construction team and UKPN.

Streetlights query for subway- GS, outages AHJ confirms it is very dark at present. NH street lighting have been informed. AT informed the group that street lighting team were in process of instructing full survey of subway lighting- **AT to chase update on NH street lighting position.**

Subway condition – Structures team aware and have reviewed GI/PI information held, agreed to further monitoring of the crack in wall on southern subway High Street side. AHJ raised question about ivy growing on the walls if this will be maintained this year? TB to raise with soft estates team. Group were informed that Highway inspector carries out visual inspection every two weeks and reports any issues. TB informed group that northern subway key clamp railing has been repaired.

Bloor Homes site – AR updated group that query with design is being reviewed and mini278 works agreement should see construction in next couple of months linking site to the A1 footway on southbound verge.

Shell Garage – No update at this stage. (initially queried due to PF mitigation works in case there was some conflict in relation to roundabout works).

Perry Road- request for crossing point – no update issue relates to CCC highways but group were keen to see any PF changes incorporate a safe crossing point on Perry Road as part of their mitigation work on roundabout as speeds off roundabout are a concern.

Bus Shelters on A1 NB – AT raised query with indemnity insurance for structures on NH land. Initial query related to south of Perry Road bus stop footway.

A1 footway drainage issue (GS raised concern with surface water ponding by email) this has been forwarded to drainage asset lead for response.

A1 Southoe –

Designated funding scheme. Feasibility stage review. No update received from design team dealing with the initial optioneering.

A1 SB path - cycling affected by debris and vegetation. Issue with mud / detritus covering entrance to industrial site. Highway inspectors carry out visual inspection during weekly safety inspections. Inspector calls in to discuss concerns with operatives. AT advised AM to speak with CCC Env. Team to put further pressure on the Webb's site to resolve the ongoing problem of allowing excess muck into the junction area and carriageway.

AM raised concerns with central reserve vegetation at Lees Lane. TB chasing soft estates team for works date from original 28-day work order raised. Potentially delayed caused by adverse weather in March.

AM – Concern raised by car wash employees crossing live lanes from SB footway to gain access to car wash area. NH were not aware of this and will note for any future schemes under review.

AM – Weston springs access bridge strike. No update on time scales for repair / renewals to take place. AT has emailed structures team for update.

AM no u turn sign potentially obscuring vision splay as affecting SB traffic visibility opp. Lees Lane.

AM – requested that MP Jonathon Djanogly is in attendance at next meeting.

A1 Diddington – no issues raised

AJ – Request to maintain the vegetation at Vicarage Lane crossover and the vision splay south of vicarage lane Diddington. This has been passed to Operations team.

A.O.B.

Group discussed some general maintenance issues with pavement condition.

Redundant TM & Milestone vegetation on A1 SB verge needs to be addressed.

Positive note - was that drainage works to clear culvert under A1 has resulted in no flooding incidents this year. AM wished to thank NH drainage team for the works undertaken.

Next meeting.

June 12th, 2023, 2.00pm invites will follow. Location for in person meeting to be agreed. (Buckden Village Hall TBC).

Agenda

- A1 Buckden Rbt
 - Progress with developers
 - PF general arrangement
 - Traffic lights, street lighting, drainage,
 - Construction phase plan
- Buckden
 - Subways
 - Electrical
 - Structure
 - Perry Road
 - Shell Garage
 - Bloor Homes
 - UKPN
 - Bus Stop shelters
- Southoe
 - Designated funding project
 - South estate issues
 - A1 Southbound drainage
 - Webbs site
- Diddington
 - South Estate issues
- Walking cycling opportunities
- Operations update
- Major projects update
- RIS 3 update
- A.O.B.