



Residents **A**gainst **S**peeding



A Meeting held remotely via Zoom on Tuesday, 12th October 2021 at 7pm

Chair: Sarah Rodda Note Taker: Andrew Hill

Agenda

1. Welcome and apologies

Apologies from Alun Fuller, Susan Monk, Martyn Johnson, Neeta Baicher, Sheree Watt

Attendees: Sarah Rodda, Emma Lake, Keith Plow, Andrew Hill

2. Approval of Minutes of meeting 14th September 2021, and matters arising not covered in this agenda

Attendees approved the minutes of 14th Sept 2021.

3. Go safe co-ordinator, roles and responsibilities, possible sessions during darker months - Sarah Rodda

Agreed that GoSafe speed watch sessions would be suspended during winter 2021.

4. Recruitment drive including letters to local schools – Sarah Rodda

Letter promoting the GoSafe group has been written and passed to Undy & Magor schools. Letter has been issued to Undy parents, but has not been issued by Magor.

Lack of resources (people) means it's difficult to organise speed watch sessions in the daylight and the only time we can manage one currently is at the weekend.

It was agreed to suspend speed watch sessions over the winter while the group focuses on building up numbers. If enough people are recruited there is potential to develop the speed watch group as a separate entity that operates independently from the Residents Against Speeding (RAS) group.

Concern raised that RAS group has been associated with the introduction of the proposed 20mph speed limit pilot in Severnside, which is based on new laws from the Welsh Assembly and co-ordinated by Monmouthshire County Council. This could be impacting recruitment. There may be potential for a 'myth-busting' leaflet/article to distance the group from the legalities of the 20mph limit.

It was proposed that each member bring back one recruitment idea to the next meeting to allow us to build a recruitment plan over winter 21/22. Ideas to be presented at the next RAS group meeting.

There is also potential to join forces with a similar anti-speeding group in Rogiet, as people have expressed interest in setting up a group there. ***EL to approach Rogiet group and explore options to join forces.***

5. Review actions from last meeting

AH has continued to contact Barclays about a charity bank account – there is still a 4-week wait for an appointment in Cardiff. AH proposed that the group open a Lloyds account, which can be completed via a 20-minute online process and open in 4 weeks. All agreed. ***AH to open Lloyds account for RAS group.***

AH contacted Frances T for update on Monmouthshire CC progress with introduction of 20mph limit pilot. No response yet. ***AH to contact FT again.***

6. AOB

SR mentioned that group member Susan Monk had provided feedback that a 20mph speed limit appeared very effective in Tintern and East Compton during recent visits.

7. Appointment of Chair and Note Taker for next meeting

EL volunteered to take notes / AH volunteered to chair

8. Date of next meeting – 9th November 7pm