



# Residents Against Speeding



**A Meeting to be held remotely via Zoom:**

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**on**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022 at 7pm**

Chair: Martyn Johnson    Note Taker: Andrew Hill

## **Agenda:**

1. Welcome and apologies

MJ, AH, FT, NB and PK attended. Plus guest Cathy Edmunds, Undy School.

2. Approval of Minutes of meeting 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Meeting notes approved

3. Review actions from last meeting

4. Feedback and discussion on action plan

AH said that members selected promotion (in the form of leaflets and social media) as a priority. AH also said he had thoughts on how to expand the group, given recent resignations, and proposed expansion plans into the whole Severnside pilot area. No objections to AH's proposal were raised.

MJ said plans for Severn Tunnel Junction may have an impact on traffic levels on B4245, as there are moves to make STJ a full-blown park and ride station. Some of the proposals include a link off the M48 to allow traffic to directly access the station.

AH said he was happy to speak to CE about providing promotional material to the school and added that he would reach out to Rogiet/Caldicot contacts about expanding the group.

5. Cathy Edmunds, Undy Primary School – speeding on Pennyfarthing Lane

CE said that the school had supported the work of the speeding group and had taken part in competitions etc.

Speeding is regularly raised in school newsletters and parents encouraged to raise issues with speeding with MCC.

Police have provided some support, but local resources are stretched across 5 schools.

Some children are part of a Heddlu Bach group and patrol the area outside the school to highlight dangerous parking and give 'tickets' to parents who park dangerously.

CE said the parking along Pennyfarthing Lane at start and end of school had exacerbated the speeding problems.

Children have identified options to control parking/speeding, including a drop-off zone for parents. School is keen to speak to organisations about their ideas.

FT has said she is happy to bring concerns to the attention of highways officers, who will be able to speak to the children directly about their ideas.

But FT said she has not had parents raising the issue with her.

Pennyfarthing Lane is also going to be in the 20mph limit pilot.

CE said the children were hoping to create a stop-start animation to raise the parking/speeding issue with parents. CE said the children would be happy to support the work of the group.

NB said that the problems with speeding on Pennyfarthing Lane outside the school is historic.

AH said that it would be great for the group to work with the school children to raise awareness of the speed issue.

CE said that members of the group were welcome to attend meetings at the school and it would be great if FT were able to organise visits from local police.

AH and FT volunteered to attend meetings and work with children.

FT asked if there was an opportunity to involve Newport East Assembly Member John Griffiths and to see if he would address the children or organise a visit to the Senedd for them.

CE to email AH with details of the next meeting of the children's group.

Opportunity for group to email promotional material, which CE is happy to distribute to parents.

6. Group financials

MJ said approx. £143 had been spent on an annual Zoom subscription.

7. AOB

MJ said he had received a quote for mobile digital speed signs. Devices that log speeds on both sides of the carriageway are available at a cost of £2k (+VAT) per unit.

AH asked if there was a way that the money could be found.

FT suggested we ask Graham Kinsella if there were any matched funding options or if there was spare money in the budget available. FT suggested setting up a 30-min meeting with Graham Kinsella, from MCC, to discuss ways that the group could purchase the unit. MJ will email GK to suggest a meeting.

FT said she had circulated details of a fund that RAS could make an application to.

FT also suggested approaching the Comm Council.

AH said he would approach major local companies to see if there were opportunities to raise funds to pay for the units.

MJ said there was a new email address for the group (severnsideagainstspeeding@gmail.com)

8. Appointment of Chair and Note Taker for next meeting

AH to chair / PK to take notes

9. Date of next meeting – 8<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm:

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