



**Bradford on Avon
Town Council**



Minutes of the Extraordinary Full Town Council meeting of
BRADFORD ON AVON TOWN COUNCIL held at St. Margaret's Hall, Bradford on Avon
on Tuesday 30th July 2019 at 8.05p.m.

Attendance – Town Council

Cllr L Brown
Cllr E Franklin
Cllr D Garwood
Cllr S Gibson
Cllr A Kay
Cllr T Lomax
Cllr J Lynch
Cllr S McNeill-Ritchie (Chairman)
Cllr D Newton
Cllr J Parker
Cllr M Roberts
Cllr D Taylor
Mrs S Bartlett (Town Clerk)
Apologies – None

Members of the Public – 140 members of the public of whom 20 spoke on this matter.

36. Declarations of interest – none

37. Trial One Way system

Cllrs Brown and Roberts proposed and seconded their motion “To request Wiltshire Council to carry out a trial of a one-way system that would address the current concerns of the local public and to engage with designated officers of Wiltshire Council”.

Chairman reported that the KERB report had been sent to Wiltshire Council in the middle of March 2019. Councillor Bridget Wayman, Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport & Waste had sent an email to say that she was aware that the Town Council was awaiting a response. Her consultant has yet to complete their review and she hoped they will be in a position to respond soon.

The Chairman explained that the Extraordinary Council meeting had been called on Thursday morning by two Councillors Roberts and Brown. Under the terms of the Local Government Act 1972 we were obliged to convene a meeting within 7 days hence the short notice of this meeting.

Cllr Roberts said a majority of people of Bradford would like to see a trial of a one-way system in the town and he said the public deserves this. He said it would have to be carefully monitored before, during and after the trial to measure the effects, this would monitor numbers of vehicles, speed of vehicles and Air Quality.

Leader of the Council presented an amendment to the motion and Cllr Gibson added to the amendment, this was accepted by Cllr Roberts and Cllr Brown:-

To request that Wiltshire Council, in light of the growing concerns among Bradford on Avon residents, and on behalf of the local community, immediately undertake appropriate computer modelling in order to inform and provide the scope of any necessary physical trials of measures that will support this Council's strategic aim to rebalance the traffic use of roads within the town to improve air quality and pedestrian safety.

These measures may include, but are not limited to, modelling and trialling of;

- enhanced vehicle access restrictions and controls, including for highly-polluting HGVs and PSVs at strategic points within the town;*
- pavement widening;*
- speed limit reviews, both in the centre and peripheral areas, including extending 30 mph zones to the edge of current 40mph zone, significant expansion of 20mph zones - and effective speed limit enforcement across the town;*
- a partial one-way system in a manner to be determined by said modelling and insofar as it may facilitate the above measures while not inhibiting the wider strategic aims;*
- other measures that may assist.*
- As part of this motion BOATC commits to hold the necessary public engagement exercise to explain the trial and ensure there is real public support for a trial.*
- To carry out a follow up consultation process to judge the measured and perceived benefits and adverse effects of the trial.*

This was proposed by Cllr Newton, seconded by Cllr Gibson and with all in favour it was **RESOLVED:** To accept the amended motion as above.

The meeting closed at 9p.m.

Appendix 1

Members of the public who spoke at the Extraordinary Full Council on the 30th July 2019

Robin Clark, Amanda Sproson, Gail Plant, James Sullivan-Tailyour, Jenny Toser, Gerald Milward-Oliver, Paige Balas, Ian Sharp, Valerie Jireidine, Jane Wherton, Sheila Wood, John Pearce, Ivan Wiggam, Glenys Lunt, Michelle Donelan, Helen Tucker, Mike Evans, Duncan Cameron, Dave Reed and Tim Storey.