

MINUTES OF TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER GOVERNING BODY MEETING

13 April 2023 – 10.00 to 11.30

Attendees:

Members

Assistant Director of Strategic Infrastructure (Chair)	ADoSI
Corporate Lead (Design & Asset Management)	CL(D&AM)
Corporate Lead (Green Space & Street Scene)	CL(GS&SS)
Corporate Lead (Transportation)	CL(T)

Other

Highways and Planning Solicitor (advisor)	H&PS
Team Leader (Traffic Engineering)	TL(TE)
Traffic Engineer	TE1
Traffic Engineer	TE2
Highway Engineer	HE
Project Manager (Strategic Infrastructure)	PM(SI)

1. Apologies

Flood Programme Manager – Post currently vacant
Performance Manager – Post currently vacant

2. Matters arising

The minutes of the last meeting (1 February 2023 @ 14.30) have been agreed by email and have been uploaded to the website ([here](#)).

3. Orders for Consideration

a) **Bradford Road, Northowram TRO**

Further to raising this at the meeting on 1 February 2023 (section 3b [here](#)) TE2 reported on progress. As noted in the previous meeting, objections were received in relation to the proposed TRO and the associated zebra crossing. The decision on the scheme was deferred at that meeting until the review of the objections to the zebra crossing Notice were considered.

It is noted that the objections to the zebra crossing have now been reviewed by the ADoSI (as the Head of Service and outside of the TROGB) and on 7 March 2023 overruled the objections.

TE2 has attempted to resolve the TRO objections by contacting the complainants further explaining the need for the restrictions, but the objectors have not retracted the objections and so they remain.

H&PS noted that as the objections relate to the proposed loading restrictions, the proposal will now need to go to a public inquiry (see section 9 of [The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders \(Procedure\) \(England and Wales\) Regulations 1996](#))

Outcome

It was unanimously agreed that the objections be overruled to secure visibility at the access to the Sainsburys' development and thereby ensure the safety of traffic. The scheme is therefore to be progressed to the public inquiry.

b) Wyke Old Lane, Brighouse TRO

HE explained that, as the result of a planning consent for the development of a new retail unit, parking restrictions are required to protect the proposed access. A proposal for including No waiting and No Loading at any time has been proposed.

An informal consultation has been undertaken with statutory consultees, local Councillors and affected residents/businesses, with no responses. It is therefore suggested that the scheme can progress to Statutory Consultation.

The TROGB reviewed the proposal and unanimously agreed that the proposal can proceed to statutory consultation.

Outcomes

It was unanimously agreed that the proposal can proceed to statutory consultation.

The TROGB:

- (i) Approves the progression of this scheme including instruction to the Case Manager and the Head of Democratic and Partnership Services to draft the necessary documentation to progress the statutory consultation.

c) A629 Phase 1b (Jubilee Road to Stainland Road) TRO/SLO

As part of the improvements of the ongoing A629 Phase 1b scheme, permanent parking/loading restrictions, banned turns, a bus lane and changes to speed limits are being proposed to facilitate traffic flows in a safe and efficient manner once the scheme is complete.

The proposed design has been informally consulted on with statutory consultees, local Councillors and affected residents/businesses. As a result, one objection was received from an affected business.

The introduction of a new traffic light junction between Jubilee Rd and Huddersfield Rd requires new 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions and 'No Loading' restrictions (between the hours of 7.00-9.30am and 4.00-6.00pm) on Jubilee Rd to prevent parking and loading interfering with the peak time operation of the traffic lights. The objector has clients attending his premises from 8.00 onwards and is concerned that his clients will not be able to load and unload their goods. However, there will remain parking available immediately opposite the business entrance and further parking remains a short distance up Jubilee Rd. Loading and unloading will still be possible between the hours of 9.30am – 4.00pm and after 6.00pm. Therefore, it was agreed that the proposal was not unreasonable.

In the discussion, it was also raised that the current arrangement allows for parking on the raised area of highway on the northern side of the Huddersfield rd/Jubilee Rd junction. There are concerns that this might create conflict for pedestrians, and it was requested that this be investigated further.

The TROGB unanimously agreed that the proposal can proceed to statutory consultation, following further consideration of the raised parking area.

Outcomes

It was unanimously agreed that following review of the raised parking area, the proposal can proceed to statutory consultation.

The TROGB:

- (ii) Approves the progression of this scheme including instruction to the Case Manager and the Head of Democratic and Partnership Services to draft the necessary documentation to progress the statutory consultation.

d) Lee Wood Road, Hebden Bridge TRO

Further to raising this at the meeting on 1 February 2023 (section 3d [here](#)) TE2 reported on the outcome of the statutory consultation.

For some time now, the retaining wall alongside Lee Wood Road has been structurally weakened and therefore considered that it is unsafe to have vehicles parked adjacent to it. Initially, parking has been controlled by a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TTRO), but it is now necessary to introduce a permanent restriction.

The proposal, which matches the current TTRO has been informally consulted with statutory consultees, local Councillors and affected residents. As a result, one objection was received from an affected resident in that during inclement weather it is necessary to park vehicles on Lee Wood Road within the proposed restriction. Discussions concluded that although the issue was appreciated, it was felt that there was sufficient scope for parking away from the affected wall at such times and therefore the TROGB unanimously agreed that the objection be overruled, and the TRO should be implemented as advertised.

Outcome

It was unanimously agreed that the objection be overruled, and the TRO should be implemented as advertised.

The TROGB:

- (i) Approves the making and implementation of the Order as proposed and holds that the objections be overruled.
- (ii) That the objectors be informed

e) Todmorden CIP TRO/SLO

PM(SI) reported on the current situation with respect to the ongoing works and effect on the proposed TRO.

Although the proposed TRO is not yet legally made, the public response from the signage now erected on site has highlighted that the TRO inadvertently allows only access for loading and not for disabled access. Options are being investigated that would allow access for blue badge holders.

Outcome

The course of action was noted, and it was unanimously agreed that a solution be investigated.

4. Any other business

a) Internal Audit Report (Draft)

TL(TE) reported that the Draft Audit report of the TRO procedure has been received, giving an overall view of “reasonable assurance”.

There are three recommendations as a result, TL(TE) will be progressing these and reporting to the TROGB in coming meetings.

5. Date of Next Meeting

15 May 2023, (special meeting)

7 June 2023, 14.00 to 15.30 (routine meeting)