

**Community Board – North West Chilterns
Transport and Road Issues Action Group
Briefing Report for the Community Board – 6 December 2022**

Purpose: This report provides a very brief overview of the work undertaken by the Action Group since the Community Board Meeting held on 27th July 2022.

Meetings: The Action Group is local authority representatives and residents from across the NWC area. One new member joined the Group since July. The Group meets monthly (virtually).

Priority Objectives: The Group has ten priority objectives and all are discussed at each meeting in the context of specific local transport/road issues or broader transport policy matters.

Outputs from the Action Group: Most, if not all, of the outputs from the Group's discussions require action and/or input from Buckinghamshire Council. The Group is becoming increasingly concerned with slow or no responses from Buckinghamshire Council and that its voice is not being heard.

Snapshot of recent work:

- The Group received a presentation on Disabilities and Transport from Ann Frye OBE, who is a National and International Expert, Consultant and Government Advisor on this subject. Ann's presentation and the discussion that followed gave the Group an insight into disabilities legislation and the vast range of everyday problems that people with disabilities face when using the transport system. It was of concern to the Action Group that despite the legislation, these problems still exist and are still being created. The Group will do its best to raise the profile of addressing this problem.
- The Group has produced a draft, aspirational Local Cycling and Walking and Plan for the NWC area to support the Council's County-wide Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP). The Group hopes to issue its draft plan to all Community Board Members for input to help develop the final version. It is hoped to do this within the next month.
- The Action Group has responded to the draft High Wycombe Town Transport Strategy Public Consultation, which includes the draft High Wycombe Town LCWIP. The Group made seven substantive comments, which it hopes will result in major changes to both strategies.

Actions going forward:

- Meet with Arriva and School Transport bus representatives about bus idling engines.
- Consider a 'turn off your engine off when stationary' initiative in Stokenchurch.
- Maintain the focus on the locally inspired A4010 Strategy.
- Consider transport and accessibility issues in Princes Risborough High Street.

Chairman: Jim Stevens