

**Notes of the Meeting of the Central Traffic Management Liaison Group  
held in the Highways Meeting Room, Sea Terminal Buildings, Douglas  
at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday 23 November 2005**

**Present:** Mr S P Barker, Traffic and Safety Manager, DoT  
Mrs H R Fletcher, Traffic Engineer, DoT  
Mr M Barnes, Traffic Technician, DoT  
Sgt J Kinrade, IOM Constabulary  
Mr A Donnelly, Douglas Corporation  
Mr E K Convery, Onchan Commissioners  
Mrs A Georgeson, Secretary, DoT

<b>ONCHAN DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS RECEIVED</b>	
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**1. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Mr C S Lewin, Braddan Commissioners.

**2. Matters arising from Meeting 11 August 2005**

**2.1 Heywood Court/Hillberry Road – Possible Pedestrian Crossing**

It was noted that a survey had been carried out and HRF was to forward the results from the survey to all those concerned. HRF

EKC informed the meeting that Onchan Commissioners were more in favour of a pedestrian crossing, rather than installing traffic signals.

HRF to draw up plans of pedestrian refuge, however there is concern over moving the bus stop locations away from the junction. HRF

**2.2 Harbour Road, Onchan**

Yellow lines are now in place.

**2.3 Camping – Blackberry Lane, Onchan**

Nothing to report.

**2.4 Scollag Road**

Nothing to report.

**2.5 Kelvin Road**

The Commissioners acknowledged that the disabled parking bay had been extended, but suggested that it may need to be extended more for ease of access.

It was agreed that parking in this area was difficult and nothing more would be done at present.

2.6	<b><u>Derwent Drive, Onchan</u></b>	Sgt Kinrade informed the meeting that there were speeding issues on this stretch of road. Sgt Kinrade remarked that a Police presence did alleviate the problem, but that once the Police were seen not to be around the speeding problems returned.	Police
2.7	<b><u>Street Lighting – Signpost Corner/Cronk Ny Mona</u></b>	Nothing to report.	
2.8	<b><u>Pedestrian Crossing – Main Road adjacent to Onchan Commissioners</u></b>	Onchan Commissioners reiterated their opposition for the installation of a pedestrian crossing, as there were four crossings places already in place.  SB informed the meeting that the Methodist Church in Onchan was in favour of the crossing. SB had also received information that there was a great deal of pedestrian traffic around 5 pm.  EKC informed the meeting that congestion was caused by the arrival of the school buses from King William’s College and Buchan School at around 5pm, and by staff leaving work.  SB suggested that a proposal be advertised in connection with the pedestrian crossing to gauge the response from the public. HRF also suggested that a copy be placed in Onchan library and the Commissioners office.	SPB
2.9	<b><u>Bus Lay-by at Onchan School</u></b>	A risk assessment still needs to be completed for this job.	HRF
2.10	<b><u>Parking Problems – Church Road</u></b>	Yellow lines should now be in operation MB to check.	MB
2.11	<b><u>Seacliffe Road, Onchan</u></b>	Even with the “No Left Turn” sign in place it appears that some motorists are still going the wrong way. A Traffic Counter has been installed to monitor the amount of motorists going the wrong way. HRF to confirm figures.	HRF
2.12	<b><u>Commercial Vehicle Parking, Onchan</u></b>	Nothing to report on this matter.	
2.13	<b><u>Parish Partnership Signs</u></b>	Onchan Commissioners to have use of this sign as a matter of urgency.	SB

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| 3. | <p><b><u>Parking – Lhergy Cripperty/Cronk Road, Union Mills</u></b></p>  |     |
|    | <p>The Commissioners had requested double yellow lines at the junction to aid visibility. Double yellow lines are to be advertised.</p>  | HRF |
| 4. | <p><b><u>Watertrough Cottage, Old Castletown Road – Pedestrian Access to Property</u></b></p>  |     |
|    | <p>Nothing to report.</p>  |     |
| 5. | <p><b><u>Union Mills – Speeding/Trollaby Lane</u></b></p>  |     |
|    | <p>A full road closure was put into operation to enable a survey to be carried out on this section of highway to establish whether double white lines were justified.</p>  |     |
|    | <p>They survey showed that visibility at Trollaby Lane was sufficient, and that there was no justification for double white lines to be installed. A similar survey at Ballafreen House indicated that double white lines were justified at this location.</p> |     |
|    | <p>A copy of the report and proposal will be sent to Braddan Commissioners for their comments.</p>   | HRF |
| 6. | <p><b><u>Athol Street, Prospect Hill – Pelican Crossing</u></b></p>  |     |
|    | <p>There had been a proposal some years ago to install a full set of signals to assist in traffic turning right into Athol Street. The scheme was not a high priority. SPB reported that the tactile paving does not line up properly.</p>                     | SPB |
|    | <p>SPB informed the meeting that the intergreen timings at Bucks Road/Circular Road had been checked and were working correctly.</p>   |     |
| 7. | <p><b><u>Footbridge – Glencruthery Road, Douglas</u></b></p>   |     |
|    | <p>A pelican crossing will be installed at this location, and the electricity supply will come from Nobles Park side.</p>  |     |
|    | <p>SPB asked Douglas Coperation if they could position a control box over the wall at Nobles Park if required. This was agreed to.</p>   |     |
| 8. | <p><b><u>Marathon Avenue</u></b></p>   |     |
|    | <p>Nothing to report at present.</p>   |     |
| 9. | <p><b><u>Ridgeway Street, Douglas – Buildout</u></b></p>   |     |
|    | <p>It has been agreed to install a build-out at the junction with King Street.</p>   | HRF |

	MB to prepare the drawings.	MB
10.	<p><b><u>Central Promenade – Parking opposite Castlemona Avenue</u></b></p> <p>There had been an increase in Warden activity at this location, but not as of late. Vehicles are still being parked on the seaward side at the build-out at the bottom of Broadway, on double yellow lines, reducing the efficiency of the traffic signals.</p> <p>Sgt Kinrade said he would continue to enforce parking.</p>	Police
11.	<p><b><u>Overnight Parking</u></b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
12.	<p><b><u>Douglas Head Parking</u></b></p> <p>HRF is working on the Order and should be advertised within the next two weeks.</p>	HRF
13.	<p><b><u>New Sign – Cronk-ny-Mona, Hillberry</u></b></p> <p>The new signs are now in place and working. The information sign had been in use last weekend to advise of the Road Closure at The Nook.</p>	
14.	<p><b><u>Strathallan Crescent</u></b></p> <p>Land issue disputes delayed the progression of this Order, but the proposal for the disc parking has been advertised and is being progressed by Admin.</p>	CJ/MK
14.	<p><b><u>Any Other Business</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Falcon Cliff Court, Douglas</u></b></p> <p>AD Douglas Corporation informed the meeting that he had received numerous calls in connection with the availability of parking spaces for residents at Empress Mews.</p> <p>It appears that office developments are using the spaces, and the residents are requesting that an area of Falcon Cliff Court be transferred back to private land for use by the residents only.</p> <p>HRF has looked at the site and there is limited access available between Falcon Cliff Court and Empress Mews due to one parking space and some garages. There are services under the highways and No.20 Falcon Cliff Court has pedestrian access. The land would revert back to the previous owner, at the discretion of the DOT, and it would have to go to Tynwald. The residents of Empress Mews would then require to negotiate with the</p>	

land owners regarding parking. There may also be objections from statutory undertakers HRF to write to commissions with details.

HRF

### **Springfield Court**

MB has been to the site and taken measurements. Currently the site can accommodate between 13-15 cars. If the area was to be marked out it would reduce the amount of cars able to park there to 12.

The marking out of all car parks is a procedure the DOT does not wish to encourage.

Onchan Commissioners to arrange removing the sign which states "No Parking of Campers".

EKC

### **Oakhill Bridge**

HRF has the partial results of the Oakhill Bridge study. At present the results indicate that the trial build-out has made little difference in the speed of vehicles, and has shown an increase in the speed of vehicles travelling in the direction of Douglas.

Further data is to be collated before a final decision can be made.

HRF

### **Summerland Demolition**

Onchan Commissioners wanted to know what procedures and notices are in place for the forthcoming demolition work of Summerland. He suggested that a Traffic Management Plan with all parties involved in the operation, including all emergency divisions be implemented.

SB to speak to Mr Hannay.

SB

### **Ownership Issues**

Mr Donnelly informed the meeting that Douglas Corporation were taking measures to improve the safety of the chains around the Town Hall and the Jubilee Clock, following a tripping accident by a member of the public.

### **Whitebridge Road**

Sgt Kinrade had received a suggestion to extend the 40 mph speed limit out as far as Bibaloe Road. This is not a particularly big collision site, and therefore the idea could not be justified.

The meeting closed at 10.30 a.m.

The next meeting was arranged for Wednesday 15 February 2006, commencing at 9.30 am.