

Good morning Keith,

This is a helpful email thank you.

Please note that I now only use this .gov.uk email address.

Councillors have also raised the question of what restrictions SCC places on use by bikes and vehicles on London Road North place and the extent to which any restrictions are enforceable. Councillors have concerns about bicycles, in particular, whizzing along that 'pedestrian zone' stretch within the 10am-4pm period and alarming and potentially damaging pedestrians.

It is also understood that Lowestoft Vision have placed flower pots in an attempt to make the area feel more pedestrianised but that any more obstructive measures would be unacceptable as delivery vehicles etc., need access during that period and all users have permitted use outside of that period.

The Council is also considering options for running markets, regular and one-off specialist markets. Aware of course that other parties progress such events from time to time on London Road North. Would SCC be open, in principle, to working with our Council (and relevant others) to consider whether a regular market might be permitted along this road?

Additionally, as we understand it, the Triangle Market, which has transferred to our ownership, is classified as highway. In order for us to be able to hold any markets on this land, as per the Charter Market entitlement, we need standing permission from SCC. Is this possible please and are there are restrictions or requirements that you would impose on our use of our land?

Please copy in Lauren to any reply as she will be supporting the relevant committee on these matters on Monday 25th June.

Kind regards

Shona

From: Keith Sampson [mailto:Keith.Sampson@suffolk.gov.uk]

Sent: 11 June 2018 15:31

To: Simon Barnett

Cc: Shona Bendix

Subject: FW: Speeding, parking and bus shelter

Simon,

Can you please look at the request for a bus shelter opposite the railway station in Lowestoft detailed in the first paragraph of the e-mail below.

Shona,

Unfortunately we haven't had any speed surveys undertaken in Walmer Road. The road is currently subject to a 30mph speed limit due to the street lights. The cost of undertaking a speed survey will be £310 for which we do not have a budget to organise. If the Town Council is hoping to seek a reduction in the speed limit then a report will need to be submitted showing how the road meets the criteria for a 20mph speed limit. The criteria can be viewed using the following link: <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/assets/Roads-and-transport/traffic-management-and-road-safety/20mph-Speed-Limit-Policy-Criteria.pdf> The cost of the report will be approximately £1000 and there is no guarantee that the panel will agree to such a reduction in speed limit. The panel will want to know how the new speed limit will be funded as there are no central budgets to pay for the design and advertising of the speed limit.

Keith Sampson

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Sent: 04 June 2018 15:46

To: Keith Sampson <Keith.Sampson@suffolk.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Speeding, parking and bus shelter

Hi Keith

Just wondering if you had had a chance to look at this?

Thank you

Shona

From: Shona Bendix <shona.bendix@lowestofttowncouncil.uk>
Sent: 13 May 2018 21:19
To: 'keith.sampson@suffolk.gov.uk' <keith.sampson@suffolk.gov.uk>
Subject: Speeding, parking and bus shelter

Hi Keith

I hope you are well. Hopefully you still cover the Lowestoft area?

I am not sure where to go with this one. A member of the public has enquired about putting a bus shelter opposite the railway station in Lowestoft. The Town Council has agreed that it is a major stop and that it is unsatisfactory that people are open to the elements waiting there. We have been advised that Suffolk County Council require the Town Council to approach them and I am writing to confirm that the Council is supportive of this proposal and agrees it would be useful at this site. Who should I advise in the County Council please?

Also, some time ago we communicated about Walmer Road. We are still receiving complaints about inappropriate parking and speeding in Walmer Road and questions about the appropriateness of the speed limits given the nature of the road. Has there been a proper speed check along that road recently and, if not, can there be? Has there been consideration of speed bumps/other calming measures down the access road to the football club car park, as opposed to in the main road? I know you said that resident and county councillors had been unable to agree speed bumps in the main road owing to noise etc. Has there been consideration to lowering the speed limit? Do you think this might be appropriate and, if so, would you need a formal suggestion from the Town Council in order to progress this? I understand that enforcement might be an issue.

Any update or further advice you can provide would be very much appreciated.

Kind regards

Shona