

Notes from the meetings with Cllr Seccombe and 4 officers of WCC attended by Parish Councillor and District Councillor

Questions presented	Answers received 27 October 2020	Answers received 2 November 2020
What is the work required that needs a 12 week closure	A sewer connection (at considerable depth in the roadway), reinforcement of the embankment and installation of speed cushions	
Why can't the embankment reinforcement be carried out from the development side of the boundary	Because there is a need for height for the piling machinery	
How much of the 12 weeks is associated with the unwanted speed cushions	The road needs to be closed for the speed cushions because of the road width. Each pair will take 2 -3 days and there are many pairs. Therefore 2 – 3 weeks in total. They must be done in sequence – no detailed explanation given for this	The situation has been reviewed and discussions are currently taking place with the contractors to complete much of the work items in parallel. If successfully concluded the closure of the road AFTER Christmas will not be necessary. This assumes that the major piling work proceeds without problems
Could the cushions be done with traffic light control, no total closure and maybe pavement and grass verge obstruction	WCC will re-consider and revert but believe planning issues might dictate	No, because there is insufficient road width and it is not possible to close the pavements to give a notional increase
Do these cushions need to be installed at this time? If delayed until later in the development cycle could this reduce the current closure timetable	WCC to consider and respond	In the light of the change to the construction plan then a second closure later seems unnecessary
Recognising the length of the proposed detour, and the use of local routes by local residents, will WCC consider salting and gritting the Lighthorne Road on the few occasions necessary during this period	The gritting routes are all computer generated and therefore too difficult to change	This is being reconsidered and examined again
What engagement has there been with the public transport providers	The school bus companies have been consulted and revised routes are being discussed. The parents of children affected by the closure are being contacted and there are no additional requirements on the school staff	
As at today how many letters have been sent/delivered	This is being done by the contractors. There is a distribution map. Brookhampton Lane will have received their second,	

	reminder, letter. Details of wider distribution not provided	
If business can demonstrate a financial impact during the closure what compensation provision is available	To be considered but there are no current plans/facilities to cover this	
Could this be delayed for a week or more whilst local businesses, the schools and transport companies get up to speed	It is all associated with planning conditions	
Why are these speed cushions required?		The visibility splays from the new development would present road safety risks if some form of calming wasn't installed. Cushions are the only effective solution based on the road layout (Pittern Hill/Brookhampton Lane/Warwick Road and the new site entrance)