

## **FPC meeting, Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

### **Report: Freshford Church School – traffic and parking**

#### ***Overview***

This report addresses two interrelated issues:

##### *a) Traffic and parking at School drop off and pick up*

This was discussed at FCS Governors' meeting in December 2019 to which I'd been invited as PC liaison. Many solutions were presented including implementing a one-way system for parents in the morning and afternoons; drop off points (Browns field, St Mary's church, The Inn) and supervised crocodiles to school; initiating a project like Energy Sparks where the children themselves investigate and offer solutions; developing a travel plan in conjunction with the children.

Discussion continued at a subsequent meeting with Clare Ford (CF), Chair of Governors on 06/02/2020. CF is in favour of decreasing the traffic and parking around the School, but she is concerned about the lack of pavements and safe crossing places outside the school which makes promoting the idea of children walking to and from school problematic from a safety perspective. A number of possible solutions were discussed including a Lollypop man/lady, pedestrian crossings and painted pavements.

##### *b) Traffic and parking at School events*

The PC meeting in January agreed to implement the recommendations in the Chair's Report (item 4) which suggested the PC request PSCOs to assist with parking and traffic during School events, and that the PC would provide the School with a letter advising of the need for this course of action which the School could communicate to parents.

This idea was expanded at the meeting I had with CF on 06/02/2020. CF suggested that the School invite PSCOs to talk to both children and parents about road safety prior to the next school event. Not only will this help with awareness of parking problems in general (see section a) above), but it will have the added advantage of introducing the PSCOs to parents and children in advance of the next event, thereby circumventing a number of possible problems that might arise on the day.

#### ***Recommended actions***

- a) JD to investigate the idea of Lollypop people with B&NES Community Officers.  
JD to find out from Community Officers whether, in the light of the Council's Climate Emergency objectives, B&NES Transport/Highways will consider undertaking a survey of the roads outside the School.  
JD to discuss the above with Councillor Neil Butters, B&NES Cabinet Member for Transport.
- b) JD to liaise with PSCOs and the School to set up talks and organise the policing of events.

**Councillor Jonelle Daniels**

**20 February 2020**