

COLATON RALEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

HIGHWAYS WORKING GROUP – TERMS OF REFERENCE V.1
NOVEMBER 2021

PURPOSE

To work towards addressing traffic & related safety issues within the parish of Colaton Raleigh, East Devon.

TASK

To identify strategic improvements to the parish road infrastructure and to provide, as necessary, supporting tactical plans, actions, and funding options for full council approval.

SCOPE

To enable a safer parish for all by assessing and prioritising issues associated with traffic and related highway infrastructure within the parish.

Initial emphasis will be on the areas of the Exmouth and Hawkerland Roads in the village of Colaton Raleigh and the immediate vicinity. Early analysis has identified the following areas of concern:

- Access Issues: Exmouth Road & Hawkerland Road junction.
- Large oversized artic trucks & farm traffic using above junction and Hawkerland Road. Road and infrastructure not fit for purpose.
- Damage to roads and properties caused by these vehicles.
- Pedestrian safety: no footpaths, danger when using or crossing Exmouth Road, particularly by shop, pub, when children and locals are using bus stop.
- Speeding traffic through the village, particularly on the Exmouth and Hawkerland Roads.
- Parking on marked hatching at top of Church Road.
- Need to protect all parties, not just residents, i.e. people passing through village, commuting, visiting, working, etc. (Need a safer village for all)

Initial responses for tactical responses to areas of concern may include:

- A need to adopt a broader approach and let residents voice their concerns re: traffic issues & village via a questionnaire type approach.
- Obtain “buy in”, support and participation from CDE & Highways.
- Implementation of VAS.
- Separate access road for “The Old Sawmills Ind Estate”?
- Painting the Exmouth Road red to help counter speeding traffic at pinch points.

- An alternative footpath along the back of Hawkerland Road houses, coming out at the shop – CDE to provide a permissive path?
- Lobbying Transport Minister to request a “pilot site” for a road safety scheme.
- Maintain and build on relationships with MP & Councillors for support.
- Visibly locating a children’s cycle sign to make motorists aware there are children about.
- Making the village centre more village-like to get motorists to slow down naturally in line with ideas elsewhere in the country. Erect a Gateway entrance at both ends of village with welcome and visible slow down signage.

TIMESCALE

An initial two-year timescale for the Working Group with any major changes to the Terms of Reference to be agreed with the full council.

Meetings to be held every two months unless an extraordinary meeting is deemed necessary.

The Working Group has no delegated authority and will report its recommendations to the full Parish Council bi-monthly meetings.

MEMBERSHIP

Working Group to be led by a Parish Councillor with ideally no more than 6 members made up from the Parish Council & local resident representation.

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