

# Ponsanooth Road Safety Group

Meeting – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022 Ponsanooth Hall Café

Attendees – Darren W, Hannah, Chris, David, Darren L, Sally

## Agenda:

1. Minutes Approval
2. Apologies
3. Solar Speed Camera – Data Review
4. Speed Watch Update
5. Footpaths
6. Any Other Business
7. Next Meeting

## Minutes

### 1. Apologies

Lousie, Pam, Lorna

### 2. Approval of last meetings minutes

Group approved last meetings minutes.

### 3. Solar Speed Camera Data Review

The data from the date of install 28<sup>th</sup> August 2022 to the 29<sup>th</sup> September was downloaded from the sign for review.

The sign records the number of vehicles and the average speed for the total number of vehicles every half hour. It also records the maximum speed registered within each half hour block. It records traffic travelling in both directions.

*September Statistical Summary – Location: Village Hall St Michaels Road Westbound*

| DIRECTION            | AVERAGE SPEEDS |              |             | NUMBER MEASUREMENTS/ VEHICLES | MIN MAXIMUM SPEED | MAX MAXIMUM SPEED |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                      | MEAN SPEED     | MEDIAN SPEED | MODAL SPEED |                               |                   |                   |
| Incoming - Westbound | 22.59          | 21.37        | 25.00       | 81,769                        | 16                | 74                |
| Outgoing - Eastbound | 24.65          | 23.32        | 22.39       | 93,631                        | 17                | 71                |

The Incoming data is recording the traffic flow down the hill past the Village Hall, and the Outgoing data is the traffic travelling up the hill out of the village.

The mean (average, average speed recorded) and modal (most common average speed recorded over the month) surprised all group members, we expected them to be higher especially the outgoing speeds which are not altered to their speed with speed monitor sign.

Out of interest the maximum speed of 74 Mph for the Incoming traffic was recorded at between 9:00am and 9:30am on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. The maximum speed of 71 Mph

for traffic travelling up the hill (outgoing) was recorded between 1:00am and 1:30am on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September.

The average speed distribution pie charts (attached to these minutes) show that the majority of vehicles travelling in both directions past the speed monitor on St Michaels road are between 21 Mph and 30 Mph, with the highest percentage of average speeds being between 31 Mph and 40 Mph.

When the average speeds for each half hour data set are plotted against the time of day it is clear to see that the average speed distributions between midnight and 7am are the highest with the biggest range between readings. During the peak times of 7am and 7pm the average speeds recorded are generally lower with a narrower range of speeds recorded over the half hour period. Average speeds then trend upwards from 7pm until midnight but with a narrower range than those recorded in the early hours of the morning. These plots will be useful to help identify ideal times for speed watch surveys to support the speed monitor data. Scatter plots displaying these trends and ranges over the month are attached to the minutes.

Further analysis of data will be made in the coming month's data on a day when there are no vehicles parked outside the former Oak Terraces on St Michaels road to see what impact the parked cars on having on the average speeds and maximum speeds recorded.

**Action: St Michaels Road residents/group member to notify Hannah of the data and time when they witness no vehicle's parked outside the terraces so the analysis of data can be made.**

Hannah will email Peter Williams the data analysis he has requested for Devon and Cornwall Police to help activate the Speed Bikes to come and monitor traffic speeds based on the Average Speed Monitor Signs data. These will help enforce the Average Speed Monitor Sign and also the 20 Mph Speed Limit.

Hannah has been in discussion with the school with both regards to Speed Watch (see item 4) and it was requested as part of these discussions that the school have a section of the Average Speed Monitor Sign data for the children to analyse as part of their maths work. The group was in agreement this was a good idea to help get the message home about the speeding issues in the village.

**Action: Chris will email with an expression of interest for Community Network Funding for a second portable average speed Camera – deadline 30<sup>th</sup> September. Follow up on our Village Gateway expression of interest.**

The resident of 4 Vale View terrace has offered land in their garden for the installation of a pole for a Average Speed Camera Sign monitoring point.

**Action: Hannah will produce plan of proposed Location and ask Peter Williams to request it is reviewed by the relevant individuals at Cornwall Council.**

#### 4. Speed Watch Update

Allan Reed from D&C Police has advised we will be assessed next Wednesday. We currently only have 5 volunteers registered. This is borderline for a viable Speed Watch.

**Actions:**

**Lorna : to remind those who I emailed that I need them to register online.**

**All Group Members:**

- To ask anyone they know who might be interested in volunteering.
- Identify places we could promote the need for volunteers, it is currently on Facebook; parish notice boards; school newsletter.

**All group members: to register as volunteers on-line before next Wednesday in order to satisfy the required numbers for a survey to be approved. Information will be forwarded by email on how to do this.**

#### 5. Footpaths

A review of the plans (attached to the minutes) of the proposed foot path areas was undertaken.

Chris has been in contact with Land owners in the northern area. One of which is keen to speak to the group as he is looking to sell his land and would be potentially be happy to consider a footpath across the land to the village centre.

Proposed that a letter is sent to all residents within the proposed footpath area inviting them to a meeting to discuss the footpaths aims and objectives in the new year (Jan/Feb).

With regards to the Southern Area it was discussed that a phased approach would possibly produce the aim object. The first phase would be to establish a path across the land owned by Cosaws to the main A39.

**Actions:**

**- Chris will speak to Cynthia on the Neighbourhood Plan Group as a key Cosaws resident with regards to the residents alongside this group requesting discussions and action on establishing a footpath.**

**Hannah – will mark all footpaths outlined in the Lost Paths Survey to be reviewed with a view to getting them established.**

#### 6. Any Other Business

Darren L – Commented on the 20 signs in Falmouth are bigger than the ones in our village. Also had 20 Mph's painted on the roads.

Chris – Chacewater has had main road resurfaced, it's had parking bays marked on and is a good example of what could be done on St Michaels Road.

David – Could it be proposed new double yellow lines are laid at the Ponsvale Junction – Van and camper van parked on the junction. Also the 30 Mph signs not consistently working.

Darren – Been looking at road design which can slow traffic down.

Hannah – Children’s signs to help reduce speeds, what size material etc. Hannah to investigate options and prices further.

**Action: Hannah to email Peter W about white lines renewing in the village and painting 20 Mph signs at speed change areas on St Michael’s Road. 30 Mph automated signs intermittent working.**

### **Current Projects:**

- 30mph Wheelie Bin Stickers – distribute to properties at the Western End of St Michaels Road in the 30mph zone.
- Village Gateways – Design and location will be consulted at on in the near future all being well.
- Pavement Widening Opposite the Stag Hunt Inn – looking at alternative funding streams.
- H Lines on St Michaels Road Driveways
- Safer Streets Project with Village School
- Poplar Cottage Safer Pedestrian Area – Peter Williams Councillor to contact residents.
- Footpaths – to come under a new sub-group.
  - Link from Western End of the Village to Village Centre – 10k of funding from the old garage developer to put in the footpath link.
  - Link from village centre to Viaduct works and Cosaws.
- Parking Issues in the village
  - Island adjacent to the Stag Hunt Inn.
  - St Andrews Terrace.
  - Commercial Hill.
- Planters – need to decide on locations in the village when received them after the Jubilee.
- Speed Limit Zones and Signage – including Lower Treluswell 60mph zone.

### **Date of next meeting:**

**3<sup>rd</sup> November 7pm Village Hall**



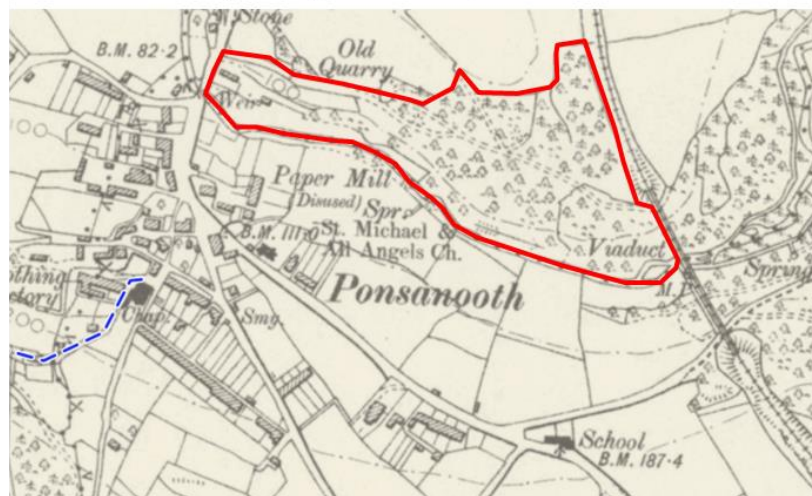
Northern Village Proposed Footpath Location



Southern Village Proposed Footpath Location



Southern Village Proposed Footpath Location 1888 map

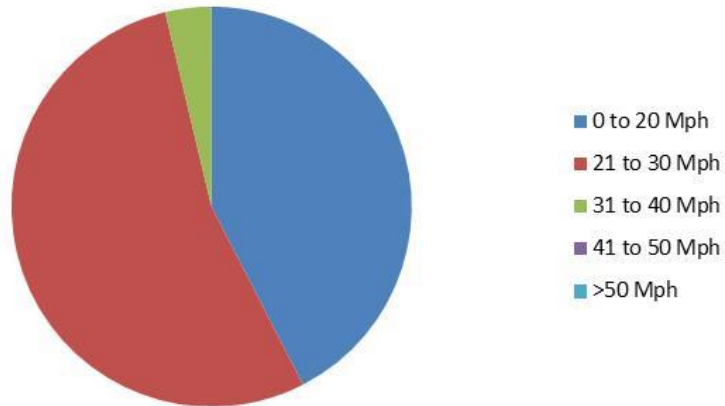


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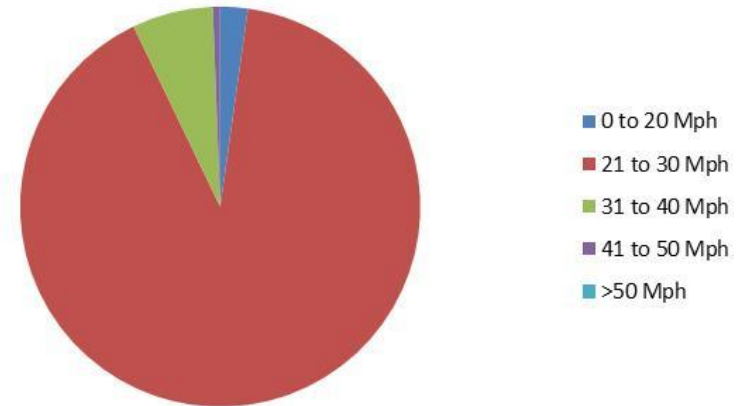
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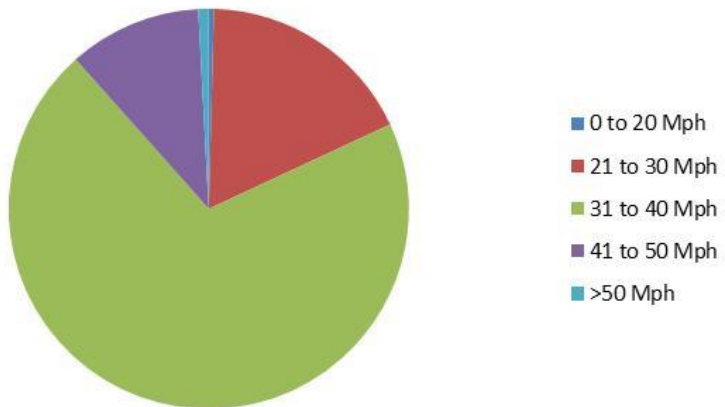
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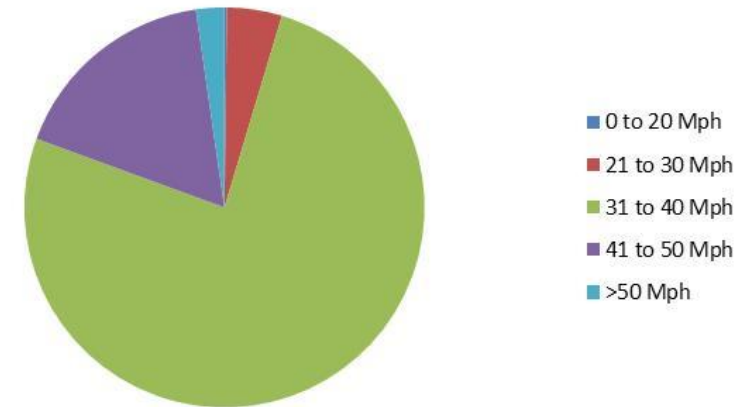
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Maximum Speed Distribution - Incoming



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