Lytchett Matravers Parish Council

Summary Report – Dorset Council Highways WG

July 2025

Working Group Objective:
Review of all Highways related projects and establishing close liaison with Dorset Council Highways.

Working Group Participants:
Andrew Huggins (Chair), Ken Morgan, Alf Bush, Peter Webb, Beverly Barker, Rob Aspray

Background:
PC projects that require Dorset Council Highways interaction and agreement. To set up a more formal working arrangement with DC Highways to progress those projects.

Dependencies:
DC Highways (DCH) approval and partial funding

Status/Next Steps:

1. School Crossing – **Installation to commence 4 Aug for completion by end Aug.**
2. Huntick Road Cycleway –Rozalia Meadows to Jubilee Walk. Submit a formal request to DCH. Mar 2024 meeting with LMPC/DCH/LM&U/Dorset Cllrs to review 5 options Discussed at length. Awaiting next steps
3. High Street Crossing – **Awaiting further advice from DCH**
4. Tesco Island – Create formal notice to Tesco of intentions with DCH approval. Planning application approved. Tesco engineers working on costing the design.
5. 20 MPH Zones – Apply for central village area to be set to 20 mph. AH submitted application Aug 2024. Received response – only Wareham Road from R&C to Dillons Gardens. WG have made counter proposal to DCH which is with them for review: factors include High Street + School Crossing.
6. Huntick Road path – New Working group specifically for this project, has met and progressing initiatives. Next step is to request lower speed limits on Huntick Road –Application for 40mph on Huntick Road has been submitted April 2025. Under consideration & awaiting feedback.
7. Meeting 20 June 2025 with DCH and Sturminster Marshall PC about improving Jubilee Cross/A350. SM will apply for 40mph on A350 and crossing island.

Financial Forecast: **(£000's, excluding VAT)**	**2025-26**	**2026-27**	**2027-28**
Expense to date			
Forecast	210[1]	0	250[2]
Total	210	0	250

Notes:
1. High St crossing 75, 20MPH – 30, Huntick cycleway stage 2 – 35, Tesco forecourt - 80
2. Huntick cycleway stage 3 – 250 LMPC contribution to overall cost.