

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE HELD IN ARMTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE,
WELFARE PARK, CHURCH STREET, ARMTHORPE, ON MONDAY, 23 JUNE 2026

PRESENT:

Chairperson: Councillor T Needham.

Councillors: A Barrington, C Brodhurst Brown, C Head and C Parry.

City Councillor: N Pritchard.

Also in attendance: S Rashid (City of Doncaster Council)
S Whitehurst (City of Doncaster Council)
L Moses (City of Doncaster Council)
M Gibson (City of Doncaster Council)
S Lovell, (South Yorkshire Police, SYP)
S Youngman, Clerk to the Council
One member of the public

11 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from: Councillor C Marriott (City of Doncaster Council)
M Ridley (Shaw Wood Academy)
A Mynett (Tranmoor Primary School)
J Brooks (City of Doncaster Council)

RESOLVED: To approve the reasons for absence.

12 ITEMS TO WHICH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE TO BE EXCLUDED FROM

None.

13 DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

None declared.

14 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12 MAY 2026

Council members were provided with a copy of the draft minutes.

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting.

15 UPDATES FROM ACTION PLAN

1. Communications: No updates.

2. School Crossing Patrol Officer: S Rashid agreed to share the contact information for the School Crossing Patrol Manager at Doncaster Council.

3. **Co-ordinated Press Releases:** Members had coordinated a joint photoshoot at Tranmoor Primary School as part of ongoing efforts to raise awareness of the project. The session was arranged to provide clear, accessible information to members of the public and to visually showcase the partnership work taking place.
4. **Revised Bus timetables:** Allocated to Councillor C Marriott.
5. **Park and Stride Initiative:** S Rashid agreed to share the contact details for a member of the Public Health Department at Doncaster Council who could provide assistance with the project.
6. **School Rankings:** S Rashid suggested creating QR codes for children and parents to scan on their walk to school, offering encouragement and supporting active travel. S Rashid also agreed to discuss the project with local schools, alongside the Junior Citizen Programme, which will commence at Southfield Primary School.

7. **One Way System:** Councillor T Needham outlined an idea to introduce a one-way system during the busiest periods, with no parking or buses, and asked whether highways could take any action to ease traffic.

S Whitehurst advised that Doncaster Council cannot implement a part-time one-way system and that data would need to be obtained to justify a permanent arrangement. He noted that a one-way system involves significant considerations, including engineering changes, legislative requirements, and would require a substantial budget.

Councillor C Brodhurst Brown asked whether Doncaster Council had any realistic solutions to help address the issues. S Whitehurst agreed to provide local data, and M Gibson confirmed that speed checks could be arranged for mid-September.

Councillor C Parry suggested introducing a residents-only parking zone or creating a car park on the field adjacent to Parkway. S Whitehurst advised that there are difficulties in developing a car park on private land and noted that Doncaster does not operate residents-only parking schemes, only a Residents' Priority Permit Scheme.

8. **Traffic Report:** S Lovell outlined the core objectives to improve safety for children, including enhanced crossings and speed-control measures, clearer road markings, and the removal of refuse vehicles and buses at peak times to help reduce congestion and associated risks.

Councillor C Brodhurst Brown raised the matter of anti-social parking on footpaths and the need to increase awareness of the issue. A community consultation should be arranged to review the data received and determine an appropriate campaign.

Councillor T Needham drew members' attention to photographs provided by a member of the public highlighting issues with parking on footpaths and asked whether any data was available from the period when cameras were in place, to determine whether they had made a measurable difference.

9. **Dummy Cameras:** L Moses advised that it is a long process to get cameras installed, there are currently eight cameras for the city. New laws are being introduced later in the year in relation to parking on footpaths.

S Whitehurst advised that residents in another village have been granted planting licences for grass verges to stop vehicle being driven over them.

10. **Headteacher Forum:** No updates.

11. **Enforcement Letters:** S Whitehurst advised that the Communications Team at Doncaster Council has published leaflets to remind parents of the meanings of road markings. A discussion took place about a welcome pack for new parents.

MATTERS RELATING TO TRAFFIC

Councillor T Needham asked where the point of 'too far to walk' lies. S. Rashid suggested speaking with parents to understand why they are choosing to drive to school.

S Whitehurst provided members with an overview of the five-year Road Safety Strategy, which is currently under development and expected to launch in November. The plan focuses on proactive work, with schools featuring heavily and a target to reduce serious accidents by 50%. Highways are working with the Planning Department to ensure crossings are located outside schools.

There are ongoing difficulties in recruiting school crossing wardens and confirmed that a funding request has been submitted to the South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority to support related projects. The School Streets initiative has previously been trialled in Doncaster but was unsuccessful; however, further attempts will be made to implement the scheme. The Parking Services Team is also exploring options to obtain enforcement powers to issue fines on the street which once approved will be implemented on school streets.

Councillor C Parry reported an issue regarding the lack of dropped and tactile kerbs. S Whitehurst agreed to discuss the matter further with Councillor Parry.

MATTERS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

1. Design of public consultation and flow chart.
2. Review of traffic data for Tranmoor Lane.
3. Focus on achievable targets.
4. Planting licences for grass verges.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: To meet on Tuesday 28th July 2026 at 6pm.