

# Witney TAC Report by Oxfordshire County Council

## January 2025

### Place Planning Team Update

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#### 1. For information

##### **Road surface dressing schedule 25/26**

The following areas have been identified for road surface redressing in the 25/26 financial year:

- Thorney Leys (between Ducklington Lane and Curbridge Road)
- Burford Road (between Deer Park and Downs Road)
- Downs Road (between Downs Road roundabout and Witney Lakes turn)

#### 2. **A40/B4022 Shores Green, Access to Witney (Major Project, funded)**

Please direct any queries to: [a40corridor@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:a40corridor@oxfordshire.gov.uk).

Please see webpage: [A40 Access to Witney | Oxfordshire County Council](#)

The Compulsory Purchase Orders (CPO) and Side Road Orders (SRO) required to deliver the Scheme were confirmed by the Secretary of State for Transport in late September 2024, which was a significant milestone for the project. The statutory service of notice of the confirmed CPO and SRO took place for 6 weeks from October to December. In parallel, the Council has continued to negotiate the purchase of, and early access to, the land required by agreement with the landowners. Detailed scheme design is in its final stages of technical assurance, and the full discharge of planning conditions is nearing completion. Procurement for the Main Works Principal Contractor is underway. Construction mobilisation and the enabling works are now scheduled to commence once detailed design, planning and land assembly are determined, which is anticipated for late winter 2025.

#### 3. **High Street and Market Square (Stage 3: Design and implementation – funded)**

The public consultation report was published on 18/12/24. The OCC team are now seeking Town Council feedback on revised seating/planting design. Preliminary design is scheduled to complete w/c 20/01/25. Statutory consultation is scheduled to complete before pre-election period.

#### 4. **Bridge Street Area Options Appraisal Report (stage: Investigation/ feasibility)**

No significant update from last meeting. OCC officers are continuing to consider next steps in light of the report produced by Pell Frischmann.

#### 5. **Fiveways Roundabout, Vision Zero Programme**

The Vision Zero Team are currently prioritising the Vision Zero Programme for 25/26 (of which Fiveways Welch Way arm proposals is a part). More information will be provided in due course on the delivery, but it is likely that the scheme will not be fully designed and delivered until late 2025.

#### 6. **Corn Street (Feasibility Design, Capability and Ambition Fund)**

OCC officers are continuing to work with Milestone on initiating a study to explore a range of highway options for Corn Street.

- 7. Fiveways Roundabout (Feasibility Design, Capability and Ambition Fund)**  
Targeted engagement of the Fiveways Roundabout concept design of protected space for cycling has commenced. An information leaflet is attached with this update. OCC welcome the views of the Traffic Advisory Committee on this concept.
- 8. Windrush Place Active Travel Schemes (S106 Funded)**  
Atkins Realis have started feasibility design for two crossings of Deer Park Road to complete 31/03/25. Public consultation on these designs is due to take place after local elections in May.
- 9. Madley Park Path Improvements**  
The preliminary ecology appraisal has been completed. Public consultation on the scheme will take place after local elections (to be progressed with West Witney path).
- 10. Thorney Leys Path**  
A scheme has been drawn up to address the gap in footway provision on Thorney Leys. Works are proposed to start in mid-February to deliver the scheme.
- 11. Witney Community Primary School (Hailey Road) – parking, lining and bollards**  
Oxfordshire County Council do not typically fund bollards for verge protection. Town Councils can request and fund bollards. More information can be found here: [Verge maintenance | Oxfordshire County Council](#) and by contacting [Highway.Enquiries@Oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:Highway.Enquiries@Oxfordshire.gov.uk).
- Bollards are now in place close to the school to prevent verge parking.
- OCC's Travel Plans and Behaviour Change Team have been in contact with the school to discuss travel to school issues and develop initiatives to support more sustainable travel to school. After a successful meeting in October the school have disengaged from conversations. The team will approach the school again in the new year.
- 12. Parking changes**  
The public consultation on the introduction of permit holder restrictions on Church Green and Corn Street closed on 13<sup>th</sup> December. Responses have been reviewed, and a report will be taken to OCC's Cabinet Members Decision (CMD) meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January. At this meeting the outcome to the consultation will be reported and officers will make recommendations on the feedback.
- If anyone wishes to attend the meeting or speak, there is information on how to take part on the website:  
<https://mycouncil.oxfordshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=1219&MIId=7556>
- 13. Lime Walk/ Harvest Way lining**  
OCC engineering team are reviewing this on site.
- 14. Drainage footpath issues behind Wood Green School and Windrush Health Centre**  
A works order has been raised to carry out surface adjustments to address the standing water. We are currently awaiting a program date but envisaging delivery of these works in January or February.

**Items which status has not changed since last meeting:**

- 15. Traffic Lights on Woodford Way**

This scheme remains unfunded. Detail discussed at September 2023 meeting.

**16. Pedestrian Crossing/zebra crossing at West End (unfunded)**

This scheme was put forward to the Road Safety and Accessibility budget for 2024/25 on this occasion the scheme has not been awarded funding. This scheme remains unfunded. Other funding opportunities will be considered as they arise.

## Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) Update from John Charlton, Civil Enforcement Team Leader

Summary of Penalty Charge Notices issued in Witney from 01/06/2024 to 31/08/2024.

### Penalty Charge Notices Issued split by location.

Location	PCN Count
Church Green (Witney)	71
Corn Street (Witney)	43
High Street (Witney)	18
Holloway Road (Witney)	1
Langdale Gate (Witney)	1
Market Square (Witney)	73
Oxford Hill (Witney)	3
The Crofts (Witney)	4
Welch Way (Witney)	1
West End (Witney)	1
Oxfordshire County Council	216

### Penalty Charge Notices Issued split by contravention type

Contravention Description	PCN Count
01 - Restricted Street	123
02 - Loading / Unloading	1
23 - Wrong Class Of Vehicle	2
24 - Not Within Markings	1
30 - Parked Longer Permitted	19
40 - Disabled Bay No Badge	69
99 - Pedestrian Crossing	1
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## Civil Enforcement Officers Deployed and time spent in Witney

Parent Location = Witney and OSL Date Time Between 01/06/2024 and 31/08/2024

Oxfordshire County Council										
Month	Staff Deployed	Patrol Count	Tickets Issued	Issued Spoiled	Issued VDA	Obs Started	Spoiled Prior	VDA Prior	VRM Entered	
2024 Month 06	12	550	67	0	2	0	5	30	171	
2024 Month 07	6	155	51	2	0	0	7	12	86	
2024 Month 08	4	427	96	0	0	0	1	53	211	
<b>Oxfordshire County Council</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1132</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>468</b>	
<b>Totals:</b>										
<b>Grand Totals:</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1132</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>468</b>	