

# WISES LANE MONITORING GROUP (W LMG)

## June report 2025

We finally had a reply to our email raised in May, following last months meeting. The replies are below:-

1. The Parish Council noted that the Phase 3 & 4 Design Compliance Statement, Section 2.2.6-2.2.9 refers to meeting with the WLMG, suggesting compliance through engagement. It was clarified that the WLMG does not have any decision-making powers and reports to the Parish Council. Concerns were raised about the potentially misleading implication of endorsement. Clarification is sought from you on why the group's role has been presented in this way.

We have reviewed the relevant paragraphs within the Design Compliance Statement which set out the engagement had with the WLMG. This section does not state that the WLMG has decision making powers and clearly sets out that it is a sub-group of Borden Parish Council and local Ward Members.

These paragraphs simply confirm that a meeting took place with the WLMG where queries were raised on the proposals and clarification was provided. Paragraph 2.29 concludes:

*“At the time of writing, further detailed comments from the WLMG and Borden Parish Council on the proposals have not been received.”*

We do not consider this suggests any endorsement on behalf of the Parish Council.

2. Clarification is sought on the proposed signage at the junction of Platinum Way and Wises Lane, particularly in relation to directing traffic towards the village.

3. Concerns were raised regarding the lack of direction for traffic wanting to access the village, now that Wises Lane is divided by Ashmead Rise/Platinum Way. It is confusing for drivers wishing to go to the village end of Wises Lane when coming from the A2. They see Wises Lane signed at the junction with Ashmead Rise presuming they can get through. A response is required on how the impact of this issue will be mitigated.

2. & 3. A sign has been ordered to be placed at the junction of Platinum Way and Ashmeads Rise to direct road users to Borden Village. I understand a sign is already in place at the Wises Lane/Ashmeads Rise junction which directs road users to Borden Village via Ashmeads Rise.

A further email has been sent regarding a resident's complaint of Coinford lorries using Cryalls Lane and obstructing the Lane so no thru traffic can get by. Photos have been sent to BDW along with a photo showing the amount of dust being created and no dampening in progress.

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As discussed at our last Full Council meeting, BDW have not addressed the issue of the village end of Wises Lane. As Wises Lane is now in 2 parts, traffic needs to be made aware of this, not only because of where it is, but also to prevent traffic going down the sign posted Wises Lane and finding out it doesn't continue to the village end of Wises Lane. They have installed a temporary yellow sign directing the village, but to a stranger this does not tell you Wises Lane continues again further on. Following the windy weather we had the other night, the sign was blown over as it had no 'anchorage'. This renders the sign useless. We have asked BDW to clarify this particular part of the questions raised.

WLMG

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