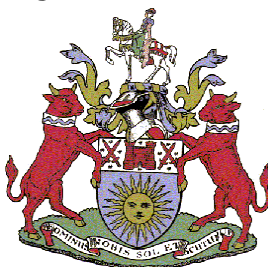


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Date: 29 May 2026

To: All Members of the Banbury Traffic Advisory Committee.

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of the **BANBURY TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE** to be held at The Town Hall, Bridge Street, BANBURY on **Wednesday 10 June 2026** at 2.00pm, for the transaction of the following business:

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Mark Hassall
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BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED

1. Apologies

Contact Helen Durkin (helen.durkin@banbury.gov.uk).

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda, **and the nature of that interest**, in accordance with the Localism Act 2011, the Banbury Town Council Code of Conduct and Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (Please refer to the notes at the end of Agenda).

3. Minutes of the last Meeting

To approve as correct the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 25 February 2026. **(Enclosed)**

4. Items Raised

Oxfordshire County Council

1. OCC Update (Enclosed)

BANBURY TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Meeting of the Banbury Traffic Advisory Committee held at The Town Hall, Banbury on
Wednesday 25 February 2026 at 2.00pm.

Present: Cllr Kieron Mallon Oxfordshire County Council (Chairman)
Liam Devlin Stagecoach
Peter Monk Banbury Civic Society
Jim Smith Banbury Community Action Group
Robert Wingrove BADI

Officers: Jacqui Cox Oxfordshire County Council
Billy Evans Oxfordshire County Council
Cllr Ian Harwood Cherwell District Council
Cllr Rebecca Biegel Banbury Town Council
Sian Tohill–Martin Banbury Town Council
Helen Durkin Banbury Town Council
Robert Duxbury Banbury Town Council

BTAC.1/26 Apologies

Cllr Brant, Cllr Thornhill, Chris Hulme, Colm McAllister, Ed Massey, Neil Wallis, Paul Bonser, Trevor Bayliss.

BTAC.2/26 Declarations of Interest

None

BTAC.3/26 Minutes

IT WAS AGREED that the Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 26 November 2025 be signed as a true record by the Chair, seconded by Councillor Biegel.

BTAC.4/26 Matters Raised By Members

Oxfordshire County Council Report

1. A document was explored in reference to OCC Updates. (below)

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Banbury Projects

Cllr Ian Harwood – Cherwell District Council**1. B3 bus service**

What is Stagecoach doing to improve this service, as it is currently the cause of many complaints by passengers in Cherwell Heights / Bodicote / Longford Park?

- **The current issues are due to staff shortages, breakdowns and the ongoing roadworks, timings have been adjusted on some routes and there is now a controller in town who is monitoring the situation.**
- **Will collate reports on reliability and send to Helen to add to agenda for BTAC committee.**

Cllr Rebecca Biegel – Banbury Town Council**1. Issues with pedestrian crossing at Bridge Street.**

Raised before but reports that:

- Pedestrians do not realise signals are set to cross at once and therefore taking risks to cross to centre of road (habit) because traffic has stopped on one lane – Can signage / information be improved to make the 'cross at once' clearer? **OCC to investigate and report back.**
- The time on green is too little (older pedestrians can't fully cross road in time interval set). Please can crossing times be checked and extended to allow for slower pedestrians? **OCC to look at the phasing and report back.**

2. Potholes

Massive increase in size and depth of potholes due to weather.

- The weather conditions mean that reported Cat 2 Potholes with 28 day repair are worsening to Cat 1 and should be repaired in 24 hours.
 - Tarmac being used for patch repairs are failing after less than two weeks due to the weather conditions.
 - There's a clear capacity problem with the Oxfordshire County Council main contractors M group.
- i) What measures are being put in place to increase resources to catch up road maintenance works once weather improves?
- ii) Can OCC confirm that emergency CAT 1 repairs are automatically scheduled for permanent repair within 28 days?
- iii) Can OCC confirm the current life expectancy of permanent repairs and does this meet an expected service life?

3. Road surface repairs

Many roads in Banbury have been reported for wider surface repairs due to surface erosion and extent of potholes

In Grimsbury alone this includes Daventry Road, Fergusson Road, Edward Street and St Leonards Close.

Due to weather, the area of the road needing attention has increased since reporting.

- i) How extensive will the patching repairs be?
- ii) Will repairs be based on a road inspection or just confined to the initial area reported on FMS?

4. Storm drain clearance

In many areas, despite gullies being emptied, some areas continue to see surface water flooding (e.g. by Park Road Mosque, Boxhead Road West and parts of Middleton Road).

- i) What further works have been identified to repair or increase capacity of storm drains in these areas and when will they be scheduled?

5. Road markings

Some road markings such as 'Keep Clear' are very faint and / or eroded.

- i) Are road markings identified for repainting on a schedule following a road inspection or do these need to be individually reported on FMS?

6. Lighting

Some areas have poor street lighting and these have been highlighted by residents and community insight profiling work due to safety issues (tripping hazard and / or vulnerability to crime).

- i) Is there a schedule to upgrade pedestrian crossing beacons especially near schools / on busy roads?

Furthermore some pedestrian crossing beacons are the older (non-halo type).

- i) Can OCC confirm whether there is any budget set aside for new lighting / lighting upgrades or is the budget only to maintain current stock?

7. Gateway

Have there been any other studies done on the Gateway roundabout, which is dangerous due to misalignment / marking of lanes and volume of peak traffic on Hennef Way, making it very difficult to exit from Wildmere Road, Ermont Way?

- **CLlr Biegel's points 2 – 7, All of these are reported to County Councillors at locality meetings. There will shortly be a meeting of the locality transport meeting, then OCC will report back and send over a proposed schedule of works / timescales.**
- **Going forward, could the committee have sight of relevant maintenance / repair reports before the BTAC meetings.**

Banbury Community Action Group

1. **Strategic failure of Fix My Street System** – many many reports ignored or lied about status (set to fixed when clearly not) Deathtraps for cyclists ignored for months then not fixed for over a month after promised 24hr resolution. Southam Road flooding and drenching cyclists and pedestrians due to blocked drains left for years despite many reports on Fix My Street.
 - **Please see response below at item 6 – “Fix My Street”**
2. Crossing for pedestrians outside 3 Pigeons Pub gives 5 seconds to cross the road with a wait of over 2 minutes. The crossing buttons make no difference to the timings. This is a busy street crossing for children to St Marys School who are thus encouraged to ignore the signals and just cross anyway.
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Banbury Association of Driving Instructors (BADI)

- i. In November 2024 meeting I asked the council if there was any plans for resurfacing on the Southam Road. The road is now a mess and is in need of a full resurface from the Warwick road junction through to Noral way by Amazon. Could OCC please update the committee the plans for this major road through our town. **OCC to report back.**

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- i) Bloxham Road (South side) - footpath required by Bill Sands wood. **OCC to report Back.**
- ii) Bloxham Road junction with Browning Road – Needs a provision for right turning traffic. **Meeting on site to be arranged.**

BTAC.5/26 Rolling updates for existing items

1. What is the status of the planned pedestrian crossing opposite Bradley Arcade shops in Ruscote. **Billy has actioned, to carry out work the 'Road Mender' needs to be available, there is one machine across the County.**
2. Extending the 20mph speed limit on Broughton road for the remaining distance from the Woodgreen Avenue roundabout to the town limit beyond Friswell Road. Has this been discussed following accidents on this stretch? **As part of the monitoring and evaluation programme, The Vision Zero Team will be contacting all local councils during the FY 26/27 to get feedback on the 20mph implementation. They can pick this up for consideration at that time.**
3. Location of all-day coach & HGV parking facilities. **A strategic review to be carried out with CDC as part of the Movement and Place Strategy / possibly added to the Wayfarer agenda.**
4. Provision of right-turn shelter at Bloxham Road / Browning Road. **OCC reviewed but cannot justify scheme at the moment (would require moving light column, verge etc). Can be referred to the Vision Zero team for assessment if TAC would like to escalate, but there has been no reported collisions in the last 10 years.**
5. Longford Park Road and Hobby Road junction is quite unclear and dangerous, the markings need to be looked at asap, could a mini roundabout could be installed? **OCC to investigate and report back.**
6. Speeding along Bankside, Ruskin Road and Chatsworth Drive - OCC were due to investigate all three and possibly use S106 funds to install a raised platform. **Billy and Colm have reviewed, there is a case for speed humps or partial speed humps but it may not fix this issue due to the length of the road, and multiple builds out of speed humps would be costly (potentially taking up the whole yearly budget) Colm to contact TV Police regarding PCSOs or a community watch during school pick up time.**
7. Southam Road/Tesco roundabout - continuing problems arising from confusing road markings. Second exit from Tesco car park present situation? **To be considered for redesign through the accelerated S106 programme. But Southam Road also has a capacity issue so it may not be the correct solution, modelling to be carried out soon in Q.**
8. Speed issues in Dukes Meadow Drive, previously the poor speed signage when entering DMD from Warwick Road had been raised but how will this be addressed? **No Action- Because the b4100 Warwick Road is 30mph to just north of the DMD roundabout, there is no change in speed limit as you enter DMD , and because the latter is street lit throughout, DfT rules prohibit the use of repeater signs, though VAS or SIDs would be an option if there was funding? Thankfully the collision record on DMD is quite low (latest 5-years 1 serious, 2 slight) – all three were at roundabout junctions, with none appearing to have a speed factor etc. two - including the serious incident – involved cyclists crossing either the side road or DMD at the roundabouts.**

The sat nav speed data shows fairly good levels of compliance on the west of the Winter Gardens Way roundabout, but less good eastwards to the A423.

9. My agenda item is the ongoing lack of response from OCC (two meetings now) to the blocked drains on A361 Southam road. These have been blocked and reported on fix my street for over a year. OCC Highways keep closing the issues without doing any work. My most recent complaints (Sept 2025) do seem to be still open on Fix my Street but work still not done.

My questions:

- 1) Why does OCC keep closing these Fixmystreet issues without fixing them?
- 2) Is there some incentive scheme / bonus plan that encourages them to do so?
- 3) When will these drains be cleared – there are now plants growing out of them! They regularly flood and cause pedestrians to get soaked by passing traffic.

Resolved 26/11, as was highlighted to team as urgent. Possible previous issue finding the correct location.

Also: See Item 6 “Fix My Street”.

10. Very poor road surfaces on West Street and Fergusson Road in Grimsbury. Multiple reappearing potholes and deteriorating road surfaces. Are these roads on OCC radar? Pavements on Fergusson Road are also very poor and uneven. **Officers are looking into this to identify the right treatments, with the most likely treatment as a micro asphalt. This will need to be programmed in for a future year. Pavements will be looked at the same time.**
11. Is there an update on repairs to bollards on chicane on Edmunds Road. These have been fenced off but not yet scheduled for work. **Billys team carried out a site visit to Edmunds Road, Bretch Hill, it's not just the bollards that have been wiped out so couldn't be picked up by Billy - Has been reported to Highway Operations.**
12. Bloxham Road at Springfield Ave - Provision of Halo lights to pedestrian crossing. **Work Complete.**
13. What is the progress update on drop kerbs on Dukes Meadow Drive? **Amendments on proposals to be made on the S106.**
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18. Dukes Meadow Drive, drainage, brook under the road not draining, there are always pools of water. (Hanwell Brook?) **To be investigated.**

19. One of the bus stops on Tramway is in the process of possibly being moved to a position that would mean the 2 stops would be opposite each other causing road blockage and traffic build up, could this please be reconsidered.
It was also noted that members of public using the bus to shop at Morrisons, have no safe place to cross. **OCC to investigate and report back.**

BTAC.6/26 Fix My Street

Update on letter sent to Paul Fermer at Oxfordshire County Council.

Response from Paul Wilson on 30/12/2025;

I am quietly confident that it is not just Banbury residents who are experiencing these issues, in fact as you will have gathered from the recent Scrutiny Committee, officers are aware of the concerns being voiced.

As you may also be aware, there has, and will continue to be an ongoing review and improvements made to the FMS system itself and processes of use by officers. Working with colleagues from customer contact centre and as part of Improving the Customer Experience Board, the use of automation including Zoom and AI in the future are being explored and developed where appropriate and able to integrate into wider improvement programmes.

It is accepted that some responses are not made in an appropriately timely manner and accept that this can not only lead to customer dis-satisfaction and frustration but also leads to a greater probability of duplication. Officers have been working tirelessly to try to get back on an even keel with the continuing high numbers of enquiries received and recently this back log has been reduced from over 6000 to closer to 2000, still more work to do! It is also noted that some of the responses are at best unhelpful and also as part of the Customer Improvement work, the automated responses are being reviewed and tweaked as well as the opportunity to use free text to give more explanation.

Fix my street continues to be the most efficient way for customers to report highway defects and please be assured that work will continue to improve the manner in which the enquiries are dealt with, and we are aware that there is still plenty of room for improvement.

BTAC.7/26 Station Approach

Update on letter sent to Councillor Gant at Oxfordshire County Council.

Response from Paul Fermer on 06/02/2026

Dear Councillor Mallon,

Please accept our apologies for the severe delay in responding to your letter. We would be happy to arrange a site visit for you in your capacity as Chairman of the Banbury Traffic Advisory Committee and a Banbury town councillor. I will attend along with the project manager and a relevant portfolio holder. We will also invite Chiltern Railways. Please can you supply me with some dates that we can use to check availability and the names of anyone else from the committee or council whose availability we may need to consider.

You will remember from the recent site visit with Sean Woodcock MP, that you attended in your county council capacity, that some changes were agreed to inform station customers about the 20-minute grace period within the car parks. Chiltern Railways are currently working to update signage.

You also expressed concern about the bus stops positioned on Tramway Road. Officers have investigated and the designer has fed back that placing bus stops directly opposite each other is not safe or best practice on a single carriageway. Alternative positions that were investigated on Tramway Road either created risks – such as vehicles having to manoeuvre near a give way line, reduced visibility at the junction, or the need to install infrastructure on the bridge deck – or fell within visibility splays flagged by our safety audit. The only technically suitable location outside these constraints was near the River Cherwell bridge, but this was considered too far from Morrisons. I hope this helps for now and look forward to meeting you again at the forthcoming site visit.

A reply was sent back on 11th February to request a site visit before this BTAC meeting but could not be actioned, awaiting a date for March hopefully.

Date of next meeting – **20th May 2026 at 2pm.**

The Meeting ended at 15:34

Oxfordshire County Council Report on Transport Schemes & Area Operations

Transport Schemes Update

Tramway Road accessibility improvements

Construction completed. The Banbury rail station west car park has now reopened. Bus service B3, 488 and 489 have been rerouted to go Tramway Road to the front of the train station. Handover to Network Rail ongoing. Planning submission for additional drop-off area ongoing.

Upcoming work:

- Planning determination for additional drop-off area.
- Plan for construction commencement of drop-off area.

Cherwell Street bus service improvement scheme

Construction commenced on 7 January 2026. Work is progressing well and scheduled to be completed this summer. We are currently working along the southbound footway of Concord Avenue and the west bound footway of Bridge Street east. We are also working on the traffic island at the George Street junction. To facilitate the work, lane closures are in place with temporary traffic signals and controlled pedestrian crossings.

Upcoming work:

- We will be moving to work on the traffic islands on Cherwell Street and Concord Avenue at the Bridge Street junction. We will also be moving to work at the traffic island on George Street.
- Carriageway resurfacing.

Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) schemes

Eastern active travel corridor –*Feasibility designs are complete*

- Awaiting further funding before moving into the preliminary design stage
- Scheme split into sections for more affordable deliverability (Bridge St to Causeway, Causeway through to the Cherwell boundary, Overthorpe Rd to Chenderit school)
- OCC School Engagement team are working separately with the locals schools on Causeway for a school street or school zone section
- Once funding is captured, a public consultation will take place

Western active travel corridor – *AMEY consultancy close to completing the feasibility design work*

- Modelling is complete, waiting on the final design iteration and cost programme.
- Like Eastern Active travel corridor, we are waiting further funding before moving into the preliminary design stage and public consultation, however due to existing s106 funds, OCC to carry out short term improvements alongside full corridor development.
- Multiple options at key junctions (including costs) to be provided by AMEY ahead of consultation.

Swan Close Road – *AMEY consultants won the bid for the feasibility design work, we are currently finalising the contract, data collection to commence*

- The feasibility stage aims to propose a corridor re-design and to identify and design short term deliverables that can be fast-tracked using held s106 to the value of £700k.

We will be considering improvements to the Tramway/Swan Close Road/Lambs Crescent junction and the Hightown Road/Bankside junction and enhancements to the existing signals at the Swan Close Road/Cherwell Street junction. Including pedestrian facilities, routing for cyclists and a cycle connection between Bankside and the canal towpath. This will require input from the Masterplan team.

- The project has a 6 month programme.

Hennef Way – *Focus on the Southam Road and Lockheed Close Roundabouts*

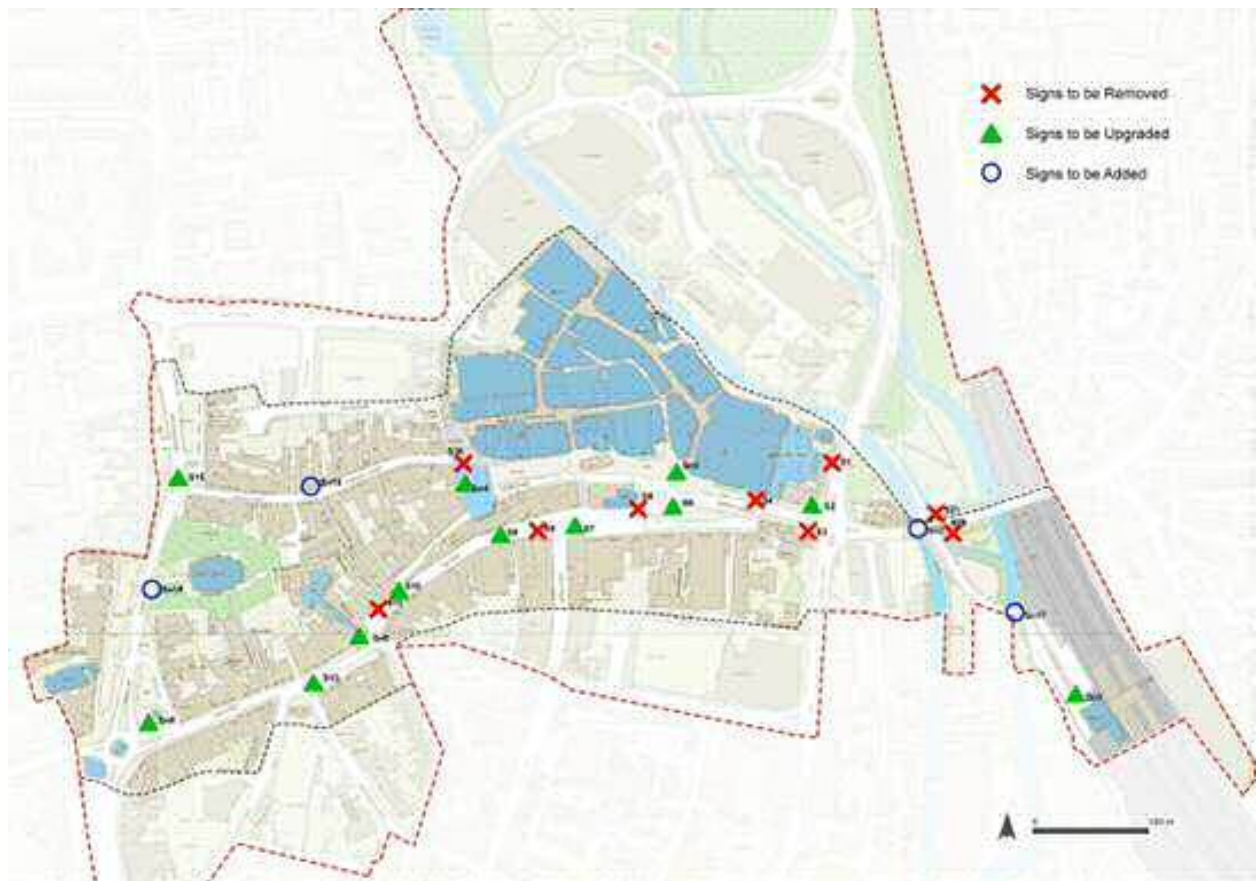
- Short-term option and long-term options to be shared during TAC meeting for observation and comments
- Currently engaging with Tesco and JED sites
- Public consultation to be carried out in June

Minor S106 schemes

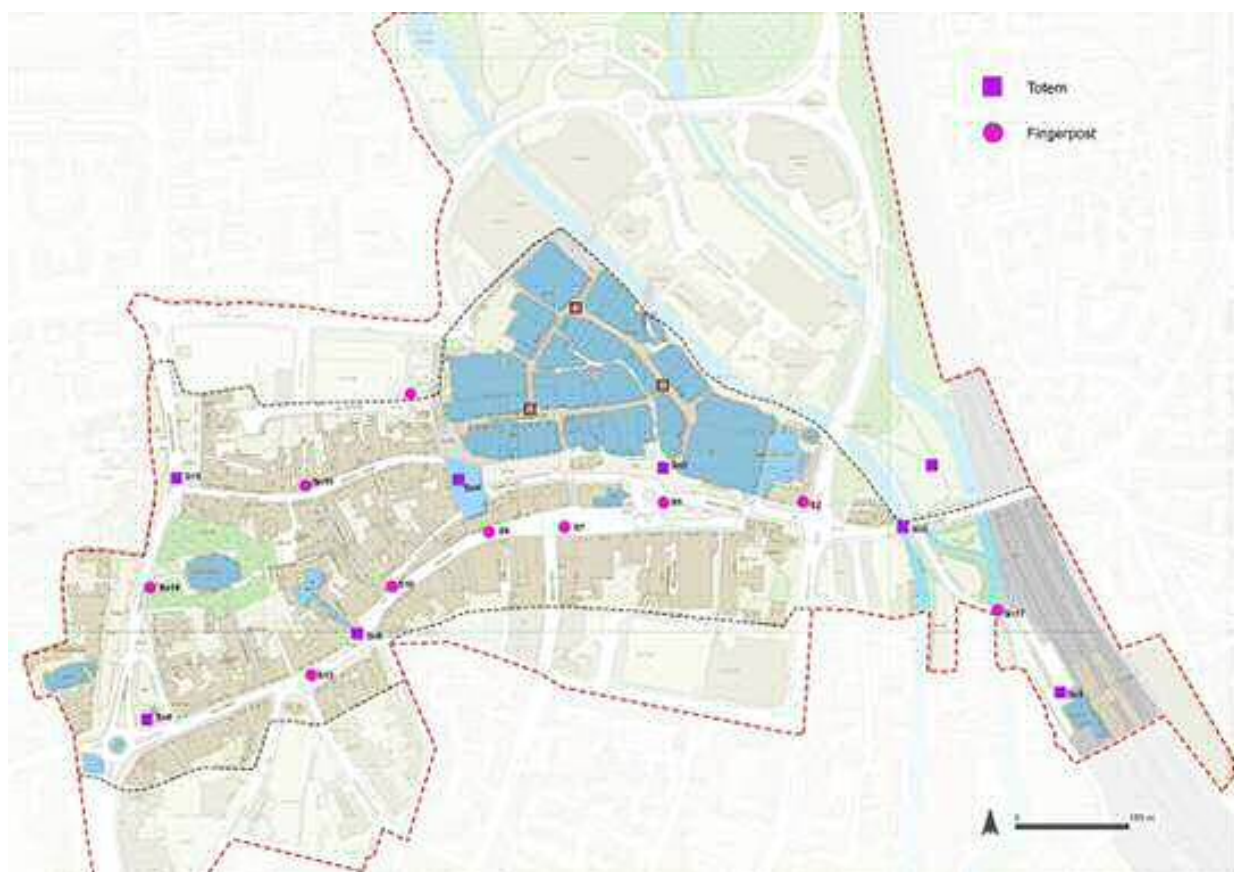
- Dukes Meadow Drive – dropped kerbs and footpath extension - the drawings are being amended to take account of resident's feedback, and land discussions to be held with Banbury Town Council.

Banbury Wayfinding Project

For the pilot area of the wayfinding project, expressions of interest went out earlier last month and closed at the start of this month. We aim to have a confirmed supplier by next month.



Phase 1 of the Banbury Wayfinding Proposals



Banbury Market Place Public Realm Improvements

The scope of this project has recently been confirmed with Cherwell District Council who will lead the work. A funding agreement is being drafted for use of the money held for this project by Oxfordshire County Council.

Detailed updates will come to future TAC meetings at appropriate times.

Banbury Strategic Masterplan

The Banbury Strategic Masterplan will be an economic, social and physical regeneration strategy for the town to address its needs, maximise its potential as Oxfordshire's largest town and shape growth and investment going forward. The project is being led by Oxfordshire County Council, in close partnership with Cherwell District Council.

The commission commenced in March 2026 and will be delivered through four stages, with completion anticipated by the end of this calendar year:

1. **Stage 1** – Research and baseline analysis: Compiling baseline information about Banbury and benchmarking the town against comparable places.
2. **Stage 2** – Vision development: Defining a deliverable vision for a healthy, sustainable and economically resilient place for all, building on the findings of the Banbury Vision 2050 engagement.
3. **Stage 3** – Banbury Framework Masterplan: Producing a spatial framework and masterplan to guide future change and investment decisions.
4. **Stage 4** – Delivery Action Plan: Setting out a clear and actionable delivery plan, identifying short-, medium- and long-term steps to unlock the regeneration opportunities identified through Stage 3.

Highways Report

Queensway Crossing Scheme -

A scheme is currently being developed to introduce new pedestrian crossings on Queensway, Banbury. The proposed measures are intended to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility along the route.

Further discussions and stakeholder engagement are required before the scheme can progress to the implementation stage. Subject to the completion of these discussions and final approvals, the scheme is anticipated to be delivered during the last quarter of the financial year.

Overthorpe Road Parking Management Scheme -

Further site visits are required in relation to the proposed parking management scheme on Overthorpe Road, Banbury. These visits will assist in assessing existing parking pressures and determining the most appropriate locations for potential restrictions.

The current proposal is to consult on the introduction of double yellow lines to help alleviate parking congestion and improve traffic flow and visibility for road users. It is anticipated that consultation and progression of this scheme will take place during the last quarter of the financial year.

Cherwell Drive Bollard Installation Scheme -

A further scheme is proposed for Cherwell Drive, where bollards are intended to be installed on both pavements to prevent inappropriate vehicle access and parking on footways.

The design work for this scheme has now been completed, and the project is currently awaiting quotation costs prior to progression. Subject to funding and approval, implementation is expected during the first quarter of this financial year.

Road Markings Maintenance -

There will be a continued focus on identifying and renewing faded road markings throughout the Banbury area. This work will be coordinated alongside ongoing and planned road surfacing programmes to ensure efficient delivery and minimise disruption where possible.

Members of the public are encouraged to report faded or damaged road markings through FixMyStreet to help ensure issues are identified and addressed promptly.

Road Sign Replacement Programme -

The replacement of faded and damaged road signs will continue on an ongoing basis as required. This programme aims to ensure that signage across the network remains clear, compliant, and effective for all road users.

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- 1) **Oxford Road filters driving northwards**
 - Longford Park Road (as per May 2025)
 - Sainsbury's
 - Hightown Road
 - Horton General Hospital Outpatients
- 2) **Bankside Parking** - In the absence of waiting restrictions, the vehicles are not illegally parked. What is the position now, in terms of next steps?
- 3) **B3 Bus service improvements** - residents are still complaining about the service. Reports on reliability to be provided to BTAC, as agreed at the last meeting.
- 4) **Western Active Travel** – Amey report was due in February, what is the status?
- 5) **Vehicles on Parsons Street & High Street (Pedestrianised)** there is a need for Automatic Number Plate Recognition to prevent unauthorised motorists.
- 6) **Volume of HGVs driving up Bloxham Road and past the junction with Harriers View** - posing a danger to schoolchildren at the nearby Harriers Banbury Academy.

Cllr Rebecca Biegel – Banbury Town Council

- 1) **Coaches** – Why can they not drop off when they are supposed to be able to, for example, on Horsefair, the CDC signage says otherwise when they go to the designated areas.
We want Banbury to be a destination, but coach parking in Horsefair has been limited to 2 hours with no drop off or pick up there. Other alternatives such as the bus station or Compton Road have no facilities and sometimes the bays are full. Plus there is nowhere for overnight parking!



- 2) **Statistics on potholes repairs** - Can OCC produce any stats on numbers of potholes being filled to show progress?
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Banbury Community Action Group

- 1) **Pavement Parking** - When is this ban being introduced to Banbury and who will enforce it?
- 2) **Potholes & Roadworks** – Still having a significant impact on Banbury, what is the latest?

Banbury Civic Society

- 1) Setting Down and Pick Up arrangements at Railway Station.
- 2) Mitigation measures to alleviate the current traffic congestion in the Town.
- 3) Impact of the Cherwell Street works on bus service timekeeping.

Banbury Active Travel (BATS)

- 1) Progress re the upgrade to the path down to the canal from Station Approach? This is surely a high priority pedestrian route from the station to the “canal quarter”.
- 2) Could we review the current state of cycle parking in the town centre especially focusing on location, signage and security. We have thousands of car parking spaces and probably less than a hundred cycle parking spaces. Drivers would not drive into town to shop or work if they couldn't park their vehicles. Cyclists, similarly, need to know that they can park their bikes securely and handily in the town centre especially.

5. Station Approach

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15) Longford Park Road and Hobby Road junction is quite unclear and dangerous, the markings need to be looked at asap, could a mini roundabout could be installed?

16) Right-hand turn filter from Oxford Road into Longford Park Road - Originally raised as an issue in May 2025.

17) Speeding along Bankside, Ruskin Road and Chatsworth Drive - OCC were due to investigate all three and possibly use S106 funds to install a raised platform. – Follow up after a speedwatch campaign.

18) Is there an update on Southam Road/Tesco roundabout - continuing problems arising from confusing road markings. Second exit from Tesco car park present situation.

OCC - Hennef Way – Focus on the Southam Road and Lockheed Close Roundabouts.

- Short-term option and long-term options to be shared during TAC meeting for observation and comments.
- Currently engaging with Tesco and JED sites.
- Public consultation to be carried out in June.

19) Any update on the pavements on Fergusson Road (very poor and uneven).

Notes on declaration of interest

- (i) Any Member arriving after the start of the meeting is asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests as necessary as soon as practicable after their arrival even if the item in question has been considered;
- (ii) In such circumstances, the Member must withdraw from the meeting room, and should inform the Chairman accordingly.

It is not practical to offer detailed advice during the meeting.

Recording of Meeting

- (iii) Please be aware that an audio recording of the meeting may be made, as an aide-memoire for the purposes of the Clerk to ensure minutes reflect the overall tone and content of meetings, and will be deleted following the first approval of minutes.

Update on Tramway / Station Approach Site Visit. (Press Release)

Cllr Kieron Mallon has kept the pressure on Oxfordshire County Council concerning access to Banbury Railway Station.

Cllr Mallon called for a site visit with senior officers of the county council to meet with local members of the Banbury Traffic Advisory Committee concerning Cllr Mallon and the committees ongoing concerns of the councils Tramway Road scheme. Cllr Mallon has vociferously challenged OCC since its scheme missed the very reason he called for improvements three years ago, that is better access for the elderly, disabled and pedestrians. OCC agreed to the site visit and the site meeting recently took place.

Cllr Mallon said

“ The reason I called for this meeting is because the scheme still had not put pedestrians, the disabled and elderly first but has actually made access worse for those people by prioritising cyclists. Following pressure from me there is now a 20 min free drop of in the West car park accessed from Tramway which Chiltern are monitoring by camera, a new small short stay free drop off and pick up car park is being built on land at the junction of Station Approach and Tramway. I also asked for better signage to inform rail users of the free 20 minute drop off”

“I also pointed out that for pedestrians there are no zebra crossings on Tramway itself at the station or on Hightown Road for people wishing to access the Morrisons supermarket if they use the bus. Also the new bus stop on Hightown Road is dangerous and causes traffic to build up on a main route to the Horton Hospital, that a better bus stop site which would not cause congestion would on Tramway itself by Samuelson House. Whilst we were looking at the problems on Hightown Road I also pointed out drains that had been blocked for months causing water to overflow on to the road itself”

**Following the request from Cllr Mallon OCC have now replied and said that action would be taken which has been sent to Cllr Mallon.
(see below).**

On the issue of access and drop of areas.

- We are installing temporary direction signage at the roundabout to help drivers locate the station car park and inform them about the drop-off options available within the car park. In addition, we have contacted Chiltern Railways to discuss potential additional measures that could make drop-offs more convenient inside the car park.

On the siting of the bus stop on Hightown Road.

- We are also moving forward with a trial of a temporary bus stop, which will be placed opposite the existing one on Tramway Road. This temporary stop will remain in place for two months, after which we will review its effectiveness and determine the best location moving forward.

On other issues that Cllr Mallon identified.

- We are looking at solutions to enhance visibility at the current crossing point near the roundabout on Tramway Road.
- We have reached out to Thames Water regarding the blocked gullies observed on Hightown Road.

Cllr Mallon said following the response from OCC.

“I am glad that OCC have listened but these things should have been sorted at the design stage. I will also continue press the county council for safe crossings on Hightown Road itself for residents and shoppers”.



Bus Stop – Hightown Road



Flooded Drains – Hightown Road



Tramway 2nd phase of walk of shame