

**Iron Man Members Meeting – 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016****Present:**

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Alan Rose	Ironman Race Director Weymouth	Iron Man

## Apologies:

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Mark Tewkesbury

David Harris

Mike Byatt

Kate Wheller

Clare Sutton

Michael Carhart-Harris

## **1. Traffic Management**

There will be a variety of different types of traffic management along the route. Local communities become heavily involved with sections of the race in their areas.

Councillor Mannings expressed concern that the challenge event last year was chaos, and is worried that he hasn't been consulted up until this stage and asked how the bus routes would be affected?

Kevin Stewart confirmed that the plans are still being worked on as to timings and they are trying to ensure that there is limited impact and disruption to the route.

A discussion took place regarding the possibility of having a meeting with locals to inform them in more detail of how the event will affect them.

Councillor Mannings suggested the possible use of cycle lanes on roads in his area however it was pointed out that these lanes would not be suitable as they are not wide enough.

District Councillor Jacqui Sewell asked what measures had been taken regarding access for Emergency services along the route.

Kevin Cheleda confirmed that Safety advisory groups had taken place and as roads will have limited traffic emergency services will get through easier. In an emergency situation the race would stop completely.

Kevin Stewart confirmed that there is a contact list in place featuring all residents and businesses in the area.

## **2. Economic benefit**

Concern was expressed that the benefit only seems to impact the start and finish locations yet there will be disruption throughout the route.

Information should be distributed to parish councils by the start of June so that they can respond with their thoughts.

It would be helpful to cross reference the route of the map on to ward/parishes map, it would then be easier to gain local knowledge for each separate location.

Kevin Stewart informed the meeting that Ironman have an obligation to minimise disruption and will speak to as many parishes as possible to improve route and event as a whole.

Alan Rose confirmed that he is looking to send out the route in full in the best position possible.

Kevin Stewart advised the meeting that the same event has been running for 5 years in Pembrokeshire and is running very smoothly now.

Kevin Cheleda also confirmed how much the Iron Man in Sherborne improved on a yearly basis.

District Councillor Fred Horsington advised Ironman that stewards with local knowledge are essential.

Alan Rose confirmed that each steward will be given individual location maps which will help them to guide people in the area. There will also be a police presence.

### **Junction Management**

There will be various road closures in place between 0500 and 1800 when the race is in full flow.

Highways England need to be contacted regarding the diversion route signage

Kevin Stewart confirmed that the affected bus companies will be contacted to let them know of schedules and it might be necessary to cancel routes.

Councillor Mannings expressed concern with the Holiday day trips to Weymouth and how they may need to be contacted.

Kevin Cheleda advised that traffic travelling from the Bournemouth direction will be made aware of the event so they should follow diverted routes.

It was suggested that communities could make use of the closures in place for other events which could bring local communities together.

Alan Rose gave an example of possible economic gain for local businesses as he has spoken to the Blue Vinney in Puddletown which have been interested in holding an event.

District Councillor Patrick Cooke informed the meeting that research has been put in to the Pembrokeshire Event and it has been noted that the event is more sparsely populated which is easier to run.

It was noted that concern has been expressed by the Charlton Down Ward that Communication/information has been sparse and it is not fair to allow communities to be blocked in due to the event and the closures required.

Kevin Stewart advised the meeting that communicating by ward hasn't worked in the past and they are looking for engagement to improve the event.

A discussion took place regarding the best way to cascade the information down to the parishes. Councillor Cattaway confirmed that Kevin Cheleda has the support of the Portfolio holder to work with Ironman to ensure the best route is in place, however it would be wise for the seven County Councillors who's area will be affected to consult with the all the necessary district, ward and parish's.

Kevin Stewart confirmed that if any additional parish meetings are requested then these can be arranged.

Councillor Cattaway strongly advised Ironman that communication should start immediately to ensure appropriate information is circulated.

Kevin Cheleda confirmed that there is an information document including maps that will be sent out to all residents and this document can also be sent out to Councillors.

Councillor Cattaway suggested that having a deadline in place would be beneficial.

Alan Rose confirmed that the final draft of residents information will be published on 30 May 2016.

There being no further business Councillor Cattaway thanked everyone for attending.