HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS (H&F) Report to Parish Council 02 September 2025

There is currently no formally constituted working group or lead as set out in the H&F Terms of Reference but there remain several longstanding and new issues reported to Council.

1. LAST REPORT 03 JUNE 2025; UPDATE ON MINUTE 2025.39

Points 1 & 2:

High Street and Colster Way Colsterworth: Safety issues to be followed up with Cllr C Vernon. review-of-high-street-road-safety-issues-25-08-2022

Still outstanding pending contact from LCC

Point 3:

Advertise in the In Touch for Community Speed Watch (CSW) volunteers Actioned in July 2025 edition (page 6)

• One volunteer came forward who would need the official training, but there is still no identified co-ordinator for reinstating roadside monitoring and submitting data.

Point 4:

Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) data collection investigation and volunteer recruitment.

 In progress. Cllr Hainsworth has been provided with the VAS identification details and Guidance notes to investigate further

New Issue:

Cllr Hainsworth had requested further investigations into an additional VAS on Bourne Road for F&A Committee on 23 October 2025 for budget setting and potential projects for 2025/2026. No resolution to Council at this stage.

Advice received from Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership regarding placement:-Options:

- Add a new unit to the existing wired-in post which is currently not working and does not display the actual speed and colour coding/message.
- Costs will be incurred to remove the existing wired in unit.
- With the Newton Meadows housing development a new post coming into the village could be located opposite Bourne Road Estate or thereabouts.

Clerk has received quotes from previous providers:-

Potential costs at 04 August 2025

- RADAR SPEED SIGN EVOLIS VISION SOLAR VERSION USB/BLUETOOTH £ 3,107.99 (incl. VAT) - Installation extra
- RADAR SPEED SIGN EVOLIS VISION HYBRID VERSION USB/BLUETOOTH £2,867.99
 (Incl. VAT Installation extra (if compatible with existing wired in post)

Point 5:

Village Gateway Signs Project, Stainby.

Cllr R Chatterton to take the project forward.

Point 6:

Maintenance of Village Signs.

This should be integral to the overall review of highways issues pending in points 1 and 2 above (including weight restriction signage placement, condition and visibility; this also includes verge maintenance

- To Identify responsibility
- Investigate potential costs to the Parish Council for sign cleaning, extra grass cutting and hedge trimming on Woolsthorpe Road and Stainby Road; however, this is the responsibility of Highways and landowners
- Cllr R Chatterton said they would continue to clean the Stainby signs.

Signage Survey

Cllr Brocklebank has initially identified there are 36 signs of different nature from Bridge End to Newton Way.

The costs for cleaning every sign would be in the hundreds of pounds and ownership of these signs is still required:-

- Road traffic signs such a weight limits, speed limits etc are LCC Highways.
- Village name signs, potentially District and Parish Council
- Direction signage could be LCC and SKDC
- Green and yellow footpath signs LCC Highways.
- Road names SKDC
- Brown signs are advertising signs for which the organisation has paid LCC Highways
- Dog fouling signs (blue are SKDC, white the Parish Cuncil)
- Neighbourhood Watch (Police)/Static 30mph signs (Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership):
 Most are damaged, dirty and worn out
- Private signage (e.g., Sports and Social Club)

Point 7:

Footpaths. Cllr Brocklebank and the Clerk monitor these making Fix My Street (FMS) reports where appropriate.

No further action

Point 8:

A1 safety, Phase 1. Continue to monitor progress.

No further action

Point 9:

FMS and Lorry Watch. Issues can be reported direct to LCC by anyone

No further action

2. NEW ISSUE

1. Graffiti in bus shelter and Highways road signage to the A1 at Bridge End

- Reported to Lincolnshire Police 25 July 2025 and LCC
- District Cllr Ben Green has offered to paint over the graffiti in the bus shelter
- LCC have responded to the graffiti on the roadsign: "We are sorry but we are not taking immediate action with this report because this graffiti does not detract from the meaning of the signage, and unfortunately we will not be taking action as do not have the resources. Thank you for reporting this matter"

15 August 2025