



HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS WORKING GROUP
Report to Parish Council 06 September 2022
Lead Cllrs: L Bennett, R Brocklebank, J Clark, C Hainsworth

Last report to Council: 01 February 2022
Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) Project Reports: May and July 2022

1. UPDATE ON VAS PROJECT

- Resolved to install new VASs at North Witham and Woolsthorpe
- Signs for B676 and Stainby deferred
- Further investigations have been made of Parish's who have them installed with positive feedback
- Costs at £2,150 plus VAT valid until end of September 2022
- Telephone technical support offered as part of the package for units and software.
- Installation process investigated:
 - Sites agreed by LCC
 - Posts to be purchased from LCC at additional cost of £600.00
 - LCC may be able to assist with fixing radar units and solar panels as installation is not provided (advised that this requires jubilee clips and working at height (ladder at about 6ft)
 - Installation simple process and recommendation is that bottom of radar is at 6 foot from the pavement with solar panel 60cm above radar
 - Individual units can be set different speed limits:-
 - 30mph manual dial in batter compartment for Woolsthorpe
 - 40mph software set up by Bluetooth for North Witham
- Delivery: Units can be delivered to volunteers near the installation sites at no extra cost so delivery addresses required for North Witham and Woolsthorpe to liaise with LCC for installation

Further action required prior to placing order:-

- Confirm delivery addresses – volunteers required (All)
- Liaise with LCC for ordering posts and installation at nominated sites and assisting with installation (Clerk/Cllr Hainsworth)

2. ROAD SAFETY AND COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH (CSW)

Roadside Checks

No roadside checks have taken place
Some equipment is still on loan with Corby Glen Parish Council

3. FOOTPATHS

All routine issues relating to footpaths are dealt with by the Clerk and reported to Council in Clerks Report/ Correspondence

1. PRIORITIES for LCC

1. Colsterworth & District Parish Council priorities identified in previous reports have not been reviewed or changed
Currently they remain:-
 1. High Street Traffic Calming
 2. Bridge End
 3. A1
 4. Flooding/Drainage and Soakaways

In the light of the renewed concerns around the safety on the High Street, Council are asked for agreement to request a formal site visit and review from LCC Highways and share separate report "Request for Review of High Street Traffic Safety Issues" County Cllr Charlotte Vernon to take to LCC Officers.



2. ISSUES LOG – Traffic and road safety

1. High Street Issues

Several issues raised by a parishioner including damage by HGV vehicle (in excess of the weight limit) on High Street and suggestions put forward regarding speeding, congestion, parking and traffic calming have been incorporated into the “Request for Review of High Street Traffic Safety Issues” reported above. Residents are urged to report traffic offences to the Police on 101 with supporting photos if possible.

2. Agricultural Vehicles on Woolsthorpe Road

Over the years there has been a gradual growth in farm traffic. They appear to access the A1 or fields alongside it. The tractors and trailers are significantly larger, faster and noisier and are presenting a real hazard for them and other road users particularly when two are passing each other mounting pavements and removing tree branches. Suggestion made to impose a traffic restriction using the Woolsthorpe Road. Clerk responded advising that Woolsthorpe Road is a priority for the Vehicle Activated Sign Project.

3. Woolsthorpe Road/Reads Lane Junction

Resident has submitted a request for a Traffic Restriction Order due to difficulties and safety at this junction. This is exacerbated by cars parking opposite and alongside the junction obstructing line of vision to make it safe to manoeuvre and meeting speeding traffic on the Woolsthorpe Road. Request has been submitted to County Cllr to refer to LCC

4. All potholes, streetlight issues, etc. are reported on FixmyStreet and via the Clerk.

3. NORTH WITHAM and STAINBY

Nothing of note reported

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