

Drinkstone Parish Council, Highways

Report to the Ordinary Meeting Dated 4 May 2021

Agenda Item; Councillor portfolios

General

There are a handful of issues recorded on the Suffolk Highways website, some are legacy items (flooding by Carroway Cottage for example). Live reports include a serious pothole near Drinkstone Lake sluice and the fallen 30mph sign jcn. Hill Farm Lane and The Street.

Suffolk CC reporting can be found at www.highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk

Road name signage

Following the matter being raised by a resident and it being referred to the Parish Council, I am pleased to report that MSDC will be erecting a road name sign for Hill Farm Lane at the junction with Deadmans Lane.

SID (Speed Indication Display) Suggested for publication in Parish Magazine.

The SID has been deployed across three sites during April, these are The Village Hall, Gedding Rd / Park Rd junction and Rattlesden Road Allotments. The fourth site (approach to All Saints Church) is still awaiting installation of its post.

The battery life appears to be good, up to 3 weeks on one charge (we have two sets of batteries).

The SID records speeds in both directions but only illuminates the display for oncoming vehicles. The SID does not record number plates nor does it capture video images.

The SID produces a wealth of statistics; here is a summary.....

Rattlesden Road Allotments.	Max speed recorded 50mph. 44% exceeding the speed limit.
Village Hall.	Max speed recorded 60mph. 27% exceeding the speed limit.
Gedding Rd / Park Rd / Rattlesden Rd jcn.	Max speed recorded 49mph. 15% exceeding the speed limit.

The low % exceeding the speed limit at the Village Hall and Gedding Rd reflect the vehicles turning into and out of nearby junctions and entrances. The SID has been reconfigured so as to avoid detecting these vehicles and the impact of this will be reviewed next month.

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