
Fwd: Traffic & pedestrians on Hindon Lane, Tisbury.

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To: tisburypc@gmail.com

2 December 2021 at 12:03

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Subject: Traffic & pedestrians on Hindon Lane, Tisbury.
Date: 2021-11-29 19:04
From: "jess.cradock" <jess.cradock@btinternet.com>
To: tisburypc@tisbury-wiltshire-pc.gov.uk
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Dear Parish Council,

I would like to bring to your attention an issue of increasing concern to me regarding the use of Hindon Lane by pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles. I live at 3 Alexandra Villas, Hindon Lane, SP3 6PT, it has become increasingly alarming to use the lane as a pedestrian, dangerous to park a car there and increasingly difficult to negotiate safe passage through the narrow lane.

I have had my parked car hit four times in Hindon Lane by a tractor, car, skip Lorry and drunk driver in a 16 month period from April 2019. I do not wish my parked car to be used as a traffic calming object. I do not want myself or anyone else to be injured on the Lane. People get frustrated at the need to give way and negotiate the narrow sections of the lane.

The wall of my front garden has also been hit twice by vehicles, I am not repairing it again as insurance claims become more expensive as they multiply. Drivers do not stop to inform me that they have hit my wall or car.

The section of Hindon Lane I am referring to runs from Tisbury House/New House to Italian Cottage/Fonthill Cottages SP3 6QD. The lane is straight in this section with poor lighting in places, vehicles increase their speed through this section. There are no 20mph signs on the road and few 20 mph signs. Most vehicles I observe are going faster than the upper limit of 20mph. In darkness many put their lights to full beam. For pedestrians in the dark it is alarming, one is blinded by headlights and feel you are invisible to drivers, they do not make space for pedestrians they are passing. In last four years the traffic volume increase and lack of consideration for pedestrians has become a great cause of concern.

There are many homes in the area which do not have off street parking, which is my situation. Unloading my car or walking from the safer area to park is hazardous. There is no pavement in this section of the lane, despite there being continuous housing on either side of the lane.

I would like to make some suggestion that may be of value to the Parish Council to consider. I would be most grateful if some methods of reducing speed of traffic and safer passage for pedestrians be created for this section of Hindon Lane in Tisbury.

1, Traffic slowing obstacle.

2, Plentiful safe parking zones for residents. There are often cars left outside Tisbury House for greater than 6 weeks. For example one car with a Hammersmith and Fulham (West London) Resident parking permit was parked badly for over 6 weeks taking up 2 parking spaces.

3, A pavement or marked pedestrian path with signs to advising drivers that they will be driving into pedestrians if they drive in that area.

4, More street lighting.

5, More 20mph signage.

6, Start community speed watch programme, it could operate from the front gardens of the houses along that stretch of road, similar to the one which operates in Dinton.

I would be very grateful if the parish council could initiate making this section of Hindon Lane safer for all who are using it.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kind regards,

Jessica Reed

Tisbury Parish Council <tisburyipc@gmail.com>
To: Sandra Harry <tisburyipc@gmail.com>

2 December 2021 at 23:22

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5 December 2021 at 00:13

To: jess.cradock@btinternet.com
Cc: johnreed@btinternet.com, "Errington, Nick" <Nick.Errington@wiltshire.gov.uk>, simon davison <simonrdavison@gmail.com>

Dear Ms Cradock Ms Reed,
Thank you for your email dated 29th November and apologies for the delay in coming back to you.
I have responded to your message by commenting in **red** to each of your points.

Dear Parish Council,

I would like to bring to your attention an issue of increasing concern to me regarding the use of Hindon Lane by pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles. I live at 3 Alexandra Villas, Hindon Lane, SP3 6PT, it has become increasingly

alarming to use the lane as a pedestrian, dangerous to park a car there and increasingly difficult to negotiate safe passage through the narrow lane.

First of all, I should say that the issues that you mention do not fall within the remit of the Parish Council. Councillors do have the right to raise concerns however, with the Wiltshire Council Community Area Transport Group (CATG).

I have had my parked car hit four times in Hindon Lane by a tractor, car, skip Lorry and drunk driver in a 16 month period from April 2019. I do not wish my parked car to be used as a traffic calming object. I do not want myself or anyone else to be injured on the Lane. People get frustrated at the need to give way and negotiate the narrow sections of the lane.

It is probably not realistic to expect that there will be any improvements to Hindon Lane in the near future - the council, with community support and through the CATG, has already been successful with the implementation of a 20mph speed limit on the north-south main route through the village and also the 20mph extensions to include all east-west routes will be implemented soon. The speed restrictions are key to slowing traffic down and this will result in a much safer environment for residents, all pedestrians and property.

It is concerning that your car has been hit 4 times and hopefully you did report these incidents to the Police.

The wall of my front garden has also been hit twice by vehicles, I am not repairing it again as insurance claims become more expensive as they multiply. Drivers do not stop to inform me that they have hit my wall or car.

As above, please make sure that you report the damage to your wall. Accident numbers are very important in determining priorities

The section of Hindon Lane I am referring to runs from Tisbury House/New House to Italian Cottage/Fonthill Cottages SP3 6QD. The lane is straight in this section with poor lighting in places, vehicles increase their speed through this section. There are no 20mph signs on the road and few 20 mph signs. Most vehicles I observe are going faster than the upper limit of 20mph. In darkness many put their lights to full beam. For pedestrians in the dark it is alarming, one is blinded by headlights and feel you are invisible to drivers, they do not make space for pedestrians they are passing. In last four years the traffic volume increase and lack of consideration for pedestrians has become great cause of concern.

The spacing of 20mph signage is determined by government guidelines and the roundels have been inspected recently with no action, i.e. no re-painting, was thought necessary.

There are many homes in the area which do not have off street parking, which is my situation. Unloading my car or walking from the safer area to park is hazardous. There is no pavement in this section of the lane, despite there being continuous housing on either side of the lane.

Any physical measures, such as build-outs, pavements and priority sections have been considered in the past but not progressed at the time.

I would like to make some suggestion that may be of value to the Parish Council to consider. I would be most grateful if some methods of reducing speed of traffic and safer passage for pedestrians be created for this section of Hindon Lane in Tisbury.

1, Traffic slowing obstacle.

As indicated above, such measures have been considered before, but the width of Hindon Lane is not ideal and would inevitably decrease the number of available parking spaces.

2, Plentiful safe parking zones for residents. There are often cars left outside Tisbury House for greater than 6 weeks. For example one car with a Hammersmith and Fulham (West London) Resident parking permit was parked badly for over 6 weeks taking up 2 parking spaces.

Unless there are specific parking restrictions or resident schemes there is no limit to the length of time that a vehicle can be parked on the highway as long as it is roadworthy, taxed and insured. Residents parking has been considered in the past in other parts of Tisbury, but residents have been reluctant to pay for implementation of the scheme - but this is something that could potentially be considered.

3, A pavement or marked pedestrian path with signs to advising drivers that they will be driving into pedestrians if they drive in that area.

This has been suggested in the past with no success -but, again, this is something that could potentially be considered.

4, More street lighting. This is something that could potentially be considered.

5, More 20mph signage. As above - this is unlikely due to government guidelines.

6, Start community speed watch programme, it could operate from the front gardens of the houses along that stretch of road, similar to the one which operates in Dinton.

There is already a Community Speed Watch (CSW) scheme operating on Hindon Lane. At present there is just one site further along Hindon Lane towards the entrance to Wyndham's Estate. Each site has to be approved and risk assessed by the police and this is in progress for a site much nearer to your property. Once this is approved - assuming that it meets the criteria for suitability - the CSW group will use both sites. To increase the number of sessions of CSW monitoring would require more volunteers.

Enforcement of speed restrictions is probably the most important factor for a safer Hindon Lane, but this can only be done by the Police.

The Parish Council also has a Speed Indicator Device that is located for periods of time along the straight length of Hindon Lane - but this is currently waiting for repair. A second device will be purchased soon

I would be very grateful if the parish council could initiate making this section of Hindon Lane safer for all who are using it.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kind regards,

Jessica Reed

Please note that topics that could be considered by the Parish Councillors will be placed on the January or February agenda in 2022.

with kind regards,

Sandra