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Road Safety Forum

Update report for the Community Partnership – July 2022

The most recent Road Safety Forum on 9th May 2022 was again well represented with several apologies received from interested parties.

Key outcomes from the meeting

- Suffolk Police agreed to take the SID data discussed at the meeting to their enforcement team to request action at those particular sites. It was noted that providing such data to the Police allowed for a stronger case for enforcement teams to visit with a more targeted approach.
- SID data was shared and discussed from two parishes. Information from other sites is expected at coming meetings to create a wider understanding of speeding issues.
- Road Safety Week 2022 in November was briefly discussed following success in Carlford and Fynn Valley
 last year. Attendees have been asked to bring ideas to the next meeting to agree action to take forwards.
- Foxhall Road/Bell Lane junction was raised as an ongoing concern by representatives, with suggestions to improve visibility including the removal of green verges and replacing them with shingle or similar alternative.

Since the May 2022 meeting

Significant progress has been made. Relevant staff at County Council within their road safety scheme team have been invited to future Forums and meetings and are working to share knowledge and resource to improve road safety, particularly in relation to areas surrounding primary schools. East Suffolk Councils parking enforcement team have also agreed to attend primary schools on an ad hoc basis to encourage positive parking at key times. This will be supplemented with correspondence to parents that focuses on the positive parking behaviour shown by most.

Councillors McCallum and Lawson met with County Councillor Paul West in Kesgrave and discussed issues relating to Foxhall Road and Bell Lane junction. Prior to the meeting, the suggestions made by the Forum were passed to Councillor McCallum. A positive meeting was had and the need for urgency and action was highlighted. Cllr West is due to meet regularly to discuss issues around Kesgrave. The Forums letter to Cllr West was postponed until after this site meeting and has been amended accordingly.

County Councillor Mulcahy has offered her practical support to any road safety related issues moving forwards within her area.

Next Road Safety Forum Meeting

Monday 5th September, 10am via Microsoft Teams - Click here to join the meeting