

Stiffkey Traffic Management

The Parish Council a walk through the village with a County Council Highways Officer to see if there were any new options for improving traffic management through the village.

Unfortunately, there was not really anything new. There were, however a couple of action points and some clarity on a few issues. Highlights as below:

- a. Highways were very clear that all evidence shows that less is more. Motorists pay more attention when they are forced to through lack of signs/markings
- b. Clear verges (mowing/trimming of foliage) on approach to a village seems to be an effective way to get motorists to recognise they are entering a village and to slow down/respect changes in speed limits
- c. H bars on Bridge Street to stop parking on the junction with Church Street/Wells Road will be undertaken by Highways.
- d. Repainting of some of our tired/faded white lines will also be undertaken
- e. The interface between the A149 and Greenway needs some repair work to make it clearer at that junction. Highways are going to send out an inspection team. It is hoped this will make that junction clearer
- f. The 'path' along the shop was only ever done to differentiate as an area for pedestrians. It is not a pavement, there are no 'rules' when it is in use and is part of the road, so any thought of road furniture to stop parking or traffic management is not an option
- g. It was recommended that we continue with our approach with NNDC planning that traffic management plans should be made a planning condition for future applications.