

Traffic Calming Advisory Group
Weston on the Green

Report to the Weston on the Green Parish Council:

The Traffic Calming Advisory Group (TCAG) met on June 6th 2024. It was decided to communicate with the new officers at Oxford County Council (OCC) as a result of a change in personnel. We opted to split our communication into two segments; Church Lane and the B430 to expedite actions.

Church Lane:

1. The imposition of the 20mph speed limit was done but agreed traffic calming works are incomplete. A letter was sent to OCC requesting:
 - 1.1. Completion of the refreshment painting of the sharks' teeth at the Bletchingdon Road entrance to the village; the "SLOW" road painting at Mulberry Cottage and the Village Pantry; the line on the north side of Church lane from Mulberry Cottage to beyond the entrance to the church. We received a response that OCC has now placed the work order with the appropriate department, but with no target date for completion.
 - 1.2. A variation of the road surface material at the church entrance to the continuation of the Oxfordshire walkway, to indicate a crossing of Church Lane. OCC wishes to hold an on-site meeting to further discuss.
 - 1.3. A possible extension of the curb at the Church Close entrance to Church Lane as a safety measure will require an on-site meeting.We are following up with OCC on these issues.

B430:

2. The intention is to reduce the speed from 40 mph to 30 mph with traffic calming measures being implemented on a phased basis determined by results. The rationale is OCC indicated the potential costs for full traffic calming are £150,000 in 2021 value terms. Despite repeated requests no detailed breakdown of the costs were given. A formal letter is being prepared and the time lag from the Church Lane letter is due to our attempt to obtain some basic costs. The recommendation to the Parish Council for phased implication envisages the following:
 - 2.1. Replacing of the speed rondels on the B430.
 - 2.2. Acquisition of a solar powered speed indicator.
 - 2.3. Removal of the numeral '4' and repainting with the numeral '3' on the road surface.

These recommendations will most likely necessitate an on-site meeting.

Once cost estimates are received, we will communicate with the Parish Council recommending any actions.

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