

Lacock Parish Council - Highways & Parish Steward Report – April 2023

1. Introduction of 20 mph and 30 mph speed limit in Lacock Village and Hither Way

At the LHFIG meeting on 26th April there will be an update on how the 20 mph and 30 mph for Hither Way is proceeding. At present it's difficult to say precisely when these speed limits will be introduced. It's all dependant on any objections, which will inevitably cause delays of a few months.

The LHFIG with WC Highways will be manage the planning and installation of these lower speed limits with the NT paying all the costs involved.

High Street/West Street Revised Layout Improvement

WC Highways has advised that our Substantive bid to fund the revised road layout has been successful.

The work will start in this 2023/24 financial year. We will keep everyone advised of the implementation details once these plans are finalised by WC. To be progressed at the 26th April LHFIG meeting.

2. Lacock Traffic Group (LTG) Subcommittee reporting to the LPC

Auto Speed Watch Camera (ASW) system

It is now planned to move the camera to another location nearer Abbey bridge where there is better visibility of car number plates.

3. Coaches back in the Village

Two incidents were observed recently involving Premium Coaches that were parked in the village on double yellow lines obstructing the highway.

The closure of the NT overflow car park has resulted in cars filling in the Coach park, which then gives Coaches no alternative but to park in the village. To be discussed further with the NT at the LPC meeting.

Everyone, please continue report the details of the coaches that are still parking badly to Pete Shaw, or Peter Glen or Stuart Gregory to progress with the coach companies involved. A photograph of such incidents would be a great help to show location and time.

4. Double Yellow Lining still outstanding from 2019

The outstanding short lengths of double yellow lining outside the Abbey and at the top of Nethercote are planned in 2023/24 financial year.

Sarah Dearden, WC Highways is writing all the legal orders required. They will be going out for advertising and consultation during April. If there are no objections the yellow lining should be completed during the summer months. To be progressed at the LHFIG meeting on 26th April.

5. Bowden Hill – road damage caused by overflowing pond

A meeting took place on recently with Chris Doel, Rob Curtis and Tim Barter.

A report on the meeting has been circulated to the LPC for the LPC meeting on 17th April.

6. Parish Steward (PS)

Work for the March PS's visit

The PS is back with us after his secondment to Gloucester.

- Grips and gullies- continue to be checked and cleaned.
- Continue to identify and fill potholes.
- Request the WC Road Sweeper tanker returns again next month to keep the gutters clear of debris.

Let us know of any other work or potholes needing repair.

There is always more that can be done. Please be observant and let us know of any other PS jobs ASAP, ideally with a photograph to identify issue and its precise location.

Stuart Gregory and Pete Shaw