

Highways Focus Group – Work in progress. (UPDATED 18/07/24 CC)

ISSUE/LOCATION	DATE REPORTED	ACTIONS TAKEN	RCC/ OTHERS RESPONSE	CORRESPONDANCE/NOTE	FURTHER ACTION
Floods Blocked drains, ditch and culvert assessment	03/01/2024	<p>Issues reported on Fix My Street</p> <p>08/01/24 – Emailed RCC Highways copied to Cllr C Wise to outline issues with blocked drains and extent it affected the Parish.</p> <p>18/01/24 – GH. JC,CC attended Storm Henk special council meeting at RCC.</p> <p>19/01/24 GH emailed CW to request information regarding volunteers safety and reinforce about blocked drains in parish. Followed up 29/01/24</p>	<p>08/01/24- Highways will contact SPC in the coming weeks</p> <p>RCC have commenced a review under 'section 19'</p> <p>29/01/24 CW will seek meeting with RCC Highways to discuss issues</p>	03/02/24 GH invited police/fire services to meet to discuss floods	Follow up blocked drains via Fix My Street
Stocken Hall Road SID broken	11/23	11/23 reported on fix my street numerous times	02/24 Issue closed by RCC on FMS will be considered as part of the planned programme of work by RCC. No timescale for resolution.		30/07/24 to be raised with C Wise at North Rutland Highways Focus Group meeting

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Clipsham Road continued		14/02/24 – CC contacted Mick George enquiring about their advisory speed limit they can instigate for their vehicles through villages	02/24 Await response Mick George 15/03/24 Meeting with Mick George – agreed signs , need Parish Council approval. 01/05/24 Parish council approved signs		Mick George placed signs June 24
GEORGE HENRY WOOD Pedestrian Crossing Sign	Aug 23	(CC) Email R Green 14/09/23 Email B Rush 12/10/23	Response from Cllr Christine Wise – no route at RCC at moment to register new Highway Concerns. Will be notified when next reporting window opens. Likely to be March.		To be pursued as part of ITCP 2022-01 solution (see above)
FLEETWOOD COURT Road safety		ITCP-2023-08	RCC have engaged with the prison and they will be updating information provided further correspondence to staff/contractors and visitors to remind them of the 30mph speed limit	Police speed van has been seen more regularly attending.	Discuss with PC Jake Spruce at North Rutland Highways Focus Group meeting 30/07/24

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STOCKEN HALL ROAD Speed reduction(40mph)/ blind corners	Aug 23 June 23 (Prev 2019)	(CC) Email R Green 14/09/23 Email B Rush 12/10/23 19/03/24 CC emailed Cllr C Wise Enquiring if able to report Highway Concerns. 15/04/24 submitted Highways Concern with RCC reference ITCP-2024-03	Response from Cllr Christine Wise – no route at RCC at moment to register new Highway Concerns. Will be notified when next reporting window opens. Likely to be March. 19/03/24 C Wise responded informing Highways Concerns process not reopened. 30/04/24 C Wise still no route to report Highways concern, new process end of year.		Discuss at North Rutland Highways Focus Group meeting 30/07/24
STOCKEN HALL ROAD Narrow Road	June 23 Aug 23	Meeting with CCLr C Wise and Highways Focus Group Reported FMS 01/24 19/03/24 CC emailed Cllr C Wise Enquiring if able to report Highway Concerns. 15/04/24 submitted Highways concern to RCC ref ITCP-2024-03	10/07/23 C Wise meeting with R Green – R Green to contact prison to ask they synchronise the arrival and departure of HGV vehicles so not meeting on road. 19/03/24 C Wise responded informing Highways Concerns process not reopened 30/04/24 C Wise still no route to report Highways concern, new process end of year		30/07/24 to be raised at North Rutland Highways Focus Group meeting

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STOCKEN HALL ROAD (Top of hill near chicken farm) Road narrowed, edge deteriorating leaving gully, gravel washed down causing hazard	Aug 23	(CC) Email R Green 14/09 Email B Rush 12/10 Reported FMS 01/24 19/03/24 CC emailed Cllr C Wise Enquiring if able to report Highway Concerns. CC reported FMS 04/24 15/04/24 submitted Highways concern to RCC ref ITCP-2024-03	Response from Cllr Christine Wise – no route at RCC at moment to register new Highway Concerns. Will be notified when next reporting window opens. Likely to be March 19/03/24 C Wise responded informing Highways Concerns process not reopened Gully at top been filled with Tarmac		30/07/24 to be raised at North Rutland Highways Focus Group meeting
SHIRES LANE LEADING TO SLIP ROAD 60mph limit too high	Jan 23 Aug 23	(CC) Email R Green 14/09/23 Email B Rush 12/10/23	Response from Cllr Christine Wise – no route at RCC at moment to register new Highway Concerns. Will be notified when next reporting window opens. Likely to be March.		

		03/02/24 GH emailed National Highways to establish responsibility for road and highlight request for reduction in speed limit.	05/02/24 response received Stephen Warren Route Manager National Highways will liaise with relevant teams and respond.		Raise at PC meeting 25 th July 24
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ROUNDBABOUTS Lower Speed limit (Being used as race track)	Aug 23	(CC) Email R Green 14/09 Email B Rush 12/10	Response from Cllr Christine Wise – no route at RCC at moment to register new Highway Concerns. Will be notified when next reporting window opens. Likely to be March. 30/04/24 C Wise still no route to report Highways concern, new process end of year.		Raise with PC Jake Spruce
ROUNDBABOUTS HGV's shedding hard-core	Aug 23				Progress with New Highways Focus Group members
ROOKERY LANE Used as shortcut to A1, speeding	Jan 23 Aug 23	(CC) Email R Green 14/09 Email B Rush 12/10	Response from Cllr Christine Wise – no route at RCC at moment to register new Highway Concerns. Will be notified when next reporting window opens. Likely to be March.		30/07/24 to be raised at North Rutland Highways Focus Group meeting

ROOKERY LANE continued		19/03/24 CC emailed Cllr C Wise Enquiring if able to report Highway Concerns. 02/07/24 Raised Highways Concern with RCC reference ITCP - 2024-18	19/03/24 C Wise responded informing Highways Concerns process not reopened. 30/04/24 C Wise still no route to report Highways concern, new process end of year.		
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NEW ROAD Slow Down Horse warning signs at either end at corners due to high speed vehicles		(CC) Email R Green 14/09 Email B Rush 12/10 19/03/24 CC emailed Cllr C Wise Enquiring if able to report Highway Concerns. 02/07/24 Raised Highways Concern with RCC reference ITCP 2024-17	Response from Cllr Christine Wise – no route at RCC at moment to register new Highway Concerns. Will be notified when next reporting window opens. Likely to be March. 19/03/24 C Wise responded informing Highways Concerns process not reopened 30/04/24 C Wise still no route to report Highways concern, new process end of year.		30/07/24 to be raised at North Rutland Highways Focus Group meeting
STRETTON TO GREETHAM CYCLE PATH	March 2022			SPC has pursued this over the last few years and at every opportunity has and will reinforce the request for a cycle path. It is on the	All opportunities taken to reinforce with RCC the need for this cycle path.

				long term plan at RCC but needs funding from government.	CC working with Greetham PC to see if can progress with RCC
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LITTER	Aug 23	(CC) Neighbourhood watch Community Litter Pick 09/23, 11/23, 03/24, 05/24		Bins on Stocken Hall Road	Discussed at Annual Parish Council meeting 2024. CC to find alternative funding
ROOKERY LANE CHICANE Overgrown	Aug 23	(CC) Volunteers as part of Community Litter Pick		Mostly completed Sept 23 Further maintenance required.	Ongoing maintenance required next maintenance June 24 with volunteers
NOTICE BOARD	Aug 23	(CC) Volunteers as part of Community Litter Pick		Completed Nov 23	Closed
GODWIN DEVELOPMENT Potholes	Aug 23			Construction underway removing this issue	Closed

To note:

Clipsham Parish Council – ITCP-2023-05 – Road Safety – Initial Assessment – Clipsham to Stretton Road

Greetham Parish Council – Footpath from Greetham to Stretton – Being looked at under Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan

Tools:

Create log of accidents witnessed or reported on excel document to support a highway concern as necessary.

APPENDIX 1

ITCP 2024-03

On Stocken Hall Road currently the speed limit is 60mph and the suggestion from residents of a more appropriate speed limit is 40mph reflecting the needs of all road users not just vehicles. HMP Stocken are also in support of a 40mph speed limit. The volume of traffic (cars and HGVs) has increased significantly with the past and current HMP expansion and is not likely to reduce. Several statements have been received from residents highlighting their concern of traffic speeds and incidents they have experienced on this road.

Serving as a vital link between different parts of the parish, this road is integral to the broader community. For instance, children utilize it for cycling to visit friends, and it provides access to outdoor spaces such as Stretton Woods, Morkery Woods, public rights of way (PROW) and bridleways. The footpath on Stocken Hall Road is regularly used by pedestrians, including dog walkers and HMP staff. Additionally, community litter picks are frequently conducted by volunteers due to the high volume of litter deposited. The footpath being directly adjacent to the road with no segregation from the carriageway by means of a grass verge means those on the footpath feel extremely vulnerable to passing traffic due to proximity and speed.

A 40mph limit would allow drivers and horse riders/cyclists alike more time to take adequate evasive action when they meet. There have been near misses when vehicles have overtaken vulnerable road users near to the bends not allowing for 60mph approaching vehicles from the other direction.

In addition, the road is not wide enough to accommodate larger vehicles alongside any other vehicle requiring them to straddle the white line. This has caused maintenance and safety issues, lorries are regularly mounting the grass verge or footpath, posing a risk to pedestrians and forming a deep rut along the verge. At the top of the hill going north on Stocken Hall Road the road has narrowed and deteriorated substantially on the left hand side. Temporary repairs have proven inadequate causing grit to be washed into the road after rainfall creating a skid hazard, blocking the drains and washing onto the footpath. Furthermore, as this temporary repair has failed, a deep gully is left which could potentially cause damage to vehicles.

The speeds of vehicles along the Stocken Hall Road have been documented for several years. Despite a previous request in ITCP 2019-07 to lower the speed limit, it was rejected as the police after consultation cited enforceability issues. Stretton Parish Council believes that a 40mph is crucial for the safety and well-being of our community.

In conclusion, the implementation of a reduced speed limit on Stocken Hall Road would contribute to an improved quality of life for the local community, fostering a safer environment for all road users. We request consideration of this matter, along with any necessary measures to address the road's maintenance and safety issues.

ITCP 2024-17

The Parish Council would like to request 2 Slow Down Horse warning signs be installed either end of New Road at the corners. This is a long straight road where many vehicles including HGVs obtain high speeds and are unaware there might be more vulnerable road users on this route. Horse riders have contacted the Parish Council expressing their concern there are no safe roads to travel on unless driving a vehicle.

ITCP 2024-18

The Parish Council would like to raise a Highway Concern that Rookery Lane is being used as a shortcut to the A1 by passing motorists including HGV's. Vehicles avoid the roundabout by turning into Manor Road from Clipsham Road then speed up Rookery Lane to the A1. Rookery Lane is a narrow street without footpaths and several families with young children living there. They as well as others are concerned an accident will occur.

This issue was raised several years ago under ITCP 2019-07 and still presents a safety concern for pedestrians on this street.