
DOCUMENTARY RECORD

Mount Road/Banks Lane Incident File

Chronology, Narrative Record and Photographic Evidence

Location	Mount Road/Banks Lane junction CM16 7FE	Incidents recorded	24
Prepared by	Theydon Mount Parish Council	Period covered	Sun 04 Jun 2023 – Sat 29 Aug 2026
Date of file	Thu 03 Sep 2026	Version	1.2.2

Purpose, Scope and Method

Purpose of this file

- Establishes a single, dated record of each incident.
- Preserves contemporaneous detail before recollection fades.
- Supports local parishioner concerns on the dangers of this junction.

Scope

- Twenty-four incidents, recorded individually as INC-001 to INC-024.
- Each entry covers date, time, conditions and additional details and photographic evidence if available.
- Photographic exhibits are numbered EXH and tied to each incident.

Method and sources

- Entries compiled from reports and photographs from parishioners of Theydon Mount.
- Facts recorded as observed; no inference and assumption presumed.

Note on accuracy

Dates and times are recorded as accurately as possible. Times are estimates, given that they are recorded by parishioners who may not have witnessed the incident, but have witnessed the aftermath.

Conventions Used in This Record

Reference scheme

Code	Meaning
INC-000	Incident record number, in date order
EXH-000	Photographic or documentary exhibit

Severity classification

Class	Definition
S1	Near Miss
S2	Single Vehicle
S3	2 Vehicles
S4	2 or More Vehicles, Emergency Services attended

Evidence handling

- Each photograph is numbered EXH and tied to one incident.
- Photograph sources are not recorded.
- Number plates have been redacted and faces pixelated.

Master Chronology of Incidents (1 of 3)

Mount Road/Banks Lane Junction, CM16 7FE. Co-ordinates: 51.6874747,0.1442264. OS Grid: TL483009, What3Words: acid.salsa.moons

Ref	Date	Approx Time	Vehicles	Sev.	Photographs
INC-001	Sun 04 Jun 2023	Daytime	Car/Car	S3	Y
INC-002	Fri 16 Jun 2023	Daytime	Van/Car	S3	Y
INC-003	Fri 08 Sep 2023	Daytime	Van	S2	N
INC-004	Sun 17 Sep 2023	Daytime	Car/Car	S3	Y
INC-005	Thu 19 Oct 2023	Daytime	Van/Van	S3	Y
INC-006	Sun 22 Oct 2023	Daytime	Car/Car	S3	Y
INC-007	Sat 11 Nov 2023	Daytime	Car/Car	S3	Y
INC-008	Sat 27 Apr 2024	09:30	Car/Van	S3	N
INC-009	Thu 23 May 2024	17:15	Unknown Vehicle/Vehicle	S3	N
INC-010	Sat 15 Jun 2024	10:00	Car	S2	Y

Rows are held in date order. Renumber references if an earlier incident is added.

Master Chronology of Incidents (2 of 3)

Ref	Date	Approx Time	Vehicles	Sev.	Photographs
INC-011	Fri 28 Jun 2024	16:00	Van/Van	S4	Y
INC-012	Wed 17 Jul 2024	17:30	Car/Car	S4	Y
INC-013	Wed 24 Jul 2024	09:30	Car/Van	S3	Y
INC-014	Fri 26 Jul 2024	21:30	Unknown Vehicle	S2	N
INC-015	Sun 11 Aug 2024	10:30	Car/Bicycle	S3	Y
INC-016	Thu 28 Nov 2024	07:15	Car/Car	S3	Y
INC-017	Sat 21 Feb 2026	22:00	Car	S2	N
INC-018	Sun 03 May 2026	17:15	Car/Car	S4	Y
INC-019	Wed 20 May 2026	09:00	Car/Car	S4	Y
INC-020	Tue 23 Jun 2026	15:00	Car/Van	S3	Y

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Master Chronology of Incidents (3 of 3)

Ref	Date	Approx Time	Vehicles	Sev.	Photographs
INC-021	Mon 27 Jul 2026	15:30	Car/Car	S1	N
INC-022	Wed 29 Jul 2026	18:30	Car/Car	S3	Y
INC-023	Tue 25 Aug 2026	18:45	Car/Motorbike	S4	Y
INC-024	Sat 29 Aug 2026	12:30	Car/Car	S3	Y

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INC-001

Particulars

Date and time	Sun 04 Jun 2023, Daytime
Vehicles	Car/Car
Conditions	Sunny
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Additional details

Photographic exhibits



EXH-001

INC-002

Particulars

Date and time	Fri 16 Jun 2023, Daytime
Vehicles	Van/Car
Conditions	Sunny
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Additional details

Photographic exhibits



EXH-002

INC-003

Particulars

Date and time	Fri 08 Sep 2023, Daytime
Vehicles	Van
Conditions	Unknown
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S2

Photographic exhibits

No photographs available

Additional details

One van viewed with airbags activated.

INC-004

Particulars

Date and time	Sun 17 Sep 2023, Daytime
Vehicles	Car/Car
Conditions	Damp Road
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Additional details

Photographic exhibits



EXH-003

INC-005

Particulars

Date and time	Thu 19 Oct 2023, Daytime
Vehicles	Van/Van
Conditions	Damp Road
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Additional details

Photographic exhibits



EXH-004

INC-006

Particulars

Date and time	Sun 22 Oct 2023, Daytime
Vehicles	Car/Car
Conditions	Broken cloud, some evidence of damp road
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Additional details

Photographic exhibits



EXH-005

INC-007

Particulars

Date and time	Sat 11 Nov 2023, Daytime
Vehicles	Car/Car
Conditions	Sunny
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Additional details

The accuracy of the timing of the recording of this photograph cannot be established. The foliage suggests that this was not taken in November.

Photographic exhibits



EXH-006

INC-008

Particulars

Date and time	Sat 27 Apr 2024, 09:30
Vehicles	Car/Van
Conditions	Not established
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Photographic exhibits

No photographs available

Additional details

Local parishioner reports an accident between a car and a van/lorry but no photographic evidence provided.

INC-009

Particulars

Date and time	Thu 23 May 2024, 17:15
Vehicles	Unknown Vehicle/ Unknown Vehicle
Conditions	Not established
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Photographic exhibits

No photographs available

Additional details

Local parishioner reports an accident at the junction; "not bad and no one injured"

INC-010

Particulars

Date and time	Sat 15 Jun 2024, 10:00
Vehicles	Car
Conditions	Damp road
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S2

Additional details

Driver told local parishioner that he could not stop in time.

Photographic exhibits



EXH-007



EXH-008

INC-011

Particulars

Date and time	Fri 28 Jun 2024, 16:00
Vehicles	Van/Van
Conditions	Broken Cloud
Emergency Services	Police
Severity	S4

Photographic exhibits



EXH-009



EXH-010

Additional details



EXH-011

INC-012

Particulars

Date and time	Wed 17 Jul 2024, 17:30
Vehicles	Car/Car
Conditions	Not established
Emergency Services	Police
Severity	S4

Additional details

Sound of accident reported by local resident. Parishioner reports injured person lying on the floor. Reports of car also in the bushes adjacent to electricity box. Driver mentioned to police the lack of sign and white lines.

Photographic exhibits



EXH-012

INC-013

Particulars

Date and time	Wed 24 Jul 2024, 09:30
Vehicles	Car/Van
Conditions	Sunny
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Additional details

Driver of car advises a parishioner that she thought the road continues and that there were no road markings.

Photographic exhibits



EXH-013

INC-014

Particulars

Date and time	Fri 26 Jul 2024, 21:30
Vehicles	Unknown Vehicle
Conditions	Not established
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S2 or higher

Photographic exhibits

No photographs available

Additional details

Reports by parishioner of another accident at Banks Lane.

INC-015

Particulars

Date and time	Sun 11 Aug 2024, 10:30
Vehicles	Car/Bicycle
Conditions	Sunny
Emergency Services	Police
Severity	S3

Photographic exhibits



EXH-014



EXH-015

Additional details

INC-016

Particulars

Date and time	Thu 28 Nov 2024, 07:15
Vehicles	Car/Car
Conditions	Damp Road, dawn
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Additional details

Reports of ice on local roads.

Photographic exhibits



EXH-016



EXH-017

INC-017

Particulars

Date and time	Sat 21 Feb 2026, 22:00
Vehicles	Car
Conditions	Dark
Emergency Services	Police, Ambulance
Severity	S2

Photographic exhibits

No photographs available

Additional details

Parishioner reports a car deep in the bushes opposite Banks Lane.

INC-018

Particulars

Date and time	Sun 03 May 2026, 17:15
Vehicles	Car/Car
Conditions	Broken Cloud
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S4

Additional details

Photographic exhibits



EXH-018



EXH-019

INC-019

Particulars

Date and time	Wed 20 May 2026, 09:00
Vehicles	Car/Car
Conditions	Cloudy
Emergency Services	Police, Ambulance, Fire Brigade
Severity	S4

Additional details

Parishioner reports older male lying on ground, being treated by ambulance service.

Photographic exhibits



EXH-020



EXH-021

INC-020

Particulars

Date and time	Tue 23 Jun 2026, 15:00
Vehicles	Car/Van
Conditions	Sunny
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Additional details

Photographic exhibits



EXH-022



EXH-023

INC-021

Particulars

Date and time	Mon 27 Jul 2026, 15:30
Vehicles	Car/Car
Conditions	Not established
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S1

Photographic exhibits

No photographs available

Additional details

Shocked driver found stopped at Banks Lane junction by a local resident. Driver reports that a car came out of Banks Lane without stopping and narrowly missed her.

INC-022

Particulars

Date and time	Wed 29 Jul 2026, 18:30
Vehicles	Car/Car
Conditions	Sunny
Emergency Services	Not established
Severity	S3

Additional details

Photographic exhibits



EXH-024

INC-023

Particulars

Date and time	Tue 25 Aug 2026, 18:45
Vehicles	Car/Motorbike
Conditions	Sunny, damp surface
Emergency Services	Police, fire, ambulance
Severity	S4

Additional details

Photographic exhibits



EXH-025



EXH-026



EXH-027



EXH-028

INC-024

Particulars

Date and time	Sat 29 Aug 2026, 12:30
Vehicles	Car/Car
Conditions	Wet
Emergency Services	Police
Severity	S4

Additional details

Photographic exhibits



EXH-029



EXH-030



EXH-031



EXH-032

Observations

Signage and Road Markings

Give way sign missing over much of the period.
Exact dates to be established.

15 Jun 2024 Fingerpost destroyed by accident

16 Aug 2024 White lines painted across junction.

22 Aug 2024 White lines obscured by road top-dressing.

01 Apr 2025 White Lines repainted.

21 Jun 2025 Fingerpost re-erected.

Patterns

10 of the 24 accidents fall at the weekend

6 incidents reported in peak morning (07:15-10:30) and 5 in peak evening (17:15-18.45) periods.

16 of the incidents reported late spring to late summer. Foliage may be a contributing factor.

There is a lack of reports of incidents from Nov 2024 to February 2025. *There may well have been accidents, but we have no evidence supplied by local residents.*

The lack of Give Way sign and easily visible white lines appear to be a factor.

Media

On 18 Dec 2024, Essex Live described the A104 Epping New Road as one of the 50 most dangerous stretches of A-road in England. Epping New Road had 17 recorded incidents between 2017 and 2022. We present evidence of 23 accidents (plus one near-miss) at the Banks Lane/Mount Road junction in just 39 months.
<https://www.essexlive.news/news/essex-news/essex-road-among-most-dangerous-9802189>

On 24 Jun 2026, David Jackman reported the 23 Jun 2026 accident, following an email from a parishioner.
https://us12.campaign-archive.com/?e=__test_email__&u=40250f17955cfb7586ade94ce&id=1e04917f57

Current Signage and Road Markings



75 yard pre-warning, 29 Aug 2026



Approach to junction, 29 Aug 2026



Approach to junction, 29 Aug 2026



Junction, 29 Aug 2026



Poor markings, 29 Aug 2026



Close up of poor markings, 29 Aug 2026

Unofficial Signage

Observation

03 Sep 2026 We have been made aware that someone has erected an unofficial STOP sign close to the junction. TMPC understands the frustration that has led to this action but has not condoned or supported this action.



Approach to junction, 03 Sep 2026