
FW: 82410: Road traffic issues

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23 July 2024 at 13:1

Dear Sir / Madam

Thank you for your emails of 3 June and 17 July 2024 about Chipping Road. Firstly, I am sorry for the delay in replying. I would recommend in future addressing any parish highways enquiries directly to our team on highwaysdistrictlead@lancashire.gov.uk, which should ensure a swifter response.

We believe the existing signage along the road is appropriate. Looking at the safety history, we would not look to add any new signs. Signage exists to warn drivers of exceptional hazards above what would normally be expected along a road of that nature.

The sign stating " Quiet Lanes Area – Please Drive Carefully" is an advisory sign to inform drivers that some of the side roads are 'quiet lanes'. It does not apply to the main road itself and does not carry any regulatory significance.

We have analysed the speed data for Chipping Road (Hesketh Lane to Four Acre Lane). Along with other highway authorities, when assessing adherence to speed limits we look at the "85th percentile" of traffic. This is the speed at which 85 percent of traffic travels at or below. In enforcement of speeding, the National Police Chiefs' Council (NPCC) recommends enforcement begin at "10 percent plus two" over the speed limit. For example, enforcement in a 50mph area would begin at 57mph. If 85 percent of traffic is travelling below this enforcement threshold, adherence to the limit is considered good. Chipping Road has a limit of 60mph, with an 85th percentile speed of 49.1mph.

However, there is a Lancashire Speed Toolkit which gives examples of how residents can raise awareness of speeding or road safety issues in their local area. The Partnership's Speed Management Programme, which is updated monthly with newly assessed sites and which includes the Lancashire Speed Toolkit information, is available on the [Lancashire Road Safety Partnership website](#)

If residents witness regular incidents of nuisance or dangerous driving, they can contact the police directly either by the non-emergency telephone number: 101, or on the Lancashire Constabulary '[Do It Online](#)' webpage, with a record of the registration numbers of the vehicles.

They can also submit footage directly to the police through Op SNAP, for their consideration. Op SNAP is a police response to the increasing submissions of video and photographic evidence from members of the public, in relation to witnessed driving offences. Further information regarding this service can be found online at:

<https://www.lancashire.police.uk/contact-us/register-your-camera/operation-snap-op-snap-opsnap-public-submission-of-dashcam-footage-faq/>

Many thanks, Peter

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Could you please provide an update in respect of my email request.

Many thanks

On Tue, 4 Jun 2024 at 14:27, LCC <highways@lancashire.gov.uk> wrote:

Hello

Thank you for your enquiry which has been logged and forwarded to the Highways Team for investigation.

Your reference is: 579796

For your information, all Lancashire County Council highways issues and defects will be inspected and then any necessary work is planned on a prioritised basis.

If you would like an update, then please feel free to contact us again after 22 working days and we should be able to provide more information. We hope you find this information useful.

Faults with a road, pavement, pothole, street light, traffic light or blocked drain can be reported at any time of the day or night, using our [online reporting tool](#)

Regards

Genna Hargreaves

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