

Thimbleby Parish Council Newsletter - Autumn 2024

Speed Indicator Devices (SID's)

The Parish Council has listened to resident's concerns that many vehicles are driven too fast through the village and ignore the 30mph signs.

The Parish Council has purchased two Speed Indicator Devices which have been installed on the B1190 Main Street through the village having raised that money over several years. Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership advised where the poles were to be located and the priority order of the rollout taking into account the highest and average speeds each location experienced.

The Parish Council has already purchased and located another pole in Mill Lane and is raising the funds to purchase a third Speed

Indicator Device there. The poles cost £300 each and the SID's about £2700 each.



Community Speed Watch

Drivers can ignore the speeds shown on SID's and in some cases they take pride in increasing their speed. Community Speed Watch continues to be available to villagers to identify and report speeding traffic to Lincolnshire Police who then contact the speeding drivers. We need new volunteers to revitalise this initiative. If interested contact Mr Lincoln through his email jonathanleafandstream@gmail.com

Volunteers who come forward will receive training provided by

Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership.

Royal British Legion Poppies

We purchased Royal British Legion poppies to display throughout the village in November. The Royal British Legion exists to support serving and ex-serving armed forces personnel. We felt, in common with other villages and towns across Lincolnshire, it would be good to highlight the work of this charity whilst also supporting the community act of remembrance.



Replacement Noticeboard

During Winter Storms in January 2024 the parish council noticeboard near to the Durham Ox fell down. It was insured and with the proceeds of that insurance payout the parish council will replace the noticeboard shortly with a new one. This will have a side to display parish council documents and there will be a side open for the community to put documents about community events, etc. We think this will make the noticeboard useful for parishioners in future years.



New Parish Councillors needed

Any adult over 18 who is resident, or occupies land or property, or has their main place of work in Thimbleby Parish area or lives within 3 miles of the parish boundary can join the parish council.

Meetings usually take place every couple of months. Training is available. You can help make a difference to your community and represent your community's views.

Issues affecting the parish include planning, bus routes, grants, maintenance of grass, open space, facilities.

Interested? Just contact the parish council to discuss how to join or come along to a parish council meeting to meet other councillors.

Glenholme
Passionate about care

Thimbleby Court

Located in the beautiful Lincolnshire Wolds, Thimbleby Court has 58 beautifully decorated en-suite bedrooms. We offer care and support to older people including those living with dementia.

- Library • Lounge • Bistro/Cafe • Shop
- Hairdressing • Laundry & Cleaning
- Daily Activities



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Fix My Street

Report all street, pavement, potholes, fly-tipping, and street lighting issues directly to Lincolnshire County Council or ELDC through the [FixMyStreet](#) app or website. It allows you to pinpoint the problem on the map and upload photographs and be kept informed of progress. Other residents can see what has been reported too.

Keeping pavements and highways clear.

Householders are responsible for keeping their own hedges cut back and fences secure to prevent obstruction of pavements and the highway. Lincolnshire County Council may take enforcement action for those who do not comply with their responsibilities.

If you are aware of any obstruction notify via [FixMyStreet](#) and please notify local councillors if the issue is not resolved. If any householder has difficulty maintaining their hedge/fencing let us know to see if we can provide help.

Call Connect and Horncastle Nipper bus services

We hope that many of you are making use of these bus services that operate Monday to Saturday. Please refer to bustimes.org or for Call Connect on 0345 234 3344. The fares are also capped at £2.

We encourage eligible people to obtain their Older Person's bus pass or Disabled Person's bus pass for free off-peak travel.

<https://lincsbus.info/bus-services/concessionary-bus-pass/>

Flooding

Flooding affected some properties in Thimbleby last Winter. Please report to emergency services if needed and let Lincolnshire County Council know about any incidents <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/flood-risk-management>

Petition to introduce 30MPH speed limit on Green Lane, Thimbleby

A petition from 70% of electors in the parish requested a speed restriction to be imposed on Green Lane. The Parish Council Supported the petition and submitted it to Lincolnshire County Council and this was their response;

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for the petition sent in on behalf of Thimbleby Parish Council requesting a 30mph speed limit on Green Lane. An assessment has already been requested by the local County Councillor, Tricia Bradwell. Unfortunately, Green Lane, being a rural lane with very few properties or buildings as well as no recent accident history at all, does not meet our agreed Lincolnshire Speed Limit Policy and really isn't close to doing so. Speed limits are set where there is either a set amount of development density or failing that a certain level of recorded accidents in the last 5 years.

When a site does qualify for a speed limit, it is set based on the mean speed recorded at various points throughout, and it is unlikely this would result in a 30mph limit even if the site qualified for any kind of limit. Our Speed Limit Policy is available publicly on the Lincolnshire County Council website.

Whilst I appreciate this news will be disappointing for the Parish, as previously agreed through the County Councillor we will be implementing "Unsuitable for HGV" signs at either end which should at least with the larger vehicles stated to be cutting through from the main road.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Fenwick

Head of Highways Asset and Local Management Services

Lincolnshire County Council

Shortly afterwards the Parish Council also received this message;

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you in reference to our previous correspondence about a petition for a speed limit on Green Lane, Thimbleby, where we agreed that we would be implementing "Unsuitable for HGV" signs at either end to prevent large vehicles cutting through from the main road.

Having inspected this route for suitable signs and locations, it has become apparent that Green Lane already has these signs in situ and there will be no need for further signage.

We will continue to monitor the visibility of these signs through our routine inspections and through reports on FixMyStreet should any further issues be arising around HGVs cutting through Green Lane from the main road.

Kindest Regards,

Leila

Local Highways Manager - East

Bus Shelters, noticeboards and benches painted.

You may have noticed that these have been redecorated this year to keep them looking good and weather protected.

Thank you to the kind residents who noticed and let us know they appreciated this being done.

Warm Spaces and Support

ELDC are updating their support web pages at www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/support

Getting in Touch

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