

Villages Ward Speeding Group Meeting Report

Meeting: Friday 17th March, 18:30 at Park Fields Country House, Christleton.

Present: Cllrs: Simon Kent – Christleton
Philip Blackman – Mickle Trafford
Hillary Davies – Littleton
Paul Shannon – Rowton
Alan Davies – Guilden Sutton

The meeting discussed the reasons for the setting up of the group and the purpose to focus the Police resources on the key locations in the Villages Ward where speeding is causing issues. These are detailed below:

Mickle Trafford

The speeding problems in this parish occur predominately during the day time.

1. Station Lane which runs from Mickle Trafford to Guilden Sutton and has a 30 mph limit. It is suggested that Silverdale Park is used as a location from which to monitor the traffic.
2. Ince Lane. This is the A56 from Mickle Trafford toward Shell over a 3 mile distance. This road has a weight restriction but is frequently used by HGVs. Speeding is occurring in the 40mph section and there are many potential places which could be used for traffic monitoring.
3. Manning Lane towards Hammond School from Sports Centre. This road is very straight and speed limit always broken at **night** by motorbikes and boy racers.

Guilden Sutton

Once again these are mainly day time issues.

4. From the A51 Tarvin Road along Wicker Lane into School Lane and then Guilden Sutton Lane towards Pipers Ash. This is a 40 mph section and would best be monitored by a motorcycle unit, as potential locations for a van are limited.

Littleton

5. The A51 through the 40mph section from the A55 roundabout to the Golf Club. Speeding occurs from 12:00 to 14:00 Monday to Thursday and every night from 20:00 to 06:00, the nuisance being predominately down to HGVs.
6. Mention was made of the 30mph section of Littleton Lane however it was noted that it would be difficult to flag down drivers on this section or to find a safe place to position a van.

Rowton

7. The A41 in the 40mph section from Moor Lane up to Rowton Bridge Lane from 20:00 to 06:00. HGVs are the primary nuisance. The bus stop layby opposite the BP petrol station would be a good location to position a van.
8. Moor Lane is a 30mph limit and is used as a rat run during the day time. It would be very difficult to position a van in this area but a motorcycle unit could be more effective.

Christleton

The issues here occur from 20:00 to 06:00.

9. A41 from the 'hamburger' roundabout through to the Cheshire Cat pub. This is a 30 mph limit and HGVs are the primary cause of nuisance. Vans should be positioned in the layby at the Honda Garage and could monitor the south and north bound carriageways by simply turning around. This would catch

vehicles coming over the brow of the hill by the Cheshire Cat on the northbound carriage way and those coming around the corner by the Pepper Street junction on the southbound carriageway. They could also be positioned in the layby 200 yards further south if necessary.

10. Plough Lane from the High School, east to the start of the 30 mph limit. This is a 20 mph limit which increases to a 30 mph limit. A van could be positioned in the entrance to Park Fields Country House to monitor traffic in the 30 mph and parked outside the school to monitor traffic in the 20mph zone. This would be best carried out in the day time outside of school drop off and pick up times when the congestions solves the issue.

The meeting was closed at 19:15