

Traffic Calming Update

Our Priorities

1. Improve pedestrian safety throughout Weston on the Green
2. Improve the ability for pedestrians and cyclists to move through the Weston on the Green
3. Reduce the speed of traffic travelling throughout Weston on the Green

Our Focus – Church Lane/Road

So what have we done so far:

- Reviewed how we can support better pedestrian movement to major points through the village
- Our focus has been on reducing speed and traffic volume on Church Lane/Road and radiating streets
- The group has met with OCC and our County Councillor (Carmen Griffiths) on various occasions to discuss options
- We have put together a series of options to be considered by the village

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Priority 1 – reduce the speed limit on Church Lane/Road and associated roads to 20mph

- The next step is to complete an “application” to reduce the speed limit
- We have already conducted the required speed survey
- This is a similar process to a planning application with a consultation process conducted by OCC

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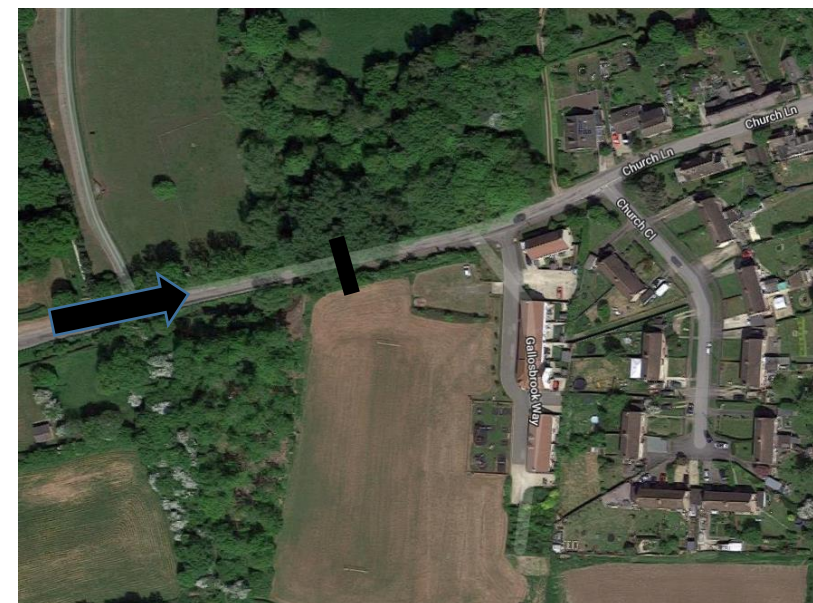
Priority 2 – reduce the speed of vehicles entering from Bletchington

Solution: Pinch point with raised bump to slow down those coming into the village at the Village gates by the playing field – similar to the entrance to Chesterton from Bicester

Effect: Slow down vehicles entering the village and act to dissuade the village being used as a “ratrun”. Will also slow down vehicles exiting from Weston on the Green

Cost: c£10k

Risk: Additional cost if mains power is required



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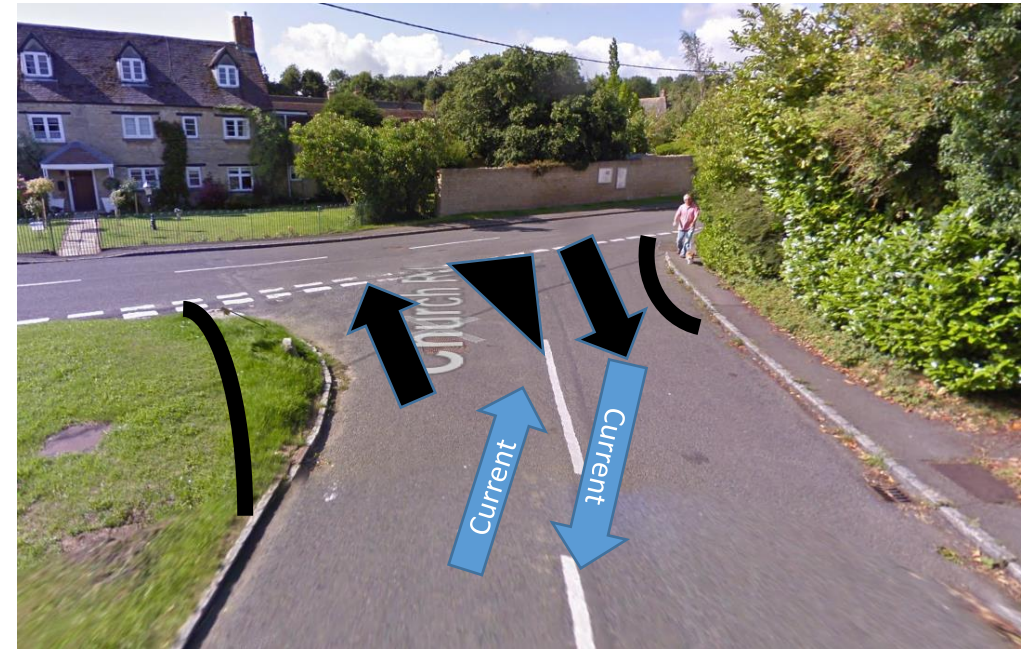
Priority 3 – rework the stocks junction to reduce speeds of vehicles entering from the B430

Solution: Rework junction to make a T junction – extend Kerb at Norman Machin, take a small part of the village green and created raised “triangle” area between lanes

Effect: Diverts drives to a 90degree angle and prevents people from feeding into Church Road at “speed”

Cost: c£3-4k

Risk: None



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Priority 4 – reduce the speed of vehicles using Church Lane

Solution: Extend kerb on corner of Church Lane and move junction slightly forward

Effect: Create more natural visual pinch point to slow traffic through Church Lane

Cost: c£2-3k

Risk: Road width requirements may prevent this happening



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Priority 5 – provide improved signage and potential access to playing field via footpath

Solution: Build small Kerb area and road edge along with Dropped kerb (see shaded area). Add road painting of “Look Both Ways” on exit from church and opposite side to mark a crossing area from the Church to the Oxford Way access point

Effect: Marks an official crossing point and makes drivers more aware that there may be people crossing and to slow down

Cost: c£2-3k

Risk: None



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Priority 6 – lack of speed awareness through the village

Solution: Flashing 20mph sign to warn motorists of their speed

Effect: Visible flashing display to make drivers more aware and to slow down as they come through the village.

Cost: c3-4k

Risk: “Over urbanisation” and visual impact



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Priority 7 – create crossing to connect pathways through Weston on the Green and provide access to Village pantry

Solution: Create a “crossing point” through one of two ways:

- a) Dropped kerb with road painting “Look Both Ways” to demark a crossing area or;
- b) Zebra Crossing with associated lighting and road markings

Cost: a) Small

b) £5k

Risk: Additional power cost and “overurbanisation” for (b)



What else has been considered

- Reworking stocks junction to remove access
- Full length footpath along Church Lane/Road
- Pinch point at Church gates
- Different crossing types

What happens next?

- Ask residents to complete the survey to gather views and opinions on the various options - July/August
- Review results with the Parish Council and make proposals to include in the application to OCC - September
- Discuss results with OCC and create application - September
- OCC put options out for consultation – September/October
- Gain permission to start plans
- Fundraising for various projects and options