

Highways Improvement Request Form

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Issue Details

Location of Issue:	Stockley
Community Area:	Calne
Parish or Town Council:	Calne Without Parish Council
Nature of Issue:	<p>I am writing with regard to the traffic situation in Stockley Lane. When we moved here eight years ago it was a relatively quiet road but in the intervening years not only the volume but also the speed of traffic using the road has increased enormously. Various road closures (entailing diversions via the Lane from the A 3102), in-car Satnav and the recent Marden Farm development have all contributed to this rise, as has the popularity of Heddington School and the resulting rise of 'school runs'. Hardly any of these road users (few of whom are residents) adhere to the 30 m.p.h. and the average speed would appear to be 40-50 m.p.h., despite our displaying '30 mph' stickers and pleas to keep to the legal limit. A Metro count was undertaken two years ago, to no benefit to the residents apart from the installation of white 'gates' on either side of the road to highlight to motorists that they were entering a village, but these have had absolutely no effect. As local council meetings, residents volunteered to be trained for speed-watch duties but we heard nothing more. During the week, peak times are from approximately 7.45 - 9.15am and 3 - 6.30pm.</p> <p>To protest to passing motorists is to invite the usual V-signs and the occasional threat of violence and Stockley Lane, despite its rural name, remains a dangerous place to walk or ride a horse. It used to be relatively peaceful at weekends but now there is a steady stream of vehicles every day, all using Stockley Lane, via the A 3102, as a means of avoiding driving through Calne; in several nearby villages, solar-powered signs displaying the speed of vehicles have been deployed successfully (in Horton, Honey Street etc) but I seem to remember that they were deemed 'too expensive' for Stockley, for some unfathomable reason.</p> <p>Residents have had enough of the loss of the 'quality of life' that this endless procession of vehicles has enforced on them; it is probably quieter and safer to live in the centre of Calne. We would like the Council to examine the issue again and introduce measures that discourage so many non-residents from using Stockley Lane and its environs - by 'Access Only' signs perhaps or more stringent restrictions? Whilst I appreciate that these are public roads, they are also places where people live and have a right to enjoy a peaceful and safe way of life, something that is sadly lacking at the present time.</p>
How long has it been an issue?	Some Years
What would you like done to resolve this issue?	

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Have you been in touch with your local Wiltshire Councillor? (Yes/No)

No

This form needs to be completed and e-mailed or sent to your local Town or Parish Council.

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<https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/mqParishCouncilDetails.aspx>

Town or Parish Council Comments: (To be completed by Town or Parish Council only)