

SPEEDING: THE STREET, BARNEY

1. 30mph – this speed limit came into force in the late 1990s, after some 10 years of lobbying and contacting anyone who might be able to make a decision – by the then Parish Councils. Much time and effort was devoted to this project by many residents.

2. Norfolk County Council and the police : since April 2021 I have 94 emails on record of my contacts with Police and Crime Commissioners, local police, MPs and County Councillors concerning speeding and road safety in the parish. Other residents and parish councillors will, no doubt, have similar records. There have been various on-site meetings with the local police and NCC Highways. For a few years a police officer was in regular attendance at Parish Council meetings – the public were always able to attend and make comments/suggestions/requests. Police and Crime Commissioners have been consistent in their response that ‘resources are limited’ but when they are available, speed monitoring could be possible over a wider area.

3. Speed Watch : A voluntary Speed Watch team operated in both Barney and Fulmodeston for several years – vehicles exceeding 35mph were reported to the police. Speed Watch ended due to a lack of volunteers. A more recent effort to set up a new Speed Watch was unsuccessful due to a lack of volunteers.

4. SAM – speed awareness monitors : the parish council has bought and paid for 2 monitors. Sites for these were agreed with both the police and Highways. There is one monitor in Barney and one in Fulmodeston. These are maintained and moved by volunteers every month. When the records contained within these were assessed, the number of vehicles doing in excess of 30mph was not great. These records were also passed to the police.

5. Parish Survey : this survey in 2008 enabled every individual and household in the parish to comment on a huge variety of ideas, needs, suggestions, etc. that were important to both individuals and households. It was organised and delivered to every individual and household in the parish. The forms were delivered and collected by volunteers and collated. The results were published in a booklet and circulated throughout the parish. Speeding was a major concern – the comments were passed to both NCC Highways and the police.

6. Suggestions : individuals should contact their District and County Councillors, NCC Highways and the Member of Parliament for our area.

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