



**DROXFORD PARISH COUNCIL**  
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Dear Residents,

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The Parish Council has received numerous comments regarding the perceived speed and volume of traffic through our village, particularly from residents of Police Station Lane, Union Lane, Park Lane and North End Lane. As a result of the concerns voiced, I requested that a representative from Hampshire County Council (HCC) visited Droxford to discuss measures that could be taken to address the issues raised by residents.

I enclose a copy of the report of this meeting outlining all of the issues discussed and the actions that may be taken. I appreciate that these measures may seem disappointingly limited but that is the reality of the situation.

The Parish Council is able to request improvements to signage and road markings but HCC requires evidence of the support of residents. I therefore ask that you read the attached report which I hope provides sufficient detail to enable you to respond to the questions below. If we can achieve a consensus of opinion through this means, the Parish Council will take the necessary action to pursue matters with HCC. If insufficient responses are received or proposed measures do not have majority support, we will be unable to proceed. The third question is probably the most controversial as the additional visibility of the yellow backing can be deemed unsuitable in the rural setting. The Parish Council is generally keen to prevent urbanisation of our rural environment and will only approve this if a majority of residents clearly support it.

If you wish to email your response, please include your name and address in the email, refer to question numbers 1-3 below and send or email your reply to the address above. Alternatively, you may write your answers below and deliver your response to the Parish Clerk. **Please respond by 20<sup>th</sup> January.**

NAME(S): .....

ADDRESS: .....

1. Do you agree with clear and appropriate road signage at all points suggested by HCC? **YES/ NO**
2. Do you agree with road markings (e.g. SLOW) painted on the road at all appropriate points? **YES/NO**
3. Do you agree with the use of luminous backing to signage? **YES/NO**

The Parish Council is not seeking views at this stage on measures regarding other areas/highways in the village. Proposals for The Square/Parish Green/Village Green will be subject to full public consultation in due course.

I also enclose details of HCC's Community Funded Traffic Measures initiative which enables parishes to fund some traffic measures that are no longer eligible for County Council funding. The Parish Council will not have scope within its capital projects budget to commit to these in the forthcoming financial year but I think it is appropriate to outline to you all possible measures, funding sources and limitations.

Thank you in anticipation for taking the time to provide your input in order to assist the Parish Council in taking all possible steps to attempt to reduce the speed and volume of traffic and to make our village lanes safer for residents.

**Janet Melson, Chair - Droxford Parish Council.**

