



Bothenhampton & Walditch

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Mr B Turner
Community Highways Officer
Dorset Council

By email

11th November 2019

Dear Blair

RE: WALDITCH ROAD, WALDITCH AND BURTON ROAD, BOTHENHAMPTON

Walditch Road

The Parish Council has received complaints about the state of the Walditch Road. In particular complaints relating to a pothole on the road that runs into Bridport which could easily unseat cyclists (about 50 meters from the roundabout). Along this same stretch of narrow road there is a passing place opposite The Hyde Nursing Home which is very muddy on one side. This means that when cars pull over in order to let other cars pass coming the other way they are forced into deep mud-filled ruts. We note that there has been some attempt to reduce the mud by filling the ruts with stones, but ruts are appearing at the side of the road further down, due to heavy use and erosion of the bank by traffic.

We would be very grateful if you could have a look at the Walditch Road and we hope that you are able to agree with us that the road needs building up again at the side in order that cars can pass without having to pull over into mud and cyclists can ride the road without getting covered in mud and/or hit potholes.

Burton Road

There have been complaints regarding traffic speed along the Burton Road whilst approaching the recently installed traffic lights. We note that there are speed restrictions already in place along the Burton Road and have confirmed that the 50mph limit drops to 40mph at the boundary of Bridport. The 30mph limit starts at Chestnut Road which means that the pedestrian crossing has been located within the 40mph stretch.

Would it be possible for Dorset Council to move the 30mph speed restriction further along the Burton Road so that it encompasses the pedestrian crossing?

Please accept our apologies if the Burton Road issue should be addressed to Mr Potter instead of yourself, and if this is the case, perhaps you could let me know.

Yours sincerely,

A J Basker
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