

Speed Indicator Devices (SID)

The speed indicator devices have recently been deployed in Old Newton, as well as Cotton/Bacton Haughley, adding to the existing unit in Thorndon and Wetheringsett. These units are becoming very useful not only for speed deterrence but for capturing data regarding numbers of vehicles as well as times and amount of speeding vehicles. The data has helped us prove how many vehicles for instance travel along the B1113 near finbows yard (3900 per day) and identify some of the most extreme speeders, the fastest speed recorded to date was 97mph at Finbows yard B1113, once all of these are up and running I will endeavour to get a meeting of all of the volunteer operators so we can compare experiences and best practice in operating the data capture and software package.

School Absences Suffolk was on the news today with legal ruling regarding schools fining parents for taking children out of school to take advantage of non - peak season offers. Suffolk has the highest proportion of Fines in the country, this either means that our policy is very strict or that Parents are taking the financial hit in their decision to go on holiday anyway, Either way we need to understand these reasons and either agree to build in the flexibility or carry on as we are and hope there is a social shift in parents behaviour.

Potholes, is flower power the answer?

I got fed up with the time taken for some potholes to be filled, I was constantly reporting and nothing seemed to happen, so I planted some potholes up with flowers, and shared the pictures. This seemed to get some of them repaired almost overnight! While I was out planting to celebrate the bank at last being repaired near Whitehall corner, I planted some daffodils along the repaired bank.



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