

Traffic Calming

Traffic calming was the fifth most important issue identified in the survey. The majority of respondents highlighted two main issues:

- The speed of traffic through Lower Shiplake
- Speed cameras at the Plowden Arms

A number of traffic calming options were aired, with a reduction in the speed limit from 30mph to 20 mph being the most favoured (51%). Oxfordshire Highways Department is ultimately responsible for bringing about such a reduction. Lack of funding would prevent them from undertaking the task at present but they would be happy to promote the order of any such application if funding was found elsewhere.



20 MPH?

It is proposed that an application be made to Oxfordshire Highways Department for permission to reduce the speed limit in the whole village of Lower Shiplake to 20mph and that funding be sought from the Parish Council (approx £3k-£4k).

The positioning of the speed camera in Shiplake Cross is currently designed to slow traffic leaving the village. This was considered to be inappropriate.

Oxfordshire Highways Department, in conjunction with Thames Valley Police, will be reviewing all speed cameras in the county. The aim is to determine which 35mm cameras will be upgraded to digital cameras and also which 35mm cameras will be de-commissioned altogether. Preliminary representations have been made to both the Oxfordshire Highways Department and the Thames Valley Police to replace the current 35mm camera with a re-located digital camera to slow traffic coming into the village. It is proposed that the Parish Council formally make such a request. Should this prove unsuccessful then, in conjunction with OCC, consideration will also be given to the addition of further vehicle activated signs.



Existing speed camera opposite Plowden Arms