

Chair's report for June 2021

On Saturday 22 May I joined around 30 other people to take part in the village clean-up day. Verges were weeded and general debris collected resulting in around 40 sacks of rubbish which were subsequently disposed of by Wiltshire Council. I would like to thank all those who gave their time for this, it has made a considerable difference to the appearance of our village.

On 20 May I attended a virtual meeting concerning Wiltshire Council's climate strategy and its aim to become net carbon zero by 2030, this project is on-going and Wiltshire Council is focusing on the six themes of transport and travel, built environment (energy efficient buildings), energy generation, storage and distribution, green and circular economy (e.g. recycling), natural environment, land use and farming and a carbon neutral council.

Traffic through our village

On Friday 28 May the portable speed indicator device was deployed outside the houses in the London Road. From 09:00 on Friday 28 May to 12:00 on Tuesday 1 June 18,523 vehicles transited the London Road which is an average of 4,490 vehicles per day.

The peak volumes recorded were 231 vehicles westbound between 15:00hrs and 15:30hrs on Friday 28 May and 221 vehicles eastbound between 15:30hrs and 16:00hrs on 31 May – had the traffic being flowing steadily, over 24 hours these figures would equate to 11,088 and 10,608 vehicles per day.

The maximum speed recorded was 80mph for a vehicle travelling east between 03:30am and 04:00am on 29 May.

The Parish Council is continuing to push for traffic calming measures to be installed to reduce motorists' speed and encourage them to remain on roads more suited to modern traffic.

This concludes the Chair's report.