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SAM2 speed reduction signs data

We collect data from the mobile SAM2 speed reduction signs and provide this to the police and Norfolk County Council as evidence to support police checks and the need for further speed reduction measures. The SAM2 units are set up at various locations around the village and the table below shows the average results so far:



Location	Speed	Average	Average	Highest
	Limit	Speed*	Veh/Day	Speed
Alburgh Road	40	41	465	80
B1527 pointing towards the Krons	30	40	1,617	80
Broaden Lane	30	35	1,212	75
Mill Road	30	34	1,208	70
The Krons	30	30	427	65
Village Hall	30	32	1,460	65

* 85th percentile

The highest speeds are very concerning. It can be seen traffic along Broaden Lane, that entering the village from Morningthorpe on the B1527 together with that along Mill Road is consistently more than 10% above the speed limit.

Despite the above results we believe the flashing signs have had a positive effect at slowing down traffic, so we have applied for a grant from Norfolk County Council's Parish Partnership Scheme for 50% of the cost of another unit.



Current road safety activity

The parish council actively lobbies for extra safety features for Hempnall, supported by our district and county councillor, Alison Thomas, who used some of her discretionary highways budget in 2017/18 and 2018/19 to help pay for improvements in Hempnall. As a result, Highways will shortly be improving road signage and are carrying out tests on the road surface on the B1527 double bends in the centre of the village.

We are also actively investigating the possibility of speed limits painted on the road, platforms/humps in the road, chicanes, "width restriction" gates on the side of the road at the entrances to the village, parking initiatives,

We will continue to fight for more road safety initiatives to make it a safer village for us all.

Do your bit

Join the successful community Speedwatch team, sparing just an hour a month could save a life in our village – be part of it. Contact Steve Burley on 01508 499300 or <u>s_burley@yahoo.com</u>



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Members of the public and press are welcome to attend Parish Council meetings which are held in The Mill Centre at 7.30pm on 23/10/18, 13/11/18, 11/12/18. Copies of the full minutes of meetings can be found on our website.