

# Drinkstone Parish Council, Highways

Report to the Annual Parish Meeting Dated 1 Aug 2022. Agenda Item; Councillor portfolios

## SIDs

The SIDs continue to work well. I have recently (with Cllr Elnaugh's assistance) lowered the height of the SIDs to make changeover easier. A new rota is online with myself taking every alternate changeover.

## Rail Painting

I have received the wooden rails for the bridge at Blacksmiths Corner, and each have 2 coats of primer/undercoat. I envisage installation weekend of 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> Aug and will send a message out for volunteers. I shall probably require an additional expense to cover screws etc.

## Cross Street verge cutting

Communications with Suffolk County Council on this matter has been very poor. Suffolk refuses to engage with any meaningful correspondence. However the verges have been cut, except for the very last stretch to Lane End Cottage.

## 30mph Roundals

We plan for roundals to be painted on the tarmac at Woolpit Road and Gedding Road. No progress to report. A spare small metal roundel has been installed on the SID post on Rattlesden Road.

## Welcome gates.

We have received a £2500 grant towards the cost of welcome gates. I have requested formal quotations from Wylies and Frank Davey. At the time of writing we are still waiting for their quotations. The latest information from Suffolk indicates that we will require a licence for roadside signage at a cost of £150 per organisation. This will be accommodated within the £2500 budget.

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