

Traffic Calming Working Group

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- 7000 vehicles enter the village every day from the North, 4000 from the South and 2000 each from West and East
- Our objective is to keep the village safe for all users of the highways and footways, and improve facilities to meet new needs
 - Pedestrians
 - Cyclists
 - Horse riders
 - Motor cyclists
 - Motorists

Traffic Calming Working Group – Initiatives

- Speed Watch
 - Regular monthly sessions under the supervision of TVP
 - Courtington Lane
 - Barford Road
 - Milton Road
 - A361
 - Tell us where else we need to be
 - Volunteers are welcome to get the TVP training and join the team
 - New VAS expected May 2026
- Pavement Parking
 - Footways in Bloxham are narrow and are for pedestrians of all shapes and sizes. There is never an excuse for parking on the footway, and obstructing the footway can result in a fixed penalty notice
 - Commencing a leaflet campaign for offending vehicles in conjunction with TVP and CDC
 - Tell us where you see this problem and we will target it
 - Courtington Lane footway to see ‘slurry’ activity in June 2026

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- Safety 1 – action to address high volume crossing points for pedestrians, constrained by cost and resource at OCC Highways
 - Bloxham Primary School – the site of several near misses
 - A361/Chipperfield Estate – volume of school children for Warriner and Primary School
 - A361 – vicinity of St Mary’s Church – pedestrians and National Cycle Route
- Safety 2 – parking restrictions at busy junctions
 - Courtington Lane/A361 junction – new restrictions in place but being abused already. TVP notified for enforcement
 - Where else do you see a need?
- HGV Traffic – we cant reduce it, but we try to manage it
 - Weight restrictions
 - HS2 driver behaviour reporting

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- Highway Environment Improvement
 - Growth in the village has inevitably brought more traffic, and growth in Banbury will see more still to use village facilities –notably schools
 - 2015 Sustrans Report confirmed that other than on the newer estates and the A361 from Courtington Lane to Bloxham Grove, all village footways were of sub-optimal width
 - This doesn't encourage walking and consequently means even more cars
- Seeking an update of the 2015 report
 - Identify problem areas
 - Propose new solutions to address the reality of the village now and in the future
- Highways Mini Audit to be conducted with OCC this month to start the process