

Survey - Suggestions for Latimer and Ley Hill 2019

Suggestion from Parishioners	Parish Council Comments	Proposed Action	Parish/District/ County responsibility
Speeding			
Change speed limit from Latimer Church to Ley Hill to 30mph	Good idea for safety	PC to consider	PC would have to pay
Speeding vehicles are still a problem, but I don't think the we can do much more than the villagers are doing (and that's a lot).	Thank you for recognizing our work	Continue with Mobile Activated Camera and Community Speed Watch	PC
Rumble Strips	May help outside school. Possibility on Bovingdon Road entry into village and into village of Latimer from Chenies	PC to investigate possibility	Transport for Bucks
Speed awareness system showing approach speed	We are not able to have smiley faces as BCC will only allow the type of MVAS we have now.	None	
Traffic Calming (Give way island)	Transport for Bucks say that this is very costly and would have to be paid for by the Parish. Where?	Discuss possibility with County	PC would have to pay
Make Bovingdon Road a 40-mph limit road. The foot of Maple Hill is an accident black spot (another serious car smash there today 30 th Dec 2018). We worry about speed on roads where there are zero or insignificant numbers of accidents and ignore this known black spot.	The PC needs to work with TFB and Dacorum to get this changed to 40mph. If more lorries are passing through the village, there could be an increase in accidents.	PC to investigate	PC would have to pay
2 Speed humps in Ley Hill on Botley Road, outside school and just before bend at Crown Pub	PC understand this is not allowed by County	PC to investigate	Transport for Bucks
Re speed control - mini roundabouts at junctions e.g. per Northridge Way Hemel.	This is a costly exercise. Would need to speak to TFB	Discuss with parishioners	County

Put in place permanent speed cameras along Botley Road with a view of prosecuting offenders.	This is very costly for the Parish. The last quote was in excess of £10,000. It is understood that Bucks County Council are currently not installing any more permanent speed cameras.	PC to confirm with Bucks County Council	
Village Gates	Good idea	Grant obtained. Installation to follow late 2019	PC
We live on Rushmere Lane and there is still a problem of speeding down it. A couple of suggestions would be a smiley face speed detector, also you can change the colour of the road to a red tarmac (possibly with white gates either side of the road) as you come in to Orchard Leigh (just before Highways Farm) and just after Jason's Hill which would give it more of a feeling of a lived in area. You could also put a 40 with a ring round it on the road.	40mph roundel painted. PC have conducted Community Speedwatch checks and will continue to do so. MVAS has been installed for 6 weeks and remains part of MVAS rotation. Shows speeds decreased when MVAS in position.	Continue with CSW and MVAS	PC
Speed humps on Chesham Road crossroads with Latimer Bottom / Stony Lane. Cars still speed from Chenies direction	Problem is junction of 4 parishes but following recent accident County are looking into this dangerous junction.	Wait to hear what County are doing Have put up MVAS on Chesham Road.	County
30mph stickers on all lamp posts (seen some on Hayling Island)	A suggestion to be investigated – but it is believed that this action has been done by residents, and although illegal has not been removed.	PC to investigate	Transport for Bucks
Roads and Footpaths			
Resurface complete road on leaving Latimer going to Ley Hill	Completed		
The roads through Latimer are a disgrace, but that's the only flaw in a perfect village	Residents can report to TFB stating where needs to be repaired.	TfB email address in News and Views and PC Newsletter.	
Fill in potholes from Ley hill to Latimer	Completed		
Resurface Church Lane from Parkfield to end of lane	Residents can report to TFB stating where needs to be repaired. Part of this section has already been resurfaced	Investigate and help residents report. TfB email address in News and Views and PC Newsletter.	Transport for Bucks
Correct poor road surfaces and encroaching verges so vehicles not constantly dodging potholes or racing for priority at width restrictions /reductions.	Where? – any potholes and poor road surfaces can be reported to TFB by residents.	Residents can report to BCC. TfB email address in News and Views and PC Newsletter. Clerk regularly reports issues.	Transport for Bucks

Repair potholes properly.	Clerk assumes this is the ones either on Jason's Hill or on Botley Road. Both are in hand with TFB. Potholes on Botley Road now filled in.	TfB email address in News and Views and PC Newsletter.	Transport for Bucks
Church Lane between Latimer and Codmore Wood Lane needs resurfacing - terrible.	Completed		
More resilient pothole repairs lasting longer than 6 months	Statement reported to BCC		
Lobby the County (District?) Council to fill in potholes and repair damaged surfaces to a quality standard rather than the patch-up job that seems to be the norm.	This is raised at meetings with BCC / CDC.		
Repair the holes in the area i.e. Jason's Hill, Tyler's Hill, Broom stick lane and Botley Road.	Tyler's Hill is not our Parish. Other repairs all completed.		
Resurface Broomstick Lane (Top Section)	This has been reported by various residents and Clerk to TFB and is on the schedule to do after April. Temporary repairs have been completed.	None	On schedule to resurface for Summer 2019
Resurface the pedestrian footpath/sidewalk on the south side of Rushmere Lane	This is our side of the road so we will include in our investigations. North side is responsibility of Ashley Green Parish Council. Reported to Transport for Bucks and awaiting response.		Transport for Bucks
Botley Road - The state of the pavements between the pond and the school would benefit from attention. In many places the pavement is so uneven that pushing a wheelchair or riding a scooter is not possible (there are a few holes that regularly cause children to fall over, most notably just after the last bend before school). Also, the pavement and road gutter for this stretch would benefit from a good clean. The mud from old leaves makes for a muddy start and end to every school day. I'm all for children wearing wellies and getting muddy, but not in school uniform.	It's a safety concern. This has been reported to TFB. Clerk chasing this. We can let school and parents know how to complain.	Transport for Bucks are responsible for this, but it is up to residents and PC to report and monitor. TfB email address in News and Views and PC Newsletter	Awaiting clarification from Transport for Bucks
Carry out the proposal to make it a public right of way from Botley Road of way to the old scout hut	Application has been made	On going	Applied to BCC

A Boundary sign for Botley	The benefits are to be discussed	Investigate possibility and costs	PC
On footpath LT1c replace the broken down style with a gate	Has been repaired.	Completed	PC
Track between 203 and 207 Botley Road to be designated public footpath	Application has been made by PC	Awaiting decision	BCC/PC
Shut Middle Road off to traffic from where it goes to 60 mph up to Rabbit Lane.	What is the justification? This would increase traffic down Blackwell Hall Lane and Bovingdon Road. However, it would be good to be able to close it more easily on special occasions	Investigate	BCC/PC
The stretch of road between Middle Road and Rabbit's Lane needs speed restriction. There are 2 crossings for golfers and walkers - no notice of this - cars come along at huge speed.	Safety issue. Look at reducing the speed limit?	Investigate Speak with golf club	PC
Improve surface drainage to eliminate regular large puddles	Where? Clerk has reported the puddling on the corner of The Green/Bovingdon Road and in the dip. Awaiting response from TFB.	Continue to contact TFB	TfB
Force cars who want to turn right into Kiln Lane (coming from Chesham end) to only do so after the hatched chevron area. You do this by making the service road "No Entry" by the bus stop and giving the cross hatched chevron area solid lines around it rather than dotted lines	Good idea - safety issue for bus. We really need NO entry signs here. There have been many close shaves here. You can't see traffic coming around the corner if you use the short cut.	Investigate possibility and costs Remind villagers of correct route	PC/TfB
COMMON LAND			
Develop area around the beacon	Good idea and has appeared in previous surveys	PC are investigating this	PC
Safer ways to walk avoiding cars and golf balls.	Can put up warning signs about stray balls	PC to investigate	PC
Short posts / low fence around parking area on Middle Road near Beacon	Good idea and perhaps part of larger suggestion of what we do around the beacon	Investigate Agree it would be good to have such an area	CDC will put in a bund instead of posts as more natural

Can people who park their cars on the grass verges and pavements outside their houses be reminded that the land is Manorial Land. They churn up the verges and turns them into muddy bare earth. It makes the village look unkempt.	Article in the next PC newsletter / News and Views	Agree we need to communicate with residents about this News & Views	PC
Cut the shrubbery which is spreading considerably on the land between the pubs and the memorial hall. The gardeners don't cut it back when they cut the grass as it is too thick. It really needs thinning out and then controlled by cutting back to the tree trunks on all the trees on the green. If this is not done soon the job will be too big and the grass will slowly be overtaken by bramble.	Important. CDC will do so once the birds have stopped nesting there	Investigate	CDC will action this
Tidy up the area around the beacon and make it more a feature location. Move the rough parking area across the road to abut the cricket club parking area.	Popular idea - is beacon area right location given it is bordered by 2 roads. This ties in with the proposed garden area	Being investigated Seated area is a possibility	Garden area OK CDC investigating moving parking area
Smarten up the car parking area at Joiners Close in Ley Hill.	CDC to put in bund and sign for disabled resident.	Ensure CDC complete work.	CDC
PARKING			
Stop parking at the top of Broomstick Lane – stops emergency vehicle access	Investigate.	Clerk to clarify whose responsibility it is	CDC/County
Parking measures outside the school at the three-way junction at Jason's Hill, Botley Road, Common road. This area outside the school has become very dangerous particularly at school drop off and pick up time. Cars now park on the bend and pull up and let the children out.	PC have discussed problem with school. TVP have suggested white lines. Letter for more careful parking to go to parents from PC. TVP attended during school drop off and pick up to speak to the parents if they park inappropriately.	Investigate use of News & Views. PC have applied for funding to purchase child no parking signs. Have also contacted Little Missenden Council who have worked on this at Hyde Heath	Transport for Bucks

<p>The parking of parents around the school, at drop off and pick up times, has deteriorated dramatically in the last year with infringement of the Highway code becoming the norm and dangerous situation arising regularly.</p> <p>The main issues are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking at the 3 junction points at the top of Jasons Hill. Cars parked badly on the roads often cause other vehicles, such as delivery vans, farm vehicles and general traffic to be obstructed. This leaves them often having to reverse back onto the main road causing a hazard to children crossing the road as well as other drivers. • Parents choosing to pull up and drop or pick up their children either in a neighbours drive, the school drive or in the yellow prohibited area. This causes the flow of traffic to slow down but also is a danger to the children who are walking along the footpath and crossing the road. <p>My suggestions are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase the road markings prohibiting parking outside the school and on either side of the grass triangle at the top of Jasons Hill in line with the Highway code requirements. This should improve the flow of traffic and make crossing from the Jasons Hill footpath to the school a lot safer. • Assist and support the school in implementing some form of parents campaign to educate them to show more consideration. The children at the school are all being educated to be kind caring and considerate. If you can show the children the dangers of the actions of their parents they will put pressure on their own parents not to act in the manner they do. <p>I am both a parent and neighbour to the school and would like my daughter to walk to school on her own to prepare her for secondary school, although she acts safely the poor parking makes visibility so poor I don't think it is safe for her to cross from the Jason's Hill footpath to the school.</p>	<p>Grant has been secured to purchase child-like no parking signs to be put on verge. In place for Autumn term</p>	<p>Work with new head when appointed</p>	
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Parking for Ley Hill School should be put in place, on the green verge, for children safety. The use of noisy @@@@ (unreadable) should be controlled stopped.	See above actions to help parking problems	Investigate PC to Work with school	PC
Better parking /pick up/drop area outside the school.	Good idea but has constantly been looked into	Investigate and work with new head when appointed	PC
STREET LIGHTS			
Sections of Botley Road seem very poorly lit for pedestrians at night.	Lighting has been improved with LEDS.		County
Streetlight or two down Kiln Lane	The end of the road is County which is where a new light would be very useful as Kiln Lane is very dark	Cost and feasibility is being discussed	PC/County
Improvement to street lighting	Not sure where or whether this is a parish wide problem. Some new lights have gone in on Botley Road and we are looking to replace our lamps with LEDs which are brighter as and when the bulbs go around Ley Hill.	Investigate and communicate to residents	PC
Post Box – Ley Hill			
Post box to be on corner of Broomstick Lane and Botley Road	Completed		
Post box replaced near Broom Stick Lane	Completed		

The Common			
A Children's Play Park	Good idea - where? Near school? This would be extremely costly for the PC as we would have to fund it and has to be regularly maintained / checked. The PC will need to find out costs from other PCs who have similar to find out ongoing costs. CDC would have to approve where on manorial land.	Investigate	PC/CDC
Couple of extra benches on the common	Good idea	Investigate	PC/CDC
Free dog pooh bag dispensers / bags and more dog bins. As like the one on Chipperfield common by the cricket pitch / car park.	Will this improve dog owner's behaviour? Where is the problem? A note in the PC Newsletter and News and Views? If dog owners don't clear up, then agree that it is not likely to change behaviour.	Being investigated	PC
Designate an area for wildflowers and leave uncut to flourish	Good idea Small cost – perhaps could be sponsored	Investigate location Possible on common land	PC
Increased litter picking or signs re throwing away litter properly - issues around golf course and cricket pitch although less so in winter.	Waste management are to put up more signs	Investigate litter blitz and schedule	PC
More litter blitzes, maybe 4 annually.	Repeat – For consideration	Make equipment accessible, so volunteers can pick in their own time	PC
More litter bins along Botley Road.	Good idea	Being investigated	PC
Signs etc around dog mess - particularly an issue on golf course in what was the 'rough' right near the dog bin near the beacon.		Investigate	
Garden / Sitting area / Picnic area / Play area fenced to allow toddlers off the leash	Good idea - Beacon area? Need to look at funding	Being investigated	PC/CDC

More planting of bulbs	Nice idea but can we leave that to Village Hall Committee as in past		
More bulbs diffs etc flowers	Good idea – as above		
Provide an area for a community garden or areas of more beautiful planting in the summer.	Good idea – Link with other similar areas	Investigate	PC/CDC
Benches adjacent to wildflower areas to sit and watch the bees and butterflies	Good idea – add to Garden area -	Investigate	PC/CDC
Sensitively put up some owl, bat and bird boxes near the meadow without damaging the mature trees	Good idea but a replication of Lynsey Faulkner’s plantation. Can we have some elsewhere eg burial ground? Sponsored?	Investigate	PC
Small posts and chain link around existing parking area near beacon	Good idea – CDC to put bund around area to tidy it up		CDC
BUS SERVICE			
73 bus uses Jason’s Hill and on the Ley Hill to Whelpley Hill leg, stops, if requested, at the north end of Jasons Hill. on the Whelpley Hill to Ley Hill leg there is no bus stop between Whelpley Hill and Ley Hill. provide a bus stop at the north end of Jason’s Hill.	We need to understand that a request stop applies to both sides of the road and communicate it.	New and Views and PC Newsletter	
Lobby the bus company (companies) to provide a decent service to Ley Hill, The Crown and to place current timetables at each bus stop. Currently the only weekday times to catch a bus into Chesham Broadway from The Crown leave at 09:00, 10:14, 12:34 and 14:34. From Chesham to The Crown the only weekday options from Chesham Broadway leave at 09:54, 12:14, 14:13 - hardly conducive to getting home after a full day's work!	We can try our best as many residents complain of this.	Speak to bus company TfB say they will be reviewing the subsidized bus services in the Chesham area later this financial year and will include this request and see what they can do. They will TRY to provide a bus stop information case at the bus stop near the Crown	Transport for Bucks

Memorial Hall			
More activities in the Memorial Hall, yoga, pilates etc on evenings or at weekends. Completely useless for people who work a standard Mon-Fri week currently.	Good idea. Have already subsidized Tai Chi classes. Salsa classes starting in Autumn on Wednesday evenings. Very little other time free in Memorial Hall. Will continue to investigate.	Discuss with Memorial hall - are there booking times available?	PC
Improve the quality of the car park at Ley Hill Memorial Hall, in particular, the slope at the hall end of the entrance drive.	This was reported to CDC and they have recently fixed it although it is an ongoing problem. More permanent solutions are being discussed.	Investigate	More work needed. CDC to investigate
Other Suggestions			
Turn the Swan into a coffee shop and local store and pub – not a nursery	Currently the Swan is for sale again as a going concern after planning permission was refused to change it into a nursery.	Wait and see if it is sold!	
Use whatever powers the Parish Council has to press for The Swan to be retained as a pub/restaurant.	As above	Monitor the situation	
Continue to Support The Swan to remain as a pub, perhaps with a shop and other facilities etc.	As above	As above	
A Village Shop / Post Office	Good idea - part of pub/hub	As above	
Village coffee/tea shop open from 10am	Could this be set up in the village pubs?		PC
Adult and Children's Activity Trail through woods	We need to agree whether we want furniture in the woods or a natural environment. Would need to speak to owners /CDC	Being researched	PC/CDC
It would be good if we could get a village shop again. What about a place (in a pub?) that could do basic post office duties and sell basic goods, newspapers etc. It is rare now days to meet the neighbours up and down the road.			
2 Fenced in all-weather floodlit tennis courts	Good idea - who will run it? - Where will it be? Planning permission would be needed. Very costly to install tennis courts / ongoing costs? Could be multi use games area MUGA as many villages have.	Investigate possible locations	PC
Community tennis court	As above	Not allowed on common land	PC

Tennis court / Basketball court	As above		
Exercise bars on common - to use at own risk	Could this be part of something on the Common / Woods?	Investigate if enough demand and costs	
<p>The verge on the corner of Botley Road and Tylers Hill Road (opposite the H & C pub) is a mess and needs clearing . There are looses branches hanging over this site as well as a lot of garden waste fly tipping. The council are aware and have acknowledged that it needs attention because it is becoming dangerous as well as an eyesore, but so far nothing has been done and it is getting worse. Pedestrians are forced to walk out into the road when going round the corner. It would be lovely to have this put back to the state that it was many years ago. It used to be a grass verge and there would even be room to put a bench there for those that struggle to walk from Tylers Hill to the bust stop etc. I have told the council that I would be happy to contribute to a bench in memory of my mother who</p> <p>Please note that this is not in our Parish and the last sentence was not completed.</p>	Not in parish. Clerk has reported this to TFB and is in hand.	None	
A physical village / parish archive reading room	Is this necessary/viable?	Investigate	PC
Good if we could get a village shop again. what about a place (in a pub) that would do basic P.O. duties and sell basic goods.	See previous suggestions		
It would be far better the LLPC concentrate on managing the graveyard and leave speeding to the police who are professionals in that field. It is far better to do one job effectively than to medal in matters which should not be their concern or influence decisions that aren't theirs to make. Personally I have my reservations that St Georges grave yard is being managed effectively and fairly. There is overcrowding causing damage to headstones. This should be addressed. Grave owner local.			
Better mobile coverage			

Neighbourhood Watch Jason's Hill	Something for Jason's Hill residents to consider the setting up a neighborhood watch scheme Some tips in News and Views and PC Newsletter on making your property safer	PC organizing a Safety Fair later this year.	PC
CCTV	CCTV cannot be installed on public highways but can be installed on Parishioners own land.		
install some security cameras around the village following a spate of broken in vehicles and houses over the last year or so.	Residents can put them on their property but not on highways and footpaths.	See above	
Railway sleepers or similar for around boundary (to stop the ball disappearing into the undergrowth)	Good idea - perhaps it could include seating like golf club second tee	PC to support cricket club with their pursuit of funding	PC/CDC
Remote scoreboard	Good idea	See above	
Reassessment of water system for showers	Good idea	See above	
Horse drinking trough	Good idea – Need permission from CDC – Need to know where exactly. But it is possible.	The Crown to Investigate	CDC
Farmers market	Good idea – Need permission from CDC		CDC
Lunch for elderly - special menu	Good idea – advertise in News and Views and PC Newsletter	The Crown to initiate	
Cycle path	Using paths and Latimer House land avoiding roads	investigate	CDC
Otherwise it would be really nice if you could do anything to make Rushmere Lane feel more village like rather than a few houses on the side of the road which everyone can speed past! It would be nice to have a sign saying Orchard Leigh at the start and end which would help (to go along with the white gates and 40 reminder on red tarmac).	Possibility on the south side of the road which is in our parish.	Discuss with Ashley Green PC if wanted on both sides of the road	PC