

# Shillingstone Village Traffic Survey

Summer 2021

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*Shillingstone Parish Council would like to hear your views about the impact of traffic on our community and what measures you feel might contribute to making our village a better and SAFER place to live.*

*This 10 to 15 minute survey will allow you to provide us with a better understanding of our community and what you would like to see it become. This is your opportunity to have your say in our highway's strategy.*

*Most answers are multiple-choice, but some encourage you to expand on your responses through free text, however these are not mandatory - please do use these to provide us with additional constructive information.*

*The data collected will only be accessed by the Shillingstone Parish Council to gauge local opinion about the community's views on traffic matters and be assured that answers will be held securely. Your responses are totally anonymous, NO personal information will be collected.*

*This survey will close at midnight on Wednesday 30th June 2021.*

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# 1. ABOUT YOU

Please answer a few questions about your household

1. What form of transport do you use most regularly? \*

*Indicate the common methods of transport used by your household*

Walk       Drive       Bus       Cycle       Other

*If 'Other', please provide further information in the box provided below:*

2. How many motor vehicles does your household use? \*

*Please indicate how many cars, vans etc. members of your household keep at your address*

1       2       3       Other

*If 'Other', please provide further information in the box provided below:*

3. Do you regularly use pavements along the A357? \*

Yes, all the time       Occasionally       Never

4. Do you feel safe as a pedestrian or cyclist on the A357 in Shillingstone? \*

No       Yes

*If you wish to add any additional comments, please use the box provided here:*

5. If you felt safer walking or cycling along the A357 would you do these activities more frequently? \*

No, not really       Yes, I would walk more       Yes, I would cycle more

6. Are there any problems with the maintenance of pavements within the parish? \*

No       Yes

7. If you answered 'Yes' to Question 6, please give more detail in the box below:

## 2. HOUSEHOLDS WITH SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN

8. Does your household have children who attend local schools or nursery?

No  Yes

*If you answered 'No' to this Question, please skip forward to next section (3)*

9. Is your household on the North side (recreation ground) or South site (school) of the A357?

North  South

10. Do children in your household attend any of these educational establishments in the local area?

Village Nursery  Shillingstone CE Primary School  Sturminster Newton High School  The Blandford School, Blandford Forum  None of these

11. If your children attend the village primary school, do they walk/cycle to school...

Unaccompanied  Accompanied  No, neither option

12. If your children travel to school by bus, do they walk to catch the bus...

Unaccompanied  Accompanied  Other

*If 'Other', please provide further information in the box provided below:*

13. If Shillingstone had a pedestrian crossing over the A357, I would consider allowing my children to walk to School and/or Catch Bus\*

*(either accompanied or unaccompanied)*

Strongly Disagree  Disagree  Maybe  Agree  Strongly Agree

### 3. YOUR OPINIONS ON TRAFFIC IN SHILLINGSTONE

Please answer a few questions about your thoughts on traffic speed & safety in Shillingstone

14. Do you believe that slowing down traffic in Shillingstone would be beneficial? \*

- Strongly Disagree    Disagree    Maybe    Agree    Strongly Agree

15. What traffic speed do you believe would be most desirable? \*

- 20mph    30mph    Don't Know    No Opinion

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What are your views on the following statements about Traffic Safety Issues within Shillingstone?

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16. Parked Cars cause problems with road safety \*

- Strongly Disagree    Disagree    Maybe    Agree    Strongly Agree

17. Speeding vehicles are a danger to other road users \*

- Strongly Disagree    Disagree    Maybe    Agree    Strongly Agree

18. The volume of traffic is a danger to pedestrians & cyclists along the A357 \*

- Strongly Disagree    Disagree    Maybe    Agree    Strongly Agree

19. Poor/unclear signage increase dangers to both drivers and pedestrians \*

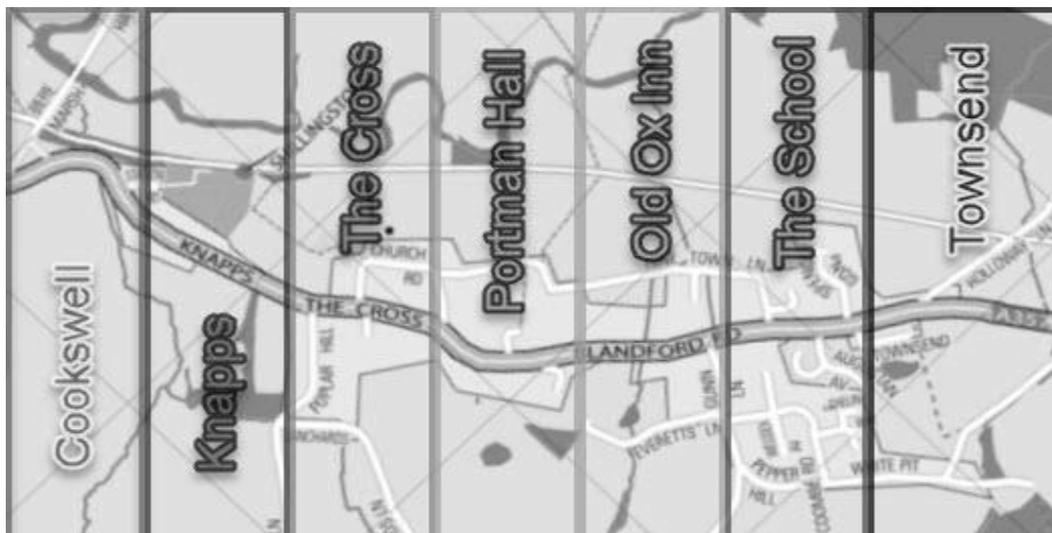
- Strongly Disagree    Disagree    Maybe    Agree    Strongly Agree

20. Do you have any views you would like to share about any of the areas mentioned here? Maybe there is a particular issue with parked cars, speed of traffic on a bend, or maybe poor signage problems?

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What traffic speed limit do you think would be most appropriate in the following stretches of the A357 through Shillingstone?

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21. Cookswell *(Bere Marsh to the Co-op)*  
 20mph     30mph     Don't Know

22. Knapps *(Co-op to the Shillingstone Church Centre)*  
 20mph     30mph     Don't Know

23. The Cross *(Shillingstone Church Centre to Petrol Station)*  
 20mph     30mph     Don't Know

24. Portman Hall *(Petrol Station to Everett's Lane)*  
 20mph     30mph     Don't Know

25. Old Ox *(Everett's Lane to Gunn Lane)*  
 20mph     30mph     Don't Know

26. The School *(Gunn Lane to Spencer Gardens)*  
 20mph     30mph     Don't Know

27. Townsend *(Spencer Gardens to White Pitt)*  
 20mph     30mph     Don't Know

28. Using the zones identified above, if you cross the A357 where do you currently cross? *(enter more than one if you wish)*

- Cookswell *(Bere Marsh to the Co-op)*
- Knapps *(Co-op to the Shillingstone Church Centre)*
- The Cross *(Shillingstone Church Centre to Petrol Station)*
- Portman Hall *(Petrol Station to Everett's Lane)*
- Old Ox *(Everett's Lane to Gunn Lane)*
- The School *(Gunn Lane to Spencer Gardens)*
- Townsend *(Spencer Gardens to White Pitt)*

29. Again, using these zones, if a pedestrian crossing were to be granted where on the A357 do you think it should be sited? *(enter more than one if you wish)*

- Cookswell *(Bere Marsh to the Co-op)*
- Knapps *(Co-op to the Shillingstone Church Centre)*
- The Cross *(Shillingstone Church Centre to Petrol Station)*
- Portman Hall *(Petrol Station to Everett's Lane)*
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## 4. YOUR VIEWS ON TRAFFIC CALMING

We would like to gauge your opinions on how to control traffic in our village. In order to introduce lower speed limits, it may be necessary to introduce some traffic calming measures. Which of the following traffic calming measures do you think would be most appropriate?

30. Pedestrian crossing: *Dropped kerbs, tactile paving & coloured stripes no flashing lights*

Yes Please       No thanks       Maybe

31. Speed Tables: *Pedestrian crossings large flat raised areas with ramps, NOT speed bumps*

Yes Please       No thanks       Maybe

32. Refuge-islands: *Safe areas for pedestrians to stop in the centre of the road to split crossing*

Yes Please       No thanks       Maybe

33. Road surface rumble strips: *Create change in sound & vibration to alert drivers to slow down*

Yes Please       No thanks       Maybe

34. Road surface colouring: *Variation in road colour to alert drivers to change in environment*

Yes Please       No thanks       Maybe

35. Road surface textural changes: *Imprints or block paving to narrow road or create curves to slow traffic*

Yes Please       No thanks       Maybe

36. Line markings: *Road marking techniques to visually narrow the carriageway*

Yes Please       No thanks       Maybe

37. Curb Extension: *A build-out 'extended pavement' to reduce carriageway to a single lane*

Yes Please       No thanks       Maybe

38. Half Chicanes: *Comprise build-outs on one side of the road and may be extended into the carriageway such that only one-way traffic is possible*

Yes Please       No thanks       Maybe

39. Village Gateways: *Wooden gates create 'a sense of place' when drivers enter the village*

Yes Please       No thanks       Maybe

## 5. YOUR IDEAS...

We would really like to hear about your views, concerns, and experiences about traffic in and around Shillingstone. Give us your ideas!

40. Do you have any good ideas to improve road & traffic safety in our village?

Maybe you have seen an effective scheme in other villages that you think might work here? Let us know in the section below.

41. Add any further constructive comments in the box below

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**And finally...**

*Thank you for taking the time to answer our survey about road traffic in Shillingstone, we really do value your input!*

*Shillingstone Parish Council*

Please return your survey to us by or before 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

Once you have completed your survey, to arrange collection please call or e-mail

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