

Councillor Phil Tucker's report

'Waste collections and recycling'

It would be remiss of me not to mention the collections, changes of dates and new containers and indeed the problems experienced by some people.

The first thing I would like to say is that if you are having problems then please don't hesitate to get in touch with me. I will be happy to help. My email (preferred) and telephone number are at the end. The Council have full details on the front page of their website and a call-centre but if you have trouble using these avenues then please contact me.

Cory have proved very good while doing another part of Cornwall over the last few years and while the changeover has been somewhat troublesome I am hopeful that this will be temporary and a very good service will soon be enjoyed by all.

Safer places to live

Road deaths and serious injuries overall have been reducing but I have to say this is less to do with concentrated and careful driving than it is to do with speed, traffic and pedestrian control. More distractions in vehicles has led to accidents which shouldn't happen.

I have put together my thoughts on the road speed limits and areas for improvement in the parishes which I represent. I have discussed these thoughts with the highways dept and suggested improvements. While doing this I have consulted local people and the Parish Plans in each area and will be consulting with Parish Councillors and residents.

Changing speed restrictions is an expensive business so it is important, where possible to bundle the changes together into one traffic order and to ensure changes are appropriate. I would therefore like to hear any thoughts which you have about the traffic in your area and areas which you would like changed.

When I am sure that I haven't missed any areas and have asked the highways for their thoughts on the proposals from you, my intention is then to produce a consultation document for each area (late summer) with the different options to ask each household in each particular area.

A for-instance could be that many people have mentioned that traffic speeds down the hill in an area. The consultation that I would do would be to ask whether the limit should be extended perhaps 100 yards, 500 yards or no change or perhaps traffic calming measures.

This whole survey is predominantly about making sure that residents are happy with the speed limits in their area but if you feel that there is a seriously dangerous junction or piece of road then please also let me know.

If you have any thoughts on these subjects or any other problem then please don't hesitate to contact me. Highway comments preferably by email so I can answer them accurately otherwise phone is also fine. philip.tucker@homecall.co.uk 01288 341617