

Highway approaches to the settlement of Carlton

It has been proposed that boundary features of some kind might be installed in the highway on the approaches to the village of Carlton to create a gateway effect and encourage drivers to slow down.

This report documents the current features of each road approaching the village of Carlton, and is intended to inform discussion of this proposal. Photographs of each approach are at the end of the report.

Bosworth Road

The road from Market Bosworth to Carlton is straight with wide grass verges on both sides. The village nameplate is on the eastern side of the road and is sited on the parish boundary. It is clearly visible from a long way away. The 30mph signs are past the village nameplate, at the curtilage of the first dwelling in the settlement. The Dragon's teeth road markings end with a 30 roundel on the road at the 30 mph sign, and extend past the village nameplate.

Street lighting extends to the 30 mph sign, and the carriageway is kerbed from the access drive to Park View Farm. There are no footways along this part of the road, but there is a footway along the western side of the road from Overdale.

The first residential property on the western side of the road is Park View Farm, which is in the Parish of Market Bosworth, and outside the 30mph speed limit.

A recent survey showed that the 85th percentile speed was 45.1 mph approaching the 30mph signs, with between 72 and 84% of vehicles exceeding 30mph at this point.

Barton Road

The road from Barton in the Beans has grass verges on both sides - the verge on the western side is widest. Both verges become narrower as the built-up area is approached. Hedges, trees and gentle bends create an enclosing effect as the village is approached and houses come into view.

The village nameplate is on the eastern side of the road, just before a bend to the left. There is a kerb line along the eastern side of the road from before the village nameplate.

The 30 mph signs are located at the edge of the built development. Dragons teeth road markings begin with a 30 roundel at the 30mph signs, and extend almost to the village nameplate. These markings begin with a SLOW marking on the road.

Street lighting extends to the edge of built development. There is a footway along the western side of the road from Tulip House, with a road crossing to Northfields.

Speed surveys have not yet been carried out on this road.

Nailstone Road

The road from Harry's Grave has very narrow grass verges on both sides, and the hedges grow out to the edge of the carriageway each year. There is a blind left hand bend as the built-up area is approached, with trees and a tall hedge at the edge of the road.

A SLOW marking on the road and the start of Dragon's teeth markings are visible just before the blind bend; the 30 mph sign on the western side of the road becomes visible as the bend is approached. The Dragon's teeth markings end with a 30 roundel on the road at the 30 mph sign.

There is a grass verge on the eastern side of the road after the bend, and the village nameplate is located after the 30 mph sign on the eastern side of the road opposite the vehicular access drive to the Carlton Diamond Jubilee Orchard. (CDJO)

There is a footway on the western side of the road from the pedestrian entrance to the CDJO. Street lighting begins at this point. There are no kerbs on the eastern side of the road until Mill House.

Speed surveys have not yet been carried out on this road.

Congerstone Lane

The road from the railway bridge has a wide grass verge on the southern side, but no verge on the northern side. At the curtilage of Bank Farm there is a very narrow grass verge on the southern side of the road, and a wider verge on the northern side.

The village nameplate is located near the beginning of the northern grass verge, but can be seen from a distance. The hedges on alternating sides of the road create an enclosing effect on the approach to the nameplate.

The 30 mph signs are positioned just before the access drive to Bank Farm. The Dragon's teeth markings end with a 30 roundel on the road at the 30 mph sign.

Street lighting begins at the entrance drives to Woodmill and Field View, some distance past the 30 mph signs.

There are no footways along Congerstone Lane.

Speed surveys at the western end of Main Street showed an 85th percentile speed of 29.8 mph with between 10 and 16% of vehicles exceeding 30 mph.

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