

Appendix to Pinchbeck Parish Council Minutes of Meeting Held 22 May 2023: Public Forum Petition for footpath on Market Way

A Copy of the presentation regarding Market Way – for meeting 22nd May 2023

Hi Parish Councillors, thank you for adding us to the agenda today, we're here because the Residents of Pinchbeck do not feel safe walking along Market Way – we NEED a footpath.

We have a petition requesting a footpath signed by 1432 people and 11 letters regarding the safety of Market Way. We've been overwhelmed by the support, and would like to take the opportunity to thank you to everyone who took the time to sign.

Over 400 people comment, 59% of these comments referred to the road being dangerous or unsafe, and 12% have concerns over children.

16 People commented that someone would be injured or worse killed along Market Way.

We heard from many who feel they take their life in their hands when walking along this road, people who have been hit by wing mirrors and others who have had near misses; there were many who took the car simply because they do not feel safe walking along the road. (Appendix 1)

Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy 2017 – outlines the governments ambition “to make cycling and walking the natural choices for shorter journeys” (appendix 3) – this is not an option for many who need to use Market Way, and hence feel the only safe way to travel is in a car.

And for those without cars – it's not right they have to fear taking their lives in their hands to get to work!

Traffic Survey Results

We carried out a traffic survey as advised by the Parish Council the results were, for the 24 hours covered (10 solid hours and 14 hours throughout 2 weeks between 8am and 6pm). 409 pedestrians, 45 children, 8 mobility scooters and 6087 cars including 97 lorries/buses .

An average of 253 cars an hour. (Appendix 2 and 2.2 shows the results)

At the quietest time in the week there 164 cars – a car every 22 seconds – when it takes 5 minutes to walk along Market Way that's 14 Cars to avoid.

At the busiest 438 cars in an hour – the busiest time consistently being between 3 and 4pm most likely parents picking kids up from school; with the new Larkfleet housing development off Wardentree Lane and Hall Gardens off Spalding Road use of Market Way **will increase**...

Wouldn't it be great if we could have a safe route to walk enabling these journeys to be taken by foot, while also meeting the ambition of the Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy 2017 -increasing the percentage of children aged 5 to 10 that usually walk to school by 2025, lets lead the way on this.

Concerns over the Cemetery and Recreational Area

We'd like to raise concerns over the Cemetery and recreational area, the access to this for anyone EAST of Pinchbeck and NORTH SPALDING will be most likely be along Market Way, a route “deemed unavailable for a child to walk, even when accompanied by a responsible adult” by School Transport at Lincolnshire Government (Appendix 4).

We question morally - how can the Parish Council can proceed with the plans for the cemetery and recreational area knowing that they are encouraging footfall down an extremely dangerous road, and while also increasing the traffic with 22 car parking spaces.

Section 7 of the planning decision states the site should have “safe and adequate Pedestrian access” we don’t feel this is being met while a significant proportion of the village can’t access without walking along unsafe Market Way. (Appendix 8)

In January 1970 plans for development at 6 Market Way were rejected on grounds “that it would be contrary to Traffic safety to allow additional access close to Market Way” and yet 53 years later we deem it safe when the flow of traffic has to of increased substantially. (Appendix 4)

At the same time we are yet to see feel the effects of the new Larkfleet development and Hall Garden plus the additional housing proposal for Keston Fields, the residents of which will all no doubt use of Market Way thus further increasing traffic.

Ok so the question is How?

The land adjacent to the drain from the bridges to the tree line is 8ft wide. The trees belong to residents of Pinchbeck who are open to discussions in transferring the land. This would allow space for a path.

We are led to believe the Verges belong to the drainage board and have an email stating that it is (appendix 6) “there preference that a path is not built on the land” so in my mind preferences can be changed and maybe reading the concerns on this petition may go some way to doing that.

Funding – from listening to previous LCC meetings the cost is £250K for a mile of footway, so we’re about ¼ of a mile, so £62.5K double this for cost increases max of £125K. – significantly lower than the £400K suggested.

There has been a suggestion the new development could fund this, however we feel strongly that we should not be waiting for more houses and increased traffic before this is started, perhaps a combination of a Parish loan repaid by the builders once complete could work.

Finally

We are aware you know this area is of concern, and we feel your support in the presence of some of the Parish councillors name on the petition however this is not the first time it has been raised and we not seen action to support words.

We’ve had relative silence for over a year– we are then told that talks have taken place with Highways that we need to come here for the answers, so we look forward to hearing them today, we hope that nothing concerning the safety of this road will be hidden from us.

We would like agreement that the footpath can make a slot on the agenda at every meeting until it is resolved.

Parish Councillors the time to act is now before SOME ONE is seriously injured or worse killed on MARKET WAY. It should not take that to happen for you and LCC to take this villages concerns seriously.

The residents of Pinchbeck just want a footpath to walk safely with their families.

A copy of this will be provided for your records.

Petition Results

1432

~~1240~~ Signatures

417 Commented

245 People made reference to the road being too dangerous or unsafe*

142 People said it was needed*

50 People had concerns over child safety

16 People referred to accident near miss or waiting to happen

Just Some of the comments

Don't wait for someone to be injured

I visit and drive to the butchers - nearly ran people over

Someone will be hurt without action

? near misses

Almost been hit by a car walking

Think we're saying this for all of PINCHBECK

This is a dangerous stretch of road a accident is waiting

This needs to be done accident waiting to happen

It's so scary each day feels like a risk

I've nearly been hit by a car

I've nearly ran people over on the road lots of times

Someone will end up dying

Too dangerous not to change

Too many close encounters

With chance of more amenities for safety it's a must

Dangerous for School kids

Summary of Comments from the petitions

Appendix 1.1

This is a dangerous stretch of road a accident is waiting x2

2 near misses

Almost been hit by a car walking

Don't wait for someone to be injured

I visit and drive to the butchers - nearly ran people over

I've nearly been hit by a car

I've nearly ran people over on the road lots of times

Much needed surprised there has been no accidents

Someone is going to get hurt walking

Someone will be hurt without action

Someone will be seriously hurt one day

Someone will end up dying

This needs to be done accident waiting to happen

Unsafe injuries could occur

Why wait until there is an accident

Unsafe / Unsafe without one x 19

Not safe to walk/ Not safe walking / Not safe x 11

Dangerous road/needed as a dangerous road x 11

Not safe for children/Kids/2Kids/Grandson x 9

Safety/Safety first x 8

Dangerous for Pedestrians /(& cyclists too) x 6

Safety of children/For our childrens safety x 9

Footpath for safety/Foot safety/Footpath needed for safety x 6

Safety Essential x 5

Very dangerous / Very dangerous road / Very dangerous at minute x 3

Very needed as dangerous / needed as dangerous road x 4

Really needed to make road safe / Really needed x 3

Dangerous road - traffic too fast x 3

Dangerous/Dangerous to walk/Dangerous when walking x 3

Essential for safety/Essential for Pedestrains x 3

Safer for everyone / Safer x 3

Safety for pedestrains / &(walkers) x 3

Very bad x 3

Very much needed for safety reasons x 3

Safety for all getting to school / Safety for school children x 2

Dark Dangerous no path x 2

Not safe for anyone x 2

Path required for pedestrian safety / Pedestrian safety

Really dangerous / So dangerous x 2

Safer for pedestrians/all road users

Safety Concerns x 2

Safety for dog walkers x 2

Safety Is Important / Safety is paramount

To close for dog walkers x 2

To close for vehicles x 2

Unsuitable walking route as alternative to two plank x 2

Very unsafe x 2

Walking safety /(path needed)

Safety - pedestrians runners x 2

About my babies I feel worse

Road not safe to walk down

Road Safety

Safety - if no footpath then speed/traffic calming

Safety & Good idea

Safety concerns for all who walk & cycle down Market Way

Safety first

Safety for all year round

So dangerous walking when visiting friends

So dangerous without one

So It's a lot more safer

To tight for vehicles

Too dangerous not to change

Too many close encounters

Travel down for work Dangerous

Trust not safe

Unsafe - cars

Unsafe - cars & walking

Unsafe (I often run this way)

Unsafe to walk it

Unsafe for Pedestrians and drivers

Very biz road walk at own risk

With chance of more amenities for safety it's a must

Not safe to walk here

Dangerous

Unsafe when walking my dog

Dangerous without one

Unsafe & Dangerous

Unsafe at the moment

Not nice for walking - not safe

Not safe

Safety is Paramount for children and adults

Safety for the public

Children, dog walkers x 3

Very long overdue

Children use this road footpath required

Bus collects from main road for students

Need for pushchair

Children and pets

Needed/ Needs footpath/Much Needed x 17

Yes please/Yes/Yes Needed x 16

Badly needed x 11

Need it so much/ Need one/ Needed badly/ Needed asap x 10

Much needed/ (- please save the trees) / So needed x 9

Very badly needed / Very needed / Very much needed x 7

Definitely/ (needed) x 5

About time x 4

Long overdue/ Long overdue badly needed x 4

Needed for a long time/Needed for many years x 4

Should have been done years ago/ Should be done / A Must x 4

We Need a Footpath / Defo need a footpath x 4

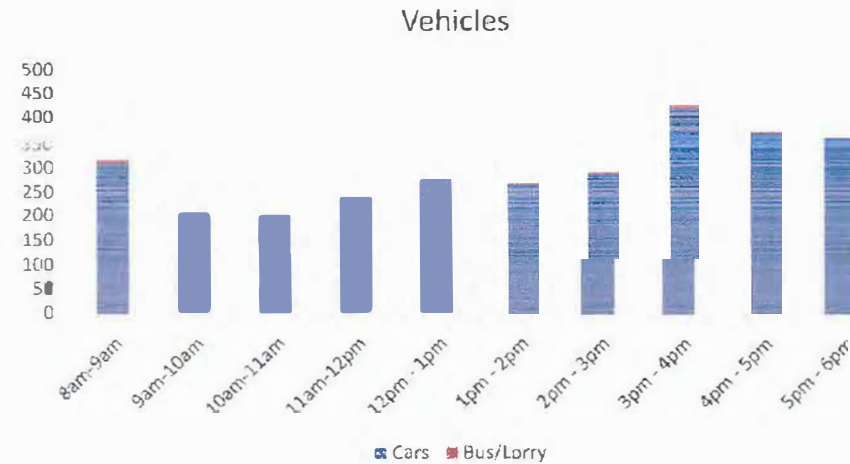
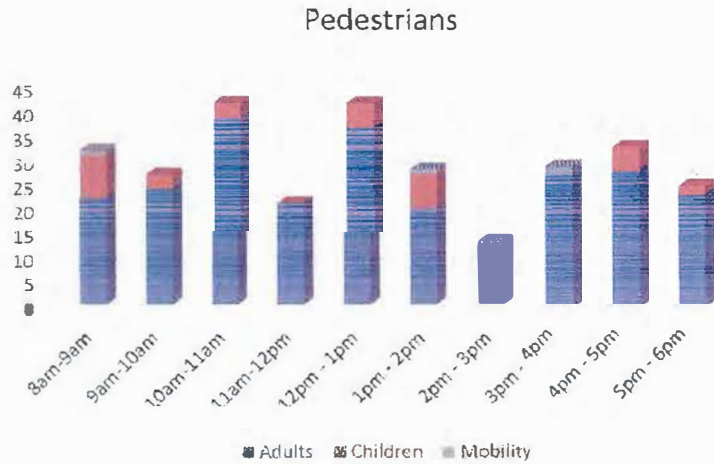
Dangerous children walk here
Dangerous for kids & elderly
Dangerous for School kids
Difficult and Dangerous with children
Footpath needed child safety
For Children so they are more safe
I don't think it's safe for me and my baby
I feel unsafe with my baby
Not safe for adults or children how do we get to the bus stop safely
Not safe to walk - also children walk too
So children can cross the road safely
Unsafe for pushchairs
Unsafe with children and dogs walking here
Work here a lot could use a path to protect children
Unsafe to walk my wife and child
Unsafe for my children and I
Dangerous for children and walking home from work
Very unsafe for old people and children
Fast moving traffic danger for Pedestrians especially with child buggy
For the safety of young children
Unsafe for kids
Dangerous need a footpath
Been needed for years so dangerous
Dangerous at night when driving not seeing people on road
Dangerous especially at night
Dangerous no lights no path
Safety particularly at night
Very risky especially at night
Dangerous when out running alone even with lights on myself
As it is it is dangerous
Bad road
Badly needed not safe
Danger to public
Dangerous especially when it is a designated alternative route
Dangerous on both accounts
Dangerous road needs calming measures and footpath
Dangerous when jogging
Def needed my hubby has allotment and I often walk
Dog walking Safety
Forced down dangerous market way as 2 plank bridge is closed
Good idea much safer
I walk a lot on my way to Morrisons it's unsafe
It's so scary each day feels like a risk
Like for walkers really need it, I drive too but will need it's safer for drivers and walkers
Long overdue for everyones safety
Need for safety
Needed as terrible road for safety
Not safe for public
Not safe for walkers runners cyclists
Not safe walking day or night

Desperately needed/Long needed x 3
Footpath needed/Footpath very much needed x 3
It's much needed / It's needed / Greatly needed x 3
Please do it / Please x 3
We really need this / Well needed / We really do need this x 3
Essential for disabled x 3
Should have been 20 years ago x 2
Essential work needed
Footpaths always needed
I think it is a necessity
Keen dog walkers but no path/dog walker
Lived here 50 years always a problem
More please
Need footpath open two plank bridge
Needed Cars Drive to fast
PLEASE can we have a footpath
Support from me
Time based issues
Walking in general
We've needed one for years now
Work near the site and should have one
Urgently needed
Footpath finally needed
Needed as traffic drives quick
Needs a footpath for everyone safety
Best of luck needed
As A mobility scooter user 100% Beneficial
Pathway plus lights / Need lights / Street lights too x 3
Path might be tight maybe street lights instead
Street lights don't ruin the asthetics of the lane
Also a mirror on the corner
As long as the dyke stays we're up for it more lighting would help to
Brilliant idea x 2
Fully support this petition
Get it done
Great idea x2
I visit friends but can't walk
Nice addition to the road
No path
Resident x 2
Think we're saying this for all of PINCHBECK
Visitor
Would be great to have this
Support
Good luck x 4
I was living Laxton Gardens
Pennyfirelds Pinchbeck

Market Way Traffic Survey - 9th May 2023

292 Times Pedestrians used Market Way
34 of those were Children*
5 Mobility scooters

2936 Cars travelling along Market Way
54 Lorrys/Buses travelling along Market Way



10-11am and 12-1pm were the busiest times, 42 Pedestrians/Mobility recorded

3-4pm was the busiest time with 431 cars recorded

If a suitable footpath was in place we could see a significant fall in this

Quietest period - 204 cars

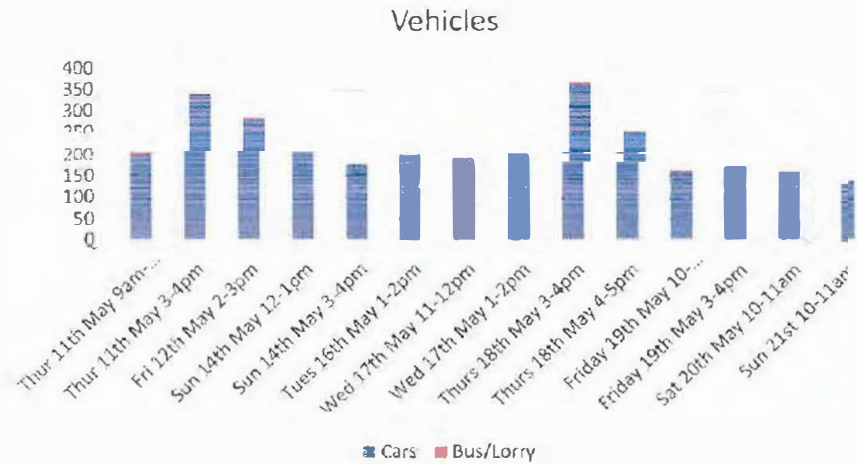
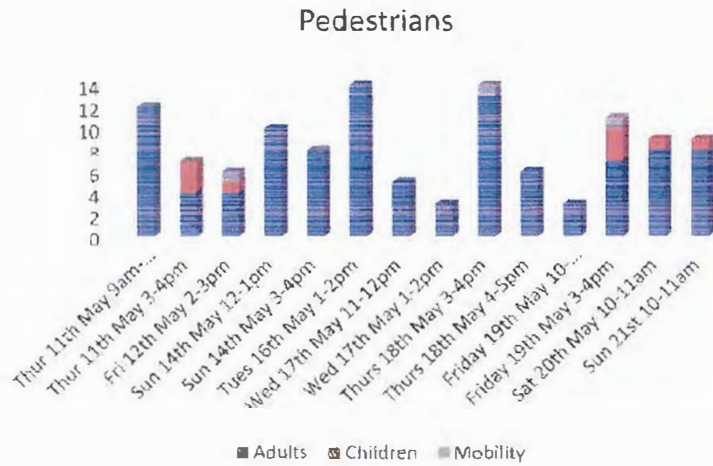
* Route deemed unavailable for a child to walk, even when accompanied by a responsible adult. (Appendix 2)

Weather was Miserable, showers cloudy and rained later in day

Market Way Traffic Survey - Other Data 14 hours covered

117 Times Pedestrians used Market Way
9 of those were Children*
3 Mobility scooters

345 Busiest Period Thursday 3-4pm
140 Quietest Sunday 10-11am



Note the reduction in pedestrians compared to the full 10 hours
 This was due to change in location - the 10 hour period could pick up those walking along the cut at Burma Avenue on to Market Way where as the 14 hours were covered further along market way.

* Route deemed unavailable for a child to walk, even when accompanied by a responsible adult. (Appendix 2)

Page 7:

The Government's ambition for cycling and walking in England

Our ambition for England

We want to make cycling and walking the natural choices for shorter journeys, or as part of a longer journey

Page 8:

BETTER SAFETY

'A safe and reliable way to travel for short journeys'

- streets where cyclists and walkers feel they belong, and are safe
- better connected communities
- safer traffic speeds, with lower speed limits where appropriate to the local area
- cycle training opportunities for all children

1.15 Further to this, we have set the following aims and target, respectively, to 2025:

We will increase the percentage of children aged 5 to 10 that usually walk to school from 49% in 2014 to 55% in 2025.

Email from School Transport - Lincolnshire

Appendix 4

On Wed, 9 Oct 2019 at 13:55, SchoolTransportApplications <SchoolTransportApplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk> wrote:

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your email below dated 8th October 2019.

I have chased this with the inspection team and they have confirmed that the route was assessed on the 7th October 2019 and they have sent a copy over to me today.

The route was deemed unavailable for a child to walk even when accompanied by a responsible adult. Therefore should you apply for transport to your designated schools within Spalding you would be entitled to school transport through Lincolnshire County Council.

I hope this is helpful for you when deciding on which schools to apply for. If you require any further information please contact us on the details below.

Kind Regards

Lee Roberts

Email from Welland Drainage

Appendix 6

RE: Land on market way



Jane Picking <jane@wellandidb.org.uk>

To: You



Thu 24/03/2022 13:09

Good afternoon Rebecca

Sorry for our delayed response to your question; the Operations Engineer has only returned to the office today.

Below is a response to a similar question asked by your local council     answered by Nick Morris, the Operations Engineer.

“The Board’s preference would be for any new footpath / pavement to be kept away from our Blue Gowt No 1 drain and adjacent to the existing properties (on the north side of Market Way).

Blue Gowt No 1 drain is a key watercourse for the drainage of Pinchbeck and the surrounding area including existing and proposed housing, sections of the Spalding Western relief road and also industrial, commercial and agricultural land. As such it is maintained by the Board on a regular basis and due to existing constraints this work is carried out , mainly, from the roadside. Any new footpath / pavement would restrict access and bring us into conflict with pedestrians using the path. Stability of any path due to its close proximity to an open, sloped banked watercourse would also be a major factor. Setting the path further away from the watercourse would increase land take and possibly narrow the existing road. This would then again bring it into conflict with our maintenance operations as our machinery may have to run with a wheel on it to reach the open watercourse.”

Kind regards

Jane

JANE PICKING
Secretary

- 7 The development hereby permitted shall not be brought in to use until a 1.5 metre wide footway, to connect the development to the existing footway network (either along the road side or via direct access to the car park), has been provided in accordance with details that shall first have been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the Local Planning Authority. The works shall also include appropriate arrangements for the management of surface water run-off from the highway.

Reason: To ensure the provision of safe and adequate pedestrian access to the permitted development, without increasing flood risk to the highway and adjacent land and property. This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policies 2, 3 and 33 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019 and the intentions of the National Planning Policy Framework, 2021.

Pinchbeck Parish Council

Two whom it may concern,

I write this letter to you today as a deeply concerned resident of Pinchbeck in regards to the safety of pedestrians on Market Way.

I live on Penway Drive and it is my closest route in and out of the village by either car or foot. For the five years I have lived here I have always been conscious of its lack of safety for pedestrians (and even vehicles) along this road, both in day and night.

Whilst driving I must exercise unusual amounts of extra caution as pedestrians who are either walking their dogs, walking into town or even parents with children and pushchairs are suddenly revealed at the blind corners. Even driving at 20mph I must push on my brakes hard to allow myself time to assess if I need to come to a full stop (if a car is coming from the other end) or if I can safely manoeuvre around them without obstructing traffic. These poor pedestrians are hugging the edge of the road as much as possible and yet their safety is still at threat at every corner.

At night it's even worse. People who are travelling home from work or setting out to work are completely invisible until I am almost upon them because it is so dark on that street, even with the very insufficient street lamp that is there. It is not law for pedestrians to wear reflective gear, and most outdoor wear sold is dark coloured, making it impossible to decipher them from a distance. There have been a few near misses where I've had to slam on my breaks to avoid impact.

When I first moved to the village I wanted to walk in and out of the village as much as possible as it was important to my health and felt it was beneficial to my newborn. Going to Morrisons was and is an essential for many people living in Pinchbeck and Market Way is an essential route for that. After attempting to do so along market way a few times I now simply do not walk that route anymore as I felt it was so dangerous for myself and the safety of my infant, that I from then on opted to drive instead, which impacts the environment and car traffic in our area. I can't imagine what it's like for the residents of Market Way. I would not choose to live there as I have school aged children and would not walk with them, or allow them to walk in its current state of safety. Imagine if there was a safe path for pedestrians.

I truly believe a substantially large amount of residents would then choose to walk instead of riding in their vehicles. With the rise of a huge amount of new homes in the village, every consideration should be made to allow safe pedestrian routes to help with the ever increasing vehicle traffic in the village.

It is not a huge ask for the council to arrange a narrow footpath at the very least to ensure the safety of both drivers and pedestrians along this main route. This is just one of the few red flags of safety within the village that need to be addressed (another is zebra crossings on knight street and church street to allow safe crossing of school children at school run hours, but that's for another petition). Many feel the village is in a state of decline, and we have the choice, as residents and you

as council members, to make an impact of the lives of every man, woman and child who live here

Thank you for taking the time to read this and I hope a safe solution will be made.

A concerned resident,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Pinchbeck, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

13th May 2023



Terry Payne

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 May 2023 11:12
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Fw: Support - please print today

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 May 2023 09:11
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Support

To Pinchbeck Parish Council

We are writing in support of the Market Way Footpath Petition.

Every day we face a predicament when walking along Market Way - speeding traffic, no pavement and poor lighting. Whilst there is a grass verge on the south side of Market Way, it's unfit for pedestrians as it's water logged for many months of the year so there is no alternative than walking on the road.

The volume of traffic has increased substantially and many drive at excessive speed and erratically near pedestrians despite the fact the 30 MPH signs are in situ. So many drivers increase their speed when they enter Market Way and use it as a rat run.

We have lived here for over 10 years and the situation has deteriorated with the ongoing development of residential homes accessed via Market Way, and our concerns are there are other developments ongoing in the area on Wardentree Lane and Mill Green, and proposed development opposite Market Way and bordering Blue Gowt Lane. Whilst they won't necessarily have vehicular access, it will undoubtedly increase the pedestrian traffic accessing the footpath off Market Way to Burma Drive through the estate to school and village shops.

With the proposed development of the cemetery and recreational area that will also increase footfall and traffic.

We are all encouraged to walk more for exercise and mental health issues and also schools promote walking but they need a safe route to enable children to walk or cycle safely every day especially now that Two Plank bridge is closed and Market Way is the only option.

Many people are commenting that they now feel so unsafe walking along Market Way that they have no other option other than to use their car for smaller journeys.

To try and walk with a pushchair, wheelchair, children or a dog is extremely dangerous. We also have a number of people who use mobility scooters passing by.

In conclusion we would say that action needs to be taken. This footpath is much needed and the Parish Council needs to take notice of this petition and the comments and act now for the safety and well being of the people of Pinchbeck and beyond before there is an incident.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

[REDACTED]
Pinchbeck

Spalding

Lincolnshire

[REDACTED]
18.5.2023

Dear Sir/Madam,

Reference footpath/pavement for Market Way

I am writing to support the petition for a pedestrian footpath to be created on Market Way.

I have lived here for just over a year and use this road, daily for my commute to work and in my leisure time. Whilst the residents of Pinchbeck are very aware of the need to be conscious of dog walkers and pedestrians making their way to the field or through to the village or wardentree, this route is used as a cut through for general traffic, whose only aim appears to be to get home quicker, using this as a shortcut.

I myself have had to brake, due to oncoming traffic heading towards me at speed, around the blind corner, as they swerve to avoid pedestrians, or indeed are travelling so fast, they underestimate the corner. I have also witnessed several incidents where pedestrians have had to almost "dive" onto grass verges to avoid vehicles that seem oblivious to their existence.

I will not now use this route when walking alone or with my dog and it scares me to death when my daughter walks to see me, as I know despite my protests, that she uses this route.

In addition to a pavement, I would furthermore recommend that speed cameras be installed along this road to deter this route being a speeding track for those trying to cut time off their daily commute.

My concern is that having witnessed some very narrow escapes, in such a small period, if action isn't taken and soon, we may be looking at a pedestrian fatality, or a RTA that could potentially result in a number of fatalities.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Pinchbeck
[REDACTED]

21-05-23

To whom it may concern,

I am writing with regards to the lack of footpath on Market Way in Pinchbeck. I am a resident on the street and live with my husband, three children and family dog. We walk along the road at least twice daily and have had several near misses with vehicles coming along the road too fast and almost knocking myself and my children over. We always walk against the traffic, however due to bends in the road vehicles often don't see pedestrians until it's almost too late. There is no safe place to walk along the road for pedestrians, especially along the section which is lined with trees and no grass verges.

I have seen an increase in foot-traffic using the road over the last two years with the new estate having been built along Wardentree Lane. This will no doubt increase further as the Pinchbeck Fields development is completed and the new estate begins to be built off the new roundabout on Pinchbeck Road. Many school children and their parents use the road, as well as dog walkers accessing the field on Blue Gowt Lane. If action is not taken soon to protect pedestrians, then an accident is inevitable. It is up to us all, especially the Parish Council and Lincolnshire Highways to address this issue of no footpath before it's too late.

As residents, my family are willing to discuss the use of land at the front of our property to accommodate a footpath. It seems only fair that local developers, especially those building the new housing estates, fund infrastructure such as paths for pedestrians as well. It is up to those who grant planning permission for these estates to secure funds from these developers.

Yours Faithfully,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Pinchbeck

[REDACTED]
Friday 19th May 2023

Dear Pinchbeck Parish Council

As you are aware we have started a petition regarding a footpath on Market Way. This has been done as we have serious concerns that an accident will happen along the road.

The traffic seems to have increased and it's getting harder for pedestrians to walk safely along the road as there is nowhere for them to go (the verges are often water logged and muddy) when vehicles approach from both directions. There are many families with pushchairs and little ones using the road, also dog walkers and school children as well as people walking to and from work and it's terrifying to watch out the windows as cars fly by.

Taking the pushchair with our two young children to the new cemetery field is the worst for us, the cars fly in both directions and visibility through the trees and especially around the bend is poor. When we reach the field there it is literally a feeling of relief and it shouldn't be like that just going on a family walk.

A year ago a Parish Councillor sat in our living room giving all the right noises and yet we've heard very little since, it's disappointing that our concerns aren't really been taken seriously and hence the petition.

Please listen, please act before someone is injured or killed.

Market Way NEEDS a footpath. The residents of Pinchbeck DESERVE to feel safe.

Kind Regards

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
PINCHBECK
SPALDING
LINCOLNSHIRE
[REDACTED]

17 May 2023

Good afternoon, Mr Avery,

I sent an email to you back in April 2023 regarding the traffic speed on our road, Market Way.

I have recently met neighbours, who are gathering signatures for a foot path in Market Way. Having signed the petition, I also understand there is to be a meeting to discuss said foot path.

I would like to reiterate the point; I take mine and my dog's life in my hands every time I take a walk up or down, Market Way. The speed some of these idiot's drive is totally unacceptable. There have been two incidents where I have had to step onto the uneven verge because the driver has passed so close, had I not stepped on to the verge, I or my dog would have been hit. The reason I mention this, is that the verge on both sides of Market Way is very uneven and I have literally gone down on my knee, twice

Please, please do not let there be a death before you pull your finger out and put a foot path and traffic calming measurements in place in Market Way.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Pinchbeck, Lincs, [REDACTED]

To Mr. J Avery - South Holland District Council

Dear Councillor Avery,

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter.

I only moved to Lincolnshire 14 months ago but feel I have embraced my village, the nearby towns and the County of Lincolnshire. My friend and I relocated from Essex in search of our forever "Escape to the Country" home, in our retirement. We certainly found it on the edge of Pinchbeck village, here in Market Way.

However, we have become increasingly aware this small village road is used like a main road. Cars, 4X4's, SUV's, vans, lorries and buses all use the road continuously, causing noise, pollution and above all, danger!

Dog walkers, pedestrians, cyclists, mothers with pushchairs – all take their life into their own hands each time they use Market Way.

I have been really scared walking the dog here, the cars largely do NOT heed the speed limit, nor slow down. (Indeed, I have tried to signal to one driver revving along that it is 30mph with my hands, only for him to speed up in idiotic defiance).

Please, walk a mile in my shoes. Will it take a fatality before something is done? This is affecting my, and my friend's dream retirement, along with all Market Way residents.

A footpath would be the preferred safety measure. However, any of the following may help – speed bumps, cameras, flashing warning signs or maybe, a reduction of the speed limit to 20 mph?

I have taken part in the recent traffic monitoring survey and this has surprised me – almost 200 vehicles, on average, pass every hour. This is unacceptable on a road with no pavement and no deterrent.

Thank you for listening, please help.

Yours sincerely

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Pinchbeck,

Spalding,

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Friday 19th May 2023

Dear Parish Council,

I am writing to you with our concerns for the safety of pedestrians that frequently use Market Way to walk to and from Pinchbeck village. We use this road often with our two young children to walk to school during the week and the village shops/park/visit family at weekends and holidays. We would love to feel safer using this preferred route rather than along the very busy Spalding Road which cars and lorries seem to speed down.

It is very difficult to keep safe along Market Way with no path to walk along with the road getting busier with the addition of new properties on the outskirts of Pinchbeck and using Market way as a cut through to the village. This is also another reason for a footpath to encourage more people to walk to school and the village rather than using cars for such a short distance and clogging up the residential roads around the school causing disruption and blocking driveways. This seems even more important now that hundreds of new houses are being built off Wardentree Lane.

The low winter sun is also blinding to car drivers and is difficult to see pedestrians walking on the side of the road, if there was a suitable path with lines on the roads next to the path this would make walking down Market Way much safer for all. It is only a matter of time before someone is seriously hurt.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Pinchbeck

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Pinchbeck
Spalding
[REDACTED]

Saturday 20th May

Dear Parish Council

I am writing to you regarding our concerns for the safety of pedestrians that frequently use Market Way to frequently walk to and from family in Red Mile Close, friends in the new development and to MEMISCB. Ourselves and our two daughters would love to feel safe using this preferred route than along the very busy Spalding Road which cars and lorries seem to speed down. In addition to this, the hedges aren't trimmed regularly enough and it can be precariously narrow. It is very difficult to keep safe along Market Way with no path to walk along with the road getting busier with the addition of all the new properties on the outskirts of Pinchbeck and using the Market Way road as a short cut into the village. A path would encourage more of these people to walk to school and the village rather than using their cars for such a short distance and in turn clogging up residential roads around the school causing disruption and blocking driveways.

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This seems more important than ever now that hundreds of houses are being built of Wardentree Lane (in the village. (Emphasis on village not a town).

The low winter sun can be so blinding to drivers, making it difficult to ~~see~~ see the pedestrians walking on the side of the road.

If there was a suitable path (preferably with a continuance of the cycle path) with lines on the road next to the path, this would make it safer for all. It's only a matter of time before someone is seriously hurt.

Yours sincerely



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20/5/23

I am writing this letter to say how dangerous Market Way can be we have had a few near misses with being pedestrians walking, also when driving along you have to be careful as no footpath for the walkers. With the village increasing in size there will be more traffic using Market Way in the future.

This issue should be addressed.

[REDACTED]

Dear Sir / Madam

I am writing on behalf of my husband also myself with ut most concern of the lack of a footpath along market way. Our young grandchildren walk this route to Pinchbeck East School, from Redmite Close, this is an extremely busy road, the traffic footfall is immense. We both feel our grandchildren also our daughter who walks or cycles is at great risk without a footpath.

We would like also see a cycle path ~~as~~ ^{with} as now many new-builds on Enterprise way their are many families using this unsafe road. On many occasions I have witnessed many near misses when the sun is low making visibility very poor. I trust this letter will be taken very serious so Pinchbeck could go forward in this matter. Your sincerely [REDACTED]