

Moss Naylor Young Traffic Surveys; implications for future development in Keinton Mandeville.

(Please note that this summary has been written by the Parish Council and not by Moss, Naylor Young, but the latter have approved the conclusions in this summary).

Reports considered;

MNY 23-01 Keinton Mandeville scoping report V1-1

MNY 23-01 Keinton Mandeville addendum to scoping report V2-0 Draft

1. These two surveys were commissioned by the Parish Council in order to better inform future decisions on measure that might be taken to reduce speeds and congestion within the village.
2. The second report (addendum to scoping report) was commissioned as it was clear from the first report that a key problem area within the village is the crossroads (where the B3153, Queen Street and Coombe Hill meet) and the northern section of Queen Street. Additional data, including video surveillance was seen as essential to understanding the issues, and potential solutions, in this area.
3. Although these surveys were not specifically aimed at assessing potential impacts of village growth and development, it is clear from their conclusions that these impacts are potentially very serious. The key findings are;
 - The nature of the road and pavement infrastructure poses a hazard to all road users, including pedestrians. The use of publically available data such as “CrashMap” understates the level of hazard at it only reports accidents which cause injury to people (see footnote *)
 - More than half the traffic using the village road network originates from within the village itself. Therefore a significant increase in housing development would have a disproportionate impact on traffic volumes overall.
 - The central crossroads and northern section of Queen Street are already at capacity at key times during the day therefore, as the report V2-0 states;

In terms of any increase in traffic attributable to a development then the critical point would be the impact on the highway network – the NPPF refers to the test being “severe impact” – it is difficult to see how a worsening of the existing situation could be considered anything other than “severe”

*Footnote; Anecdotal evidence submitted to the parish Council indicates that some personal injury accidents have not been recorded on CrashMap, which is itself based on police data collection and reliant on accidents being reported by those involved.

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