

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER COPY

The road junction at Grays Lane with the Main Road was one of the first topics of discussion at our meeting. There have been many 'close shaves' in this narrow section and we are looking at ways of making it safer for pedestrians and vehicles. We have discussed the possibility of putting a pathway for pedestrians behind the hedge but this is an unlikely option at the moment. One suggestion is to have a slightly raised walkway to keep pedestrians away from the traffic and another is to build a priority system, allowing one vehicle through at a time which would also make space for a pedestrian path. Do you think that an improvement needs to be made at this junction and if so, what would you like to see there? We are also investigating installing mirrors to make pulling out on to the main road safer.

Bucks County Councillor, Bob Woollard attended our meeting and we enlisted his support in making sure that our roads are resurfaced, from Fingest right the way through to the motorway junction. We want to ensure that the Ibstone work is included in the BCC budget for 2009/10, especially bearing in mind the additional traffic that could result from the repair to the M40 bridge.

It's hoped that the seat in memory of Gay Turner will be placed next to the Mace. We are also looking at the possibility of placing a litter bin there which would be emptied by Wycombe District Council. This should help to reduce the litter often found near the bus stop.

We have clarified the question over the use of the school bus service. If it stops in more than one location on the way to the school, the public can use it, but school children always have priority.

The subject of lost HGVs raised its head again. We have had meetings on site with BCC officials to show them the problem of the lorries turning round and the damage they invariably do to the Mace and other verges. We requested a weight limit sign near the motorway exits but have received a detailed reply showing why this would not work. We are continuing to pursue this and to try to get some picture signs near the M40 exits instead of the wording on the signs at The Mace. Hopefully this will dissuade HGV drivers of all nationalities.

You might have seen national press coverage about the removal of red telephone boxes. Our checks show that there are no BT plans to remove the Ibstone box, at least not for the moment.