



Redgrove Park Newsletter

Road Safety Edition

Winter 2020

Welcome to a special edition newsletter ...

Traffic Survey Update

Many residents continue to work from home and regularly seek fresh air and exercise as a welcome break from their screens. This means that there are more pedestrians within the estate, more children playing, and more home deliveries as online shopping has become the norm.

For many years, the Directors have had to remind residents and their visitors to moderate their speed whilst driving on the estate. Whilst the snaking layout of the estate helps to reduce speed to a certain extent, some motorists still seem to drive at excessive speeds. This has become more apparent during 2020 culminating in the untimely death of a beloved household pet.

In September, we undertook a traffic survey to measure the volume of traffic within the estate, the speed of the traffic and the type of vehicles. Below is a summary of the findings and our recommendations on how we can be more community-minded as we enter 2021.

Traffic Survey Results



85% of vehicles are passenger cars



15% are delivery or service vehicles



50% of drivers exceed the estate advisory speed limit of 15mph



20% of drivers exceed 20mph

Estate Speed

The Estate has adopted an advisory speed limit of 15mph throughout, to help preserve the safety of all residents including children, animals, and areas without pathways.



Above 20mph, there is a risk of serious injury and death to pedestrians i.e. adults or children who may be walking, playing or exercising or simply crossing the road within the estate.



Covid-19 Update

On 30th December, Gloucestershire was classified as Tier 4 and this means many more people will be working from home and it is also likely to mean many more people will be on foot throughout the estate seeking personal exercise with darkness still falling early.

Key Recommendations



When we are driving within the estate, please can we residents always keep our speeds below 20mph and where possible below the advisory speed limit of 15mph, and please can we all ask/remind our visitors to do the same.



Please can we all keep a watchful eye out for pedestrians, cyclists, and children, and be particularly careful when passing a parked vehicle that could be obscuring someone behind it.



We all need to be careful when emerging from our driveways, especially if we are reversing across a pavement and into the road to avoid children or pets with limited awareness of the imminent danger.



Those of us who are parents need to remind our children that when they are out on the estate, whether walking, running, on their bikes or scooters to be aware of cars and other vehicles and to take special care when passing parked cars and driveways.



Finally, as electric vehicles grow in affordability and popularity, we all need to be mindful that they are much quieter vehicles, and it is not always possible to hear them or assess their speed in the same way. Earphones, Air Pods, Headphones have the same affect!

We all want Redgrove Park to be a safe place for all residents, their children, and their pets (and wildlife too) so this special edition newsletter is intended to be a polite notice and timely reminder for us all.

With thanks for your attention and ...
wishing you a happy & safe New Year and ...
a healthy & enjoyable 2021.



Your Board of Directors

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