

Hasketon Parish Council

13th July 2024

Closure of the B1076 near Grundisburg

Dear Parish

You may be aware that the B1079 at Otley Bottom has been closed for some weeks for essential highway repairs. However, there will be a further closure of the B1079 near Grundisburgh.

The Parish Council have been advised that the B1079 near Grundisburgh will be closed from the 12th August for 7 weeks. The closure is to enable.

1. Hopkins Homes to satisfy a 278 condition and improve the junction at Lower Rd and create new visibility splays.
2. Anglian Water to replace a section of water main. Long awaited and will hopefully prevent future emergency closures of the road.
3. Highway repairs and resurfacing works

Its is refreshing to see work has been coordinated. Joint Parishes have successfully had the planned closure reduced from 10 weeks to 7 through this coordination, but nevertheless this will create considerable inconvenience. A meeting has been held between local Parish Councils and the various parties responsible for the works. We have, hopefully agreed some mitigations to try and reduce the volume of traffic that will inevitably use our lanes rather than the recommended diversion route.

We have asked for;

- additional signage to prevent HGVs from using our lanes
- a temporary speed limit reduction on Quiet Lanes to 20mph
- random enforcement
- a survey of road and verge damage once works have been completed

This closure will run into the new school term. It is likely therefore that there will be some temporary changes to school bus timetables. We have been advised that all parents whose children use these buses will be contacted if any changes are put in place.

This is unfortunate, but necessary. Please be aware of the potential in increased traffic using the lanes through our village and stay safe.

Stuart Dack

Chair

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