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Our Reference: 22898917

Dear Mrs Clough

RE: Mill Lane traffic accidents

Thank you for your email dated 14th November 2023 regarding the above matter. Your correspondence has been forwarded to us for a response by the Deputy Leader of the Council, Cllr Craig Browne.

The council's Road Safety team is aware of the ongoing problems at Mill Lane, Moston in relation to vehicles leaving the highway. As you have explained, the advanced give-way signage has been improved previously at this location however, there has been an increase in incidents recently.

As you may be aware, the council receives injury collision data from the police to help identify road safety issues and possible locations for new safety measures. The latest available data is from 31st August 2023 therefore we do not yet have official details about the recent collisions although we understand these occurred during darkness and were damage-only.

The current data available to us shows there have been no reported personal injury collisions in the vicinity of the canal bridge within the last five years.

The existing signage and road markings are considered appropriate and these were improved in recent years. The great number of damage-only collisions mentioned, could indicate the cause is due to driver error, behaviour, impairment or inexperience.

As you have stated within your letter, Road Safety Team Leader, Aki Tsakonas intends to raise these concerns at the November police liaison meeting. This was due to take place during mid-November but has been postponed until 29th November 2023.

In the meantime, the Road Safety team is proposing a vehicle activated sign that will flash 'SLOW DOWN' to fast westbound vehicles approaching the advance give-way/120yds sign assembly. A quotation has already been requested for this.

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In addition, we have also added Mill Lane to our list of requests for possible speed management measures. A prioritisation score will be derived before it can compete for funding interventions during the next financial year.

We hope the above information provides some reassurance that the council is looking into further road safety measures to help alleviate the issues at Mill Lane.

We trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

The Cheshire East Highways Team