

## Trimley St Mary Parish Council



Welcome to the Trimley St Mary Parish Council news April 2026

**Yellow Lines:** the Parish Council funded the provision of double yellow lines at junctions along Station Road and in part, High Road. This will hopefully be happening very soon, please look out for correspondence about parking.

### **From the Suffolk County Council HIGHWAYS ENFORCEMENT TRIAL**

Suffolk County Council is to launch a trial scheme to remove vehicles that are blocking highways resurfacing work. The move comes following repeated issues with vehicles across Suffolk that have been left in roads where works are scheduled, despite advance warnings they were due to take place. This has led to the cancellation of entire resurfacing works or small areas being left where vehicle parking has prevented access for equipment.

Offending vehicles will be either moved to a safe place in line of sight from where they were parked, or to a secure compound in Bury St Edmunds. Any vehicle which is moved to enable works to go ahead will be subject to a £70 Fixed Penalty Charge Notice, reduced to £35 if paid within 14 days. Vehicles taken to the secure compound, due to there not being a suitable location near the works area to move the vehicle to, will also be subject to additional fees to recover their vehicle. The trial

scheme will be introduced in March and will cover the Suffolk Highways resurfacing programme up to May 2026.

Removal of vehicles will be a last resort but unfortunately there are occasions when it is necessary. Each time a resurfacing scheme must be cancelled costs the Council

Under the removal scheme, the process would see:

- A temporary traffic regulation order (TTRO) advertised six weeks before work starting.
- Warning signs erected, and letters delivered to nearby residents and businesses, clearly detailing whether vehicle removal will be imposed, 2 to 3 weeks prior to the works date.
- No parking cones placed in the road and any vehicles parked on the road at the time of visit will have information cards placed on the windscreen two days before works start.
- On the day, a District Civil Enforcement Officer will issue PCNs, offending vehicles photographed then relocated safely with the police informed.
- Offending vehicles will be either moved to a safe place in line of sight, or if this is not possible to the secure compound in Bury St Edmunds,
- Contact numbers and references will be left on site for the owner to call to locate/collect vehicle.

Please report any highways issues via the reporting tool

**<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/.../report-a-highways-issue>**

**Stennett's Area:** Recently as part of our commitment to monitor all public footpaths, The PC has organised the pruning of all trees adjacent to this path as they were causing pedestrians inconvenience when walking this area.

The dead tress covered in ivy have been cutback and removed. It also now provides more light for the bungalows along this area.

Maintenance of the playing field continues as normal during the very wet weather we have endured during the past weeks.

**Welcome Hall:** For main hall hire please contact the booking clerk with any questions or booking queries via any of the following ways:

Phone or text: 07824 309712

Email: [welcomehallbookings@trimleystmary-pc.gov.uk](mailto:welcomehallbookings@trimleystmary-pc.gov.uk)

**Parish Council Meetings** are at the Welcome Hall at 7. 30pm on the first Monday of the month (date change for April & May). Members of the public very welcome. Next meetings Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April and the 11<sup>th</sup> May

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