**Highways Report**

**July/August 2024**

Essex Highways have made it known that the reporrting of issues is now a lot easier. I would say that it is slightly easier using the ‘reference’ number and there are now arrows pointing to the actual reference number, not just a cluster of reports all in the same area but with a lot of those reference numbers turning up as ‘no results found’ it is also a lot more frustrating.

The overgrowth along the far side of Clacton Road from Rectory Road right up to the buillding site was reported in June. In August I was informed that it would be ‘repaired’ and that they would let me know when it was likely to occur.

The sign on the corner of Bentley Road/Clacton Road is also to be repaired with a date also to be confirmed as are the potholes and road surface in The Street.

**Speedwatch Report**

**July and August 2024**

In July we held 7 speedwatch sessions. We logged 64 speeding vehicles. 1 driver had no tax and the fastest speeder was travelling at 59mph in the 40 mph area on the Clacton Road.

In August we held 8 sessions including 2 on ‘Vision Zero day’ which is a day when most Speedwatch groups in Essex try to hold a session in their areas to highlight the push for zero deaths on our roads.

On that day alone we logged 38 speeding vehicles with a whopping 30 logged in the first 1 hour session on Thorpe Road. For the second session we moved onto Colchester Road where we were joined by Janet Wiley our coordinator where we logged another 8 speeders.

For participating in the Vision Zero day all of the Weeley Speedwatchers were given a ‘Certificate of Appreciation which was a very nice surprise. (Certificate)

The total of speeding vehicles logged in August was 112, 3 were untaxed and 2 had no MOT. The fastest was driving at 54mph, again on the Clacton Road but this time in the 30mph area near the Fire Station.

The two new volunteers (Lis and Barbara) have settled into the Speedwatch team really well and seem to enjoy it But if you think you’ve missed your chance to become a volunteer, fret not we have plenty of room for more volunteers so please if you can, come and join us. As the posters say ‘We need you!.’