

Cavenham Parish Council

Report on Actions Taken & Future Plan

1. Engagement with SRC (Cavenham Quarry)

[SRC Group](#) has been formally contacted to discuss the ongoing concerns raised by residents of Cavenham regarding HGV traffic, road safety, and infrastructure impact.

Progress to Date:

- Initial contact established and concerns formally raised with Transport manager. 17th February 2026
- A call with the Src Planning officer James, to discuss the hgv movements and the contracts /agreements they have with Suffolk highways with regards to their planning applications. 17th February 2026
- I have only received two reports of speeding complaints have been emailed with details to src. They have returned the reports and show that none of the vehicles that src operate had been speeding through the village on these dates. This data is collected via gps.
- Further discussions are underway with the Transport Manager to improve communication, particularly regarding days with anticipated higher traffic volumes. Meeting being held on the 25th February 2026
- SRC remain open to discussions regarding potential charitable donations to support community projects within the village. Meeting being held 25th February 2026
- SRC have sent an update on increased lorries from the 23rd February. I have requested that they are to stick to the official lorry routes as seen in the image below (highlighted green) this should mean they all go down the A14 to the Barrow exit, then follow the higham road to tuddenham and either turn right down Icknield way, and left onto the street, or the far easier route for them, to carry on into tuddenham and turn right onto cavenham road to access the quarry.
- At the meeting on the 25th I have documents to share with the quarry and query their total vehicle movements, alongside a future plan of transport improvements.

This dialogue is ongoing, and we will continue to push for practical improvements and greater accountability.

2. Highways

[West Suffolk Council](#)[Suffolk Highways](#) have been contacted regarding the condition of roads through Cavenham and the impact of heavy vehicle usage.

Progress to Date:

- A formal inspection of the roads has been carried out 17th February 2026
- Update from inspection to be chased.

3. West Suffolk County Council

- David Taylor has been contacted on Monday 16th February 2026 to explore longer-term highways solutions aimed at reducing traffic flow through Cavenham. He has stated that: the planning portfolio team is supporting and taking our case to Suffolk County Council and investigating methods which could be put in place to alleviate the traffic problems caused by the quarry.

Our objective is to move away from short-term repairs and towards a structured, preventative highways improvement plan.

4. Speed Reduction Measures

To address speeding concerns within the village:

- Suffolk Highways have been contacted to approve the use of an already installed post for a Speed Indicator Device (SID). Response expected by the 20th February, if no response then a follow up email will be sent Monday 23rd February.
- A quotation has been received from the device supplier.
- The device will be purchased once installation approval has been formally granted by Highways.

This measure will provide data and deterrence, supporting our wider traffic reduction case.

5. Resident Reporting – Crucial Next Steps

To strengthen our position and build a formal evidence base:

Residents are urged to:

1. Email all complaints to:
Cavenham.chair@gmail.com

Each report must include:

- o Date
- o Time

- o Location
- o Vehicle registration
- o Description of issue.
- o Log which company the vehicle belongs to

This information allows us to:

- Formally raise complaints with SRC
- Collate structured evidence
- Submit documented cases to West Suffolk Council
- Strengthen our case for a revised traffic route

2. Report road defects and issues directly via Suffolk Highways:
<https://highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk/en-gb>

The volume of reports significantly influences prioritisation decisions. The more evidence logged, the stronger the case for action.

6. Next Steps

The Parish Council will now focus on:

1. Accelerating Highways Improvement Discussions

We will contact all relevant stakeholders involved in highways planning and traffic management to explore options for faster implementation of infrastructure improvements.

2. Increased Committee Activity

The Parish Council will hold more regular committee meetings to ensure consistent progress and accountability.

3. Upcoming Parish Meeting

The next Parish Meeting is scheduled for: 20th May – All are welcome

- Draft minutes from the previous meeting are published on the Parish website and open for comment.
- The draft agenda is also available online.
- Residents are encouraged to submit items for discussion in advance.

Please note:

- The formal agenda will be set 7 days prior to the meeting.
- Items not listed on the agenda cannot be voted on at that meeting.
- Any additional matters raised will be recorded under “Any Other Business” and scheduled for discussion and vote at the subsequent meeting.

Closing Statement

The Parish Council is taking a structured and procedural approach to ensure that concerns are formally documented and escalated appropriately. Progress requires evidence, persistence, and collective participation.

We encourage all residents to engage constructively, report incidents formally, and attend meetings so that together we can secure meaningful, long-term improvements for Cavenham.