

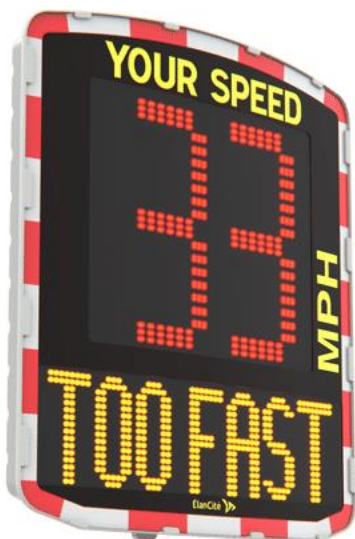
# Easton Village Newsletter

October 2023

Issue 216

## Speed Limits

The Parish Council submitted the application for the installation of a MVAS (Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign) in the village. We have had recent confirmation that the application has been successful. This will result in a sign being installed near the bus shelter on Easton Road. We may be provided with 2 posts to allow us to move the sign between two locations. The request to implement a speed limit of 20mph in the village has not yet been processed, and if this is successful then the MVAS sign is able to be switched to the correct speed limit in force whether this is 30mph or 20mph. The installation date is likely to be Spring next year.



## Easton Parish Council

## Reflecting back on September – the 7th Month!

**Charles Nixon**

September derives from the Latin “Septem” meaning seven and was originally the seventh of a ten-month year in the oldest known Roman calendar, the calendar of Romulus c. 750 BCE, with March being the first month of the year. Later January and February were added – initially at the end of the year and then year (c. 53 BCE). So, September became the ninth month but retained its name.

September originally had 29 days. But in the year 46 BCE, Julius Caesar introduced a new calendar system—the Julian calendar. He added ten days to

the year and introduced the leap year. In the new Julian calendar, September was expanded to 30 days.

And do you know what happened between 3rd and 13th September in 1752? The answer is: nothing at all. The days disappeared! The old Julian calendar was actually too long and after 1800 years had become out of line with the seasons. So, the Gregorian calendar was adopted and the 3rd September 1752 become the 14th September 1752. Incidentally, this is why the October Revolution in Russia actually happened in November as they still used the Julian calendar and the West used the Gregorian!

## Control of Dogs in Easton

Due to several recent incidents relating to the behaviour of dogs in the village, there has been a request to raise awareness of the issues again.



The incidents relate to more than one dog and appear to be when the dogs in question have been off the lead. Would all dog owners ensure their dog is kept on a lead and under control when they are near other people and/or dogs, whether it is in the confines of the village or on the footpaths and byways around the village. Huntingdonshire District Council created a Public Space Protection Order in 2017 which actually makes it an offence if dogs are not on a lead on all road carriageways with a speed

limit of 40mph or less and adjoining footpaths and verges.

If you see a dog that you believe to be dangerously out of control in a public place, the correct course of action is to call 999. If you see a dog that you suspect may be a banned breed, please report it to the local police on 101. Huntingdonshire District Council have a reporting portal to allow dog issues to be reported, even if it is a dog on dog attack. Please see the following web pages;

<https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/environmental-issues/dog-related-issues>

**Thank you.**

**Easton Parish Council**

## Church Services October 2023

Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup> Spaldwick 9.30 Harvest Festival followed by  
bacon rolls

Sunday October 8<sup>th</sup> Easton 9.30 Parish Communion

Sunday October 22<sup>nd</sup> Easton 9.30 Morning Worship

**For further information on Church Services please visit**

<https://www.kymchurch.org.uk/wp2/index.php/church-services/>

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## AND FINALLY.....

- There is a possibility that due to possible industrial action for the district council staff starting 6<sup>th</sup> October, there could be disruption to bin collections among other things. Updates are on the HDC website.



**DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER IS FRIDAY 20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2023**