

THE CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, FRISTON

Please reply to
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Dear Karen

Parking Problems in the North End of Church Path

Following a meeting of the Parochial Church Council last night, I write formally to express concerns and the need to consider remedial action caused by parking and congestion in the area between the Church and Church Hall.

We have encountered problems of access to the churchyard caused by limited and difficult turning areas and parking which partially blocks access to the churchyard.

We are also aware of parking which obstructs the entrance and fire exit of the village hall.

Our concerns include

- The need for continual access, not just for our visitors and congregations, but for funeral corteges, weddings and those attending with disabilities.
- We hold events both in the Church and Village Hall. Event and risk and event management dictate we should have reasonable access to entrances and exits; fire doors not obstructed. Not least we are concerned for access for emergency vehicles in the event of fire and accidents. That looks questionable when we see the narrowness of the highway with parking both sides.