REPORT FROM HILMARTON PARISH COUNCIL FOR THE CALNE AREA BOARD MEETING 12^{TH} NOVEMBER 2024.

Since the last meeting we are still receiving very positive feedback since the installation of our 4 new Speed Indicator Devices.

Hilmarton Pre-School organised a hugely successful Pumpkin Trail at the end of October. There were a few issues with parking but the positive far outweighed the negative. It was a really well supported community event. Families attended not only from the parish but from neighbouring villages and towns too. The Church participated as well by opening its doors for visitors to come in and enjoy hot chocolate and soul cakes. Whilst in the Church children could participate in exploring the church to find hidden lollipops or sit quietly whilst the vicar told short scary stories, which they thoroughly enjoyed. Footfall from visitors to the Church was well over 150.

The work carried out on the A3102 for improving safety has been much appreciated by many parishioners.

The Duke Hotel and The Duchess Lounge continue to thrive under new ownership. Delicious tasty food is served in both the restaurant and the Café Farm Shop.