

ROAD /ENVIRONMENTAL OBSERVATIONS AND ISSUES IN NEED OF ATTENTION

Little or no action by HCC on local problems that still exist.

Hedges are now growing rapidly and care should be taken in the local lanes.

Speeding through village still being monitored. (average speed approx 35mph!)

Motorbikes a nuisance both in speed and noise especially on Wednesdays and weekends.

All paths and bridleways are becoming overgrown;

They were not cut by HCC as per lists held by Rights of Way.

Contractors COLAS have nearly completed drainage works on the A32 and at the Brightstone Lane bridge.

Next Parish Meeting: Wednesday Sept 4th 7.30pm @ The Pheasant Function Room.

BRIGHTSTONE LANE**Action by HCC please**

1. Edges, KERBS to be cleared as a lot of grit accumulating
2. Two lane edges above PIES FARM are falling away and require filling.
3. Upper part of lane has 12 ditches that require gullies to be cleared
Although some work has been attempted, the soil has only been pushed into the entrance of the gullies and therefore stopping any water flow
4. Chevron signs on first corner need repair and clearance
5. THREE drains of drainage system below SERENDIPITY now totally blocked
6. Repair work on two damaged cross road drainage pipe at old bridge has been completed.

MAIN A32**1. Flood Prevention**

Contractors COLAS have nearly completed drainage works on the A32 with most of the ditches on the west side of the road now being connected and routed in new pipework under all field house entrances

NB: All ditches and gulley clearance are deemed to be responsibility of landowners

Legal enforcements are being investigated. Road safety is of course a main concern.

2. 30 mph sign on entering village from south is damaged and requires repair

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3. **LAYBY north side:** At present being used by COLAS , contractors to HCC for storage of equipment used in the next phase of flood investigation.
4. **VILLAGE GATEWAYS** have been discussed with HCC representative who is providing quotations on possible solutions.

Partial funding is available but safety issues on installation may be costly.

ONGOING

5. Drains around the Chawton roundabout are still blocked.
It is noted that there is still an issue following heavy rain where the drains cannot cope.

Kerbstone edges along this section of Main road still need to be cleared

Action by

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KITCOMBE LANE

1. Continued problem in Kitcombe lane with OFFROAD vehicles. **ONGOING**
2. Runoff ditches are reasonably clear at present but must be maintained.

FARRINGDON CROSSROADS

1. Monitoring of motorbike speeding , overtaking and noisy exhausts is continuing .
Several reports sent to Police and increased monitoring is being considered.
2. Ownership of the car park adjacent to crossroads has been established as belonging to Farringdon Parish Council. At present it is being partially used for contractors COLAS to store equipment required in further flood investigations. Illegally parked vehicles will be dealt with.

SHIRNAL HILL

1. Security fencing outside MAPLECOMBE is still an eyesore after approx 2 years.

MORE action now required on

removal.

CHURCH ROAD

1. Work continues on Massey's Folly with scaffolding erected and increased security
fencing now in place following HSE's site examination.

THE STREET

1. BLOCKED DRAIN outside BROWNINGS ORCHARD **Reported to.**

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Examined by HCC who say grid is too small for location and will require larger cover.

CROWS LANE

1. WEST VIEW no's 1-8 all houses now sold Turf adjacent to road now stabilizing;

GASTON LANE

1. Potholes by Barley Wood farm are being monitored and will be reported as necessary.
2. Ditches along lane will require clearing.
3. Brickwork under the Caker stream bridge is being monitored for subsidence.

HALL LANE

1. Left hand junction sign missing on Selborne road.
Reported 11 months to HCC!!
2. There are two potholes in Hall lane near farmyard that require attention
3. 30 Mph sign on corner near Upper Farringdon House damaged and should be repaired and moved to be seen more easily.
4. ROSE AND CROWN junction. There is still parking on white lines at the junction which is causing problems turning into Crows Lane

ONGOING

PLAYING FIELDS AND EQUIPMENT

Following our required annual check on equipment, several low and medium risk items have been listed as requiring attention. Most of these minor problems have been rectified immediately by your council. There are 2/3 issues with the surfacing around equipment which will be addressed to the play equipment suppliers in the near future.

Please report any problems seen to Parish Clerk or to any Councillor.

FOOTPATHS AND HEDGES

ALL listed footpaths were destined to be cut in JULY by Rights of Way Contractors
THIS DID NOT HAPPEN!!!

Thanks to local councillors who strimmed Footpath 12 Parsonage Close to Shirnal Hill.

Please note it is the responsibility of landowners to keep all hedges and overhanging trees to be cut back from the road, lane edges and those bordering any footpaths and bridleways; Rights of Way will only cut footpaths to 1m and bridleways to 2m width.

Problems can be reported to myself or directly to the Rights Of Way website.

FLOODING

COLAS contractors have been working on the following sites and work should be complete by our next meeting in September.

Farringdon Industrial Centre entrance:- looking for lost pipe work system under entrance.

A32 near Kitcombe Lane :- looking at possible drainage under lane entrance.

Brightstone lane:-- repair under bridge, blocked drainage pipe.

Car park by crossroads:- exploring ways of providing outlet channel for play area.

A32:-drainage ditches and pipe work.

An updated plan is in circulation and work continues on CCTV analysis, surveys, drain and gulley clearance and ditch clearance. Approximately 50% of budget (£300k) has been spent.

Consultation with residents prone to flooding along the A32 is in hand with contact information still being sought as to problems associated with the 2000/2014 flooding.

An Emergency plan for flooding and other possible emergencies has been updated.

PLEASE REPORT ANY ROAD/ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS DIRECTLY TO ME OR TO ANY PARISH COUNCILLOR OR TO OUR CLERK

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