

## **ROAD /ENVIRONMENTAL OBSERVATIONS AND ISSUES IN NEED OF ATTENTION**

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

Little or no work is being done on local ditches which will now be landowner responsibly.

Increased off-road vehicles in side lanes causing problems and occurrences being recorded.

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 in a reasonable state but some stiles are in need of attention.

Next Parish Meeting: Wednesday July 3rd 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. Top drain of drainage system near SERENDIPITY now totally blocked .

### **MAIN A32**

#### **1. Flood Prevention**

Work although slow continues from Newton Valence crossroads along the A32 through the village with CCTV investigation, surveying and repairs on going.  
Ditches previous cleared last summer at Newton Valence crossroads are now blocked.

Old road signs and damaged drainage covers have been seen and need attention.

**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

### **HCC**

3. **LAYBY north side:** Clear at present but occasionally some rubbish is being left.

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. Blocked drains along A32 have been cleared with several old unknown drains uncovered. Drains around the Chawton roundabout were not cleared. 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 HCC?**

### **KITCOMBE LANE**

1. Continued problem in Kitcombe lane with OFFROAD vehicles.  
Several problems reports to the authorities.  
**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.
2. It is noted that vehicles some un licenced and with no MOT are parking in the EHDC owned car park at the crossroads.

### **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 started on Massey's Folly with scaffolding erected on side and front of building.  
Please be careful when passing this site.  
It was noted that HSE visited this site following a call.

### **THE STREET**

1. BLOCKED DRAIN outside BROWNINGS ORCHARD **Reported to HCC?**  
Examined by HCC who say grid is too small for location and will update with larger drain cover.

### **CROWS LANE**

1. WEST VIEW no's 1-8. turf adjacent to road now stabilizing; hopefully we will not have vehicles parking or driving over this new roadside area.

## **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 turn junction sign missing on Selborne road. **Reported 7 months ago HCC**
2. There are two potholes in Hall lane near farmyard that require attention
3. 30 Mph sign on corner near Upper Farrington House damaged and should be repaired and moved to be seen more easily.
4. ROSE AND CROWN junction.  
White lines around junction have been remarked but there is still some parking.  
on the lines near the corner causing a problem

**ONGOING**

## **PLAYING FIELDS AND EQUIPMENT**

All play equipment and bins are checked on a regular basis.  
The turf by the goal mouth has been re laid but will require further thought as surface becomes a problem again.  
Rubbish bins have been placed on a monthly contract for emptying.  
Please report if there is any misuse of bins or seen to be full.  
There is a contact number on many of the bins for direct contact with HCC.

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

## **FOOTPATHS AND HEDGES**

**ALL listed footpaths were cut last year by Rights of Way Contractors and are clear**

Several stiles are in need of maintenance and owners should be aware that barbed wire adjacent to stile is not a good idea.

**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**

Last Flood Action Group meeting was cancelled and at present there is no notification of next meeting at Winchester to discuss the ongoing flood control actions and future plan.

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.

Work by HCC and contractors will continue throughout this year and will progress along the A32 into Chawton and eventually into south Alton. Consultation with residents prone to flooding along the A32 is in hand with contact information being sought as to problems associated with the 2000/2014 flooding of gardens.

At present local water levels at approximately 12 metres below surface and correspond to years where NO major flooding has occurred.

Monitoring of water in the A32 ditches to Chawton and any cellar water rises are the first indication of possible problems.

An Emergency plan for flooding and other possible emergencies has been written and circulated to HCC for approval. An update on emergency telephone numbers and information has now been returned to enable us to update plan to second draft.

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

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