

Parish Meetings continue, refer to website and notice boards. <https://farringdonpc.org/>

Next meeting: Thurs. 9TH July 2026 @ 7pm in All Saints Church.

Majority of problems seen within or near the Farringdon Parish are listed in relation to their Road/Lane location and have been reported to HCC/EHDC via their websites but recently we have seen a reduction in action possibly due to available finances.

Reporting any local issue on road, footpaths etc. can now be done via our updated parish website. Hopefully the more instances of you reporting a problem will raise the priority of the job!

MAIN A32 SOUTH to Farringdon crossroads

Ditches at side of the A32 require clearing and it is also evident that drainage pipes under side roads are partially blocked. Responsibility deemed to be with landowners.

KITCOMBE LANE

No reports of any problems. Ownership of land adjacent to lane in Lords Wood is being checked.

FARRINGDON CROSSROADS (north to the 30mph limit)

Still problems with large lorries/vans trying to access Farringdon Industrial Centre.

Parish Council did provide a new small sign indicating no access but this has disappeared!

NORTH TO CHAWTON ROUNDABOUT

The ditches along the A32 are dry but remain blocked with debris and hedges require cutting.

There is some uncertainty on ownership of the RHS side ditches as Chawton estate indicate that their deeds do not show this section of land being owned by them.

BRIGHTSTONE LANE

Two new flood warning signs erected either side of the dip at the old bridge.

Recent contractor verge cutting was not very successful with lane edges partially cut.

Cutting upwards for at least 1 metre would help.Reduced visibility with hedges are growing fast.

Edges of lane have fallen/cut tree branches so be aware. Kerb edges are in need of clearing.

Repaired BT cables following fallen tree still lie on the verge within 1/2 m of the road edge.

No action as yet by Openreach following reporting.

Reports have been received on speeding cars still using the lane late evenings and parking on pavements and near the crossroads has been reported to local authorities.

Recently several reports of speeding motorbikes and old tractors using the lane in the evenings.

SDNP Planning has visited Lords Wood Site and two enforcement notices were placed on site but the owner has appealed against both notices, and so the six-month compliance period will be put on-hold until the Planning Inspectorate issue a decision on the matter.

SHIRNALL HILL

Drains at Chase view being monitored.

A reported overhanging fallen tree on left hand side does not cause a problem at present.

CHURCH ROAD and PARSONAGE CLOSE

Work continues at Massey's Folly.

THE STREET

The ownership of stank lane boundaries was investigated but came to no conclusion at this time. Locally landowners are responsible for side hedges whilst HCC maintains bridleway to 2.5m.

CROWS LANE.

Drainage system that exits into Gaston Lane require drains and gulleys to be cleared otherwise excessive runoff from fields above Hall lane will cause local flooding.

GASTON LANE

Gaston lane (Caker stream bridge) is still CLOSED but progress is being made. If the planned solar farm application is passed then during the site construction, this lane will probably become one way with Hall Lane also one way.

HALL LANE

HCC were active in filling ruts along edge of road but surface is now seen to be breaking up. The SDNP sign at the junction of Hall lane and the B3006 was reported as a sightline obstruction but no action so far. The left hand junction sign on the B3006 still not replaced after 2 years but has been highlighted yet again to HCC.

LOWER PLAYING FIELD, PLAY GROUND

Parish Council has agreed on work to be made on several small projects in this area. Broken wooden bollards adjacent to the road are being checked and will be replaced shortly.

COMMUNITY VILLAGE GARDEN

Garden work by volunteers continues. Adjacent parking, use of passage and access to Right Of Way is being monitored. Illegal parking on the Right of Way should be reported to the local authorities directly.

FOOTPATHS AND HEDGES

Hedges in lanes are growing quickly and visibility is being reduced --- beware.

All paths and bridleways are being monitored; most are passable. On local footpaths there are Ranger volunteers doing this job—we wait for an update.

All hedges and overhanging trees to be cut back from the road, lane edges and those bordering any footpaths and bridleways. Rights of Way may only cut footpaths to 1.50m and bridleways to 2.50m width. We believe that the Byways Open To all Traffic (B.O.A.T)'s are still under HCC control).

To report footpath problems use the Parish Website <https://farringdonpc.org/>

FLOODING Water table is now normal

Local water table level recorded as 104.7m AOD, (93.72 to 113.45 is normal range)

Flood alleviation plan by HCC for further work along Lavant stream has been cancelled with only future works if it floods following a revised emergency plan.

PLEASE REPORT ANY ROAD/ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS DIRECTLY TO ME
OR TO ANY PARISH COUNCILLOR, OUR CLERK, OR VIA THE PARISH WEBSITE.

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