

**ALVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL  
MEETING PACK FOR APRIL 2021 MEETING**  
This month's updates in **bold**.

**7 Planning**

c) To receive any progress reports on local planning matters.

- Planning enforcement: Smallbrook – FoDDC investigations are ongoing and I have asked for an update which I will give verbally at the meeting if received in time.
- Planning enforcement: Cross Stores: email response from Enforcement team on 18/3: “Now that the appeal is dismissed the enforcement case can be reopened and reallocated hopefully within the next few weeks.”

**8 Village**

c) To note any updates on village/parish improvement matters

Flood mitigation in the parish	<p>Tudor Cottage sewage flooding: <b>I am now very close to finalising a meeting date of 20<sup>th</sup> April 11.30 am. Attendees to include all key parties.</b></p> <p>A48 surface water issue due to road topography / drainage: Brian Watkins emailed on 19/2: “The jetting / CCTV unit was on site yesterday in Alvington. I have not yet received the report however from discussions with the contractor carrying out the work. All of the gullies are working through to where they join the main culverts. They attempted to CCTV the main culverts unfortunately there are only a couple of manhole entry points on to the culvert and we couldn't CCTV all that we needed to due to restrictions in culvert.” <b>I have just chased Brian and hope to give a further update verbally at the meeting.</b></p>
Garlands Road – poor condition of footpaths, poor condition of garages	<p>Highways have confirmed ownership of the path and have booked in work to improve it.</p> <p>Garages remain the same but it is understood that Two Rivers are working through a rolling programme of improving all of their garage stock across the district.</p>
Public Rights of Way in the parish	<p>Jeff Wheeler (PROW officer) advised in October that the following work in the parish remains on his caseload and is actively being dealt with.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FAL3 has a broken pointer on the signpost and its signpost is pushed over.</li> <li>• FAL5 to FAL6 ... New report just received ... apparently no access from FAL5 to FAL6 ... to be investigated.</li> <li>• FAL7 needs inspecting again and a meeting with the landowner due to obstructions. Meeting is long overdue and delayed due to COVID and will take place once lockdown has ended.</li> <li>• FAL21 apparently has broken stiles each end – need to determine whether frames or just steps ...</li> <li>• FAL12, FAL13, FAL14 require replacement kissing gates or gates for the stiles if possible. Again requires discussion with the landowner(s).</li> </ul>

Neighbourhood Watch / Policing	To my knowledge there is still a Neighbourhood Watch vacancy for Garlands Road side of the A48 to work in partnership with the opposite side.
Emergency Plan – ensuring it's up to date and fit for purpose.	There remains a vacancy for a flood warden.
<b>Environmental Health concern</b>	<b>Cross Stores: burning of harmful waste; suspected dumping of refuse from another location on site: ERS have written to the owner and have asked for various actions before mid-April. Owner has indicated his intention of taking these actions. ERS continues to monitor the situation and engage with the owner.</b>

## 11. Highways

### a) To receive any updates on Highways matters

Issue	Comments
Clanna Lane / A48 Double yellow lines – feasibility query (originated 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2019)	So far, 2 sets of photos of antisocial parking sent to Brian Watkins, who has forwarded to the Traffic Regulation Order team. Funding is an issue: around £10K which Highways cannot currently commit, though maybe in 20-21 or after. Process would take around 12 months from instructing the TRO team.
Japanese Knotweed near Sandford Pond	Brought up at September meeting. Reported Sept 2020. Chased December 14 <sup>th</sup> ; <b>After chasing up several times it transpired that there had been confusion over location. I have now re-stated this to them and they are looking into it.</b>
Bank swallowing footpath from petrol station to Aylburton Sandford Rd (originated 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2020)	<b>Highways have cut back the vegetation, which was needed, but the request about soil seemed to have been lost along the way. I have now (mid March) submitted a request with plenty of detail and have been advised that the request has been logged.</b>
Debris on Swan Hill	Reported to FoDDC Jan 2021 (following Highways advising that this comes under FoDDC's remit).
<b>Swan Hill: Deteriorating retaining wall</b>	<b>18/2: Reported this to Highways and provided images and map, and expressed concerns about risk of collapse.</b>
<b>Clanna Lane: standing water and blocked culvert by the bridge</b>	<b>5/2: provided detailed description and map to Highways via email. Chased March.</b>

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