

ALVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING PACK FOR THE MARCH 2022 MEETING

This month's updates in **bold**.

9. Village

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

Flood mitigation in the parish	Ongoing; DCI/r McFarling continues to liaise with Severn Trent Water and GCC.
Public Rights of Way in the parish	<p>The following issues remain on Jeff's radar and will be addressed as soon as possible: Some repairs carried out early Feb. Alec will be supplying information so we can then update the list and remove some issues now resolved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FAL3 has a broken pointer on the signpost and its signpost is pushed over. Not marked anywhere along its length. • FAL5 to FAL6 ... New report just received ... apparently no access from FAL5 to FAL6 ... to be investigated. • 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. • FAL21 apparently has broken stiles each end – need to determine whether frames or just steps ... • FHE43 and FHE42 Signposts and footpaths are not marked anywhere along their entire lengths. • FWO115 Impassable requires a bush cutter. This is a regular ongoing issue year round • FWO23 Almost impassable. Requires major work to return as a footpath. Took more than 20 minutes to cut our way through a short distance on 12th October 2021

12. Highways

b) To receive any updates on Highways matters

Issue	Comments
Clanna Lane antisocial parking Clanna Lane / A48 Double yellow lines – feasibility query (originated 20 th November 2019)	There have now been 22 photos of antisocial parking sent to Brian Watkins, who has forwarded to the Traffic Regulation Order team. Stuart Budd is working on this with the TRO team. Stuart Budd responded on 28/1: "I've met with the TRO team and gone through the proposal. The TRO team is now progressing it. I'll try to get an idea of timescales."
Japanese Knotweed near Sandford Pond	Chased again September 2021. A contractor visited to do the work but couldn't access the area. I was advised it would be treated Autumn 2021 but it seems not to have been done. Location resupplied to Highways as Stuart was not made aware of this issue during handover.
Bank swallowing footpath from petrol station to Aylburton Sandford Rd	First reported March 2021, advised "at the time of his inspection, much of the footpath was within GCC criteria. However, he has also raised a job to cut back the soil at the rear of the path for a total distance of

<p>(originated 4th November 2020)</p>	<p>approximately 165 metres, and this will be completed at the earliest opportunity.” Sept 2021: a very small amount of work seems to have taken place, but it’s far from addressing the issues. In mid-September I sent a pack of information/photos to Highways to illustrate the issue. 28/1 response from Stuart Budd: “This was passed to our safety inspectors. They’ve responded by saying that there is no issue to be resolved. I’m chasing.”</p>
<p>Swan Hill: Deteriorating retaining wall</p>	<p>Ongoing, being progressed by Highways. 28/1 response from Stuart Budd: “I met with the resident. He has employed a tree surgeon to remove the vegetation above the wall. Work is scheduled to take place on 7th February (I’ve provided a traffic management team to ensure safe working) Once the vegetation is removed we’ll conduct a structural survey and establish the most appropriate way forward.”</p>
<p>Clanna Lane: standing water and blocked culvert by the bridge</p>	<p>Highways officer 19/8: “I met with Nick Powell, the issue is with the debris which have built up along the road edge. I will get the lengthsman gang to scrape these back when I can borrow a JCB from one of our construction gangs.” Information resupplied to Highways as Stuart was not made aware of this issue during handover.</p>

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