

Good Afternoon Anna

Thank you for taking the time to coordinate the meeting the other day to discuss highway issues within the Parish and for the subsequent Parish tour with County Councillor Hick and Parish Councillor Nichols.

I have previously updated you on the recent changes with how our highway services are delivered and so I will not repeat myself, but ask that you let your parishioners know that the 08000 514 514 contact number is still available for the more routine issues they need to report.

Our meeting covered a few topics so for brevity I am using bullet point's on the issues raised;

* Signage on the PROW - I have copied my colleague Mike Barton in on this reply just by way of a reminder for him that he still has outstanding actions on this matter. I am sure once the commissioning dust has settled he will make contact and update your Parish.

* Mrs. Portlock has noted the need for the foliage to be cut back around the signs and I am sure she will take appropriate action when resources are available.

* Grass cutting- I will have no need to remind you of the constraints and pressures that all Local Authorities are facing with respect to their funding and resources, given this the decision has been made to review all our levels of service with the consequence that our we have developed processes that make best use of the funding available by developing baseline services to meet our obligations to manage the network. The Strategic Transport Asset Management Plan (TAMP) which has been approved by Cabinet details the service standards. With respect to grass cutting our schedule will now only be cutting visibility splays on junctions and forward visibility on our roads followed by one cut on straights. Having said that we will obviously respond to safety matters and undertake ad-hoc cuts when necessary, any concerns can be reported via the 08000 514 514 telephone number.

* We looked at Bagpath and Barnhill road and I was pleased to note that safety defects, which I know were of concern to your Parish, have been identified. Again defects such as this can be reported on the 08000 514 514 number.

* We discussed at length the impact that the temporary weight limit along the Horsley Road was having on vehicle numbers through your Parish. I regret that I do not have any up to date information the progress of resolving these slips. I would respectfully suggest that Cllr. Hick and his colleague Cllr Binns, who are Horsley is within, ask my colleague John Kay the Local Highways Manager in the central area.

* Thank you for explaining your concerns about the confusion drivers have about the signing on the A4135/Nympsfield junction. To be frank I do not think that an acceptable revised layout could be provided however looking at it I think an additional directional sign on the junction itself, on the post, would be of benefit. I will ask Gill to organise.

* Whilst I have noted your concerns about the size of the bus using Windmill Lane I have very little influence over the service provider, but I will raise your concerns with my integrated transport colleagues. I have noted its condition and I will include this road on my list for patching, I will however caution you now as I currently have higher priority locations and thus I cannot guarantee when works will be undertaken.

Regards

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