

Bozeat Parish Council – Highways Monthly Report

Month ending 4th April 2022

Street Doctor Headline

One new street doctor report raised during this period; No. 115. The following reports numbers were closed during this period; Boz 82, 93, 96, 98, 100, 101, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108. 113. The following remain open and continue to be monitored Boz 69, 99, 114 and 115.

Damage to verges by roofing contractor

The photographs below, are an example, of the extensive damage done to the verges along Queen St and Mill Rd. by a roofing contractor who is currently refurbishing the roofs on a number of properties, either for the hosing association or Wellingborough Council. Awaiting completion of roofing works to see if repairs are carried out to the verge. **Recent response from Greatwell Homes:** "Abbeymill will be sorting once all works are complete and there are no further deliveries or pickups down there. I think the last scaffold came down this week. Abbeymill will be flattening, filling with topsoil and grass seeding in the next week or so." **Work complete.**

The current position with the matters raised with NNC representative is as follows:

1 Traffic calming and 20mph speed limit along Harold Rd.

We are currently preparing a proposal to be submitted to NNC Council for static 20mph signs and road markings. The drawings were submitted to the Parish Council for review/comment at the November meeting and approved by the Parish Council to submit to North Northampton Council by Brian Skittrall. It was agreed at the meeting that this would be raised at the forthcoming meeting of Parish Councils on the 25th January 22. This was raised at the Parish's Council meeting and will be raised with Northamptonshire Highways. Response from Ian Boyes setting out process of review. **It was suggest, at the recent on site meeting by the Ward Councillors that the Parish Council should consider part financial contribution for a head for the existing and new Visual Display Screen (VDS) as an alternative to the recently submitted permanent 20mph speed zone. We have requested a quotation from Ian Boyes for the VDS's.**

On going works yet to be completed

- a NCC will install a reflective road sign at the corner of Church Lane and Mile Street. Order Placed. Not installed yet. No change during this period. Discussed at the Parish's Council meeting on 25th Jan 22 who will raise with Highways. Response from Ben Wright; work to be carried out over a week end. **Discussed slow progress at recent site meeting with Ward Councillors and Ian Boyes, awaiting response.**
- b The pavement is due to be lower at the corner of Harrold Rd and Church Lane; order placed and work has been programmed. No change during this period. Response from Ben Wright; work to be carried out over a week end. **Discussed slow progress at recent site meeting with Ward Councillors and Ian Boyes, awaiting response.**
- c Look to install yellow no parking lines at the corner of Allen Hill and Harrold Rd. To be added to next years install programme, we will need to mark up where we would like the intended no parking lines to be placed along Church Lane and Harrold Rd. Submission made, awaiting determination; this could take up to 18 months to complete. Awaiting determination. Again this was raised at the Parish's Council meeting and we have requested that this be done sooner than previously reported. **No change during this period.**

2 Discussion with NCC Highways representative

Notes and response from meeting with Ben Wright held on the 20th Jan and 25th Feb 22. **Next meeting is planned for the 6th April 2022.**

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- a) Dag Lane drain has been partially unblocked. Highways to let me know when next they intend to carry out further work so I can have a look during the works. The surrounding Tarmac to be repaired once the root bole, obstructing the pipe, is cut away. Response – I have a couple of weeks of night shifts coming up, but plan to visit ASAP with our drainage engineer to look at permanent solutions. I'll keep you updated with any proposals and plans for works. (I've suggested to Ben that we meet up with the land owner so that they have the opportunity to be involved in the decision making process). Further response from Highways – We will hold an initial site meeting at Dag Lane with our team as we may be able to design a solution that involves excavation in the highway only (i.e.: abandon the existing pipe and design a different engineering solution). **Response from Highways:** I'll forward over details once I have them. I spoke with the drainage engineer on my way back from Bozeat and he has requested that I place an order for a new piece of equipment they have at their disposal for one last attempt to clear the root mass in the pipe before we start to design an invasive (ie: excavation) solution. No action as yet needs to be escalated within Highways. **Work to clear the drain has been completed. The test will be when next we have a downpour as to how well the drain couples with the out flow of water.**
- b) We also looked at a section of pavement, which needs to be clear of soil creep, running up the left hand side from the junction of Allens Hill and London Rd's. Response – Firm date TBC, although have requested pre-Christmas completion from programming team. **Response from Highways:** This one is due for completion by the end of February. Not yet started due to bad weather will seek new date for completion. **Work completed.**
- c) Thermal unit works:
 - a. Hensmans Lane work to commence within the next four weeks. **Response from Highways:** Correct. **Additional minor works to be completed.**
 - b. Queen Street initial works to be under taken at the same time as Hensmans Lane works. **Response from Highways:** Correct. **Additional minor works to be completed.**
- d) NNC to review the roads in Bozeat before October this year for surface dressing; for inclusion in next year's, 2022 programme of works. Highways have put the suggested sites forward to the team responsible for surface treatments and will have a programme around October-time. It must be noted that these sites aren't guaranteed for inclusion in the programme and will be ranked alongside other recommended sites across North Northamptonshire. Provide feed back on whether Bozeat roads are to be sealed. Response – Still awaiting firm programme from the team responsible and will update as soon as I have confirmation. No change.
- e) Light on the yield sign at the corner of Allens Hill and London Rds. not functions first reported on fix my street report No. 3138813. This sign is not indicated under street signs within fix my street and therefore is difficult to report a fault and clear over grown foliage. Can this please be added. Light to be reported via Balfour Beatty Ben Wright to forward details. **Response from Highways:** Contact Balfour Beatty direct here: http://www.lightingnorthamptonshire.com/report_fault.aspx. **Response:** Yield sign to be completely replaced. **Trees around Yield Sign to be cleared by Highways before the sign can be replaced.**
- f) Emailed Balfour Beatty in connection with the street lights along Hensman lane awaiting a response. "There are a number of lamp posts along Hensman Lane that look to of not been modernised they have strip bulbs not LED's; lamppost numbers L2MIU and L3MIU. The lamp

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cover on lamp post number L1MIU, the bulb cover is partially opened. The lamp post at the top of Hensman Lane has no number but would assume it follows sequentially and is therefore, L4MIU.” **Will not change the lamppost heads at present. Bulb cover has been closed. No further action to be taken.**

- g) Additional areas along Queen Street to be marked up for thermal unit to repair. **Response from Highways:** Correct – as discussed we’ll chip away at Queen Street during spring/summer 2022. **To be reviewed at next site meeting.**

Notes:

New items during the reporting month will be highlighted in **red** on the Highways Tracking Spreadsheet.

Will continue to monitor Street Doctor to ensure works are undertaken as stated and report any changes to time frame for delivery.

Would request that Parish Council members provide me with any concerns they may have that require to be raised on Street Doctor.

The report captures all Street Doctor submissions up to and including the cut off date 4th April 22 that I’m aware of; if I’ve missed any please let me know and I will add to the spreadsheet.

Attachments:

Highways Tracking Spreadsheet