

Item 14 – Clerk’s Report

1. HCC Highways investigative works in Chinham Road

Following the above which was undertaken on November 15th 2024 I contacted HCC Highways by e-mail on November 18th 2024 to ask what the works had discovered. Below is their response:-

“I am writing in relation to your enquiry regarding Chinham Road, Bartley.

After speaking with our local highways engineer, they have advised that, surface water system jetting and a CCTV survey was undertaken in Chinham Road between Shepherds Road and New Inn Road on Friday the 15th of November 2024. Three blockages were found, it is suspected the cause is Utility damage, i.e., telegraph pole, water meters and a below ground telecom junction box.

Discussions are underway to decide on the way forward.”

2. Advisory Committees

The following meetings have taken place since my last report to Council dated November 5th 2024:-

Finance AC	November 14 th 2024
Personnel & Governance AC	December 2 nd 2024
Finance AC	December 2 nd 2024

Agenda, meeting notes & papers for all Advisory Committee meetings can be found on the following page of our website (<https://www.copythorne.org.uk/committees/>) in accordance with the Terms of Reference for the Advisory Committees.

At the time of writing, I am aware of the following scheduled (or likely to take place) in the next few months.

Flooding AC	January 7 th 2025
Five Year Plan AC	January 9 th 2025
Media & Publicity AC	February 13 th 2025
Personnel & Governance AC	February 13 th 2025
Finance AC	February 24 th 2025

3. Hampshire Association of Local Council’s (HALC) County Forum

Cllr. Johnstone and myself attended the above event on November 28th 2024

4. New Forest Town & Parish Council’s Community Forum

Cllrs Rhodes and Chillcott along with myself are due to attend the above event in Lyndhurst on December 4th 2024.

5. Matters reported to HCC/NFDC

Attached (as Appendix A) is a list of matters reported by the Clerk to HCC that remain outstanding. Also included are matters reported by councillors or residents who have then supplied the reference number to me.

David Rigby, Parish Clerk
December 3rd 2024

APPENDIX A – Point 5 – Items reported to HCC/NFDC

ISSUES REPORTED TO HCC or NFDC FAULT REPORTING WEBPAGE - OPEN ENQUIRIES - (updated 3/12/24)

DATE REPORTED	REF. NUMBER	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE RAISED	REPORTED BY	FIRST CHECK DUE	LAST CHECKED	LATEST COMMENTS
11/04/20	7061319	Query condition of New Inn Rd (direct to Highways)	David Rigby	27/04/20	03/12/24	Last quarterly survey advised no worked planned. The next survey is due in January 2025. Details have been sought
23/11/22	21631147	Drain blocked near The Wilderness, Winsor Rd	David Rigby	30/11/22	03/12/24	01/07/24 – Investigations and potential remedies are being considered by HCC Highways. Repairs to drainage pipes nearby and further surveys are understood to have taken place. Further work provisionally planned for Jan 2025
10/10/24	21764994	Utilities repair issue in Romsey Road, Ower	David Rigby	17/10/24	03/12/24	Southern Water will be returning to undertake further repair works.
11/10/24	21765184	Carriageway issues near Ford in Wittensford Lane, Cadnam	David Rigby	18/10/24	03/12/24	29/11 – Your enquiry is progressing
17/10/24	21766341	White railings in Barrow Hill Road leaning	Cllr. Sherri Johnstone	24/10/2024	03/12/24	8/11 – Works to be scheduled. (Repair works are due to take place on 4/12/24)

Number only = HCC

CS and Number = NFDC