

# BIBURY PARISH COUNCIL

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## Highways Report

There follows a report on highways defects and related matters.

Dated: 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021



Cllr Craig Chapman

Bibury Parish Council – Highways

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## REPORT

### 1. Defects Reported / Actions

1.1) Location: **Dry Stone Wall, The Street**

Issue: **Vandalised wall (stones thrown into river – police incident 431)**

Enquiry Number: **11323190**

Communicated to HGCC by Irena Litton: 4 June 2021

**STATUS – Outstanding.** Safety Inspection Team notified by Ray Walters 22 July and details forwarded to Highways Infrastructure Team on 9<sup>th</sup> August. Survey undertaken and works commissioned.

1.2) Location: **General status of white marked areas where repair work is intended (eg Winson to Ablington Road, Ablington to Bibury Road and in Bibury, B4425 / Burford Road close to / north of Cemetery Lane)**

Issue: **Potholes on the Carriageways**

Communicated to HGCC by Craig Chapman: 12 July 2021

HGCC Confirmed: 14 July 2021 - Local Highways Manager and the Area Highways Representative may be able to assist

**STATUS – Completed** - Resurfacing work on B4425 (close to / north of Cemetery Lane) also between the Coln / Salt Way turning and Aldsworth Road estate (see 2.1) – **Remove from next report**

1.3) Location: **The 'low' road from Bibury to Ablington**

Issue: **Potholes on the Carriageway**

Enquiry Number: **11333135**

Reported by: Cllr Ann Haigh

Communicated to HGCC by Craig Chapman: 13 August 2021

HGCC Confirmed: 18 August 2021

**STATUS – Completed** - **Remove from next report**

1.4) Location: **As you approach Ablington on the lower road**

General Signs Issues: **The Ablington village sign needs to be repaired as the black on the initial letters have worn off**

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Enquiry Number: **11333142**

Reported by: Cllr Ann Haigh

Communicated to HGCC by Craig Chapman: 13 August 2021

HGCC Confirmed: 18 August 2021

**STATUS – Closed - Remove from next report**

1.5) Location: **Fiveways / Fiveways back towards Barnsley**

Issue: **Potholes / need for resurfacing**

9 September 2021 - Richard Gray (Local Highways Manager / Cotswold South) notified that the poor condition of some parts of the B4425 near Bibury, had been raised by their contractors safety team. Whilst they have responded to the safety defect notified (see 1.3 Report 12<sup>th</sup> September) it is felt that larger scale patching is now required. To this end GCC commissioned works with a start date 10<sup>th</sup> September. For the safety of the work force and local residents a temporary road closure was put in place and notified to local residents.

**STATUS:**

**Completed** - A large section at the Fiveways junction has now been resurfaced.

**Outstanding** - Fiveways back towards Barnsley is included in a capital programme for resurfacing next year to deal with the other areas of deterioration.

1.6) Location: **The road from Bibury to Barnsley**

Issue: **Deer signs painted on road need re-painting**

Enquiry Numbers: **11337433 / 37**

Reported by: Parish Council

Communicated to HGCC by Craig Chapman: 21 September 2021

HGCC Confirmed: 22 September 2021

**STATUS – Outstanding**

1.7) Location: **The road from Bibury to Barnsley**

Issue: **Flooding Issues**

Enquiry Number: **11338246**

Reported by: Cllr Neil Clegg

Communicated to HGCC by Craig Chapman: 28 September 2021

HGCC Confirmed: 29 September 2021 and requested more detail as to specific areas which was provided on 3 October 2021

**STATUS – Outstanding**

## 2. Other

2.1) Traffic Regulation Order

A Site Meeting related to Independent Safety Audit was held on Wednesday 6th October. Hannah Bassett-Louis (Traffic Regulation Order Manager - Gloucestershire County Council) subsequently indicated that she had asked Dave Wilson (GCC Highways) to draw up the plans and associated legal documentation in line with what was discussed. Once approved, they will be sent to the Parish Council team for review before being letter dropped to the residents. A 21-day period will be given to the residents to air their concerns informally. Once the 21-day period has ended, feedback will be evaluated, proposals amended and then to proceed with statutory and formal public consultation.

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## 2.2) Speed Control – Arlington / Bibury

Following comment by Cllr Neil Clegg, on 3 October 2021 Cllr Craig Chapman raised the issue of measures to reduce speeding through Arlington / Bibury with Richard Gray (Local Highways Manager GCC Cotswold South) focussed on the new gateways (2 near the Pike and the one gateway beyond the football club). It was discussed as to whether we could have either 40 roundels painted on the road on a contrast background and/or crocodile markings approaching the gateways. Roundels and crocodile markings being commonly used, for example on the approach to Aldsworth.

Richard Gray responded on 6<sup>th</sup> October indicating:

- Our parish is not the only one to experience noncompliance with the posted speed limit and in the first instance to keep reporting this to the Police
- With respect to the request to reinforce the gateway with 40mph roundel and/or crocodile markings approaching the gateways commenting that he understood the reasoning behind this suggestion as they do have their place in road safety
- Advising that at a change of speed limit GCC is permitted to include roundels, however unless they are included as part of a designed safety scheme the inclusion of them in a red background is not used these days as they represent an ongoing maintenance liability
- In conclusion commenting that GCC could commission a 40mph roundel but not in a red panel but (following a site visit) that “teeth” markings will not fit.

**ACTION** – Cllr Craig Chapman to raise at PC Meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> October to agree progression.