

North Cadbury & Yarlington Parish Council

Highways Report November 2022

Flooding

The past few weeks have seen an abnormal amount of rain and the lanes around the parish are suffering as a result. Flooding however has been minimal and more particularly at the Brookhampton junction with Cary Road in North Cadbury and the junction of Long Street and Frog Lane Galhampton where the roadside pond has been overflowing. In the main where the roads are awash it is due to drains blocked with leaves and I noticed on one or two drains that it didn't take much to push the leaves aside and the water flowed away quickly.

Potholes

All this additional water will only help to break down the road surface and especially when we get a frost potholes will appear. Somerset County Council are now much quicker at reacting to reports of potholes and parishioners are encouraged to report specific instances - www.somersetcountycouncil.gov.uk - roads and transport - report a pothole.

Mud on the Road

Landowners are responsible for leaving excess mud on the road and whilst at this time of year and in this sort of location we must expect some mud on the roads there is a reporting line available to report any excess amounts not cleared within a reasonable time frame - www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-transport/flooding-mud/

Winter Preparedness

Following our discussion last month I have spoken with Rory Montgomery re the situation with Parish Hill North Cadbury and he has offered to help should the need arise and he has suggested placing a grit box in the hedge at the top of the hill which can then be available for anyone to use in the event of ice/snow. I have agreed to approach John Nicholson with a view to obtaining a box. I have also spoken with Paul Rawson and he has said that he would help out with the hills in Yarlington if needed.

Excess Water on Parish Hill

Whilst speaking with Rory Montgomery the question of water flowing across Parish Hill was mentioned and Rory believes that the culvert on the left hand side of the hill has collapsed and needs replacement. I will be discussing this with John Nicholson shortly.

John Rundle