

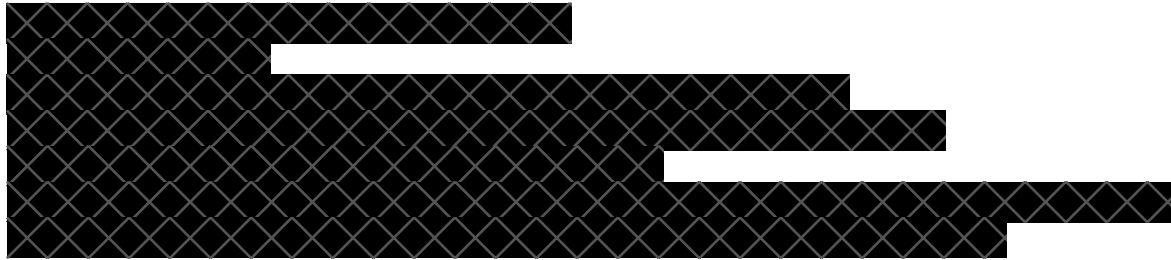
BOYLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL – DITCH MAINTENANCE

REPORT FOR PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 25th JULY 2024

MEETINGS HELD SO FAR 20th MAY; 17th JUNE and 18th JULY

CORRESPONDENCE WITH PARISHONERS

1. Letter April 2024 Verges Roadside ditches and Riparian ownership
2. 28th May 2024 – Introducing Ditch Maintenance Working Group and asking for help identifying problem areas
3. 20th June 2024 – Update advising that roads would be swept and drains jetted. Next step was to get DCC to accept responsibility for some or all of works. If we have to carry out works due to our budget constraints we would have to prioritise. We will not do New Road ditch.



DCC accept responsibility for the majority of the identified problem areas (see list). They will not clear ditches on private land (i.e. within the fields) and will only deal with those ditches that carry water FROM the highway.

Dates and programme for the work will be indicated via a phone call between [redacted] and [redacted] 1st August 2024.

These works will be carried out subject to DCC budget remaining available (Approx cost for work 8K) it is DCC decision if ditches will or will not be piped.

Works may be scheduled in “bite size pieces” but if budgets allow works to be completed by October 2024. Road closures may be required for New Road ditches.

Problem areas identified but not covered by DCC

New Road – small section of ditch behind telephone box – landowner [REDACTED]

Alkmonton Road gateway entrance that was filled with rubble and stones needs clearing and piping to allow water to flow – landowner [REDACTED]

The Square opposite Malthouse Lane – ditch within field needs clearing – landowner [REDACTED]

Twisses Bank Ivy Cottage to Harehill Farm – ditch in field is needed there isn't one at present – landowner [REDACTED]

Action: To liaise with landowners and without prejudice as a one time to assist in anyway including financial to get work done if possible.

Alkmonton Road outside Claremont House water has no where to drain so creates a hazard/danger in freezing weather. – This is to be reported to DCC. It is not a ditches issue. Helen to report

The ditch on Chapel Lane has been reported to the Environmental department as it smells of sewage. This is the landowners responsibility [REDACTED]. The Parish Council will not contemplate any action on this until this is addressed and then may not take action

There are some issues with drains – broken and/or raised I need to check with [REDACTED] whether these are in hand or need reporting

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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