

COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 13th JULY 2021
ITEM 20 – COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS – JOHN GOODWIN

1. National Association of Local Councils: How to get young people involved in local councils:

Due to technical difficulties experienced, I was unable to join the meeting on 26th May 2021. Following the event I was sent details of the presentations and having reviewed them I have confirmed that, in my opinion, they relate to much larger councils who can consider setting up youth sections. NALC have kindly sent the Clerk a link to a recording of the event which has been made available to all councillors.

2. Road drainage issues between Bartley School and Parish Hall, Winsor Road, WINSOR:

The recent roadworks completed by Hampshire County Council appear to have solved the drainage issue in Winsor Road at its junction with Pollards Moor Road. The replacement/repair to the kerbing to the gully outside The Wilderness has not, unfortunately, solved the water flowing out of this gully at times of prolonged rainfall.



The above photos taken on Tuesday 6th July 2021

**3. Pollards Moor Road: between Vicarage Lane and Romsey Road junction, COPYTHORNE:
Footpath/Road condition adjacent to Southern Water’s Pumping Station**

Whilst the carriageway has been fully reinstated the footpath has become even more overgrown and impassable as is still awaiting attention from Hampshire County Council.



The above photos were taken on 29th June 2021

4. Winsor Road to Pound Lane, WINSOR:

Footpath condition entrance to Kent's Farm to Pound Lane Junction:

On Sunday 4th July a local resident telephoned me to report the condition of the footpath, which is only on the south side of Winsor Road. The footpath is impassable to anyone with a pushchair or buggy, etc. As well as the hedge adjoining the footpath overhanging the footpath, the weed growth in the footpath alongside the kerb line has reached such a level that it is possibly time for it to be classified as a verge and therefore regularly cut!



The above photos were taken on 4th July 2021

5. Japanese Knotweed in Romsey Road, CADNAM:

As it was about this time last year, Japanese Knotweed is again growing along the western side of Romsey Road being observed from the footpath.

The New Forest District Council on 21st June 2021 issued an article entitled: "Look out for Japanese Knotweed" which set out the latest information and advice related to this invasive species.

It is suggested that the Council should consider instigating a survey to establish the extent to which this species can be found in the Parish and inform the affected land and property owners as to where advice is available.

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