

Hunts Grove

Maintenance & Issues Report: December 2021

Hunts Grove Parish Council (HGPC) has started surveying the complete village each month prior to the parish council meeting. This is a result of residents and councillors concerns that the situation on site has deteriorated significantly and is not being addressed fully by Crest Nicholson.

HGPC commit to publishing a monthly report on its website for <u>as long as is necessary</u> to raise awareness of these issues and to get them resolved satisfactorily.

Play park reports are already compiled by Cllr Turner-Wilkes and reviewed at the monthly Parish Council meeting.

Progress Since October Report

Of all the issues reported and illustrated in our October report, the only progress we can see is that the area behind Pine Marten Close play park has been cut, however the hedgerow side is shoulder high with weeds. Also, the footpath on the northern boundary of the site that links Pine Marten west to Hunts Grove Drive, the housing side of the path was cut last week, however the hedgerow side is very unkempt and overgrown with weeds.

The subsidence on Harrier Way bus stop has now been repaired but in this report there are examples of lots of subsidence, which needs to be repaired. Some maintenance on verges have been done, but there are still plenty of examples of unkempt verges making the village look extremely untidy.

Further to Councils' action in , and considerable pushing, Crest Nicholson have sent us a high-level maintenance list for the next six months. The council is seeking a greater level of engagement on the issues we are raising and clearing the items from this report.

Where possible, we are now using https://what3words.com/ references that identify exact locations.







Marconi Drive

Surveyed by Cllr Ryder



Marconi Drive - Overgrown and substantial weeds in kerb

Phase 1

Surveyed by Cllr Ryder



ACORN PARK - path subsidence











LIME TREE AVENUE - Another missing tree, plus resident tried to improve look with mulch as the planting spots look awful as they are

LIME TREE AVENUE - Another missing tree and overgrown with weeds







WHITSTONE RISE - Weeds in verge









HUNTS GROVE DRIVE - collapsed kerbs and drainage issues



HUNTS GROVE DRIVE - collapsed kerbs



LIME TREE AVENUE



LIME TREE AVENUE - damage to tree due to incorrect tree staking

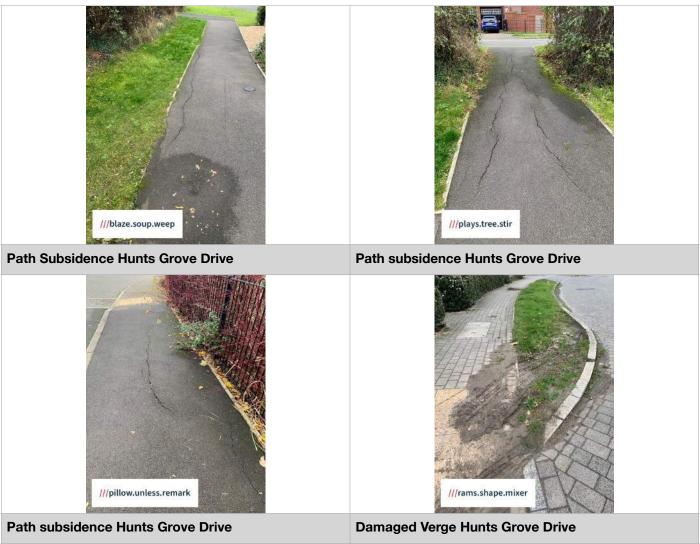


Path Subsidence Hunts Grove Drive



Hedge row o/s 20 Hunts Grove Drive. Needs cutting to 5ft as per Police advice (for security following vandalism)













Verge bushes substantially overgrowing path Hunters Way



Damaged Verge Hunts Grove Drive



Unused notice board, should now be removed. Hunts Grove Drive



Acorn Park knee rail, posts are rotten, need replacing. Hunts Grove Drive



Acorn Park Path Subsidence



Acorn Park, borders need weeding, clearing and mulching (looks a mess)





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Phase 2

Surveyed by Cllr Meecham & Cllr Hampson

Three extra issues to report: - no photographs

- 1. Barb wire is still in hedgerows (shown to Tetratech)
- 2. Rubbish in the soil alongside DWH (little was promised to be removed)
- 3. Unfinished path where the Bollards have been put in at the bridge over the brook.



HARRIER WAY - Hedgerow overgrown



HARRIER WAY - Behind the boarding, the verges and the hedgerow are very overgrown.





HARRIER WAY - Tree planted too high, will die



HARRIER WAY - Tree planted in conflict with lamp post - which will survive long term?



BRAMBLING WAY - New trees already dead



SHORN BROOK nr WARBLER CLOSE - Flytipping has been dumped behind fence









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PINE MARTIN CLOSE - Tree fallen down and looks to be dead





TAWNY CLOSE - Path - The housing side of the path is maintained and was cut just this week but the hedgerow side is very unkempt and is overgrown with weeds. The grass and weeds are encroaching onto the gravel path.



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The path floods in heavy rain and needs drainage.



TAWNY CLOSE - Weeds and lack of maintenance

HARRIER WAY - Verges full of weeds





Mattress in brook, Shornbrook POS opposite side of school.



PHASE 2 POS - Oil drum? Contents? Has been mown around, but not removed?



Overgrown verges Brambling Way





Large Border Completely overgrown with weeds. Siskin Way.



No corresponding dropped carbon opposite side of the road. Brambling Way.





LUTRA CLOSE - Unmaintained hedgerow spilling out onto the grass area.



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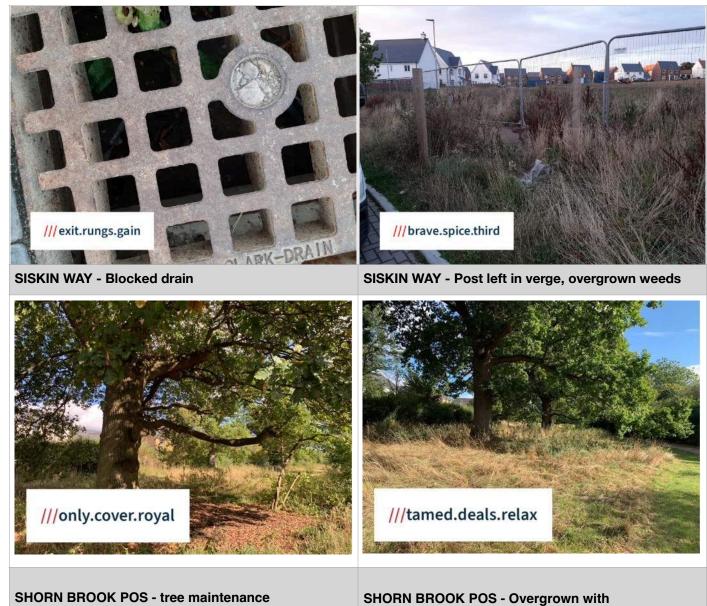




SISKIN WAY - Dead trees, posts left from signs

SISKIN WAY - Ongoing flooding issues from main POS. These bags have now split and the sand is falling into the drain causing another potential Hazard.

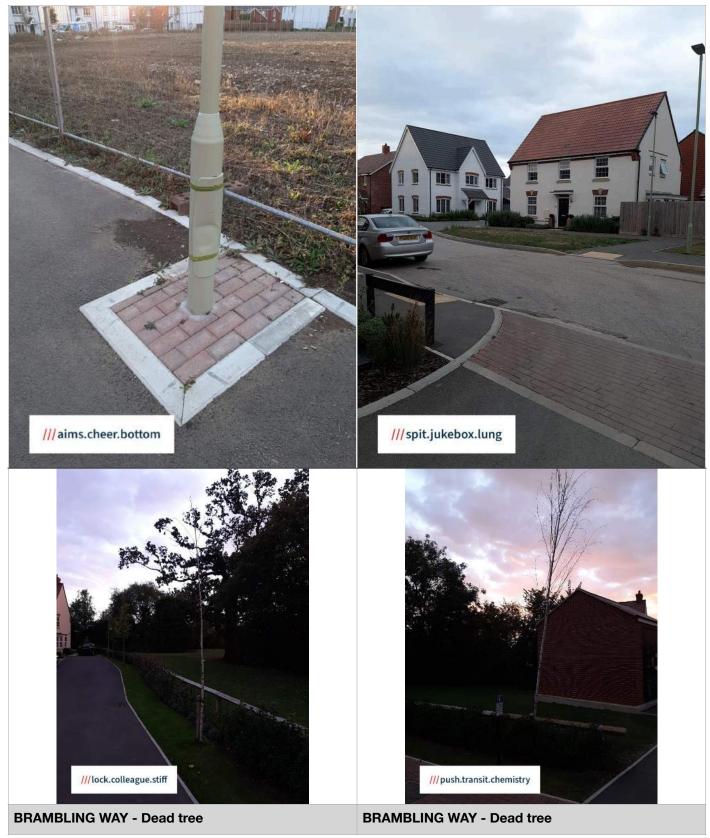




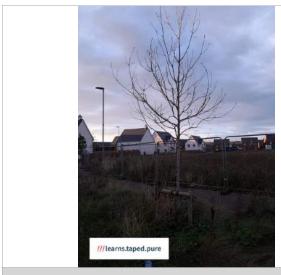
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SISKIN WAY - Dead tree



CROSSBILL CLOSE - Dead trees

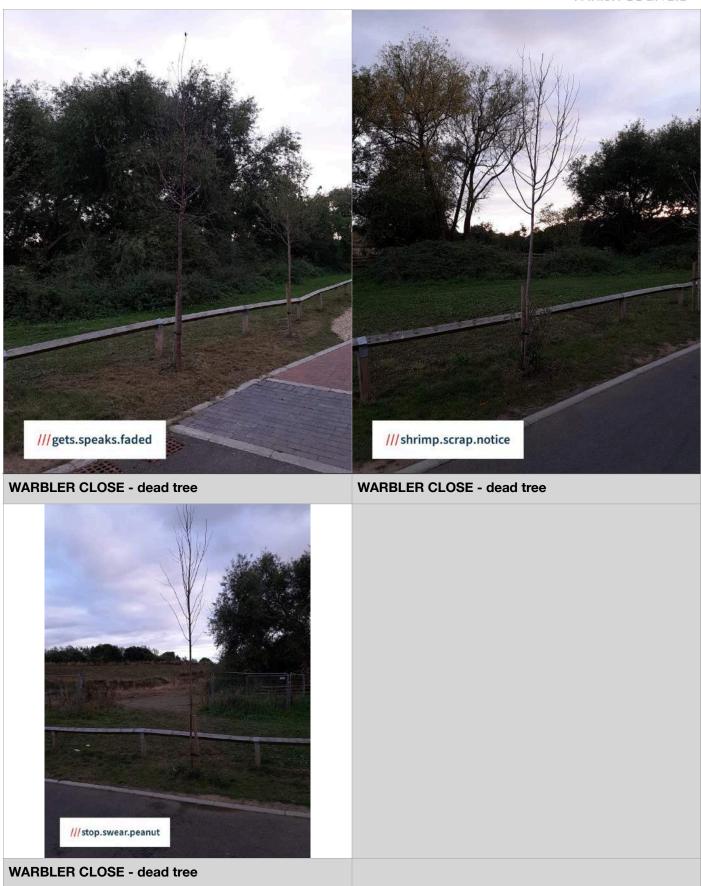


CROSSBILL CLOSE - Dead tree



SHELDRAKE LANE - Dead tree







Phase 3

Surveyed by Cllr Holmes

Harrier Way

No maintenance of landscaping has taken place at all in some areas this year and some areas have received only a couple of visits. The whole road is untidy and does not set a good example for current residents and potential residents alike.

Poor maintenance of verges and reinstatement of POS next to Bellway show home areas on Harrier way and holes still not filled by the brook next to public paths. One bed was weeded correctly by hand the others strimmed flat!



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Poor condition and potholes of man holes and randon drop curb path access on Harrier Way (similar drop curb opposite this location!). Poor levels at entrance to school pooling water and mud.





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Bovis / Vistry Area

Noted as quite tidy (They want sales?) Some untidy weeded areas but couldn't be proved is some were residents or contractors' responsibility.

Concerning was the area down by building compound and a joining the school field where a tree and the grounds around that have not been maintained. Also new areas off Hunts Grove Drive where seeding of grassed areas is just over builder's spoil (no top soil).

It would appear that other more established areas would have been turfed looking at quality of the grass. One protected tree in desperate need of remedial work.







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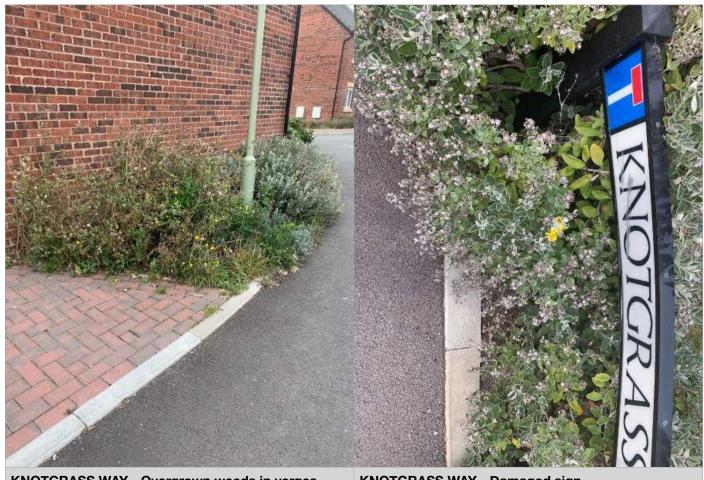
Bellway/POS

Again some areas including the POS have had no maintenance at all. One area at the end of the small yellow path appears to have been flailed down with much dead grass in the surface. Not sure if this is just a start of a proper prep or is a final surface. Clarification needed.

Noted that there were several alterations to frontage on some properties and extra parking being created.

Yellow path has again multiple cracks including one really deep and wide one (car keys used as guide). POS various places with fence rail removed and multiple residents dumping grass and turf plus one has used it for his own building spoil (spotted by me with the lorry and grab lorry Friday).

Bellway has also started to use POS for their own dumping and storage and looks a mess. Knotgrass sign has been hit and damaged. Bellway sale office path across POS needs removing and re instatement of grass required.



KNOTGRASS WAY - Overgrown weeds in verges

KNOTGRASS WAY - Damaged sign





BELLWAY - Missing fence rails and overgrown with weeds

BELLWAY - Using POS for dumping



BELLWAY / HARRIER WAY - Multiple deep post holes





BELLWAY - Old sign post partially removed

BELLWAY - Temporary path, removal and grass needs restoring properly



BELLWAY - Missing fence rail and (reported to council) area being used as a dumping ground by resident for building work



BELLWAY POS soil strip hedge removal - assume will be graded and not just ploughed in!





BELLWAY - Massive subsidence along new path between Bellway and Shorn Brook







And the worst is the ongoing coloured discharge from the filled in drainage ditch from Bellway into the Brook – this needs raising with the authorities for immediate investigation – this has never been properly investigated and reports made available despite previous requests.