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Highways Committee Minutes 08/08/2025

Present: Nick Colton (Devon County Council Highways), Cllr Edwards (Chair), James Friend, Andrew Furzland, Cllr Nix, Cllr Stansell.

Clerk: Anne Towill

The meeting was opened at 13:00

1. Knighton Hill drainage. Gravel comes down Knighton Hill and blocks the drain at the bottom. Nick Colton explained that the clearing of drains is now triannual but that he will ask that that drain is done annually as it's on a gritting route.
2. Wall at the bottom of Knighton Hill. There are concerns in the community that it is starting to fail. Nick recommended that building control are contacted who will assess it.
3. Overgrowth at the top of the path opposite the shop in Wembury. An inspection has already been done and there has been an order to cut it back made.
4. Hollacombe speed bumps. Speed bumps have been again suggested to slow traffic in Hollacombe. They will not be considered due to the amount of noise they create, and they are expensive. There was a discussion around the possibility of gateway entrances to Hollacombe and the need for a plan to be in place so when money becomes available through something like s.106 money it can be used for it. Cllr Nix will keep an eye on the s.106 monies and make sure that it is considered for any money that could be requested. There was a discussion around whether more 30 markings could be put in and Nick explained that the lamp posts are repeaters of the markers so it wouldn't be done. The speed monitor is in place in Hollacombe and just needs to be connected to start being used. The speed monitor team will get it sorted as soon as they are able to.
5. Split down centre of road between Wembury shop and the pub. If the team who is coming to do the repairs at the bottom of Knighton Hill have time and leftover materials, they will do some repairs to the split. Anything not done can be tackled by the road warden team.
6. South West Water and repairs in Down Thomas. Cllr Nix has heard from Rebecca Smith MP's PA that they have been in contact with South West Water and will bring this up again and to create a new plan for any further repairs or a complete replacement. There was a discussion around a one-way system or shuttle system and the need for Ford Road to be considered as well as Pump Hill in any plans.

7. Langdon potholes. There are some extensive potholes in Langdon that don't meet the criteria to be filled or are ignored and cause big issues. The Clerk will look at ways to request that they are prioritised.
8. Divots in Westlake Rise and Longlands in Heybrook Bay. They are caused by old repairs from utility companies. They are on the Highways list for areas to be dealt with.
9. Signage for directing traffic to and from the beach to avoid Church Road narrows. Nick explained that a flag sign could be installed on a lamppost directing people on to Mewstone to direct people. The Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer will investigate costs.
10. Hole on approach to Down Thomas in the hedge. This area causes issues because people don't want to drive in to it and if traffic is coming the other way it can be a problem. James will look at using a concrete type of filler to fill the hole.
11. Pavement parking. This is a particular problem in Hollacombe and on Knighton Hill. New legislation will be coming in to force soon which will make this easier for the police to act. In the meantime, people need to keep reporting to the police with photos.
12. School flashing light. This is starting to fail, and Nick provided a contact for James to contact to get it looked at.
13. The meeting was closed at 14:17.

Anne Towill

Clerk to the Council