

Drinkstone Parish Council, Highways

Report to the Annual Parish Meeting Dated 5 Dec 2022. Agenda Item; Councillor portfolios

General

At the time of writing there are no open Highways issues on Suffolk County Councils reporting tool. The reporting tool can be found here <https://highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk>

SIDs

No news, SIDs continue to operate well and are deployed 24/7/365.
I shall program the Merry Christmas messages mid December, if anyone has any suggestions, please advise?

Railing Maintenance

Thanks to the army of volunteers who helped wash down the railings and road signs at Blacksmith's Corner. For future reference around 11 volunteers got the job done in under 2 ½ hours. The railings look noticeably better which I am sure many people will notice. Less obvious is the clearing of drain/ducts from the kerb to the ditch. These are now all clear and will aid drainage significantly.

On a negative note a member of the community has expressed their concern to Suffolk CC Highways Dept. that the debris we cleared from the kerbside is "hazardous waste" and should be "disposed of in a safe manner by suitable operatives". The member of the community has also drawn reference to us doing the same last year.

Welcome gates

Wyles Contractors have been appointed to install the welcome gates on Rattlesden Road and Woolpit Road.

Costs have increased due to a materials increase by suppliers, additional cost to be put before the council for approval/authorisation.

Grit Bins

All grit bins have been checked in readiness for the winter.

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