

Updates from Cllr John McCusker

24th March 2021

Council have been to re visit the property in Red Hall Lane. Sewage issues in drains seems to be sorted so Council now working / sorting out levels etc to see the next step forward.

The full length of Red Hall lane has had potholes filled, action taken after Cllr Lynch's photos

I am chasing up dates for the works on Willow Street which should have been finished by now (Friday 19th).

Cloy Lane – the section of lane which is still flooding has been checked by WCBC – the farmer eventually cleared them. Although the majority of the flood water soaked away it transpired that there was also a broken gully below the water level. There are workmen have repaired the gully / drain.

Potholes reported:

Methodist Chapel and hairdressers – these are due to be filled.
Argoed Lane. Some more hot tar has just been laid.

Willow Street

More involved than first thought. As we know there are electric cables in the hole as well as the water pipe that needs repairing. There are also power lines crossing the road immediately above the hole. This is a danger to excavators. These cables all need moving and are likely to then be cabled under the pavement in the area of the work. This all needs doing before the water board can even start so weeks yet.

Update from Mike Feely at WCBC 31st March

Further to our discussions this morning the road still closed after multiple weeks. You awaiting contact from Scottish power with regards isolating some overhead power cables

In the meantime, your signage in disarray and not being maintained. This being the subject of e mails previously. Can you please, as a matter of urgency, arrange for all signage to be re- erected and thereafter checked on a regular basis.

Also supplying contact details who within Scottish power you are dealing with, hopefully with a view to being approached by Wrexham council, so that works can be expedited.

It being totally unacceptable that a road is closed for so long with no works in progress.

Further to the above and telephone conversation: - Willow street being closed because Alun Griffiths from welsh water, needs to carry out repairs to a sewer pipe. This is being "stalled" at the moment due to an overhead power cable and its close proximity to working machinery. Alun Griffiths initially waiting for feedback from Scottish Power with regards having to isolate the overhead power cable and provide generator for residents. This to enable the welsh water works to be carried out in safety.

I have this morning spoken to Mr John Evans, operations manager for Alun Griffiths. He advises me that this now being deemed too intrusive for residents [noise nuisance]. Latest plan is for the overhead cable to be “undergrounded”. Alun Griffiths / welsh water awaiting quotes/ further contacts from yourselves. In the meantime, willow street is fully closed to vehicular traffic and has been for multiple weeks.

Can you please as a matter of urgency come back to all parties to this e mail with regards this issue, in order that the road can be opened to traffic as soon as possible.

Water leaks?

As you leave Overton just past Argoed Lane there seems to be a water problem coming from a pothole in the road.

Owner of Old Rectory near the village hall has advised that a natural spring in his garden is throwing out a lot of mud of late. Gareth (WCBC) will investigate both items the week after next – 6th April approximately.

Update

“Missing” signs just going out of the village past the park next to entrance to the “Brow”. If you remember Council inadvertently put 40MPH signs up after tarmacking which were removed straight away. As this is still 30MPH there is no necessity to put up repeater 30 signs.

Broadband reception – Cloy Lane

Long standing issues with broadband reception in Cloy Lane area as you know. I am organising a site visit with resident of Cloy lane and Mike Dugine the Digital Business Officer at Wrexham Council.

Speed check on Wrexham Road

Speed of cars coming into the village from Wrexham by Argoed Lane has been recorded by PCSO Griffiths-Hughes as there has been several complaints. Excessive speeds were recorded and warning letters will be issued to drivers and Arrive Alive informed.