

Meeting 18th May 2023 meet up at the Village Hall at 8am

County Councillor Ken Billington, District Councillor Martin Hassell, along with Buckden Parish Councillors, Cllr CU, Cllr PC, and Cllr GS met with Cambridgeshire County Highways officers Maciej Adamczyk

Group one KB, PC and Stephen Marshall from CCC looked at siting of village sign, and group two went to look at potholes in the Springfield area in particular, MA explained his take on his responsibilities and time scales for all these types of works. MH explained that he wished to work with MA in a similar way as he does with the flood defence mitigation team.

Conclusion is that our **BPC Clerk RM** will communicate on issues regarding potholes and footpaths direct with **MA at CCH** department; in turn he will give us hopeful projection time scales of work already in the system that are approved during this financial year. **MA** will send a timetable of planned works through to **RM** so the information can be shared with **BPC Councillors** and information to **residents via the Roundabout** if and when we have **clear and defined date of works** as well as an overview on these works.

Going forward **MH** is hopeful to establish communication with **CCH through MA** and **MA** will respond to **RM** when concerns are raised within his remit for **Buckden**, if they are not in his jurisdiction he will pass onto the relevant person/persons but cannot guarantee of answers from these other areas not part of his area of control or expertise. It was noted that the number of reports made about a particular issue does not influence the speed of response

Summary from Maciej Adamczyk

We discussed multiple issues and root-cause analysed ones that have been highlighted. We have spoken about footways in the Osiers, Springfield Close, Lucks Lane (which I promised to find more accurate delivery date – awaiting response from Projects).

- We agreed on closer communication between LHO and anyone involved in Buckden.
- To arrange future walkaround's with local representatives (as needed at the moment).
- To do a progress report on key issues prior the Parish Council meetings to have a better understanding of what jobs are planned (if any), if there are any delays and why, and anything else that might be of a concern.
- For LHO to share future proposals for larger schemes with PC – and vice versa, where PC would like to propose the area for larger scheme – we would need to meet again on this to ensure you are aware of the options available (surfacing is not suitable in all locations).
- We covered do's and don'ts on how to make a meaningful report online. As I get a lot of "spam" which delays the site visits/repairs.
- We also discussed issues related to needs of disabled residents. This would need to be brought up on more "strategic" level rather than with LHO.