

[Drinkstone Parish Council, Highways](#)

Report to the Parish Council Meeting Dated 1 July 2024.

Agenda Item; Councillor portfolios

Pot holes and damage to roads

Cllr Emery and myself have walked the entire length of Park Road, Woolpit Road, and part of Beyton Road in order to catalogue the pot holes and damage to the verge, much of which could be attributed to A14 rat runners.

48 areas of damage are catalogued on Park Road. I have yet to work through Beyton Road and Woolpit Road photos but it is likely to be a similar number.

It is our intention to use these details during our forthcoming meeting with Suffolk County Council, Friday 5th July 2:00pm.

I note that coincident with our survey of Woolpit Road someone has reported the most serious potholes along the stretch of Woolpit Road on the Suffolk CC Highways reporting tool. There is also a report of one pot hole near All Saints Church. The reporting tool can be found here <https://highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk>.

I also note that the 48 potholes which I reported along the length of Park Road are noted as "Works Carried Out" which is just complete nonsense.

Flooding near All Saints Church

Suffolk County Council (or their contractors) attended a few weeks ago to make improvements to the drainage in this area. As you may recall I requested that we be consulted in order to understand the nature of the work and provide any local knowledge/advice as might be available. Suffolk CC did not take advantage of this offer and have completed the works unilaterally. We shall see how effective the work has been next winter but personally I am not too optimistic or impressed.

Other

Bill Smith reports he has repainted the Village Sign and now requires volunteers to oil the post before he can repaint the lettering.

Cllr Paul Selvey,
Chair Drinkstone PC.