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Chesham and Chiltern Villages Local Area Forum

Title: Condition of Northchurch Lane, Ashley Green –

Residents Petition

Date: 13th August 2012

Author: Stuart Livingstone

Contact officer: Jonathan Dickens (Local Area Technician)

Electoral divisions affected: Chess Valley

Summary

On 2nd August 2012 a resident's petition was submitted to the Chief Executive of Buckinghamshire County Council by Mr Paul Coleman, as a follow up to an email sent previously, concerning the condition of Northchurch Lane, Ashley Green. The letter with the petition acknowledges that a short section had been done but the crew had been diverted away for unknown reasons.

Northchurch Lane, Ashley Green is a narrow lane that has little drainage and is liable to flooding. It was identified as needing repair due to numerous potholes and edge damage and was subsequently added to the routine Velocity Patcher programme. The Velocity Patcher worked on the site for three days, 1st 2nd and 3rd of August 2012. We conclude that the reason the Velocity Patcher left site, as referred to in the letter, is that the full load capacity of the machine had been used for that particular day.

Subsequently, after discussing the matter with the Local Area Technician, Jonathan Dickens, he advised that he had received an email from Mr Paul Coleman on Saturday 4th August 2012 confirming that Northchurch Lane had been successfully treated with the Velocity Patcher (see attached email).

Further inspection of Northchurch Lane will be undertaken as prescribed in Buckinghamshire County Council Highway Safety Inspection Policy, namely 6 monthly inspections. The next inspection is due on or before 28th December 2012.





Recommendation

- 1. LAT to drive the length of Northchurch Lane during September 2012 to ensure the repair work undertaken in August 2012 is sound.
- 2. Continue with Scheduled Inspection on or before 28th December 2012 and 6 monthly thereafter in accordance with Buckinghamshire County Council Highway Safety Inspection Policy.