

BORDER GROUP WARD COUNCILLOR REPORT APRIL 2019

I was copied into an email to a resident with regard to the state of the road from Adforton to Lower Letton. At present this road is not in the 2019/20 programme for resurfacing/surface dressing. As reported previously only the Willey Road and part of Letchmore Lane are included but as John responded to the resident there may be the opportunity to bid for money from the drainage grant scheme which is expected to come into force after the election.

I visited Walford on Friday following the very heavy rain, it was in a dreadful state and I was surprised not to find swans gliding around. and I did ask Mike Brookes to put up some flood signs but by then the water may have subsided. This is also an area that absolutely needs urgent drainage attention.

Having driven around the whole of Mortimer ward over the past week I think the problem for Balfour Beatty is that most roads are badly flooding following heavy rain and it is about what takes priority. It is dreadful to see newly resurfaced roads with water flowing down them with the subsequent consequences.

Myself, Clive and two local residents met with Mill Cottage management and had a positive meeting. Clive will I am sure elaborate on this. As requested I did write a strong letter to Ofsted but to date I have received no response, that could be a good sign (or bad) dependent on your optimism.

There are continuing concerns by some residents at Birtley with regard to the activities going on in a nearby field. A high close boarded fence and gates have now been erected making it very difficult to see what is actually taking place. I have been advised by the planning department that the owner has appointed a planning agent and that a planning application is expected very shortly.

I have been very much involved in discussions with the owner of the land at Adley Moor Common which is out for consultation on whether it should be registered as Common Land. A small part of the land falls within Leintwardine Parish and they have responded by saying they cannot comment as they have insufficient knowledge of past history. The majority of the land I believe falls within Border Group Parish and I would wish to advise members prior to them responding to the consultation of my knowledge about this land. I wish also to state that I have on behalf of the owner registered an objection and given my reasons.