

Matt Bish, County Council Highways - site visits 25 July 10:00 Caldbeck Car Park

Norman Atkinson, Ian Shaw, Tony Annison (Allerdale Borough Councillor) and Simon Smith (Clerk) met Matt Bish, County Council Highways, to visit various sites in Caldbeck Parish where there were reported problems. These are detailed below.

- i) Cornhill House (the Old Police Station) – broken manhole
- ii) Caldbeck Green - pot holes
- iii) B5299 Ratten Row, Caldbeck - Surface water across road & Caldbeck Boundary Sign
- iv) Whelpo Bridge to Faulds Brow - pot holes
- v) Drain between Burblethwaite, Fellside and Bonners Farm - drain located and marked up.
- vi) Pot holes Branthwaite Bridge, Fellside
- vii) Upton, Caldbeck - Road surface
- viii) Pot holes between Upton and the Wath
- ix) Pot holes between Hudscapes and Street Head
- x) Pot holes between Street Head and Hesket Newmarket
- xi) Hesket Newmarket, Street Head/Woodhall Junction - Surface water drainage/road. Extensive work has been undertaken to combat the drainage problems. A large pipe has been installed under the lane taking collected drainage water from what was an inadequate soak away and piping it down the hill to Hesket Newmarket where it joins the main surface water drainage system and is taken under ground to discharge into the beck and the Caldew.
- xii) Pot holes between Woodall and Pasture Lane, Hesket Newmarket
- xiii) Pot holes Pasture Lane to Calebreck
- xiv) Calebreck to Hesket Newmarket - road disintegrating between cattle grid and the ford.
- xv) Pot holes Pasture Lane to Howbeck
- xvi) Howbeck to Hesket Newmarket – dips in road where services have been laid.
- xvii) Uneven road between Howbeck and Hesket Newmarket (previously marked for repair).
- xviii) Hesket Newmarket/Newlands road - Step protruding on road towards bridge from new dwelling. 'Before' and 'after' photos of the protruding step show it has not moved when the hedge was replaced by a wall.
- xix) Grass encroaching on the back lane at Hesket Newmarket affecting drains
- xx) Hesket Lonning road particularly near Throstle Hall
- xxi) Riverside Caldbeck (opposite pub) – collapsed drain on pavement

xxii) Warning signs at Faulds Brow and Wath Brow - Issues have raised with Philip Groom and a site visit has been suggested.

Matt Bish considered the site visits beneficial in seeing all the problems throughout the Parish. He has reported the various potholes to the Better Highways teams. A new system is operating where Highway Condition officers carry out inspections with teams following behind repairing the defects picked up from inspections. The existing teams are catching up on defects raised through HIMS so they should be attending to the ones highlighted from the site visits.

The attached note gives more details:

https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKCCC_INTERNAL/bulletins/2500b5a

The new way of working is expected to see improvements with dedicated teams repairing defects within 24 hours, 5 days and 20 days depending on how serious they are.

We are asked to log new defects on HIMS so that all problems are properly recorded and then repaired within the correct timescales and the correct teams notified to take the necessary action.

b) Other issues

i) Street lighting issues - reinstallation of light near Calva

A site meeting with David Bryden, Allerdale Borough Council, and Brian Holmes, County Council, is being arranged to determine whether and where a street light could be reinstated.