

Response to West Lancs 3TF enquiry March/April 14

Narrow Lane/Clieves Hills

The enquiries raised encompass the areas and concerns highlighted and shown on the photographs provided by the Parish Council through the 3TF.

The 'thin surface' top layer of the carriageway has started to strip off in patches in several places, but as the existing top layer is thin, the actual depth of defect that results is generally well below intervention level (40mm) and is not such that we would consider this to be a dangerous immediately actionable defect. However, we do consider the surface needs repairing to protect and preserve the underlying materials and the performance and integrity of the top surface layer, and these works will also improve ride quality.

We have proposals to undertake works in the new financial year (14/15) to carry out repairs to the surface, as well as undertaking some localised kerbing and minor re-profiling and/or drainage works as required.

Street nameplates are the responsibility of the Borough Council as Street Naming Authority. We have contacted colleagues at West Lancashire Borough Council regarding the damaged street nameplates at the junction of Halsall Lane and asked them to look at replacing them; the works we are looking to undertake may afford some additional protection to the street nameplates in the future.

With regard to the street name plate issues Mr Colin Brady (Technical Services Manager 5125) who works within Community Services and is the responsible manager has been notified and will contact the Parish Council clerk to update on the current position and future plans for replacement signage.