

**Issues arising from Braunstone Park & Rowley Fields Ward  
Meeting  
16 December 2009**

**Councillors: Michael Cooke, Anne Glover, Wayne Naylor**

**323. Traffic calming on Winstanley Drive - Results from the Traffic Impact Survey on Winstanley Drive to be brought to the next meeting.**

Winstanley Drive and many of the roads off are already traffic calmed in 1994 .A report on the effects of different traffic calming measures is being prepared and will be presented to cabinet lead member some time in April/May 2010.

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Traffic Impact Team*

**324. Verge Hardening – Jeff reported that £10,000 had been marked from the local environmental works budget for work to be carried out. However £45,000 was required for work to be carried out on Braunstone Lane and the Braunstone Lane East bridge. Jeff added that the Ward Councillors had requested the figures be looked at again and it be attempted to reduce the amount that was required. A resident stated a lower amount required for the work had been previously quoted. Concern was raised that every time it rained, water went all the way on the path. She commented that the main areas of concern were 341-348 Braunstone Lane.**

We are putting together the 2010/11 LEW programme for submission to the Cabinet Lead shortly. A draft list for this programme will include painting works for the Braunstone Lane East bridge and some funding for Braunstone Lane (Nos 341 -348) verges. The programme will be subject to approval by Cabinet

*Alan Adcock  
Head of Highway Maintenance Section*

**325. Grit Bins in the Braunstone Lane area. Jeff stated that half of Braunstone Lane fell in the County Council area and he had passed the request on for more grit bins to County Council colleagues. With regards to the area which fell under the City Council, Jeff commented that it would be looked at providing two to three bins for the area.**

Grit bins - we have received lots of requests for grit bins from across the City and as part of our winter service review in May/June 2010,we will be assessing the

merits of these based upon our criteria (steep inclines at junction, suitable location, no alternative routes etc). This will also include consultation with local members and residents.

Around 160 grit bins are provided around the City at known trouble spots, including junctions or roads with steep gradients and heavily used footways with steep gradients. Unfortunately, there is a cost to supplying and maintaining grit bins and we do have to ensure an appropriate balance is achieved between the expenditure on grit bins and the more important road gritting activities. In addition, the location of grit bins can be a sensitive issue with residents who do not want one outside their house. Grit bins also reduce the width of footpath and can form an obstacle for pedestrians. We also encounter problems with members of the public taking the grit for their own personal use when it should only be used on the highway.

If the ward wants to fund a bin, then they cost around £200 to install and £70 thereafter to refill (prices exclude VAT).

*Alan Adcock*

*Head of Highway Maintenance Section*

- 326. Flooding in the car park at Braunstone Leisure Centre – Councillor Naylor stated that there was a problem with the drainage in the car park at the Leisure Centre. Jeff agreed to investigate the problem and report to the next meeting.**

Braunstone Leisure Centre Car Park Flooding - The gullies in the car park are not draining effectually and rain water is ponding in the car park and surcharging onto the highway. We have investigated and the problem appears to be with the car park interceptor/catchpit which we believe needs cleaning of silts and oils etc. The Leisure Centre has been informed about this as it is the responsibility of the facility management / property owner. The liquid and silts arising from the cleansing of the interceptor are not something we can deal with as it will contain oils and the like. It will need testing, but will likely be classed as hazardous liquid waste and will need disposing of at a suitable processing facility by a waste contractor such as Biffa. We can assist with jetting and advice, but the Leisure Centre will need to action this.

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*Head of Highway Maintenance Section*

- 327. Concern was raised about the road surfaces on Imperial Avenue and Fosse Road. Jeff stated that it was possible for emergency maintenance to be carried out if holes in road surfaces were 4cm deep. He added that if there were problems then maintenance would be planned however he commented that he wasn't sure if anything was planned for Fosse Road and agreed to check. Concern was**

**raised that the worst area was between Imperial Avenue and Winchester Avenue.**

Fosse Road South - We have undertaken emergency pothole repairs in recent weeks, but any plans for significant carriageway resurfacing work are subject to funding being made available. The state of Fosse Road has been flagged up previously and at the time we estimated the cost as being in the order of £400,000 to do the full area of 7,600 sq.m.

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