

## **Cllr Dave Jackson September report**

On September 5th I organised a meeting with Chris Grain, the OCC Senior Engagement Officer, for parish councillors, kindly hosted by Paul North (Chair Sandford St M. P.C.) at SSM parish hall. Steve Ferrelly represented Westcot Barton Parish, and Roger Tyers and Andy Barry were there from Steeple Barton P.C.

There were a number of issues that were raised, and Roger and Andy can update you at the meeting. I was also able to clarify some queries I had with my role as "Super User" to be allowed to mark, and schedule the action, with potholes, blocked drains and loose kerbstones.

I have taken the opportunity with the quieter August (with fewer meetings etc), and the dry weather to do quite a lot of pothole marking in the village. It has been quite noticeable after I have "scheduled the action" on the Fix My Street website, how quickly the tarmac gangs have come out. For example, two days to do Rectory Crescent / Farriers Road (despite waking folk up at 6:30 am on a Saturday morning !!) , and likewise two days to do Dorn Close. (despite bizarrely missing out two!)

The 14 drains I marked yellow in Kiddington Road around the Fox Lane junction were all done within a fortnight. I intend to try to do more potholes (e.g on hillside Road) before the wet weather becomes prevalent, and then investigate more blocked drains and loose kerbs later on. I have found out that I can mark drains on the main road as I can work from the pavement, and I have noticed a number on North Street and Enstone Road need checking.

I am pleased to report that the issues with the faulty boiler and lack of hot water that a resident had raised with me have finally been resolved after I wrote again to the housing association on their behalf.

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