

Councillor Dave Jackson – July 2026 report

I was hoping to make a start surveying the kerbstones in the village in my Super User capacity to schedule the action for a number of loose ones that I have spotted. The hot weather has not been helpful for prolonged work outdoors, so hopefully we will get a cool spell soon.

I have put a post on Fix My Street to get the nettles and brambles cut back which are quite annoying overhanging the banking on Kiddington Road, especially if you have to move aside for traffic. I have emailed the highways officer, Chris Grain, to ask again about the scheduled date to cut the long grass past the allotments round to Barton House to improve visibility for folk turning right into Barton House drive.

I have not heard any update yet about the final decision from the government (due this month), about the composition of the new Unitary Authority, and the area to be covered in a new "Bartons" ward. Hopefully at the meeting there will be some information.

Although The Fox is not in the S.B. parish, I have been in discussion with a resident of Fox Lane regarding concerns that cars will try to park down Fox Lane when the pub opens shortly. I have written to the highways officer asking if an official sign could go up, but even if that is agreed, it will be ages before it happens. So I am writing a little note to the residents of Fox Lane to say I am putting up two A4 notices on posts at the top of the lane saying " FOX LANE: RESIDENT PARKING ONLY."

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