Lackford AGM

Suffice to say that highway enquiries have been the main issues that are raised with me.

Breckland Edge

This has been long standing issue with concerns being raised that due to the hedgerow not being cut back and the risk of HGVS having to encroach the other side of road posing risk to people using the footpath. A first cut was made by the landowners but it was considered that this was not enough and a further cut was requested with Highways enforcement contacting the land owners to ensure that this happens.

Speeding

There continues to be issues with speeding along the A1101 despite the mobile VAS, ANPR and Safe Cam making visits. I am pleased that the parish are included in the ANPR scheme and I am awaiting data on what action was taken following the visit. I know that Safe Cam have committed to making more visits as have the police.

Locality Funding

I was pleased to be able to support the parish with funding toward a new bench and the community council with locality funding towards the coronation celebrations.

Potholes

I know this is the bane of everyone's lives including myself and the state of the roads is not acceptable. We now have the perfect opportunity with the change in the highways contract to look at how we can better deal with the potholes by firstly doing a better first time fix and also doing all potholes in one area irrespective of whether they meet the intervention criteria.

We need to continue to report them and I can continue to escalate.

The reason temporary repairs are completed is because of the road management needed for permanent repairs may take longer to organise and also depends on how much material the truck can carry.

We have had a particular hard winter for the road with lots of salting that has affected the roads, to put the number of defects (potholes) into context there are around 1,800 in the system with 125 being added on a daily basis. The government recognised that potholes are a national issue which is why SCC got nearly £5million for pothole repairs, this is why first time fixes are important to ensure that the money is spent in the most efficient way.