

EWPC Meeting Date: 27.01.2025

## Highways Issues Reports

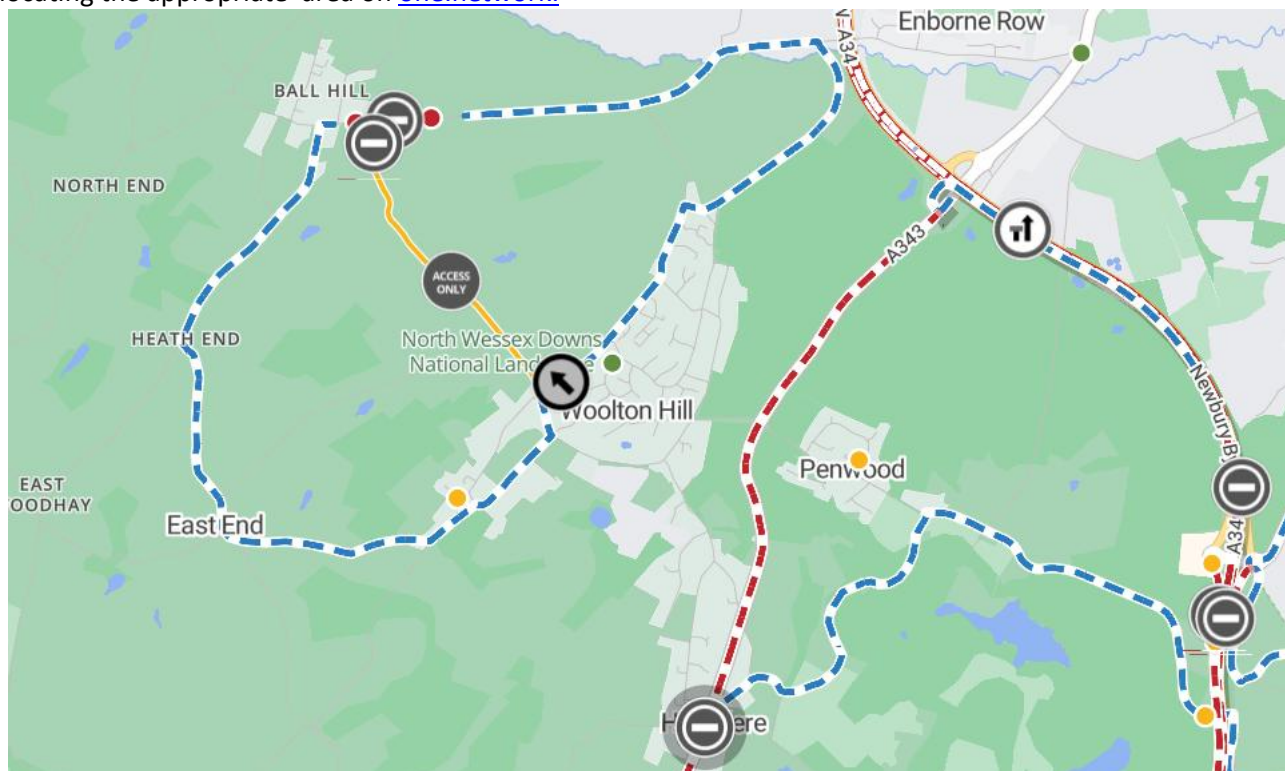
See Highways Issue log.

## Highways Maintenance Schedule

The [HCC list of major works for January 2025](#) is published online. No major works are currently anticipated for the Parish, although patching work is listed for the A343 at Highclere.

## Highway Works Announced in next 3 months

A summary of listed permissions from HCC is shown below. More precise dates for individual locations and traffic diversions may be found by opening the respective icons on the interactive map to be found by locating the appropriate area on [one.network](#).



**Note:** Although not within the EW Parish, there is scheduled resurfacing/patching work on the A343 at Highclere from 28 – 30th January with road closure and designated diversion via Foxes Lane. This is also likely to impact local parish movements as local Highclere traffic utilises Tubbs Lane and Mount Road as an alternative route.

### 27 – 29 Jan 2025

#### Greenacres

Southern Water activities with some carriageway incursion

### 30 Jan – 3 Feb 2025

#### Copnor Close

Gigaclear works with Traffic Management

### 4 Feb 2025

09:30 - 15:30

#### Woolton Hill Road – Woolton Hill to Ball Hill

Road Closure with local access only; diversion via East End and Heath End, or via Station Road and Ball Hill Road

Open Reach

Additional to the Highways Issues Log the following are reports of recent activity.

### Storm Tree Damage

On 5<sup>th</sup> January a tree on the north side of Woolton Hill Road approximately 100 metres west of the Junior School partially blew down, obstructing the pavement and half of the road. This presented a hazard both to footpath users and to traffic approaching from the Ball Hill end of the road. With the danger that the hazard could severely impact children access to the school on the Monday morning the matter was reported directly to Hampshire Constabulary, as well as via the HCC hazard reporting system, for immediate action.



### Copnor Vandalism



Thames Water was called to attend a burst water main at the entrance from Church Road into Trade Street for which appropriate traffic warning signs were installed, especially to warn motorists approaching from the “blind” side of the bend. One such sign was subsequently found to have been removed

and thrown on to the roof of the Copnor Garages. Vivid, as the proprietors of the garages, and HCC have been informed to effect the removal of the sign and to check for any damage caused. Action is still awaited at the time of this report.



### Speed Indicator Device (SID)

For reasons unclear, the SID originally purchased for EWPC had been transferred for use in Highclere, whilst that for Highclere was in recent times in use around the EW region. Following a return to the supplier for refurbishment the correct SID has now been deployed within the EWPC locality, and the correct Highclere apparatus will be installed for use there. This led to some disruption of planned location rotation over the Christmas/New Year period, with loss of data recording once the internal battery failed; however, the 2 week rota cycle should now be re-established with the locations being adapted to those locations at which the highest flows and speeds have been recorded.

The last data to be collected from the former SID was from placement in-bound to Woolton Hill on the Woolton Hill Road from Ball Hill shortly after the speed restriction sign near Fullers Lane, with the SID mounted on the pedestrian and child warning sign prior to the tennis club entry. Prior to the loss of battery power data was recoverable from 9 -26 December.

Although the positioning was relatively close to the restriction sign, the requirement in speed restriction zones is that vehicles be at or below the speed indicated as the restriction sign is passed. Given that the road prior to that sign is designated a “C” road, and therefore subject to a maximum speed of 50mph, it is therefore disappointing to note one vehicle recorded as passing the SID with a speed of 65mph at 23.55 on 21<sup>st</sup> December. Given that this driver was already 30% in excess of the statutory 50mph limit for the open road it was leaving to enter the restricted zone, it is sadly unlikely that any other speed limit imposed would have been observed.

### Recent SID Key Data:

9 Dec - 26 Dec 2024

**Location: Woolton Hill Road, Woolton Hill:** Entry from Ball Hill direction, just beyond speed restriction

<b>Av Work Day Vehicle Numbers:</b>	782	<b>Peak Volume/hour:</b>	83 (15.00 - 16.00)
<b>Speeds (mph): 85th percentile:</b>	36.5	<b>50th percentile:</b>	29.9
<b>Max Speed:</b>	65 mph		