

Highways Maintenance Newsletter

April 2023



Members are asked to note that in this April update, **the February and March statistics have been combined.**

During April we deployed additional frontline resources using the £5.9m funding recently allocated to Hampshire by the Department for Transport. With the resources we currently have we anticipate this will enable up to 80,000 more potholes/defects to be repaired during the current financial year.

You may have noticed that we have recently started our

seasonal rural grass cutting programme. We work closely with the conservation charity, Plantlife UK, to ensure that our work promotes biodiversity and to support this we try to avoid cutting grass at ecologically important times, and particularly at sensitive sites. For safety reasons however, there are some locations where roadside grass still needs to be mown in order to maintain adequate visibility and sight lines, for example on the approaches to roundabouts or at junctions. Our grass cutting regime is always kept

under review and, as well as working with Plantlife, we also work with the Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre. More information can be found on this webpage: **Grass cutting and weed control | Hampshire County Council.**

As ever, please continue to direct colleagues and residents to report highways issues to us via the online reporting webpages: **Roads and road maintenance | Hampshire County Council.**

Countywide Statistics for February and March combined 2023

887

Emergencies attended

28,467

Square metres of surface dressing and micro asphalt

20

Operation Resilience schemes completed

24,484

Gullies and other drainage cleared

17,483

Carriageway defects repaired (including potholes)

251

Arboriculture jobs completed

8,623

Square metres of footway repaired/resurfaced

8,289

Heavy Patching Programme

1,326

Other jobs completed (outside of all works shown)



Winchester Statistics

for April 2023

Please note that the figures quoted accurately reflect the highway maintenance activity carried out in each district area during the previous month. The scale of activity is generally based on a combination of cyclical work (routine), local demand/need (reactive), and the utilisation of asset management principles (planned), rather than a simple distribution across the 11 district areas. This means that the level of activity will vary from district to district each month so the monthly figures should not be compared on a like-for-like basis. Over the course of a typical financial year, maintenance activity will be relatively proportionate across the Hampshire local authority area, recognising that the size of each district area varies.

125



Emergencies attended

4,445



Square metres of surface
dressing and micro asphalt

3



Operation Resilience
schemes completed

1,322



Gullies and other
drainage cleared

3,326



Carriageway defects repaired
(including potholes)

18



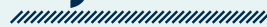
Arboriculture jobs completed

1,028



Square metres of footway
repaired/resurfaced

1,526



Heavy Patching
Programme

194



Other jobs completed
(outside of all works shown)

