

## Meeting of Clerk with Ines Scillitoe, Highways Devon County Council

### No meeting in May – attendance at Annual Parish Meeting instead

**Date:** 10/06/2025    **Time:** 10:30 – 11:30    **Venue:** In and around the Village Butts/the B3212 at the end of Lee Lane/

Weather: cloudy and damp

#### Points raised: -

1. The Clerk thanked Ines for attending the Annual Parish Meeting. This was in her own time and the feedback from residents was that they appreciated her speaking and listening to them and for being clear and honest.
2. Butts appears to be working well. The Lengthsman will monitor regularly.
3. We discussed the general concerns about disruption caused by various roadworks. It is appreciated that these have to take place but recently there have been several closures with no warning. This has caused various problems in the village, but the main one is the disruption of the Country Bus service, which has left people stranded. Ines had explained at the Annual Parish Meeting, that she does not have control over utility closures (SW Water etc). They should apply for closures for planned work but, quite often, their work is classed as Emergency works. For this they should notify Highways within two hours of closing a road. This, however, is too late for the bus to be redirected. Residents have been made aware of several long term closures, in the surrounding areas, in the near future and are worried they will have to do without a bus service. The Clerk will contact the bus company and see if she can help to liaise with Highways in any way to avoid this. She will also speak to Clerks in the surrounding Parishes to see if we can keep each other up to date with roadworks in the area. **Action Clerk**
4. Ines is aware of the fact that Lea Lane is still flooding, despite works being carried out. She is going to employ CCTV to see if they can identify what is still causing it to flood. It does seem to drain a bit quicker than it used to but is still a big problem. **Action Ines**

Lynne Ogden Clerk to Dunsford Parish Council June 2025

**It is important to keep reporting any potholes that fit the criteria of a defect as these will be dealt with. The Clerk will keep advertising the link to do this.**

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