

Poolemead Road

Hello,

I've been talking to Twerton residents and there are two issues regarding Poolemead Road that I want to raise.

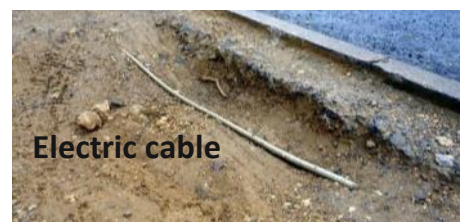
The first concerns a place where people park their cars on the roadside verges at Poolemead Road. There's been an idea to install grasscrete here in the past, but that's never happened. As a result, there are about 30 metres of ruts, craters, mud, and pools of water along the verge. An electric cable has also been unearthed – is it live?

If you go into Whiteway you see grasscrete installed all around Haycombe Drive, which protects the roadside verges. But go down into Poolemead Road and you see a stretch of roadside that's left to deteriorate.

Haycombe Drive – grasscrete protects the roadside



Poolemead Road – roadside left to deteriorate



So I'd like to ask what commitment the Council will make to address this problem at Poolemead Road.

The second issue concerns residents of houses 41 to 55 Poolemead Road being given parking tickets for parking on a “vehicular crossing area” outside their homes.

Residents have parked off the road here for 35 years without complaint. They even paid the Council to have this area adapted for parking with dropped kerbs and raised sections. The money was taken from their rates.

Parking on the vehicular crossing area at Poolemead Road
(This car has a disabled badge so the owner can park here.)



Now the Council’s Traffic Department is sending wardens to ticket these residents, for parking in the spaces that the Council built for them using their money!

This matter was first raised with Councillor Tim Ball on the 19th of December 2011 and he’s been sympathetic. But the latest ticket was given on the 3rd of May 2013 and nothing has stopped the problem yet. So the issuing of tickets goes on.

What commitment will the Council now make to see that these residents get treated fairly?