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Generally roads are in better condition with some of the previously reported areas repaired by the council over the summer period. Most pothole damage occurs over the winter with freeze /thaw frosts damaging the tarmac surface and exposing the looser substrate.

Items noted this month are as follows:

Galhampton - Smallway lane near Mount pleasant Farm. The edges breaking up.

Yarlington - The hole near the village hall still unrepaired

Queen St /Lodge Hill - halfway up the hill near lay-by there are several large holes.

Outside "Hilltop", another previously reported hole still needs attention, there is another marked hole still outstanding further up the road.

Junction with Cattle Hill Lane, two holes needing attention. It could be the contractor is waiting for the heavy lorry traffic due to building works to finish before fully repairing?

Crockers Hill outside Sticklepark. Hole to repair.

Higher North Town Lane - various holes along this road, could do with some attention.

Woolston Rd, outside Manor Farm entrance, the 30/60 sign knocked over, metal post snapped.

I would mention that the approach road to St Michaels Church /Cadbury Court is developing several holes I am not sure if this is public highway or private so will look into this!

Junction Sandbrook and Corkscrew Lane pothole growing in size. Sandbrook Lane has several holes needing repair. I would add that the road is particularly dirty around the sharp bend next to the Bridleway, due to the harvesting of the Crop in the adjacent field. I believe Nick Fone has mentioned this to Rory Montgomery. The tractor and trailer traffic is wider than the lane in this stretch and is breaking up the verges and degrading the road in this area, some of the surface here was replaced after the May 2023 flooding.

Re Slip Road onto A303 outside Teals- This is technically in the Parish of South Cadbury but we have been pressing the council about it as it affects many of our drivers. At the last parish council meeting Henry Hobhouse kindly provided some contact details for Tracey Harris our new contact at Highways Dept Somerset Council. In the last TWO months I have been unable to speak to Miss Harris.

I would advise that pothole issues can be reported by householders direct using the following,

somerset.gov.uk scroll down find
Roads Travel and Parking > Report a Problem
Choose a Problem.
You will need a postcode or a close postcode
Click on location on the map
Follow rest of system to report a hole

The requirement for a close postcode means it is often easier for a concerned householder to report than it is for myself.

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