

## **Mike Chislett – Areas of Responsibility**

### **– report for 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020 Lacock Parish Council**

#### **Responsible Finance Officer**

#### **Annual Governance and Accountability Return**

*To be updated at the meeting.*

#### **Flood**

- Nothing new to report

#### **Grit Bins**

- Nicola Mundy, Wilthire's 'Weather and Drainage Officer' has requested notification of any of our bins that are less than half-full. Only these will be topped up. The damaged bin on Naish Hill is acknowledged but not yet replaced, since (Nicola tells me) Wilts Council is looking for a more suitable place for it to be sited. Wiltshire Council are responsible for 11 grit bins in the parish, the twelfth (Lackham Drive) being off the public highway.

#### **Footpaths**

I was out of the country during August and remain restricted by required 'travel quarantine' until 9<sup>th</sup> September. Consequently - & not having walked any of our footpaths since July - I have been unable to check whether the issue relating to **LACO19** signage and access from Bowden Hill (July report and June meeting) has been remedied.

**LACO14** (Great Notton Farm to Whitehall Farm) remains blocked along much of its length.

**BS5709** : I included an extract from this relevant British Standard for public rights of way with July's report. It provides a guide to any upgrading we may wish to consider.

**Path Improvement Grants (PIGS)** are available to help us upgrade the parish network. Details are appended. Grants are available for new routes and upgrades to existing routes, but not for maintenance and repair without such enhancement. Broken stiles are only eligible if we replace them with a self-closing or kissing gate.

Broken stiles & blockages to RoW should be reported on 'My Wiltshire'. I am not able to access others' reports, nor can I tell when any are made relating to Lacock Parish – so please let me know if anything is reported or rectified, so we can say thank you! If any colleagues prefers, I can submit RoW reports on another's behalf, with the help of a grid reference and emailed photographs.

Mike Chislett  
7<sup>th</sup> September 2020