Betchworth Parish update - Pebble Hill/Station Road

REPORT UPDATE PREPARED BY SCC: Summary of key issues and outcomes for Station Road/Pebble Hill, Betchworth – December 2024

Scheme	Update	Expected delivery date
Clearing/drainage -	Completed scheme completed between 21/10/24 to 25/10/24 A mobile inspection was carried out on the 26 th and 27 th of November, site is on a scheduled monitoring system and previously was last inspected on the 20 th November; no issues have been reported. Week commencing 25 th of November there was a flood warning alert; there was an exceptional weather event where we experienced heavy rainfall. It's important to understand that during periods of heavy or sustained rainfall, some drains may experience difficulties in managing excess water, this can lead to temporary surface water issues.	This site is on a 6 monthly cyclical maintenance programme; it was last inspected in the 20/11/24, the next inspection is due to take place in spring.
General Maintenance including embankment/barrier works	Embankment works – the area is assessed every other day to ensure the barriers, that enable the road to remain open to use, remain in place. The barriers are being used to ensure this road remains safe to keep open whilst the embankment retention work is designed.	Progression of this work is under discussion, together with drainage works that are required along the north side of Station Road/Pebble Hill. This couldn't be completed during the emergency closure as this road was part of the diversion route. A date cannot be provided at this stage

	Station Approach - Vegetation works have been raised and will be completed on a prioritisation basis.	
	(During the road closure on Station Road (south side), vegetation cutting crews took the opportunity to carry out maintenance work along the raised section of the footpath between the railway crossing to Sunnybank farm).	
Speeding – 30mph reduction	A Feasibility Study is being commissioned for this Financial Year for consultation and potential implementation of feasible and affordable measures in the following Financial Year. We anticipate a scheme consisting of a reduction to 30 mph with an enhanced speed limit gateway, enhanced repeater signing, and if feasible, depending on available power sources, some vehicle activated signs in support of the reduced 30 mph limit. The Feasibility Study brief will also include consideration of improving the uncontrolled crossing for people using the Pilgrims Way. It is appreciated that this crossing point is heavily used annually by Duke of Edinburgh Award students.	Feasibility Study commissioned with target completion in 2024/2025 Financial Year. Potential delivery of feasible and affordable measures in 2025/2026 Financial Year.