Further actions arising from Chorley 3 Tier Liaison meeting held on 17 September 2014

14.13 Traffic Asset Management Plan

Graham Ashworth, Heath Charnock Parish Council, advised that, long term, the best method was where the chippings were fully immersed. CC Fillis AGREED to investigate this with officers.

Response from Lancashire County Council:

In terms of 'fully mixed rather than just rolled in' the chipping sit clean into the sprayed bituminous binder, and it is the aggregate which forms the grip. There are processes that incorporate a thin surfacing material where the chippings are mixed in with the binder but these are generally more expensive and their performance is not as sustainable or efficient in the longer term in extending the life of the placement and reducing future costs. The very thin 'slurry seals' are suitable for footways and the carriageways of low use estate roads and are used as such, but are not suitable for any busier or faster roads. The 'proper thin surfacing materials' are significantly more expensive and have proved to give a shorter life than expected, and have subsequently then led to more expensive future resurfacing.

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Ann Woodhouse, Cuerden Parish Council, advised there were issues on Shady Lane, Cuerden, where Lancaster Lane required some maintenance in terms of road widening and kerbs. There were also issues with highway grass cutting.

Response from Lancashire County Council:

An order has already gone out to replace the bollards on Shady Lane. In terms of the verge management, CBC undertake this on our behalf; we'll discuss this with them at the next joint LCC/CBC Public Realm meeting we have with them to ensure any highway verges are included in their schedule. Please note however, that the specification for rural verges outside 30mph limits is twice a year and it is possible that the farmers cut the verges before CBC got to them

Response from Chorley Council:

Streetscene will contact the Parish Council to arrange a site visit and outline the areas that will be cut and swept.

The grass verge cutting includes up to five cuts per year and officers will outline how the schedule for next year will be changed to accommodate this.