QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Questions are listed in the order in which they were received.

1. COUNCILLOR MARK CHERRY

With the welcome news that Oxfordshire County Council contractors will be undertaking gully clearance in Banbury Ruscote on 1st June 2025. My urgent question is that I take it contractors will work in tandem with road closures to move cars to allow for gully clearance.

The following roads Bath Road, Kings Road, Queens Road, Bretch hill, Edinburgh Road, Park Road, Mascord road, the Fairway Road, all have parked cars. That would make it impossible to clear all the storm gullys otherwise.

I have spent extensive time during the past 12 months putting in FixMyStreet reports to this effect as very few roads other than Orchard Way or Woodgreen Avenue, where there are no parked cars and the contractors lorries can simply go up and easily clear the gullies.

I look forward to your response on this matter.

COUNCILLOR ANDREW GANT, CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT

Information on the gully emptying programme can be found on the council's website and I can confirm that the council's contractor will give advance notice of planned gully cleaning dates to the public, residents, businesses, and others. This will be done via means such as leaflet drops and advance notices to minimise the risk of parked vehicles and obstructions. However, unless unavoidable, road closures will not be used. In the event of parked cars preventing cleansing works from taking place, then our contractors will return, following further notification, a second time. If this visit is not successful then enforcement action will be considered as a last resort.