

What drainage issues?

The car park to the rear of the Parish Hall is designed to be free-draining and relies upon all surfacing being made in permeable materials. If it ponds a little during heavy rainstorms, then that is only a temporary issue related to the absorption rate of the sub-strata.

By reference to project drawing GLA-756-003G, it can be seen that beneath the hedge, all along the rear boundary of the car park, there is a Polybed Soakaway and the car park gently falls to that boundary. I distinctly recall the soakaway units being installed by the Contractor.

Between October 2018, when the car park was handed over and October 2019, when the Contractor completed the rectification of very minor defects, there were no issues regarding either damage to the surface, or drainage.

The damage required to be repaired now occurred during unusually heavy rainfall combined with very heavy traffic usage for the General Election in December 2019. This damage was relatively minor at first and could have easily been repaired earlier this year. It has been exacerbated by many months of neglect; there are no drainage issues.

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