

**County Council Meeting – 14 December 2023****Question to Councillor David Williams  
Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport****By Councillor Hussain**

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**Question**

The pavements on Anglesey Road, Uxbridge Street, and Branston Road have deteriorated in several areas, making it difficult for both wheelchair users and pedestrians to navigate. Additionally, there are issues with flooding along the roadside of these three streets. What reassurances can the cabinet member provide to address and resolve this problem?

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**Reply**

Good roads, footways and cycleways are important to residents and businesses, which is why as a well-run council we will continue to invest in them.

Over the next three years, we will be investing an extra £51m on repairing and maintaining our 6,200km of roads and 4,500Kms of footways and cycleways.

The forward investment programme for 2024/25, which amongst other things includes funding allocations to footway and drainage repairs, is currently being compiled in accordance with the council's highway asset management plan and will be available in March ahead of the new road repair season.

To minimise the impact and disruption to local communities and businesses, and to protect our investment from the risk of being dug up again, the timing of individual maintenance schemes will also need to be co-ordinated with other planned works, including for example superfast fibre network providers.

Where the council's strategic maintenance programmes don't include a locally important maintenance need the local Member retains the ability to use their own local pothole fund together with Member's existing Divisional Highway Programme, to bring local footway and drainage repairs forward.

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