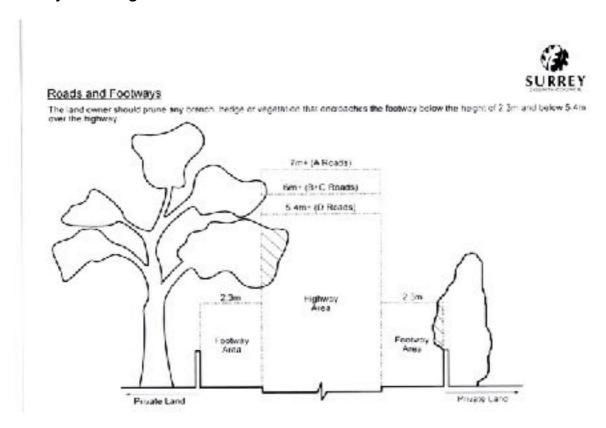
Two Urgent Issues!

Snow Clearance

I have been contacted this week by the local farmer who clears snow and salts our roads when necessary. He is concerned that overhanging hedges will prevent him clearing the snow. I attach a diagram indicating the ideal situation but he will refuse to clear snow if hedges overhang the tarmac of the road. We will all suffer if the road is not cleared so please ensure your hedge is cut back.



Protecting Our Roads

The second point has been prompted by a discussion at the recent Woldingham Garden Village Road Fund Association (WGVRFA) AGM held on the 1st September this year.

Several frontagers complained about the increase in traffic but in particular the size of many of the vehicles. As the picture shows it is important that frontagers understand that they are responsible for vehicles used during any developments to their property and any deliveries this may involve. It is the frontagers' responsibility to make

their supplier aware that they live in an area served by a fragile infrastructure. The WGVRFA does ask that planning conditions are applied to individual planning applications but Tandrige Council are reluctant have their planning officers monitor traffic size.

The responsibility and the cost of making good the damage done by these vehicles rests with you. We have considered width restrictions but this may prevent access by emergency services.

At the meeting I agreed to produce a rough guide to use with suppliers and developers. This quite simply comes down to nothing fully loaded heavier than 20 tons (gross weight) or any greater than 18 meters in length on our roads. Site development should ensure that all concrete is mixed on-site not delivered ready mixed.

Our road fund will be able to cover the cost of a resurfacing but will not cover the cost of subsidence or damage to gas, water and sewage systems. Please discuss this with your developers before work commences or with your suppliers at time of ordering.



Keith Newell on behalf of the Woldingham Garden Village Road Fund Association

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