

**Cllr Claire Critchison,
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Cllr community catch up/surgery sessions.

Niton: Wednesday 1st April 10.30 – 11.30am, Exchange

Chale Pantry:

Every 2nd Friday, Village Hall 11-12 and every 4th Thursday, Chale Green Hub 11-12

Leechmore Cross, Appleford

The district Steward has arranged for the gully tanker to attend Appleford Road and Leechmore Cross, to cleanse and flush out the gullies to ensure they are functioning as they should. Any issues will be followed up with a camera survey.

Cleaning the existing infrastructure and checking for any blockages is the only thing Island Roads is contracted to do. The water drains away quickly once the rain stops but I believe the runoff from the fields overwhelms it when heavy rain is falling.

Drainage

I have continually requested drain clearance in both villages throughout the year. Following the latest heavy rain, I requested that the district steward attend and raise jobs to sweep the carriageways and clean, flush out and empty gully catch pits. Please let me know if any drains appear blocked.

Military Road

The military road closure diversion will be going through Chale, Shorwell and Brighstone. There will be extra traffic and farm vehicles on the very narrow highways in this area. I have requested a reduced speed limit of 30mph in all areas for this diversion period. Any preventive measures, when we will have users of these highways that are not familiar with the roads will be very welcome. The request may be refused.

Letter has been sent to Government from the leader of the IW Council.

It is requesting urgent support for monitoring, geotechnical assessments, diversion management and resilience planning.

The scale and complexity of the challenges facing both Ventnor and the Military Road exceed local capacity and the availability of capital resources.