

Correspondence

d) Email from resident regarding lack of provision of tactile paving

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Cllr Martyn Ford, DCC

Dear Martyn,

**Hazard to pedestrians and others, resulting from lack of provision of tactile paving, at the junction of Churchside/Repton Road, Willington.** (typically X:429447 Y:328241).

*(In recording the hazard, I haven't repeated previously supplied Repton Road traffic flow detailed data. But the B5008 traffic flow rates at this point on Repton Road are well known and readily available).*

I refer to HMG's current Guidance: - '**Inclusive mobility: using tactile paving surfaces**'. (Previously 'Using tactile paving surfaces', withdrawn 10 Jan 2022). The Guidance covers the topic, 'How to install and use tactile paving surfaces to help visually impaired and other pedestrians recognise potential hazards and other features in roads, rail and other locations.'

Hall Lane and its tributary roads contain arguably the highest proportion of Willington's residents. Where these residents require safe pedestrian access to the Health Centre in Kingfisher Drive, this is enabled by using Repton Road's southern-end Zebra crossing. But first, Churchside, must be crossed - and there are no tactile panels set in its pavements.

I am disabled and an essential user of a pavement scooter. And I have regular need to visit the Willington Surgery and pharmacy in Kingfisher Drive. So, too, do many other villagers who live eastward of Repton Road. To do so, we firstly have to cross Churchside which, as I have described above, lacks tactile panels. In my case, being seated on scooter, I have little view of the pavement edge dropper, which by virtue of nearby local tarmac repair, is so difficult to spot accurately without the provision of tactiles.

Accordingly, I urgently ask that tactile panels be installed at the Churchside site, to enable myself and others, to make transition from Hall Lane to Kingfisher Drive in safe fashion.

Yours sincerely

c:, Practice Manager - Willington Surgery,  
Rachel Male, Clerk to the Willington Parish Council  
Ian Hudson, Councillor for Willington - South Derbyshire District Council

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