Okehampton Town Council
Planning Committee Meeting 23rd November 2026
Meeting Report

Date:	16th November 2026
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6. **Highways** – To consider correspondence from the Highways Officer regarding vegetation and visibility for vehicles in Herons Brook

'I have recently become aware of some vegetation on a footpath (maintained by Devon Highways) that is on a visibility splay and causing an issue with visibility for vehicles coming out of Herons Brook.

I was looking to carry out some minor works to remove the vegetation and replace with tarmac, creating a wider footway.

I wanted to see if you would support this or not if I were to put it forward?'



Cllr Grainger, DCC, has responded: Thanks for the email. I have just had a look on street view and can appreciate the problem. I don't have a strong opinion either way. It would certainly make things more convenient for drivers but I always dislike seeing wildlife removed for more tarmac.

Has a resident complained about this or is it something you noticed yourself? If we have had ongoing complaints about it, I would support its removal.