

Hollands Park Wall Replacement Wall Project Update 2

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Stage 1 and Stage 2: COMPLETE !



The old wall has now been removed right up to a section near the steps that appears to have been constructed differently and isn't at risk of being bumped into by parking cars.

(For those of you who were/are concerned about the large Sweet Chestnut tree – we were particularly careful when knocking down the wall and creating the bank, and couldn't see, let alone disturb any tree roots.)

We will plant grass seed on the exposed bank, which will help stabilise it and aid maintenance until we can get the hedge planted later in the year. We are looking at how best to get the kerb reinstated as soon as possible. (Although running water tends



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to run down the other side of the road, we don't want to add to the drainage issues on Chapel Lane by having the bank eroded.) The biggest risk to the bank is passing vehicles, which the kerb will guard against. It will also stop water from the park adding to any water already flowing down Chapel Lane.

We have had requests from the local residents to keep the seat and to find somewhere to erect a sign making it obvious that Chapel Lane is a private road and not suitable for parking on. Both of which we have happily incorporated into our works. The sign the residents asked for is already on order and will be installed asap.

The safety barrier, protecting people from the 4ft fall onto the road now runs from the main gateway right up to the steps into the park.



Huge thanks to the CMPC Councillors who have been hands on with this project – giving their time and the use of their plant machinery for FREE. The taxpayers of Combe Martin have saved thousands of pounds on this project because of their efforts.

We will be aiming to get the car park back into full use as soon as possible.