

Gully Cleansing update

In May 2024, a briefing note was presented to the Scrutiny panel describing the service and our arrangements with Derbyshire County Council (DCC). At the time a new system was being introduced, Alloy, by DCC to monitor and record performance of the gully cleansing activities.

The performance for the periods are listed below:

Date	Gully's cleansed	Average per month
May 2023 – Jan 2024	8162	907
May 2024 – Jan 2025	*7371	921

*there was no data recoded for routine work in June due to a system error not assigning work.

During this period staff focused on known flooding hotspots throughout the District alongside reactive works passed through daily by DCC colleagues.

With any new system there are implementation issues and these have been addressed through regular communication between DCC, Alloy system operators and NEDDC.

At a meeting held on 13 February, DCC were satisfied that the contract is working well with roads that require traffic management being achieved due to the extra staff resource. However, when staff are off sick or on leave there is limited resilience for the service.

DCC have introduced a new frequency of inspections:

6 monthly – All gully's in flood risk zones

Annual – All arterial roads

2 years – Estate roads (Unless a known problem area)

The mapping of the new frequencies' is in progress as the new circuit of work has yet to be properly mapped on the system. This will take a full programme which is designed over a year.