

Dropped Kerb / Pinch Point issues
Kings Reach Biggleswade

Drop Kerbs / Pinch Points

This report is designed to highlight issues / inconsistency of Drop Kerbs path widths and general access / ease for users of Wheelchairs and Buggies.

There are a number of locations highlighted here, where access / ease of use is constrained.

It does not include the whole of the Kings Reach development.

It is designed to highlight specific points that identified as a potential / actual issue, and facilitate resolution in advance of permanent surface work is completed prior to adoption

It is to be assumed that there may be other roads / junctions within the development where there are similar issues.

It is recommended that a complete review of all junctions / access points is made urgently to avoid potential remedial work in the future.

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Tavener Drive, near to the Play Area / Dering Corner

Route from the Play Area on the West of Tavener Drive, near to Dering Corner, and further north of the development along Tavener Drive has no dropped kerb at this junction to make this movement easy.



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Junction of Campion Grove and Tavener Drive

No dropped kerb.

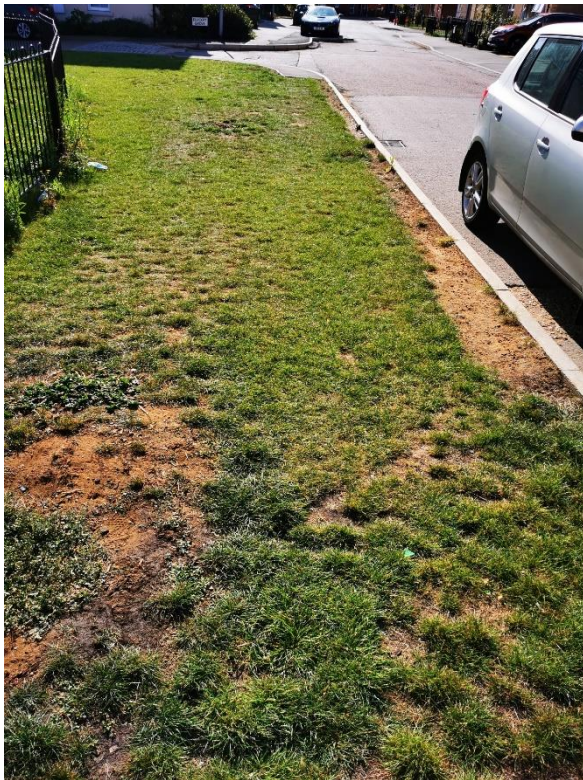


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Play Area on Tavener Drive in the proximity of the Junction of Ellicott Grove

On the east side of Tavener Drive, the pathway goes east past the play area, rather than straight ahead (this should have been within my "Desire Lines" report but was missed!). Can a logical pathway be created for residents prior to the opening up of Tavener Drive in full.



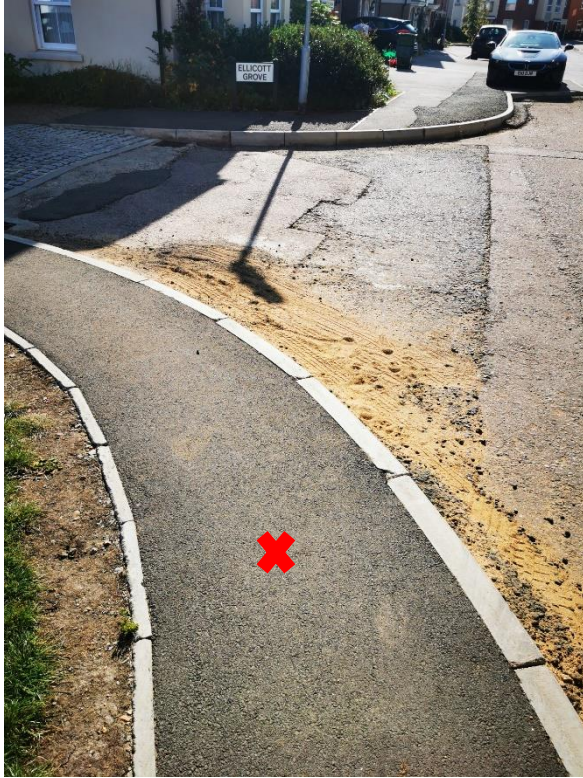
The Blue line shows the approximate route currently without going onto the grass or road



Junction of Ellicott Grove and Tavener Drive

There does appear to be a cobble stoned area that could be used as a form of dropped kerb, but it is more a change in surface. Dropped kerb needed.

Also, this little piece of pavement (red cross) serves no logical purpose unless linked with the pavement further to the north (see previous entry)



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Junction of Tate Drive and Tavener Drive

This is not an issue, but merely to highlight that there are dropped kerbs in Tavener Drive

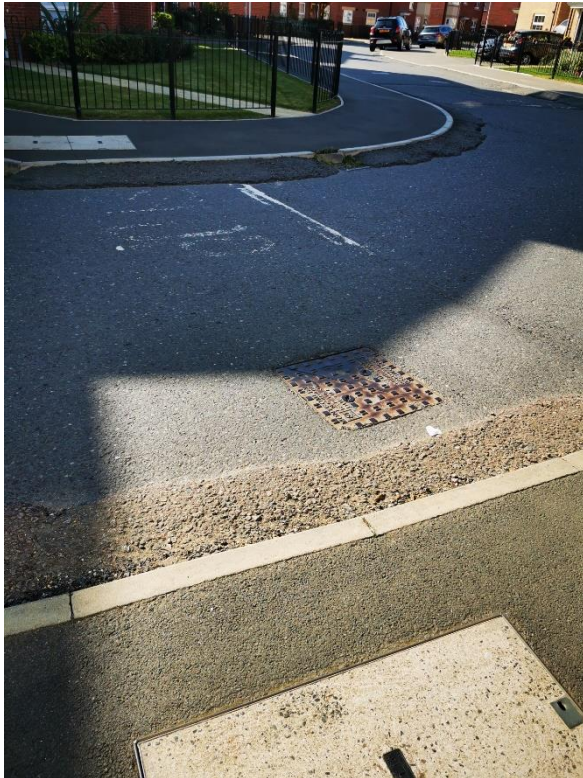


Junction of Tavener Drive, Frankel Way and Novello Drive

There does not seem to be a planned dropped kerb in this location, although a temporary version appears to have been created. A dropped kerb is needed here.

This junction is a key location for crossing for parents / children and other residents making their way to St Andrew’s School East, or the shops in Sullivan Court. Residents have approached me asking for a formal crossing at this point, due to the current level of traffic and perceived danger.

The dropped kerb needs to be in place as a minimum



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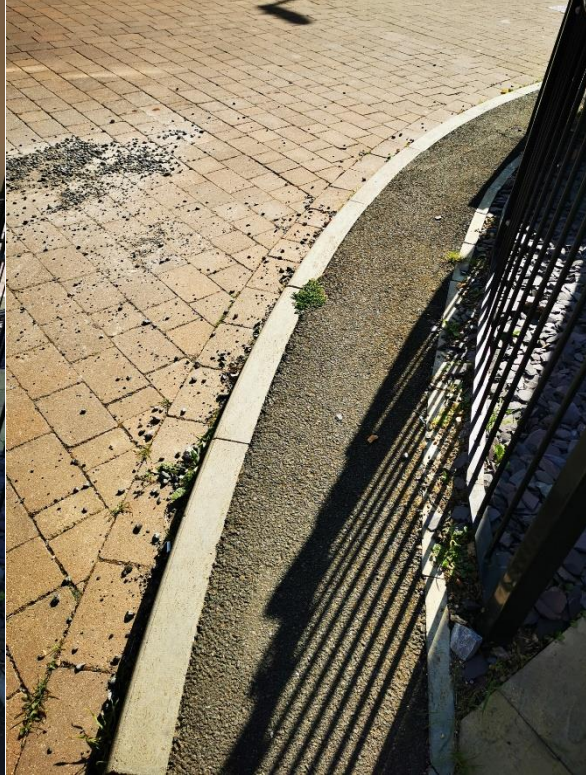
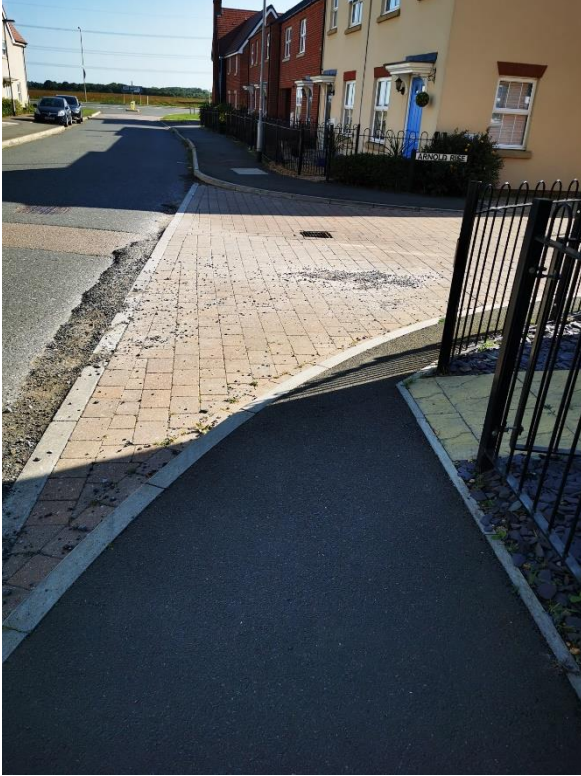


Junction of Arnold Rose and Frankel Way

The junction of the pavement at this point from West to East has two issues

1. No dropped kerb
2. Where the pavement surface does drop, there is no access for wheel chair or buggy users to get through as it is too narrow. Users have to drop into the road, or re-plan their route.

Dropped Kerb required



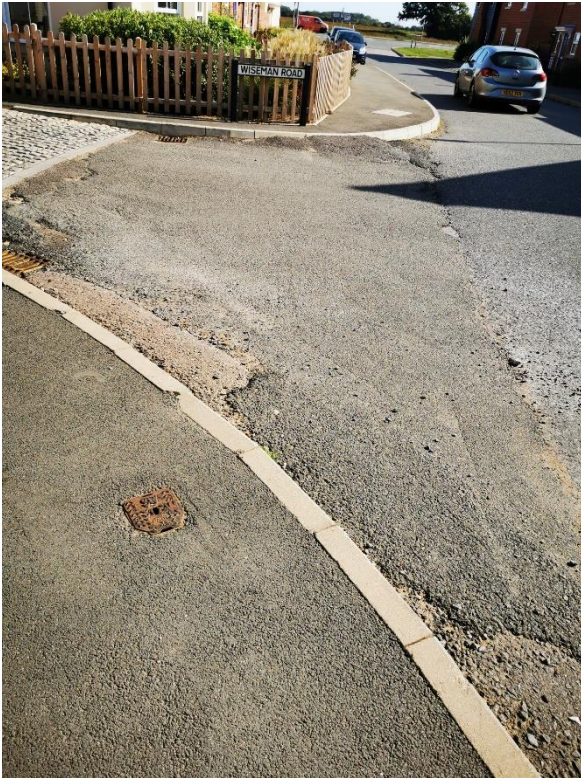
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Junction of Frankel Way and Wiseman Road

This junction of the pavement at this point from East to West has two issues.

1. No dropped kerb
2. Where pavement surface does drop, there is no access for wheel chair or buggy users to get through as it is too narrow. Users have to drop into the road, or re-plan their route

Dropped Kerb required



Junction of Gibbens Croft and Frankel Way

This is to highlight that there IS a pinch point at this junction from West to East, but there is a dropped kerb. Once the final road surface is in place this will be acceptable.

The previous two junctions mentioned (Wiseman Road / Frankel Way) (Arnold Rise / Frankel Way) in this report need to have similar arrangements to this junction and the Coates Road /Novello Junction



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Junction with Sherrington Grove and Walker Mead

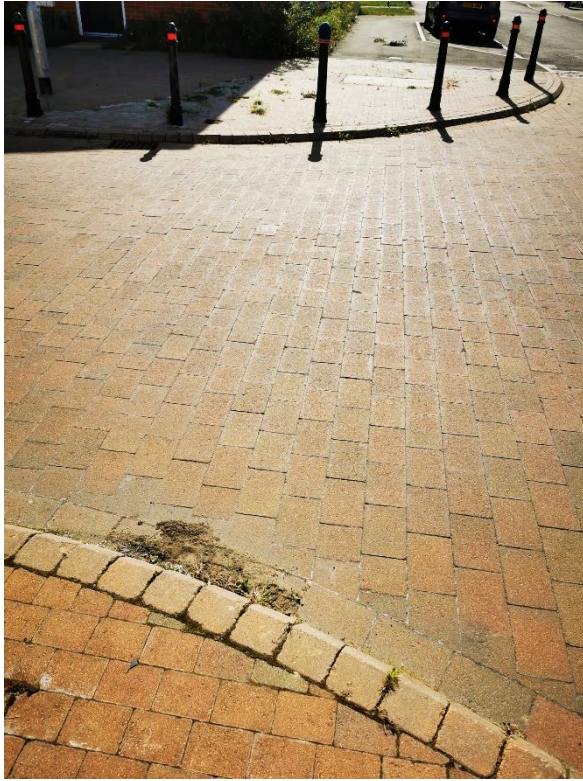
No dropped kerb



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Junction of Compton Mead, Sherrington Grove and Maskin Drive

No obvious dropped kerb.



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Junction of Hunt Road and Maskin Drive

No dropped kerb, although a temporary solution in place currently.

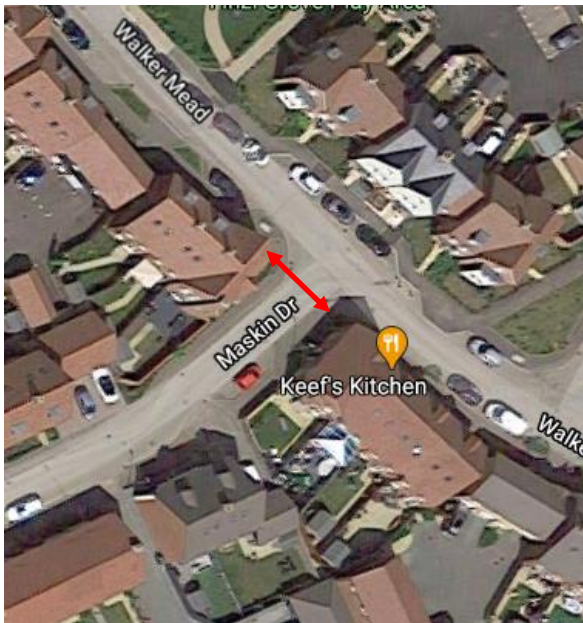
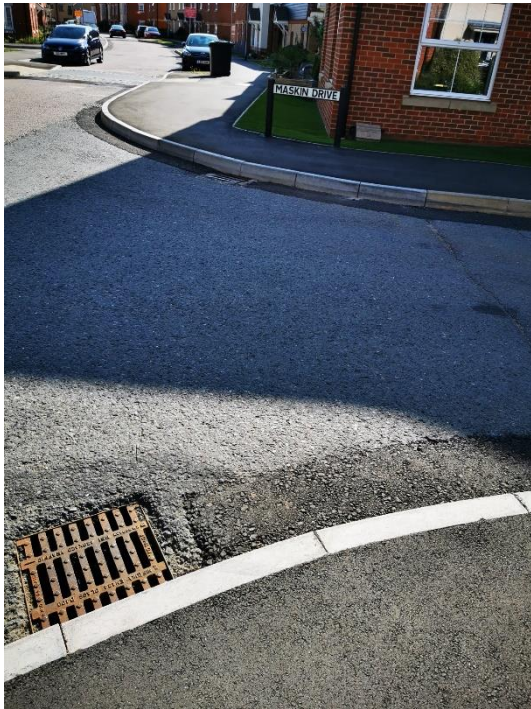


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Junction of Maskin Drive and Walker Mead

No dropped kerb



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Junction with Walker Mead and Chamberlain Park

No Issue – there is a dropped kerb

This is just to highlight that some junctions do have dropped kerbs.



Junction with Walker Mead and Blackburn Way

No Issue – there is a dropped kerb

This is just to highlight that some junctions do have dropped kerbs.



Junction of Blackburn Way and Maunder Avenue

No dropped kerb.

This is close to the “Shared Space” of Maunder Avenue.



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