

Future Service Changes

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Outline



Update on Touch Choices

What next..

Highways Safety Defects Case Study

Tough Choices decisions made..

APPROVED

- Reduction of gritting and snow-clearing fleet
- Closure of picnic sites
- Stopping grass cutting (except for visibility areas)
- Stopping weed treatment
- Remodelling of the parish lengthsman service
- Reduction in Neighbourhood Highway Team staffing

DEFERRED

- Change of criteria for gritting and snow-clearing routes – cuts deferred until 2016/17

REJECTED

- Stop maintaining grit bins

What next...

We anticipate more cuts BUT trying to lessen blow by:

- Responding to changes in National Code eg Highways Safety Defects
- Switching spend where we can eg Revenue - Capital
- More efficient working practices eg Standby, Civil Parking Enforcement & Winter service
- Cost recovery eg Recharge
- Income generation eg Work for third parties
- Stronger emphasis on risk based decision making
- We need your continued support eg Snow Warden & Road Wardens

Highways Safety Defects

We have a Statutory Duty to maintain the highway as safely as is reasonably practicable

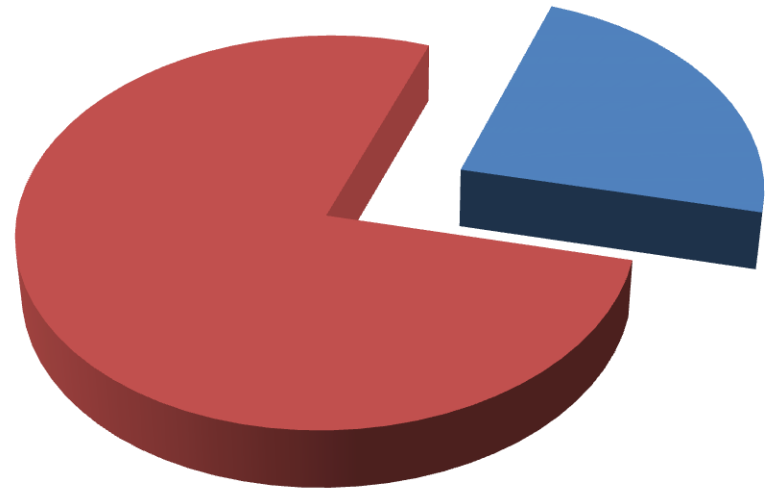
- Review of current approach in light of challenges and changes in National Code
- Consistency with our neighbours
- More risk based approach
- Trials to inform future ways of working
- Any amendment to policy next Year



The Problem

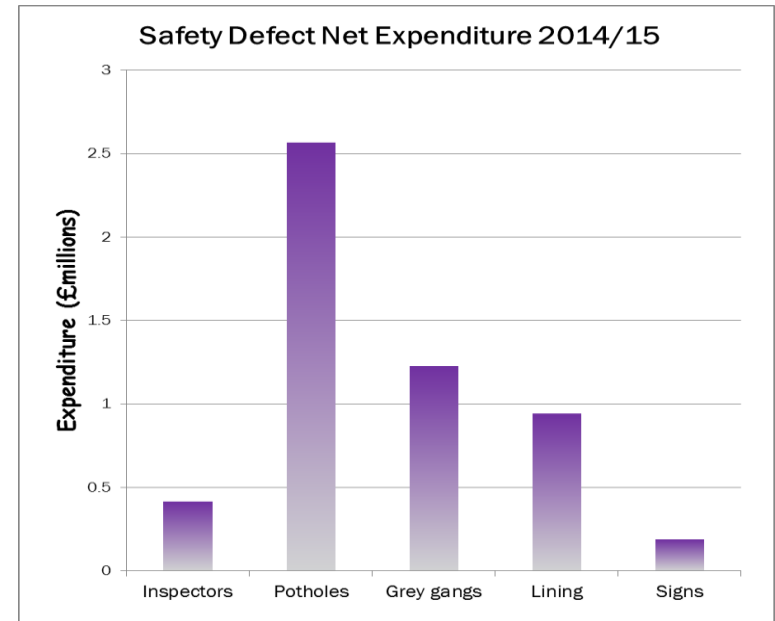
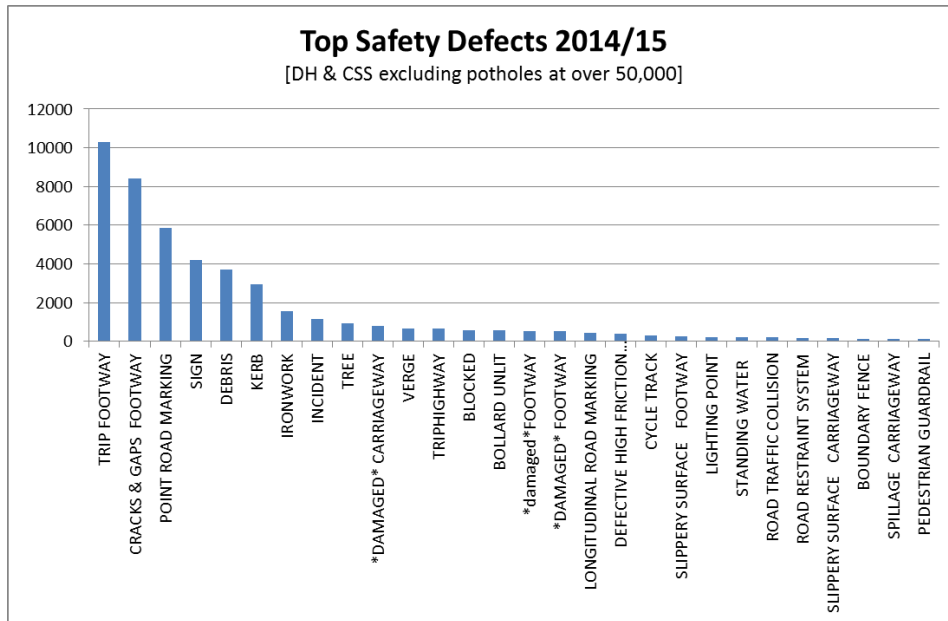
- Current Safety Defect Budget **£6.576m**
- **23%** of HM Revenue Budget
- Further **£3m** saving required 2016/17
- **106,000** defects recorded 2014/15
- Of which **69,500** were potholes

HM Revenue Budget

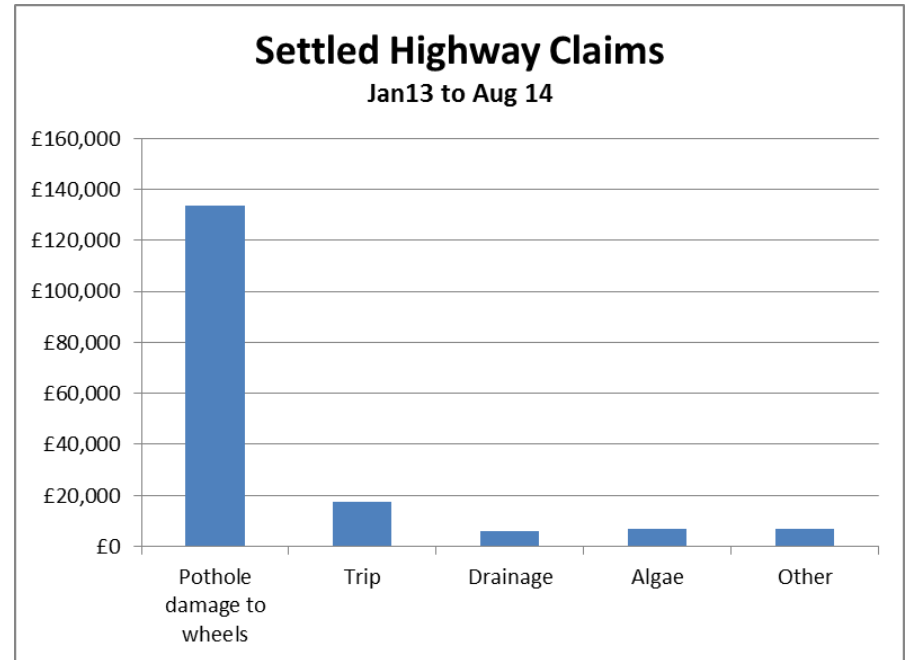
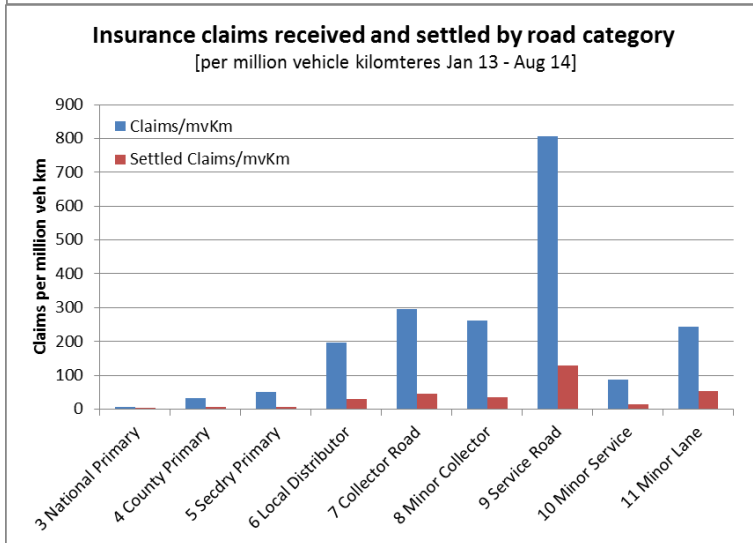
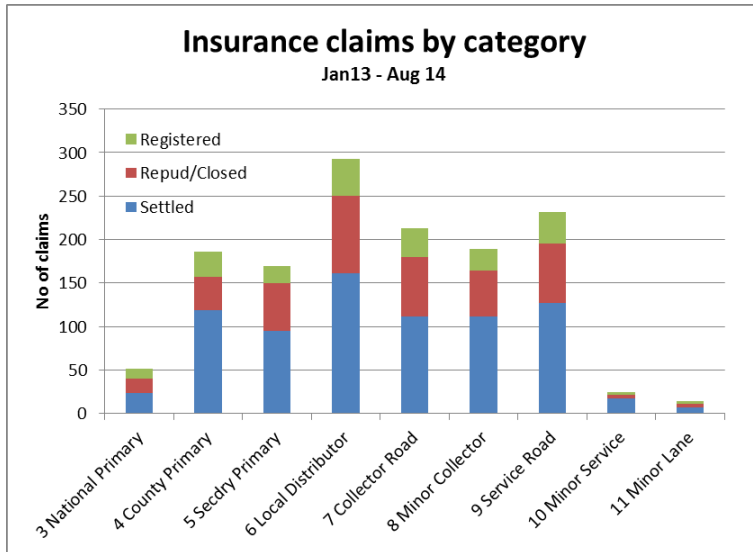


■ Safety Defects ■ Other

But it isn't all about pot holes...



Insurance Claims Analysis



What Next?

- Time to change
- A new approach is needed
- Funding is running out
- So what direction



What are others doing?

- Many Authorities are using a different approach to Devon.....
- Less prescriptive
- More risk based



How Might it Work

Principles of Risk Assessment

- Identify the risk
- Evaluate the risk
- What is the impact?
- What is the probability?

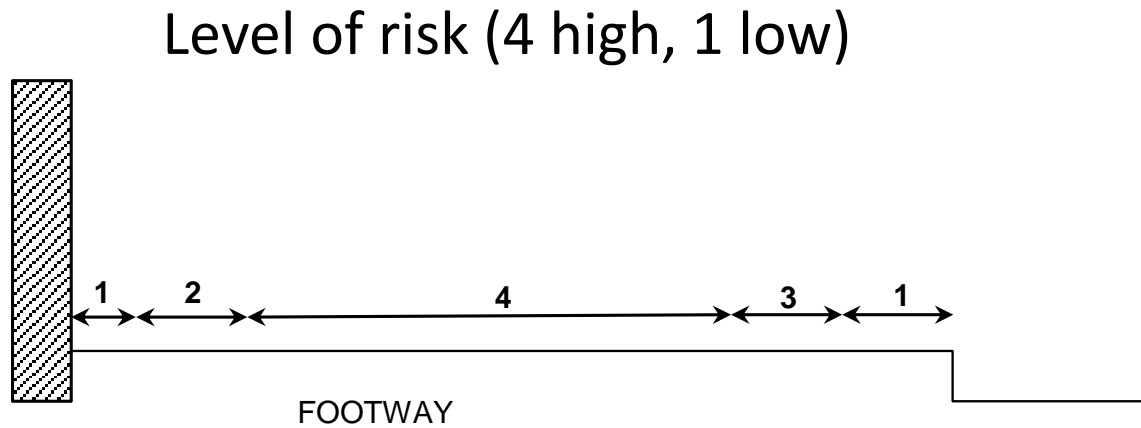
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		1	2	3	4	5
Probability	5	Green	Yellow	Red	Red	Red
	4	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Red	Red
	3	Green	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Red
	2	Green	Green	Green	Yellow	Yellow
	1	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green

What this could mean in reality?

- Considering our response in terms of likely impact eg traffic flow & location in highway
- Use of different methods and materials
- Increased emphasis on right first time BUT...
- Some defects may take longer to be dealt with
- Some defects may be dealt with quicker
- Linking up with capital schemes eg if resurfacing scheme on the horizon
- Batching jobs of similar type and more effective programming

Risk Approach

Possible evaluation of a footway defect



Over to You

Devon
Highways

