

The areas below were those presented to the local Devon County Council Highways Officer as possible locations for leaving uncut, in line with the Devon County Council 'Life on the Verge' project. The map number correlates with cutting maps used by the Council's maintenance team.

The officer has compared the identified areas with the grass cutting maps, to identify the reason why the area is cut. For example, some areas are cut for visibility, whilst others aren't. It is Devon County Council policy that "grass cutting on road verges is only carried out when deemed necessary for the following reasons: to maintain visibility areas/splays for highway users and/or to provide forward visibility to signs" ([Life on the Verge in Devon - Environment](#)).

The officer has also spoken with the maintenance team, who have local knowledge of why areas are cut, and of which are uncut. The team have provided photographs (through June) of the areas already left uncut.

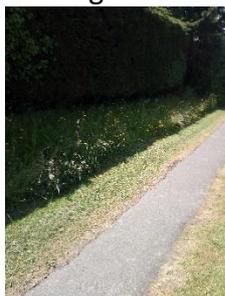
Under each area in the list, the reasons why it is cut or not is given. If left uncut, photographs are provided for the Committee's information.

#### **Lundy View Two green areas, one in Highfield and further down above Dolphin Court (map 014)**

These areas are not cut for urban or rural visibility. They are cut, however. A long-standing resident of the immediate area makes contact with the Office on a regular, monthly basis to ask why the areas are not cut fortnightly, which the residents claims they were until a few years ago. The Office is not aware of them ever being cut outside the monthly rotation of cutting. The officer does not consider these areas as suitable without detailed consultation, given the likely local opposition.

#### **Atlantic Way on left going towards Westward Ho! (map 045)**

The verge is cut for one mower-width only, the banks are left uncut.



#### **Mondeville Way (map 039)**

The area is cut. It is not identified as a visibility requirement (urban or rural).

#### **Burrows Way on Sandymere Road (map 024)**

The area is cut. It is not identified as a visibility requirement (urban or rural). The majority of the area is cut by the housing association, however.

**Golf Links Road - on right just beyond Golf Course entrance (map 02-22),  
Golf Links Road beyond Beach Road on left going towards W.Ho! (map 001-02) and  
Golf Links Road - from Golf Club on right along to Surf Bay (map 001-01 & 001-05)**

The area is cut. It is not identified as a visibility requirement (urban or rural), the southern side of the road must be cut for visibility (map 001-02). The officer notes that the verges either side of the entrance to the Club are already raised, so careful consideration would be needed to maintain visibility given the slightly higher ground level.



**Appledore Road on right going towards Appledore (map 022)**



The area is cut to a mower's width only, where visibility requirements allow.

**Churchill Way - at junction with Heywood Road (map 012)**

Devon County Council identifies this whole area as requiring cutting to retain urban visibility. This area is not therefore suitable for leaving uncut.

**Wooda Road - by Wooda Farm (map 001)**

The area is cut. It is not identified as a visibility requirement (urban or rural).

**Churchill Way - on left just beyond Primrose Lane (map 002)**

The area is cut. The larger area further towards Appledore is not identified as a visibility requirement (urban or rural), though the area immediately beyond the Lane is a visibility splay, so careful cutting would be required to meet the requirements of the contract.

**Churchfield Appledore - two green areas (map 015)**

A portion of each area is to be cut to ensure urban visibility. Careful consideration would be required if the areas were to be left uncut.

**Buckleigh Road (map 003-022)**



A part of the area is left uncut, with a two-mower width cut to ensure visibility. Though the majority of the area is cut for visibility, smaller parts of it are.

**Heywood Road - verges on left going up from roundabout and Heywood Road Roundabout - verge on right above roundabout going up towards Northam (map 002-002)**



The whole area is supposed to be cut to maintain visibility. The portions back from the road have been left uncut where possible.



**There are also areas at Hanson Park that are left uncut.**

The officer notes that the piece that can be seen in the middle picture, seems to be growing a form of knotweed, Devon County Council has been asked to investigate. The fourth picture shows this area in early August.

