

Kathleen Ramsay

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Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 9:55 AM
To: Kathleen Ramsay
Subject: Sidewalk comment for infrastructure committee

Hello, Kathleen. Would you kindly share this comment with the infrastructure committee?

I'm an occasional user of the sidewalk that connects the courthouse with the recreation fields and Mary Hogan. I've observed flooding toward the south end of this stretch of sidewalk numerous times, and would note that it is currently as badly flooded as I've seen it. The sidewalk is currently not passible without rubber boots, as the water is several inches deep along many feet of the path.

Quite a number of us attending town meeting found the courthouse parking lot to be convenient (and with plenty of available spaces), but the walk to and from was tricky in the poor lighting along with the water obstacle. Similarly, this is a very popular corridor for kids and adults to use before and after school at Mary Hogan, as I've seen while greeting folks during monthly Walk & Roll to School days.

Please consider fixing the drainage and/or elevating the walkway in this one spot. We need to enable safe comfortable passage here, and the surrounding grass simply cannot handle heavy traffic when it is wet.

Thank you for your consideration.
-Nathan Burt, Quarry Road, Middlebury