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Jeff Morris, Warwickshire CC Highways has assured me that "jetting of all drainage systems in Upper Brailes will be done as soon as resources are available" and in addition "routine gully emptying should take place some time this year as normal".  
   On Wednesday 13/8 Highways inspected and cleared the gully opposite The Paddocks by the allotments but they found that 3 others would need more extensive work. These are by The Fountain, by Hill Lane and by The Lodge near Mint Row, this one needs brickwork repair.  
  I don't know if they ran out of time to look at the other 4 gullies I had previously highlighted.  
  
    Still awaiting for a response from Severn Trent Water.  
    I reported to STW that after only a short rain deluge, sewerage/storm water was coming out of the manhole opposite Jeffs Close by the Main Road and the system was also backing up at The Old Coach House. A small blockage was cleared. As a consequence of this I again chased STW, referring to this call-out and ended up by stating "the sewerage system from the Main Road/Jeffs Close including Orchard Close and then out of Brailes village IS NOT NOW FIT FOR PURPOSE".  
  
   I understand work is being done at the relief channel in Betty's Field this week-end, (will they dredge the bend on the other side of the Sutton Brook near the start of the ditch, at the bottom of No.34 Jeffs Close?)  
  
   I am trying to get Sutton Brook dredged, by Orchard Close bridge, on 6th September, but Chris Righton is unavailable, is there anyone else eligible to drive the vehicle, otherwise we will have to re-arrange for another Saturday afternoon? I have 4 "volunteers" but could do with a couple more and of course buckets and shovels.  
  
    Ken Taylor,  
   Floodwatch.