Following installation of a new edge protection barrier system erected on pier **S3**, access was once again possible to allow the inspection of the viaduct expansion joint to continue & return to timescale as per the structural report programme. As stated on previous general reports access to this Element has not been possible for various reasons.

<u>Structural steel & plates.</u>: All structural steelwork appears to be intact and in a satisfactory condition. However comb plate No2. on the north bound carriageway (slow lane) slight movement when heavy vehicles Passover only. All Southbound comb plates appear to be intact & satisfactory.

<u>Fixings.</u>: Current status remains as past inspections. Heavy corrosion apparent on all fixings. **4 off** nuts remain missing as last inspection.

<u>**Drainage.**</u>: Current status remains as past inspections. Troughs on both north & south expansion joints remain intact & functional at time of inspection. Heavy corrosion remains apparent on both troughs.

<u>General</u>: All underside fixing, ie, spring assemblies etc. remain badly soiled with road detritus.

All relevant information detailed & entered on the structure report programme.

Bridge Inspector.