

CLERK'S INFORMATION SHEET FOR
EARDISLAND PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 5 JANUARY 2017

- 4.1 Safer Neighbourhood Teams work with local people and partners to identify, tackle and solve issues that matter to the community where you live. Your team: PC 3911 Jo ELLIS Mobile 07977 098394; PCSO 6115 Dick ALLFORD Mobile 07968 462523; PCSO 40067 David BODEN 07970 176814.

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- 4.2 Roger Phillips, Email: rjphillips@herefordshire.gov.uk

Dear Residents

In November I met up with our Police Commissioner Paul Champion, the new Chief constable of West Mercia Police Antony Bingham and the Herefordshire Divisional Commander Inspector Sue Thomas. I raised the recent disturbing house burglary in Pembridge, attempted break in at Shobdon Shop, speeding and highway concerns with them. The Commissioner later visited our local Community Support team in Kington. I have a further meeting with him in the new year.

While we are fortunate to live in a low crime area we must not be complacent. Be good neighbours, particularly keep an eye on our more vulnerable community members, leave a light on if you're going out and if you see something suspicious report it.

In this month's update I cover Highways, Planning and information on local fire stations activity. Next month I will share as usual the traffic figures for my main villages or October.

As ever if I can be of any help please do not hesitate to contact

Roger

HIGHWAYS

I have forwarded to Balfour Beatty after consulting my Parish Councils the highways we consider should be placed on the resurfacing programme for 2017/18. I have listed the highways below and have also raised the state of the kerbs in Pembridge.

I am having further discussions on white lining at Golden Cross, bridge street junction and Market square in Pembridge and the Royal George junction in Lyonshall.

All the grit bins have been filled and for your information the gritting routes in my ward are all the A and B highways, Rhyse lane and Pembridge to Stansbatch road.

Pembridge Parish Main A44 through Pembridge village throughout the speed zone. C1083 Bearwood Lane from A44 junction to Village Hall. C1083 Bearwood crossroads. C1032 Kingspan corner. Noke Lane 91416 especially bad at the Forge Crossroads (91417)

Shobdon Parish B4362 resurfacing through the village. U92515 from junction with U92514 to the main road B4362. U92514 from junction with U92515 to the main road B4362

Lyonshall Parish A480 -- bad patches on bank south of Holmes Marsh. U 91407 top section of Moorcot road adjoining Holmes marsh. C1031 from junction with A480 to junction with A44

Eardisland Parish Church lane from C1035 to the village hall. U93009 Lower Hardwick to Lower Burton

Titley Group C1023 through Staunton on arrow village. Titley - (going out of Titley past Burcher Farm) B4355 - from the 91602 junction to junction 91607 on the B4355. 91602 (bottom of Eywood Lane) from junction B4355 50 metres in westerly direction

Please report any problems on highways or footpaths using the links below

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/transport-and-highways/maintenance/potholes>

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/transport-and-highways/footpaths-byways-and-bridleways/cg-report-prov-problem>

PLANNING

Various applications are being prepared in my ward but the local housing market is not very strong. Following the refusal of the land adjoining Orchard house in Eardisland at the planning committee, the applicant has appealed to the planning inspectorate and I have supported the Parish Council in submissions to the appeal. Later this month the applications for six further houses on top of the recent 5 sites at Titley will be discussed by the planning committee. I am aware of seven further planning applications either anticipated or in the system in my villages.

As I have previously indicated Herefordshire Council is one of the 70% of English councils which lack a 5 year land supply of houses and this gives a strong presumption in favour of development for housing particularly in and on the edge of defined settlements in the Core Strategy. These are Pembridge, Shobdon, Lyonshall, Eardisland, Titey. Staunton on arrow and Holmes Marsh .The sooner we get the Neighbourhood plans confirming the sites for future development and the large applications passed in Hereford we should then meet the 5 year supply.

LOCAL FIRE ACTIVITIES

From April to September this year the four local Fire stations, Leominster, Kington, Eardisley and Kingsland, which cover my ward were called out 146 times. All these stations are maned by retained fireman, part time local people employed in the area . There were 49 fires dealt with, 23 other incidents largely road collisions and 74 false alarms. Most of these are by accidental trigger alarms with very view thankfully being malicious.

If you want to discuss a planning matter please contact simon.rowles@herefordshire.gov.uk

If you a planning enforcement concern Debbie.Crowley@herefordshire.gov.uk

- 6.1 Lengthsman work in December – clearing/cleaning/checking white lines, road signs, drain tops and grips, grit bins. Hedge trimming on recreation ground.

- 6.2 Footpath Officers – We've put the waymarkers up on ED7 at the Pembridge end to try to give walkers more direction. We mainly tried to redirect them away from the river as this seems to cause the most confusion.

The Dilwyn complaint that ED9 is blocked has been dealt with following a second complaint from a local walker. The landowner has readily agreed to completely reinstate the PROW following its proper route. We'll put up bridle waymarkers and check it in early January.

While dealing with the above, Phil Milchard and I saw that the landowner at Twyford appears to have rerouted the PROW ED11 which follows their drive. A good metal kissing gate and a new signpost have been installed, thus moving the path so that it avoids the drive and starts at the edge of the field, running along the side of the drive. (See photo) Electric gates have been erected across the drive so there is no access to the official start of the PROW. Although they have only moved the path a few metres across a fence, we have informed the Locality Steward as it is our understanding that permission has to be sought to move a PROW in any way. There is a substantial cost to the landowner when the path is moved.

As this path becomes PM58 we have checked with the Pembridge footpath officer but Pembridge PC has not been involved with the rerouting. We are arranging to meet the Locality Steward at the site early in the new year to decide what action, if any, needs to be taken. We are mindful that setting precedents should be avoided as this may complicate future issues. The footpath officers have been asked by Councillor Milchard to help with the new Eardisland leaflets with reference to PROWs. We are currently checking that paths shown and directions given are accurate.



Heritage Project: Eardisland Memorial Walks.

The initiative takes the names of the WW1 Fallen on the Memorial, and creates walks named after each. Guide style brochures will be available, which include strict stage by stage directions and information about the village and the individual, his life before service and aspects of WW1 which applied to him and his unit. The project is conducive to the NDP in several key respects. It also supports the upkeep of Rights of Way and encourages responsible use. External funding is required.

6.4 Play area – No problems, all appears to be in order.

6.6 Now 24 subscribers to MailChimp.

9. Correspondence – received as follows:

- From HC – Marches Freight Strategy consultation
- From BB – December parish update
- From HC – The First Shell Exhibition information
- From Community First – Invitation to AGM 8 February
- From HC – re war memorial sandblasting
- From HALC – Information Corner 23.12.16