

Hazelbury Bryan Bytes

Parish Council Newsletter – Issue 25 August 2015

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Report from Steve Murcer – Chairman

I’m very pleased to say that two volunteers have come forward and been co-opted as parish councillors – John Grayson, who has done the role previously, and Phil Dimmock – welcome to them both.

The money we allocated from the Ideas Please initiative continues to be spent. The village hall has new chairs and there are 5-a-side goals on the recreation ground and a new see-saw on its way for the younger children.

We are making progress, albeit seems excruciatingly slow progress, in our discussions with Hall and Woodhouse to build a path from the Antelope towards the village shop. The matter is being considered by H&W in September and we hope to be able to report positive progress after that. The funds are in place, Dorset County Council Rangers are ready to do the construction – all we need is formal permission from the landowner.

Fingerposts have been in the local media, especially the one at Kingston. These are valued features of the local landscape, and despite the growing use of sat navs they do help people find their way around. DCC has no money to repair or replace and so it is coming down to parishes to pay

Steve Murcer, August 2015

Wessex Water – water main replacement

Larry Goodridge and Brian Sheppey from Wessex Water attended the parish council meeting on 4th August and explained the background and operational aspects of the forthcoming water main replacement. Wessex Water replaces approx 50 km of water main each year, normally when the existing pipe is too old to make continuing repairs viable – this is the case in point in HB. The work will be split into two sections. The first will run from just south of the road junction at the school to just north of the junction with Churchfoot Lane. This should begin on 21st September and take up to 26 days. The second stage runs from the Churchfoot Lane junction southwards as far as Thickthorn Cottage. This stage will take up to 27 days. Key points to note are:

- Wessex Water will do its best to minimise disruption to water supply, to residents and to those travelling through
- As the road is narrow it will need to be closed for through traffic for the duration of the work although at night the holes in the road will be “plated” and some access for residents will be possible. The operational gangs will liaise with local residents to allow deliveries, especially for local businesses ie Droop Farm
- Some interruption of water supply will occur – for a few hours at a time and with prior notice
- WW will liaise with the school when the Head teacher returns after the summer break; road access to the school will always be available because of the way the work has been split, but parents may find parking more difficult as they load/offload. WW has other, larger schemes on the go and cannot programme this particular work in the school holidays.
- Letters advising the detail will be sent to all local, neighbouring properties
- Road signs forewarning motorists etc of road closures will be situated appropriately in liaison with DCC Highways; diversions will be clearly marked

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- Once complete the water pressure should be the same, but the flow might be stronger – but certainly the pipe will be more reliable
- Maps showing the plans will be on the village noticeboard
- Larry Goodridge's phone number is 07990 563726

Coincidentally, the Wessex Water repair and maintenance team is in Kingston on 22nd and 23rd September with a separate road closure (the date has been moved to allow for the bus service).

Recent experience in neighbouring villages has been that Wessex Water does try to be as flexible and helpful to the needs of local residents as possible. It is expected that the timings for the length of the work are on the cautious side, but of course only time will tell

Village Open Day – 10th October in the Village Hall – 2pm – 4pm

Ever wondered what goes on in the Village Hall?

Come along to Hazelbury Bryan Village Hall and meet some of the Hall's users and other major community groups on Saturday 10th October between 2 and 4 pm.

As well as having a go at Short Mat Bowls we hope you can meet representatives from Healthy Exercise and Integral Yoga, The Art Group, Gardening Club, Camera Club, Lady Painters, Hillside Hungry Club and other clubs as well as the Hillside Car Scheme, HB School and the British Legion to name just a few.

Refreshments will be provided and we look forward to seeing you.

Please note that the new telephone number for booking the Hall is 817212 or you can email hazelvillagehall@outlook.com

Alison Maughan
Chairwoman

Dog bins

Well the sixth and hopefully final bin has been installed in Wonston at a junction of several paths. All the bins are well used and emptied on a weekly basis. We would ask that all dog walkers do pick up after their dogs have done what dogs do!

Parish Council meetings: Held on the first Tuesday of every month at 8pm in the Village Hall. During the meeting there is a time set aside for the public to raise matters of concern or local interest.

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