



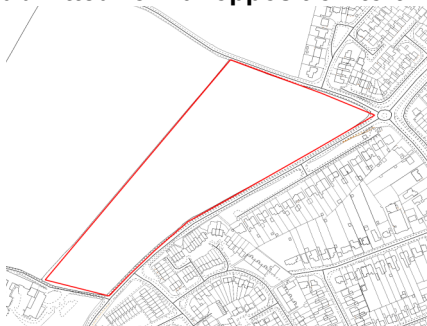
Planning Matters in the Parish

Much of the Parish Council's time has, in recent months, been spent on Planning Matters. There have been two major items which have taken a lot of time and research on the part of your Councillors, who have given due consideration to all views and looked at all aspects of each of the following matters. We are also grateful to all parishioners who have taken time to discuss these matters with us and offer varying points of view, and undertaken much research, for us to consider.

18/0520—Proposed Development of the former Golf Club Site—Low Habberley—in line with a large number of parishioners who took time to come to the Open Forum of recent meetings, the Parish Council formally submitted comment opposing the application for ancillary works and parking provision for the development of a family adventure trail on this site. The Council's comments, submitted to the District Council, can be found in the minutes for December on the Parish Website, but the application has now been withdrawn by the applicant.

Local Area Plan Review—it came as some surprise to many that a large area of land in Low Habberley was being earmarked for possible future development for the building of 120 houses in a revision of the Local Area Plan. The Parish Council too were unaware of this until the Review was made public, and in line with the wishes of the majority of parishioners, the **Parish Council have submitted formal opposition to this in comment to the District Council Local Planners.** They

will now consider all of the consultation responses received during the consultation period and may, as a result, update the submission version of the Local Plan. The submission version will be approved by a meeting of the full District Council which is expected to happen in July. The District planners will then submit the submission version of the Local Plan for examination by an independent Government-appointed Planning Inspector. It is anticipated that a public examination of the plan, as approved by the Inspector will take place in late 2019 with formal adoption in 2020. The aim is to identify sufficient sites for homes in the District to meet Government targets up to 2036.



Trees in Low Habberley



Following requests by local residents, your Parish Council obtained agreement from the owners of the trees to the rear of houses at Low Habberley to have tree surgery undertaken to make them safe and to prevent further damage from falling branches to nearby property. Most of these trees are subject to Preservation orders, and therefore permission to cut

them back had to be obtained from the District Council. The work was undertaken during the last month, and it is hoped that this will prevent further branches falling on property during any forthcoming stormy weather.

Local "What's on"

AT TRIMPLEY VILLAGE HALL:

Saturday 9th February 2019—Kurling Night

For tickets contact Wendy on 01299-861376



Trimpley Bridge Club—are looking for new members. Do you enjoy a game of Bridge?

They meet on the **first Monday in the month from August to April in Trimpley Village Hall at 7.45 p.m.** Rubber

Bridge is played and no partner is needed.

Anyone with a small amount of experience of the game is most welcome to join. If you would like further information please contact Janette Burgess on 01562 227449.



Holy Trinity Church, Trimpley

2019 continues to see changes in our Parish and we have had to say farewell to Rev. Alex Vaccaro and her husband Fil. We are so grateful for all they have given to Holy Trinity Church, Trimpley over the last few years. A big welcome now goes to the Reverend Simon Archer, who with his wife Jane, is moving to our area to join the Kidderminster Ismere Team. While ministering to the whole parish, he will have special care of Holy Trinity and we hope that you will come and meet him at one of the Services. Lots of things change in life but Holy Trinity Church will continue to be a place where everyone is welcome with refreshments and people to chat to after every Service. Details can be found on noticeboards in Trimpley and Low Habberley or follow us on Facebook @HolyTrinityChurchTrimpley

Parish Council Matters

Meetings

Don't forget, the public are welcome to come along to any Parish Council meeting and speak and/or discuss matters with councillors and usually local police in the Open Forum at the start of each meeting. These are the dates of the next meetings, all held in Trimpley Village Hall @ 7.30p.m. - **25th February, 25th March and 15th April — check the website (see above) or noticeboards for agenda. 15th April is also the Annual Parish Assembly** All electors of the parish are entitled and encouraged to attend, and discuss any matter of relevance to the parish with Councillors.

Your Parish Councillors are:

Mr. B. Phillips : (Chair) Tel 01299 861661
Mr. J. Gammond : Tel 01299 400750
Mr. C. Grainger : 01299 403231
Mrs. C. Gammond : 01299 402929
Mr. G. Yarranton : 01299 403835
Mrs. L. Green : Tel 01562 747180
Mr. C. Jordan : Tel 012909 861484

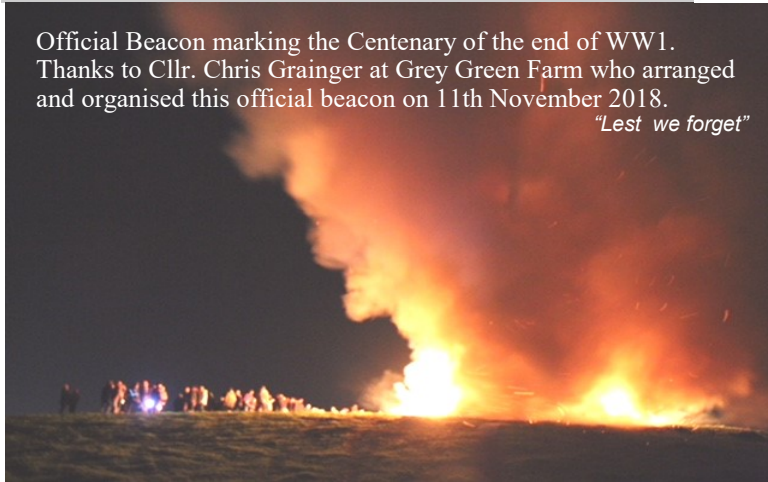
Please feel free to contact them (or the Clerk (see overleaf)) on any matters of concern re life in the Parish, or come along to the **Public Open Forum** at the start of every meeting.

World War 1 end Celebrations



Official Beacon marking the Centenary of the end of WW1.
Thanks to Cllr. Chris Grainger at Grey Green Farm who arranged
and organised this official beacon on 11th November 2018.

"Lest we forget"



Old Weather Sayings for Feb.

I'm a great believer in the sometimes dubious truth that may be found in some of the old country weather sayings, and tying in with the "Candlemas Bells" on the first page, (Candlemas is 2nd Feb) you might like to enjoy reading about some of these:

2nd Feb (Candlemas) is halfway between the shortest day and the spring equinox, and was often seen as the midpoint of winter.

"The Snowdrop, in purest white array, first rears her head on Candlemas day"

"If February gives much snow, a fine summer it doth foreshow"

"If the cat lies in the sun in February, it will creep behind the stove in March"

And it is notoriously a wet month....

"February fill dyke, be it black or be it white!"

"If February bring no rain, tis neither good for grass nor grain"

And don't get me started on Valentine's Day! I could write a book!

This is a Beautiful Parish—Official!



I hope many of you caught the excellent "River Walks" TV programme in December featuring a walk through the parish along the River Severn Valley—with lovely parish views.

Let's keep the parish beautiful! Report any flytipping!
Also, the Parish Council are looking for volunteers to help preserve and enhance the pools and surrounding area on the common in Trimpey—an important wildlife corridor.

Trimpey WI News

This year, Trimpey WI will be celebrating their tenth anniversary. Approx. 30 members meet most months, and members come from all age groups, and they have a friendly team approach to all events.

A brief resume of forthcoming meeting themes is as follows:

February—Katy Sphopher—talk about recycling

March—Shula—Asian cookery demonstration

April—Vicki—making cards for all occasions.

Local walks are organised once a month in the summer, and in the winter indoor games (crib and darts) are held. Additional and varied craft meetings are also held throughout the year, and on the fourth Friday of every month there is an afternoon with Jane where you can try out all things art-related.

Meetings are on the **third Wednesday of each month** in Trimpey Village Hall at 7.30p.m. Everyone is welcome to come along. Contact: Alison on 0797 112 7857.

Use of Grit Salt from boxes

To clarify the piece in the last Newsletter, the Parish Council have no objection to public-spirited parishioners using the grit/salt from the yellow Council boxes and spreading this on the public road and pavements nearby in the parish. Our Lengthsman have only very limited hours to work, and if conditions do take a turn for the worse, then the Parish Council would actively encourage people to do this. The piece in the previous newsletter was to ask that people do not take away the grit provided for use on their own property, which is not only anti-social, but also illegal.



Defibrillators

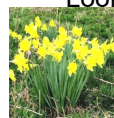


The Parish Council have now assisted with the provision and installation of three defibrillators in the parish—one in Crundalls Lane, one at the village hall, and now one at the Reservoir. The latter is only just about to be installed, at what we believe is a vitally important site. Although the Parish Council have bought new pads and charger for the latter, along with a new outdoor case, it was originally kindly donated by the former Golf Club Committee. We feel sure that these machines are a valuable asset for the parish, and although we hope not to have occasion to see their use, we feel better in the knowledge that they are there and available

Spring Bulbs

Look for the coming of Spring, and the crocuses

and daffodils that the Parish have planted around the villages—by the Village signs and noticeboards.



Bonfires

Although early in the New Year is a great time for a tidy-up in the garden, the Parish Council have been made aware of outside fires which are causing fumes unpleasant to neighbours in the vicinity, due to "non-garden" items being burned. In particular, we are concerned about the toxic and health damaging impact that burning plastic can have. Burning plastic on a bonfire is, in fact, illegal. If you are having a tidy up, and having a garden bonfire please:

- ⇒ do this at a time, and in weather conditions, to minimise the impact of smoke on local neighbours;
- ⇒ do not burn plastics or other items likely to give off toxic fumes
- ⇒ always check for hibernating hedgehogs underneath before setting light to garden bonfires
- ⇒ always carry out bonfires with due regard to the safety of property and neighbours.



Carols by Candlelight

On a damp and dark afternoon—16th December—Trimpey Church opened its doors for the annual

Carols by Candlelight.



It was great to see the church full, singing familiar hymns and carols. With the only light coming from candles and the heaters, it was certainly atmospheric and welcoming on this cold winters' evening—what

an excellent start to the Christmas season!