



Parish Quarterly Newsletter

Keeping you informed



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Painted Lady Butterfly

Proposed Development — Habberley Road, Low Habberley

Our official comment as a statutory consultee voicing strong opposition to this development has now been lodged with the District Council Planning Department, where it can be viewed. We now await their decision.

However, we would like to take this opportunity of thanking local residents for their support in opposition, and for the 500+ comments sent to the District Council, opposing the development. In particular, we would like to thank members of the public for their time given in organising local opposition, especially for local planning research undertaken, and the Stop The Habberley Road Development Facebook campaign and petition raised by Dave and Sara Macdiarmid.

Report on 2020/21 by Retiring Chair—Cllr. Mrs. C. Gammond

"What a year this has been – getting used to holding monthly meetings via Zoom (thanks to Chris Jordan for hosting these meetings for us) and coping with the pandemic restrictions and the effect these have had on carrying out our duties. Our Zoom meetings during the year were well attended by members of the public and proved very successful.

There have been a number of controversial issues – WFDC Local Plan and proposed development on Green Belt land at Low Habberley; Clay Pigeon Shooting at Honeybrook; Concerns regarding changes at Hill Farm Chalet site and at Mary Moors Farm following the sale of the farms; Problems with large numbers of visitors to Trimpley Reservoir causing parking issues as well as litter and antisocial behaviour. This was following the easing of restrictions at the end of the first pandemic lockdown.

All these matters have been regularly discussed and the Parish Council has raised the issues and pursued solutions with relevant authorities wherever possible.

We thank County Clir Ian Hardiman, and District Clirs Paul Harrison and John Byng for their regular attendance at meetings and for the work they do on our behalf.

As usual, drainage issues have appeared on each monthly agenda, including Lightmarsh Lane – Hollies Lane – Northwood Lane – Low Habberley. These were reported to the relevant C/C departments for attention and resolution.

We must thank Cllr. Chris Jordan for his efforts, time and determination in pursuing superfast fibre broadband for properties in the northern half of the parish.

Parishioners in Crundalls Lane have also now received fibre broadband.

Road safety/speeding has been a concern and the Parish Council have installed new solar powered VA Signs in Low Habberley and Trimpley. Thanks go to several councillors for their efforts in addressing problems with the one sign. We are still waiting for the requested speed cables to be put down in Low Habberley, and for a final decision from the County Council on the problem of parking at the entrance to Low Habberley Farm.

New safety barriers have now been installed where Crundalls Lane crosses the brook.

During the year several minor road accidents were reported. Our local police continue to report to our monthly meetings.

The Archer brothers were again signed up as our Lengthsmen and we thank them for the work they continue to do, both on drainage of the roads and litter collection. They also keep our rights of way cleared of seasonal undergrowth. Lengthsman training has been an issue during the pandemic and we are still waiting for the C/Council to resolve this.

Fly tipping has continued to blight the parish but, some good news, there was a successful prosecution following a load of rubbish being dumped in Eymore Lane.

Over 30 planning applications were seen during the year, including a considerable number of Certificates of Lawfulness notified for properties on Hill Farm Chalet site.

The Parish Council responded again on the WFDC Local Plan, objecting to the proposal for land at Low Habberley to be taken out of Green Belt. A meeting was held with the developers to learn more about their proposals for development should the Local Plan allow the land to be removed from Green Belt. We are still awaiting the Inspector's Report on this. Local residents have set up a group to oppose any development here.

Our Clerk has obtained various grants which help with the cost of improvements to the Parish. This included the new V A Signs and we have installed a bus shelter at the Eymore Lane junction and propose to add another near Trimpley crossroads and one at Low Habberley. A grant will also help pay for an improvement project at The Black Pools later in the year.

I wish to thank all our Councillors for their time, effort and support in attending meetings and working voluntarily for the good of the Parish. Finally, a huge thank you to our Clerk, Elsie, who has worked so hard this past year dealing with so many controversial matters during the pandemic, when restrictions effected so many aspects of the job. She has continued with determination and resolve to ensure we, as councillors, carry out the duties expected of us in an appropriate and legal way. The support and help Elsie has given to me during my term as Chairman has been invaluable - Thank you Elsie.

I now wish my successor all the best for the year ahead which, unfortunately, looks to include the continuation of several controversial issues ."

Parish Council - Please visit our website: www.kfpc.org.uk

The public are welcome to come along to any Parish Council meeting and speak and/or discuss matters with councillors in the Open Forum at the start of each meeting. Opposite are the dates of the next meetings, which are usually on the 3rd Monday of each calendar month, (unless altered for special reasons) and are held in Trimpley Village Hall.

Please see agenda, posted on the website or noticeboards, for details, as we are now returning to holding these at the village hall, as we now cannot legally hold these by Zoom.

Next Meetings (starting at 7.30pm) are: Mon 26th July, 16th Aug, 20th Sept, 18th October

Your Current Parish Councillors are:

Mr. C. Jordan: (Chair) Tel: 01299 861484

Mrs. C. Gammond : Tel: 01299 402929 Mr. J. Gammond : Tel: 01299 400750

Mr. C. Grainger: Tel: 01299 403231 Mrs. L. Green: Tel: 01562 747180 Mr. C. Holford: Tel: 01299 404678 Mr. B. Phillips: Tel: 01299 861661 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.

19th Trimpley Vintage Rally

Sunday 1st August 2021

Show Time—10.30a.m to 4.00p.m.
Trade, Craft and Food Stalls
Adults: £5, Under 14s Free

All proceeds to Midlands Air Ambulance Search on Facebook: Trimpley-Vintage-Rally







Trimpley Green WI

Our Local WI usually meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each calendar month in Trimpley Village Hall at 7.30p.m. unless otherwise stated. They will also have a **stall at the Trimpley Vintage Rally** (see above). The next 3 meetings are as follows:

18th AUGUST – A fun game of Mini-Golf in Wolverley, followed by a visit to the Lock Inn. The cost is £10. 7pm **15th SEPTEMBER** - Catering behind the Scenes by Richard Kendrick. To be held in Village Hall.

20th OCTOBER- Nigel Blay + Guitar - Sing Song Musical Evening. To be held in Village Hall.

Visits

Parish Councillors arranged a visit at **Eymore Wood** to meet with Mark Webb, the newly appointed Finance Director responsible for the management of Arley Estate, and Andrew Bronwin, Managing Director of Bronwin's and Abbey, the company undertaking a Forestry Scheme over the next ten years for Eymore Wood. The planned scheme of planting, felling, and forestry management was discussed with Andrew Bronwin, along with problems of poor Rights of Way signage and bridges and litter problems within the woodland. Mark Webb agreed to be instrumental in arranging works to address the latter two problems.

Councillors also visited Habberley Valley at the end of June to become better informed on the management of the Valley,

Age UK

Looking for a fun activity to keep fit in later years? Why not try Walking Football?

Who? For anyone (male or female) aged over 50 regardless of ability or previous experience!

Where? King George V Playing Field, Ash Avenue,

Worcester, WR4 9TL (free parking available)

When? Every Friday (starting 9th July) 11am-12:30pm. Cost? Your first session is FREE and £3.50 per session thereafter.

If you know of anyone that might be interested please do contact Caroline: csavage@ageukhw.org.uk

All groups and sessions will be COVID-secure and delivered

in accordance with Government guidelines.

Contact us: T: 0800 008 6077

E: referralhub@ageukhw.org.uk www.ageukhw.org.uk "

Annual Report by Parish Paths and Regional Route Warden

"With the outbreak of the Covid 19 pandemic and the resulting restrictions put in place, work on rights of way was limited. We received the P3 Grant of £450 from the County Council again which was used to pay our contractors to clear seasonal vegetation on some of the paths. However, as last year, this grant was insufficient to cover clearance of all the paths in need. Again the Parish Council agreed to make up the shortfall so that those paths could be cleared. An issue was raised regarding paths used on Low Habberley Farm.

Signs were put up by the tenant farmer asking walkers to keep to the correct paths so not to damage crops.

After advertising the post of Parish Paths Warden/Regional Route Warden, the Parish Council received interest from two parishioners. Their details were passed to the C/C Rights of Way team who are responsible for making the appointment.

Having spent over 35 years as Rights of Way Warden for the Parish I now hand over to the new Warden/s and wish them as enjoyable and fulfilling period in the role as I have experienced over the years."

Carole Gammond 22.06.2021

Police Matters

Following the naming of three things most needing to be addressed in the Parish, we named : Speeding, Vehicle related crime in Eymore Wood area Car Parks & Flytipping. The Bewdley and Rural Neighbourhood Police Team have issued a contract for the Parish, stating that they will be raising particular awareness locally of these three problems.

New "Neighbourhood Matters" Messaging SchemePCSO Jeni Bray advises: "Find out what's really happening in your area and keep in touch with West Mercia Police through our free messaging service.

The **Neighbourhood Matters** messaging system enables residents, businesses and community groups to keep in touch with local policing teams. You can receive updates on crimes, latest information on on-going incidents and learn more about what we're doing in your community. You're invited to sign up and become a registered recipient of messages of information, crime alerts or witness appeals local to the area in which you live or work by email, text or telephone. Don't worry, we won't bombard you with every incident. You can choose exactly the type of alert you wish to receive." **Log in to this website to sign up**

https://neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk/

This is <u>in addition</u> to our own locally-run award winning *"trimpleywatch"* - which gives more detailed local information.

Trimpley Church

"It was wonderful to have our little church open for a Holy Communion Service conducted by Rev Hayward Osborne.

The Plant Stall at the beginning of June provided a happy community gathering, as well as a wonderful selection of plants for sale and yielded a very healthy profit of over £680 which will contribute to the general running of the church.

The thought provoking and inspirational Pentecost goody bags were delivered within the community. Kath and Richard Sandland have left us to start their new life in Bromsgrove but not before a Surprise Tea Party was held for them at the Guildings. They were presented with a cheque and a memory book from appreciative parishioners."







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