

PARSON DROVE PARISH COUNCIL

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May Elections

As there were insufficient nominations submitted to the District Council we did not have a Parish Council election again this year. We welcome new Councillor Richard Fowler onto the Parish Council.

Neighbourhood Development Plan

The Neighbourhood Development Plan is being referred to a Planning Inspector for approval before we then progress to the final stage of a parish referendum.

Highway Fault Reporting System

Cambridgeshire County Council has an on-line reporting system for highway problems. The online service is available at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/transport/highwaysfault in addition you are still able to report faults by telephone on 03450455212.

Footpath at Sealeys Lane

The section of footpath has finally been installed by the County Council. We will continue to apply for further funding each year until the whole road has a footpath.

Bellamy Bridge Junction

The County Council has recently installed some road markings at this junction to try and slow the traffic down as it approaches the junction, we hope that further improvements to the junction will be made in the future.

Litter Bins

A new litter bin has been installed along Back Road, Murrow following a request by residents for the provision of a bin at this location as well as one at the front of the Alderman Payne Primary school in view of the amount of dog fouling in this area.

Street Lights

Faulty street lights can be reported directly to the District Council either by telephone or on their website online reporting system. To report a faulty street light you will need to quote the column number and the name of the road. Faulty street lights can also be reported to the Clerk or any Councillor but again it would be helpful if you could please quote the column number.

Community Contact Point

PCSO Helen Norton Smith together with an Officer from Fenland District Council will be holding a Community Contact Session in The Cage, located on the village green next to the Swan Inn, on Tuesday 10th September from 3.30pm to 4.30pm when members of the public have the opportunity to raise any issues or concerns they may have with them.

Overgrown Hedges & Trees

We regularly receive complaints about over grown hedges and trees obstructing the public footpaths and protruding into the road causing damage to the side of vehicles as well as obscuring motorist's vision at junctions. Residents and land owners are responsible for cutting back their trees and hedges but failure to do so can result in the County Council Highways department taking action to resolve this, which can be quite expensive. Please therefore cut back any trees or hedges that you have planted close to a footpath or road that may be causing an obstruction now or in the very near future.

Staff Vacancy

As previously advised the Clerk will be retiring at the end of this year and although the vacancy was advertised last month this position is still vacant. If you are interested in applying for the position please forward your application to the Clerk by the 12th August.

NHS Cambridgeshire & Peterborough – Minor Injury Unit

Your local Minor Injury Units in Wisbech, and Doddington are on hand to treat minor illnesses and injuries such as sprains, broken bones, minor burns and scalds, minor head and eye injuries, cuts, bites and stings. No appointment is necessary, patients are seen by highly skilled nurse practitioners who can offer treatment and advice on illness and injuries that need attention urgently but are not critical or life threatening. Please help your NHS to continue to run smoothly by choosing the right service for your illness or injury.

Wisbech Minor Injury Unit at the North Cambridgeshire Hospital is open Monday to Friday 8.30am to 6.00pm.

Doddington Minor Injury Unit at Doddington Community Hospital is open Monday to Friday 8.30am to 6.00pm and on Saturday & Sundays 9.00am to 5.00pm.

Parish Council Meetings

Council Meetings will be held in The Cage starting at 7.00pm on Wednesdays the 14th August, 11th September, 9th October and 13th November. Members of the public are welcome to attend all the meetings and have the opportunity to raise any parish matter during Public Participation for a 15 minute period near the start of the meeting.