



Whiteparish Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

BEST KEPT VILLAGE 2019

At the last Parish Council meeting the Chairman welcomed Mrs Lynne Pearson, representative of the CPRE, who presented the certificates won by Whiteparish in the Best Kept Village 2019 competition. Whiteparish came first in the large village category of the South Wiltshire round and second in the County.

PARISH PRECEPT 2020/2021

It was agreed to increase the parish precept to £50,500.00 in order to fund a significant one-off expense of fencing to the north eastern boundary of the Memorial Ground. Therefore, ensuring the Parish Council maintains the current reserves which will be required for the cemetery plans. This equates to £1.36 a week for a Band D property, subject to Wiltshire Councils final confirmation of the Whiteparish tax base.

STREET LIGHTING

Wiltshire Council has advised that the older amber coloured lights are going out of production and becoming increasingly difficult to obtain. It has been necessary to replace a number of failed lights with the new LED type of lighting, which produces a white and much more directed light. They do look different to the lighting people have become accustomed to.

Wiltshire Council is in the process of starting a two-year programme of replacing its street lighting with LED lights. They state this will reduce costs and the carbon footprint considerably. The existing LED lighting currently installed will be replaced with the new units in due course as part of the wider project.

More information can be found at:
<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/highways-improvements-led-lighting>

OVER GROWING VEGETATION

Several concerns have been raised about overgrown vegetation throughout the village. Access along our footpaths and pavements, in many cases, is being impeded by vegetation. The Parish Council would like to remind all land owners and house holders that they are responsible for the clear passage of pedestrians along pavements and footpaths and urge them to clear any offending vegetation. The Parish Council wishes to remind the public that the blocking of rights of way is a criminal offence.

POSSIBLE ROAD ALTERATIONS AT THE JUNCTION OF COMMON ROAD AND THE A27

It was agreed for no further action to be taken regarding possible road alterations at the junction of Common Road and the A27. The Parish Council thanks the residents who did submit their views.

COUNCILLOR VACANCY

There is one vacancy. Would you like to contribute to the working of the Parish Council and be involved in decision making? Meetings are held approximately every 5 weeks on a Tuesday evening. If you are just the person to help make a difference and create a better future for local residents please contact the Parish Clerk for further information.

PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

The new Parish Council website is now live:
www.whiteparish-pc.gov.uk

NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting is on Tuesday 17th December. The meetings are held in Whiteparish Memorial Centre. Villagers are invited to attend the meetings. Please inform the Parish Clerk at clerk@whiteparish-pc.gov.uk if you are unable to attend and wish to raise any village matter.