



# Whiteparish Parish Council

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## PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

### **Best Kept Village Competition 2021**

The Best Kept Village Competition is a great way to recognise the contribution of many who give their time and effort to showcase and enhance our lovely village. Thank you all for your continuing hard work in keeping the village smart and tidy. Whiteparish has again been entered into the competition and the first round of judging will take place between 17<sup>th</sup> May and 13<sup>th</sup> June. There are three categories and Whiteparish falls under the large village category; the best village in each group goes through to the County Round. Whiteparish has been runner-up in the County Round for the past 2 years of the competition. So close!

Please inform the Clerk if you are aware of any issues requiring attention within the village.

### **Election Update**

Eight of the eleven seats for Whiteparish Parish Council were filled after nominations closed on April 8th. There are three seats remaining and these vacancies will be filled by co-option at a later date. Please contact the Clerk if you would like further information.

### **Haulage Depot, Common Road**

The New Forest National Park and Wiltshire Council enforcement departments are still investigating the HGV trailers and containers parked on the access road to the depot. The haulage company have confirmed they will not park any vehicle on the strip of land leading to it and will continue to follow the routing agreement.

The Parish Council also continues to monitor this. If residents should see trailers and containers parked on the access road and are able to safely take images with the dates and times, please can they email them to the Clerk.

### **Litter**

The Parish Council has received concerns that some of the litter in Common Road is associated with the haulage depot there. The Parish Council has been assured by the depot operators that there are adequate facilities for visitors to dispose of their rubbish on site. The Parish Council have agreed to erect some signs along Common Road to remind people to not drop litter.

### **Community Speed Watch Volunteers**

The Whiteparish Community Speedwatch team urgently needs more volunteers.

The Community Speedwatch team have operated in Whiteparish since 2015, acting as a reminder to drivers to keep within the speed limit. We also have a Speed Indication Device (SID), maintained by the volunteers, which is currently mounted near the Parish Lantern. Data collected by the device, and by the team, is used by Wiltshire Police to target both repeat offenders and to carry out their own speed checks at the times of day when high speed is prevalent. Our presence is in response to residents' concerns and is a very effective way of slowing down traffic. Helping keep our community safe.

Can you spare 1 - 3 hours a month to take part in 45-minute Speedwatch sessions?

Full training takes place within Whiteparish, which includes an online training video and knowledge check and training with a Special Constable and the CSW Team Leader. Please contact the Clerk if you are interested.

### **NEXT MEETING**

Unless there is an alteration to the current legislation the next Parish Council meeting is on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2021 in the Memorial Centre. If you wish to attend, please contact the Parish Clerk at [clerk@whiteparish-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@whiteparish-pc.gov.uk) for confirmation of the date and location.