



Whiteparish Parish Council

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PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

COVID-19

During these unprecedented times for us locally and nationally please do what you can to help all remain safe in the coming weeks and months.

Please follow the guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>

Courteous Parking

Concerns have been raised again regarding inconsiderate parking throughout the village. Please can residents be mindful of where and how they park, especially near road junctions.

The parking of vehicles on junctions/corners reduces visibility and thus safety. Please take into account emergency vehicles such as ambulances and fire engines. Can they access the area and if so, can they do so without the need to mount pavements? Also please be aware if you are obstructing pedestrian access anywhere, potentially effecting the vulnerable? Please park considerately and think of others.

Street Light Base Station

Wiltshire Council have installed a new street light base station in Ashmore Close. Frustratingly there was no consultation with the Parish Council. We have been told this is in readiness for when the new street lights are installed as the communications box connects to the other lights in the area. It allows the control of lighting levels and reports when they are not working to enable quicker repairs. When all the lights are converted to LED in 2021, we are advised there will be greater flexibility of operation as Wiltshire Council will be able to control the dimming and timings remotely.

Annual Parish Report

The Annual Parish Report is available to view on the village website.

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COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Your Parish Council needs you!

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.

Public Rights of Way

The Parish Council wishes to remind the public that the blocking of rights of way is a criminal offence along with intimidation to users.

We understand from Wiltshire Council that there is no reason why a mobility scooter can't use a right of way, particularly on an accessible route. More information can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/right-of-way-open-access-land/use-public-rights-of-way>

Please report alleged intimidations on a public right of way to the police.

Several concerns have also 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.

NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting is on Tuesday 28th April 2020.

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.