

Hatton Parish Post

An update of the news following our last well attended meeting at Hatton Park Village Hall when once again the main topic of conversation during the public forum was the Birmingham Road works.

Union View and its Roadworks

The public meeting organised by Warwickshire County Council (WCC) Highways Department took place on 20th February at the church.

A number of local residents raised significant concerns about the problems being caused by the lack of proper management of the traffic lights. County and District Councillor Jan Matecki has been in contact with the traffic management company to try and improve the situation. Residents have asked for the traffic lights to be temporarily removed as often as is possible when works are not taking place.

The work improving the existing 'works' entrance is now complete and has shifted to drainage operations along the north side of the carriageway. As this is being done in stages, the one-way section is shorter as, therefore, are the queues for the lights. Despite this, there are occasions when there are unnecessary delays with one queue much longer than the other, or, as happened recently, the lights fail.

We are advised that if you encounter issues with lights and/or traffic on the Birmingham Road.

PLEASE CALL TRAFFIX WEST MIDLANDS 0800 819 9001

(Our experience is they respond promptly.)

Charingworth Link Pathway

Following our call for proposals for the use of the Parish's CIL funding, it has been suggested that the path linking that from Charingworth Drive to the one bordering the east side of the upper green space on Hatton Park be improved. (A to B on the plan below).

At present there is a steep, usually muddy track with exposed tree roots through the hedge which then levels off as it approaches point B. This will probably require some steps and then a hard surface joining it to the existing path. Before proceeding with this, we would welcome the views of local residents.



May Meetings

In May, the Parish Council convenes the Annual Parish Assembly, and holds its Annual Meeting, as well as the usual monthly meeting.



Prior to the Annual Parish Assembly, organisations we support submit their annual reports to the Clerk. This meeting is a chance for any local not for profit organisation that we support to approach us for increased funds or those new to us to meet us, give details about their activities and request some funding. Please contact the Clerk for further information.

These meetings are also a good opportunity for you to hear more about the plans for the spending of the CIL Monies.

Hatton Park Encroaching Greenery

Following the Parish report sent to WCC some of this work has been undertaken, though as we reported to our councillor at our last meeting, not to a very high standard. More work is still to be carried out.

Hatton Park Play Area

The Play Area Grant Agreement was finally agreed by both parties and signed by the Parish Council on 2nd February. As we go to press two of the Playground Working Group have completed their part in the Warwick District Council (WDC) tender evaluation process and we wait to hear when the Council awards the contract. Progress is slow but steady.

Hatton Park Noticeboard

Over two years ago the old noticeboard was vandalised beyond repair and Hatton Park Residents' Association has requested space in this edition to show the new board is at last in place.





Hatton Park Sunset by Emma Smith

The righthand side section is available for local public notices and can be opened without a key and your notice secured using the magnets provided.

The 'Dog Poo' Tree

It used to be rare but sadly now a more common sight as a number of Dog Poo trees are found in a number of locations in the UK. This species is not indigenous to this country and is becoming a blight and health hazard on the landscape. One specimen can be found on the lefthand side of the footpath leading from the top of Barcheston Drive. One wonders why someone should decide it is a good idea to hang a plastic bag of dog excrement on a tree?

The next parish meeting is on Monday 25th March at 8.00 pm to be held at Hatton Village Hall.

Our monthly meetings are open to the public and we always welcome discussion about what matters to you and how we can best support our thriving community.