

# **Hatton Parish Post**

We hope all residents enjoyed the celebrations during the Coronation bank holiday though we had the usual inclement British weather.

#### H28 - Union View

Little to report this month. The work on the permanent access has been delayed and should now start in July. It is expected to take 12 to 14 weeks, part of which at least should be in the school holiday.

We have requested advance notice of traffic delays on the Birmingham Road.

A plan for landscaping the frontage of the development shows native hedging and a line of 'semi-mature' trees. There is an area south of the works access where no planting is indicated and we are looking into this. It is however likely to be some years before the site is effectively screened.

## **May Parish Meeting Schedule**

These meetings were held at Hatton Village Hall on Monday 15th May. They were attended by the seven parish councillors, and latterly by our district and county councillors who had been delayed by a previous meeting.

No members of the public attended, and thus no matters were raised at the Annual Forum. The councillors however took the opportunity to consider the expenditure of the CIL funding, as explained in previous editions of the Post.

Some is already committed to the playground on Hatton Park and a bench on Hatton Green; we also considered highways work on the Birmingham Road, funding projects at local churches, halls and the school, and environmental restoration following the completion of Union View.

At the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, the formal business of the Council was dealt with. The result of the recent election was confirmed and Martin Le Tocq and Josh Moore were reelected to Chair and Vice-Chair respectively.

The Parish Council has one vacancy, and will be looking to co-opt. We would like to hear from anyone interested in filling this position; please contact our clerk at mail@hattonpc.com or via the website. Grants to local organisations were confirmed and the financial statement for 2022-23 was presented.

As previously, meetings will be held on the fourth Monday of the month (August and December excepted) alternating between Hatton Village Hall and Hatton Park Village Hall.

### **WDC Election**

After many years of service with Warwick District Council we said goodbye to one of our councillors, Alan Rhead, as he has decided to retire. We wish Alan well in his retirement and thank him for his support and endeavours on our behalf over the last 16 years.

Our second councillor, Jan Matecki, was reelected and Peter Phillips returns after a fouryear absence to take the vacancy left by Alan.

## **Coronation Lunch**

Some 50 to 60 residents of and around Hatton Green celebrated the King's coronation at a

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Photo courtesy of our Chairman, Martin LeTocq

lunch held at Hatton House, by kind invitation of Johnnie and Arabella Arkwright.

The weather was fine and sunny and the gardens of Hatton House and the parkland beyond made a perfect setting. Food consisted of a side of Aberdeen Angus beef with chips and those attending provided a fine array of salads, savouries and sweets. This and the plentiful liquid refreshment were provided by the Arkwrights and Hatton Village Hall.

## **Hatton Park Play Area**

We know there is increasing frustration about the sorry state of the play area and Parish Council endeavours to be patient with the long delays we have encountered in our joint venture with Warwick District Council which are out of our control.

Nevertheless, the project is making slow progress and nearing the tender stage with the present proposed start of works on site being in autumn.

As WDC owns and maintains the playground we asked at our last meeting on Monday 24th April as to why one item of play equipment in the Toddler Area has been cordoned off with safety barriers. We have not yet received a reply.

## 'Meet your Neighbours' Coffee Mornings



Other than the Christmas Coffee Morning in December, there has been lower attendance since Covid lockdowns and the last coffee morning was held in April. Another is planned this year for the run up to

Christmas on Tuesday 12th December at Hatton

Village Hall. If there is little or no take-up they will be discontinued as this once very successful event may well have served its time.



We are pleased to see both trees planted in Hatton Park at the end of last year blossomed and are thriving.

The next parish meeting is on Monday 26th June 2023 at 8.00 pm to be held at Hatton Park 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.



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