



Hatton Parish Post

Thanks to all the residents who attended our last meeting.

H28 – Union View ROADWORKS ...

The present traffic-light controlled one way system on the Birmingham Road is for the replacement of the gas main, which is scheduled for completion on 13th October.

The lights are manually controlled from 7.00 am to 7.00 pm to optimise the traffic flow, but despite this, and inevitably, and as all will have observed, there are delays at peak hours.

We have been anticipating a much longer period of comparable disruption from the construction of the permanent access to the new development, Union View. Originally scheduled for the early part of this year, it has been the subject of long delays owing to the complexity of the work and problems related to drainage. The longstanding drainage issues on this stretch of road will be worsened by run-off from Union View.

We are now informed that this work will start later in October, and continue for eleven months.

We find it difficult to understand why, even with the drainage construction required, it should take so long, but are assured by our county councillor who has been involved in the contracting process that this is indeed the case.

At present however, delays outside peak hours are minimal, so if it is possible to avoid these peak times, inconvenience can be minimised. We are advised both lanes will be open for two

weeks over Christmas, and on some weekends.

It is not clear whether the cycle path will remain open, but this is unlikely. An alternative route via Charingworth Drive and the King Edward hospital drive is available, and the Parish Council will press for a temporary path from Ebrington Drive to the existing construction access.

The only alternative routes for local traffic are through narrow country lanes and involve a considerable detour.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

A working group has been formed to consider how the CIL money (about £300k) can best be used for the benefit of our community, and is considering several projects.

At present the group consists of three councillors and a Hatton Green resident. We would welcome the addition of one or possibly two Hatton Park residents to complete the group. Anyone interested, please contact our clerk.

The next parish meeting is on Monday 23rd October 2023 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.

