

Litter Pick and Coffee Morning

A huge thank you to everyone who volunteered their time at the litter pick and coffee morning on the 15th June.

The village looked wonderfully clean and tidy in time for the Open Gardens the following weekend. The coffee morning was a great success and £84.70 was raised which is all going towards some tables and chairs for the new pavilion.

Our next litter pick and coffee morning will be on Saturday, 7th September. Please come and join us for the litter pick at 10am at the garage and afterwards for a coffee; the more the merrier. If you would like to help, please bring along some robust gloves; all other equipment will be provided.

Borough Car Park

Residents have recently expressed their concerns to the Parish Council about the number of vans and other large vehicles that are parking in the Borough Car Park, and some have suggested that permit parking needs to be introduced for the car park.

The Parish Council lease the car park from the National Trust and under the terms of the lease, the car park is for free parking for only cars, motor bikes and bicycles for members of the public.

Recreation Ground Entrance

There have recently been a couple of accidents next to the recreation ground entrance in Bishopston. This first, was inside the recreation ground which resulted in the internal wall being knocked down. After consulting with the National Trust, it was agreed that the damaged wall will be replaced with a gate so as to make the recreation ground more inclusive for wheelchair users.

The second accident happened when a vehicle swerved to avoid a cat and hit the highway barrier by the entrance. The barrier had to be removed as it was obstructing the footpath and, as it is now a safety issue, the Parish Council have asked Somerset Council to get this replaced as quickly as possible.

Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour

If you are witness to any incident, it is important for you to report it directly to the police by telephoning the numbers listed below. Any reports given will be dealt with in confidence and your details will not be divulged. Also, you will receive an incident/crime number. Unfortunately, the Parish Council cannot report incidents to the police on your behalf as it would be considered as hearsay (third-party reporting).

For any advice and further/up-to-date information on incidents please go to the website: www.police.uk. If you are a witness to or the victim of a crime, then it is imperative that you report it to the police immediately whether it is during the day or at night. When reporting an incident please telephone either 101 for non-emergencies or 999 for emergencies only.

Parish Council meetings are held in the Village Hall on the third Wednesday of every month with the exception of August and December. The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 17th July 2024 at 7pm**. Parish Council meetings are open to the press and public, so residents are welcome to come along and listen to what we have to say. There is also a short public session at the beginning of every Ordinary Parish Council meeting.

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