

Chedworth Parish Council

News from our December and January Meetings

Parish Council to tackle overgrown verges

Following a number of complaints about the state of the verges around the village, the parish council has decided to take on the job of getting them cut.

The county council has told us that it now only cuts trees which are “dead, diseased and represent an immediate highway hazard” so we are employing a contractor who will be carrying out the work sometime this month.

The council has also contacted landowners whose trees and shrubs were encroaching on the road and we are grateful to those who have already carried out the works. We would urge everyone to make sure that anything growing on their property is not causing a hazard.

The signs are looking good

The council has thanked Sue Callard, Paul Hodgkinson and those responsible for arranging the new signs around the village giving directions to the Church, School and Village Hall.



Not only did they have to arrange the design and purchase of the signs but also persuade the county council to allow them to use the existing posts. Initially the highways department had refused to allow their use but thanks to Sue and Paul's perseverance they relented.

Expansion on the cards?

Chedworth Village Hall and Chedworth Pre-school have made presentations to the parish council at the last two meetings about proposals to expand the hall.

Problems have arisen because the use of the Games Room is limited by the presence of Pre-school and the village hall committee is currently investigating ways to resolve the issue.

The village hall committee also needs to provide new disabled toilets and so they have approached the parish council asking for a grant towards the

works alongside a request for a commitment to provide parish land for an extension.

The Parish Council has told the village hall committee that while the council is ruling out the possibility of agreeing to their requests, the hall committee would need to provide much more information on the proposals before they could make any firm commitment.

The Parish Council would be interested to know if villagers would be happy for a proportion of their council tax to be spent on the village hall.

Survey nearly ready



Questions for a Housing Needs Survey are being finalised and it will soon be ready to be delivered around the village.

The idea of the survey is to give the parish council an idea of whether there is still a need for low cost housing and what type of housing that should be – options could include rented, shared ownership with a housing association or open market low cost housing. Alongside the housing survey the council is also asking for views on what matters are important to the village and what you think we should be spending council tax money on.

Please take time to fill out the questionnaire even if the affordable housing questions don't apply to you.

Tuns Hill works approved

Work to clear the remaining blockage in the pipe under Tuns Hill which is causing the flooding have been approved and the contractor is just waiting to be given the go ahead. The limescale which has gathered on an abandoned drain rod needs to be removed using specialist equipment and will hopefully be carried out soon.

Mobile plans still stalled

Plans for EE to create a micro network in Chedworth and solve the problem of mobile phone coverage have not moved forward.

The idea is that the mobile phone company would use the new Gigaclear broadband to avoid the need for a large mast, but the costs demanded by Gigaclear are proving too high for EE.

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