

Parish Council News

(This document is not intended to be read as a record of the minutes of the Parish Council (PC) meeting.)

Major Development in Ruscombe

The Campaign believes that although the vote against this due in June/July will be lost the vote in the Autumn will be successful. If the development in Ruscombe were to go ahead there would need to be significant investment in infrastructure including a new station. The total cost would be circa £3bn to £4bn and the Government would only contribute about £450k. The PC has obtained banners and sign boards which will be displayed around the parish.

To sign up for the updates on the CPRW go to www.cprwok.co.uk

Speeding

A speed survey was performed (without consulting with the PC on the suitability of the location) between the 23rd April and 3rd May 2018 on the B3024 Broadmoor Road, immediately adjacent to the War Memorial junction.

The results indicate that there are generally around 3,200 vehicles using the road each weekday. The mean speed of traffic is around 28mph, whilst the 85th percentile speed (the speed under which 85% of traffic is travelling, which is used as the measure of typical traffic speed) is 32.9mph. The survey would therefore indicate that the majority of vehicles are travelling at speeds within the existing 40mph speed limit.

The PC would suggest that the location is a natural chicane which would have led to slower speeds being recorded. The matter will be followed through further.

RBWM online reporting

RBWM have an online reporting system which allows residents to report missed bin collections, renew a bus pass, appeal a school allocation decision, and report various problems with highways and street furniture including dangerously uncut verges. In order to use this service residents need to go to <https://www3.rbwm.gov.uk/> then click on the head and shoulder icon on the top right to start the registration process. Further instructions on how to use this system are available on the village website at <http://www.walthamstlawrence.info/index.php/council/1181-rbwm-online-reporting-system-easy-instructions>

Shurlock Row Garage Development

The PC is trying to facilitate a discussion between the developer and residents to talk through residents' concerns. These include: - shading and daylight restriction, overdevelopment and overcrowding of the site, negative impact on the character of the street scene, bulk, mass, materials, positioning within the site, parking and other traffic issues drainage, noise and disturbance

The Pound	The replacement of The Pound started at the beginning of June and has gone very well.
The Shurlock Rd Nature Reserve and Play Area	RBWM commissioned an ecological report which was performed in May. This has been submitted in support of the planning application (ref 18/01445) and is/will be available on the RBWM website. https://www3.rbwm.gov.uk/info/200121/planning/1332/find_a_planning_application
Travellers Site	Talks with RBWM and the RSPCA are ongoing. The concern for the horses' welfare has increased. The cost of feeding them long term is more than a private resident can be expected to bear.
Fly Tipping	There have been many reports of fly tipping around the parish. RBWM have an online form that can be completed to report instances. https://www3.rbwm.gov.uk/info/201032/report_it/1360/report_a_problem_with_flytipping A resident has volunteered to organise a work party to clear an area of fly tipping on one of the footpaths if RBWM (or the PC) will pay for the skip.
Potholes	Residents can report potholes directly to RBWM using the web page https://www3.rbwm.gov.uk/info/201032/report_it/1303/report_a_pothole/1 To report a pothole, you will need to have details of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The location of the pothole, • Whether it is on the road or pavement, • The approximate size, • Your contact details if you want to be updated on progress, • A photo to upload if you have one.
Footpath watch	There have been reports of footpaths being overgrown. If residents come across any problems with footpaths, please contact katie@kimservices.co.uk or the public rights of way team at RBWM prow@rbwm.gov.uk
Village Summer Fete	Congratulations to organisers and everyone involved in the Summer Fete. It was another fabulous afternoon.

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