

Guilden Sutton Parish Council Newsletter

Planning on the Oaklands Estate

Residents on the Oaklands estate should be aware that there are detailed restrictions on the development of properties. There are no permitted development rights on Oaklands or any of the linked cul-de-sacs. In practice this means that any works to a property would need a planning application to be submitted however minor the works might seem. If you need any further advice on this please contact the Planning Department at Cheshire West and Chester Council, planning@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Dog fouling

Dog fouling continues to be an issue in Guilden Sutton and is a matter that has serious implications for the health and safety of residents particularly children and young people. Residents walking dogs should at all times be equipped with the means to pick up any dog mess and dispose of it appropriately. Should evidence of non-compliance be forthcoming to the Parish Council we would have no option but to pass the information on to the enforcing authority Cheshire West and Chester

The Parish Council continues to support responsible dog ownership and thanks all those residents who do act appropriately in picking up after their dog.

Pot Holes

The Parish Council continues to raise issues with pot holes to the Highways Department at Cheshire West and Chester council. Increasingly we are being asked to log cases of pot holes on an online System in order that they are assessed and prioritised.

If you are aware of a road fault please report it online <https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/contact-us/report-it/road-faults.aspx> Out of hours emergencies can be reported to the team on 0300 123 7036.

Operation Shield

The Parish Council had a very positive response to the information circulated in the last newsletter regarding Operation Shield. We are hoping to arrange an open meeting in the near future for residents to get further information and we are working with the police to arrange that meeting and understand the scheme further as it is rolled out in the local area.

The Village Fete

The Fete will take place on Saturday 14th July, please do come along and support it.

Speed Reduction Activity

Many rural villages have issues with speeding vehicles using country lanes as a cut-through/rat-run and Guilden Sutton is no exception. Members of the Parish Council have been working closely with the Police and Cheshire West and Chester to try and reduce the volume of speeding traffic through Guilden Sutton for the safety of all residents. For a number of years, a group of volunteers coordinated by Cllr Moulton assisted by Mr. R Stewart have been deploying a Speed Indicator Device (SID) to advise motorists of their speed.

In the last few months the group of volunteers have been trained in the use of a speed 'gun' to further develop the work in reducing speeding vehicles through the village this has been supported by Ian Rutherford an officer at CWaC and PC Boulton, Cheshire Police. The local police have also conducted their own speed reduction initiatives in the village and have been issuing penalties where necessary.

The Parish Council have been working in partnership with CWaC to reduce the speed limit in areas where there are safety issues. One such area is Wicker Lane and residents will be pleased to hear that this road will soon have a new speed limit of 40mph. The speed reduction team is always in need of new volunteers, if you would like to join the team or have any questions please contact the Clerk in the first instance: guildensuttonclerk@gmail.com

Mobile Library

The Parish Council and others have campaigned relentlessly to keep the mobile library service in the village, if the service is not used then we could lose it, therefore the Parish Council ask that any interested residents visit the library when they can to borrow items, the message being, USE it or LOSE it. The next time the library is in the village will be 11th June.

If you would like to contact the Parish Council please contact the Clerk, Kirsty Lowe, in the first instance, guildensuttonclerk@gmail.com

NOTE:

This latest newsletter is reproduced from the Vicars Cross Voice, sent to residents of Vicars Cross and Guilden Sutton on a monthly basis. We would welcome your comments on this new way of presenting information from the Guilden Sutton Parish Council. Please contact the clerk as above.