

September Clerks report 2018

CORRESPONDENCE

Peacock signs in the village

As a resident of Tutbury and as a member of a local Facebook group, I felt the need after recent discussions to contact you to ask for the parish councillors support in getting some signage to protect our village peacocks.

You are probably all aware that one of the Peahens has just had more babies, our concern is to any possible accident that may occur due to the increased number of birds within the village and with more traffic on the road persons not being aware of the potential for one to be in the road.

We would like if possible something to be displayed when entering the village to warn people of this possibly, therefore hoping to protect the birds put also the general public - we would hate to think that a serious accident could also occur by a vehicle swerving.

I hope that you can pop this onto the agenda to discuss. Unfortunately, I am unable to make the meeting personally to discuss but hope that the council gives this full support and applies pressure on Staffordshire county highways.

We are known for our fabulous peacocks, they are lovely and make our village the envy of others. We must assist in helping to protect them for future generations.

Triangle

Moving back the kerb two feet to ease congestion and parking, aww church minutes for further information

Parish Planning suggestions

There is not a bus shelter in Tutbury to go to Derby. Also there is not a dropped pavement for anybody with disabilities The bus stop we have is situated outside the chemist in High street . You are exposed to all the elements of the weather waiting for the bus. I am sorry to say the bus can not park properly at times because it is close to a bend. There are facilities across the other side of the road for parking if you have a blue badge. I do invite you to watch people cross the road when there are cars coming round the bend. Could you please consider moving the bus stop to near kangas and install a simple bus shelter. the pavement is much wider on that part of high street. Could you also consider putting blue badge holders where the bus stops [now. The](#) top part of high street is abused all the time by people parking on part of the pavement near the hair dressers to go to kangas and the chip shop. I could say the whole of high street is abused by car drivers. I do not report such incidences. If you could consider people that are catching the bus in high street it would be very welcome. The amount of people has grown catching the bus at this stop. I dont know of any village that does not have at least one bus shelter.

Would it be possible to put a bench in high street. There are better vandal prof ones now and a seat in the Dog and partridge bus shelter. I would not like to think the vandal always wins.

Neighbourhood watch could increase in high street with more publicity. This is the third time i have been in touch with you. The last time i was told you were going to get the roads to look at the pavements in several places. There has not been any improvements on this. All other things were refused. If you can consider putting signs up to enter our village into Tutbury which i do approve of costing quiet a lot of money please consider the persons with out a car. I think most of you drive now but one day you may not. I found it funny that i was told there are bus shelters around the village. You did not know that the V1 bus does not go to any of these bus shelters plus you were not aware you have to climb up the pavement to get on the bus plus wheelchair users have been known to do this. Thanking you to consider such proposals for the none driver and the disabled in Tutbury. It will never be perfect because of the several uses Tutbury high street has for parking

Staffordshire Playing Fields Association *Affiliated to Fields in Trust*
(formerly the *National Playing Fields Association*) Affiliated to Fields in Trust (formerly the National Playing Fields Association)

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 522816

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You are cordially invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Staffordshire Playing Fields Association to be held at Staffordshire Football Association Headquarters, Staffordshire Technology Park, Beaconside, Stafford, ST18 0LQ on Wednesday 17th October 2018 at 2.00 pm.

A G E N D A

1. Welcome and opening remarks by the Vice-President, Ben Robinson
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 18th October 2017
4. Matters Arising from Minutes
5. Presentation and Adoption of the Annual Report and Accounts
6. Election of Officers:-
 - a. President
 - b. Honorary Treasurer
 - c. Honorary Legal Advisor

- d. Honorary Accounts Examiner
- e. FIT Representative
- 7. Election of up to six members of the Executive Committee
- 8. Any Other Business



Community Council of Staffordshire

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PRESS RELEASE

End of an Era

A group that has been supporting rural communities across Staffordshire for over 64 years has decided to bring their work to an end. Members of the Community Council of Staffordshire met for the last time at Great Bridgeford Village Hall on Monday 20th August to hear about their final year's work and reminisce.

The organisation would have been celebrating their 65th anniversary in October this year but due to various factors have decided to call time on their work a month or two earlier .

“It was a very difficult decision to take “said the current Chief Executive Chris Welch “ but the Trustees have been considering the future for the past 18 months and in light of the current economic climate ,they made the decision to carry out a managed closure of the organisation rather than slowly wither on the vine”.

The Community Council started life in the 1950s with their first meeting taking place in October 1953. Their work has been varied from supporting luncheon clubs, garden guilds,

community transport, helping to set up Out of School Clubs, run training for unemployed people and helping communities develop affordable housing being just a sample of the work carried out. The main groups and people supported over this time have been living and working in the rural parts of the county.

“We have carried out some amazing pieces of work over the 64 years “said Chris “and we’ve been at the forefront of many new initiatives , but we are probably best known for running the Staffordshire Best Kept Village Competition”.

The Trustees and the Chief Executive have worked hard to find the right organisations to take over the work they currently carry out. “The Best Kept Village Competition will continue into the future in the very capable hands of the Staffordshire Community Foundation, a well-known local charity and our support work for village halls and the work we do for the government, through Defra, will be handled by another local charity, Support Staffordshire “said Chris

The last meeting that took place at Great Bridgeford saw a many old faces in attendance with Chief Offices, volunteers and staff covering the last 40 years, exchanging fond memories of the fantastic work carried out by the organisation.

Editors Notes

The work of the Community Council in the future will be undertaken by the following organisations;

Best Kept Village Competition

The Community Foundation for Staffordshire
Communications House
University Court
Staffordshire Technology Park
Stafford
ST18 0ES

Telephone: 01785 339540

Village Halls and Community Buildings

Support Staffordshire (Staffordshire Moorlands)

Bank House, St Edward Street

Leek

Staffordshire ST13 5DS

Telephone: 01538 381356

Email: Jill.Norman@supportstaffordshire.org.uk

Bulk Oil Buying Scheme

Shropshire Community Council on 01743 237876

or

AF Affinity on 01630 881888

August 2018

New Inn Licence update from a resident

The review took place on Wednesday 22 August, led the outcome was:-

Patrons are no longer allowed to smoke or drink on the footpath outside of The New Inn on Ludgate Street. This is a legal obligation and should not be breached. If it is we can log the breach with 101 and Police Licencing will deal with the complaint. I am sure you will agree that this is a very positive thing for every villager that walks past the premises as they will now be able to delight in that fact that they can use the footpath and not be forced onto the road. A win for your parishioners. It has also made a very big difference as the noise levels.

Also, Patrons are not allowed to use the rear beer garden for drinking after 10pm each night and no more than 10 people are to be on the beer garden after that time. It is to be a smoking area only. Again any breach is to be reported to 101 who will pass the complaint onto Police Licencing for them to tackle with the pubs management.

Both new conditions stated above have already been breached and reported to 101 as we have been asked to. We will not give up, we will keep going until the premises conforms to their legal obligations or we take action against the premises again.

It was noted that disappointment was felt that the parish council did not liaise between the residents and the premises to try and improve the situation before we had to take the formal route. During the year the resident was disappointed that the resident had no contact from the council with any offer of support or even just to check if we were OK and do not care

Residents will now endeavour to work closely with the village Police Constable and PCSO to combat the crime and drugs problems in the village.

Best Kept Village

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2018 – JUDGES’ COMMENTS
TUTBURY

Tutbury’s participation in BKV was publicised on the Village website and liaison with shops but there was no mention of BKV in the otherwise excellent village website and nothing in the Tutbury Village News. Judges said that BKV publicity in the village was very disappointing, “almost non-existent” (June judges).

No sites for children’s posters were declared on the entry form and none were shown on the map. The June judges saw four very faded children’s posters in shop windows.

Only one noticeboard was indicated on the entry form, but judges saw a number throughout the village. The majority were in good condition, but the Mill Park board needed a coat of varnish and the Civic Society board was surrounded by litter. The museum boards were in good order and displayed some useful local information.

There was a reasonable amount of local information covering a number of topics such as public amenities, local organisations and events, litter and dog fouling awareness. There was nothing on recycling – but there were a number of small recycling bins in the central area and a large recycling facility in the central area car park.

The large surrounds of St Mary’s Church were well maintained and there was evidence of a sensible mowing regime. Grass areas were well mown and the introduction of “Care for a square” had produced some attractive small flower areas along the paths. The benches and noticeboard were in good condition. The surrounds of the Congregational Church were in very good shape, with small well mown grass areas and planted areas and a tidy graveyard area. The grass at the Roman Catholic Church was well mown and litter free and overall it looked better cared for than of late.

The surrounds of the Village Hall, Health Centre, Charity Hall, Institute and Museum were all well maintained. Whilst the May judges commented on “good hanging baskets and planters” at the Village Hall, the June judges said that “most of the hanging baskets contained dead plants”.

The frontages of the pubs were generally clean and tidy and many had attractive planters (although the June judges said that those at The Leopard did not look at all good). The Dog and Partridge “was a delight in every respect, very clean and tidy and litter free”. The New Inn was “livened up” by a display of flags and bunting; but there was some small pieces of litter and many cigarette ends in the smoking area.

The operational phone box had been repainted and “looked fresh and clean”; it was tidy inside, but there were lots of weeds around it.

Four of the bus shelters were in good condition; they were clean inside, had up to date bus timetables on display and their surrounds were tidy. However, the brick bus shelter outside The Dog and Partridge had damage to one of the brick infills and a considerable amount of litter, including a filled dog poo bag.

The entry form indicated 3 seats or benches and only one was shown on the map; but the judges saw many more. The majority were in good condition and their surrounds were tidy.

Three village features were shown on the entry form but the map did not indicate what these were. The judges considered that the excellent, freestanding tourist/information maps, the three stone features in Mill Park and the stocks in the church yard were unique features to Tutbury. All were in good condition and well cared for. In addition, there were a number of colourful and attractive planted troughs in High Street which enhanced the area.

The war memorial surrounds were very well cared for, with a clean paved area and no litter or weeds around. Both sets of judges praised the attractive wrought-iron work stand which kept wreaths very tidy and allowed dedications to be easily read.

The large open spaces were well maintained. The Cornmill playing fields were well mown and litter free. Judges were also impressed by Mill Park which was well laid out and well maintained by East Staffordshire Borough Council. The bird feeding stations near the car park were good, but there was a considerable amount of litter in the Old Mill race areas.

The small open spaces and verges, especially those in the newer housing areas were well mown and litter free (They had just been mown at the time of the May judges visit).

Private gardens were overall very well maintained and the May judges commented that "several along Cornmill Lane really caught the eye". However, there were a lot of weeds in the pavements along Wakefield Avenue in June.

The equipment and safety surfaces in the children's play areas were all in good condition and there was very little litter anywhere. The basketball facility, the skateboard area, children's fort and the fenced area for ball games in Mill Park were all praised by the judges.

The large laminated map was colourful and had a good base, but it really does need improvement to make it a good map for BKV judging purposes. All BKV elements to be judged should be marked on the map and they should correlate with the number of sites referred to on the entry form. It needs a clear and accurate key and scale. Last year's Judges' Comments contained advice on how to produce an effective BKV map. There are examples of good BKV maps available for reference which would provide guidance; and I would be prepared to offer advice. (Please contact me on 01785 713242 if you would like to discuss this).

Overall Tutbury looked tidy and generally free from litter, although there was some in some pub car parks, in the central area and as indicated above in these comments. Some dog mess was seen in Mill Park in June, but none elsewhere. Judges again found it difficult to assess the degree of awareness of or involvement in BKV amongst the community. Perhaps it would be possible to provide more information and evidence on this aspect of the competition in future.

Judges awarded good marks for the overall cleanliness of the village and enjoyed their visits. Tutbury has a very proud record in BKV and continues to maintain good standards across many BKV elements. However there seemed to be inconsistencies this year and there needs to be more attention to detail in many areas to bring all round improvements. Well done this year and good luck in 2019.

John T Perry, MBE
Chairman, BKV Working Group
August 2018



Sing for a soldier details distributed 3.10.18 7.30 St Marys Church

Updates

- **NOTICE OF VACANCY**

IN OFFICE OF COUNCILLOR

PARISH OF TUTBURY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that a casual vacancy has arisen in the Office of Councillor for the Parish Council.

If by 20 September, 2018 (14 days after the date of this notice) a request for an election to fill said vacancy is made in writing to the Returning Officer at the address below by TEN electors for the said Parish, an election will be held to fill the said vacancy, otherwise the vacancy will be filled by co-option.

If an election is called, it will take place not later than 02 November, 2018. Dated 31 August, 2018
Andy O'Brien Returning Officer

Audit has now been completed and a conclusion notice along with the completed Annual Government Annual Return are on the website.

The clerk will distribute a grievance procedure and dignity at work policy to the councillors to review before the next meeting

Minutes of the church meeting have been distributed.

PARKING EW UPDATE

Bridge Street (Proposal 3) There were concerns about visibility and a question why the extra spaces were not located on the other side of the road. Thought has been

- given to viability and it is felt that the current proposed location provides a better view of on-coming traffic
- Wakefield Avenue (Proposal 6) Concerned was raised that some people will not be able to park outside of their house. This is acknowledged but the majority of properties affected have off street parking
- Ludgate Street remains an outstanding issue. It is a difficult problem that requires further thought. However both the proposals relating to Duke Street and Silk Mill Lane/Holts Lane are included in the Traffic Regulation Order
- The green space on Monk Street behind the flats and the land behind the Dog and Partridge are both not public highway and therefore cannot be included in the Traffic Regulation Order

In terms of the timescales the key dates are likely to be:

Commission Amey to undertake Feasibility Study including design work	Done yesterday
Final draft of study and recommendations agreed	End of October
Public Bodies consultation (3 weeks)	November
Public Consultation (3 weeks)	December
Traffic Regulation Order approved (subject to consultation)	End of December
Start works on site	January
Works completed	End of March

The timescales above are approximate and assume that there will be no significant objections to the proposed Traffic Regulation Order. I will let you know if there are any changes to the timings. Nearer the time we will be in touch to discuss the arrangements for the public consultation exercise.

Christmas tree on the triangle quote

We can supply a 120 - 150cm Norway Spruce (25L) for £40 plus VAT. If you would like us to plant it we charge £20/hour/man for the first hour or part thereof and £20/hour/man there after. I don't anticipate it taking more than an hour though so should be c. £20 +VAT.

I presume you will plant "Abies nordmanniana"

Which is the typical soft to touch non needle drop Christmas tree , it will grow into a fine specimen of a tree without getting out of hand like a Douglas fir type tree .

A potted tree at

1.5-1.7m would be around £250

1.75/2m would be around £350

2.25/2.5m would be around £500

3/3.5m would be around £750

These are real potted trees not a tree at Christmas time that has been ripped out the ground with a few roots on (typically doesn't grow)

The council have also ordered two trees to be planted on the triangle to commemorate WW1 100 years for a cost of £375. Firs Farm would like two crosses spray painting on the ground where they need to be planted. Planting will require 2 to 3ft hole digging and consideration will need to be given as to the height that they will grow so not near other trees. Consideration will also have to be made to the ease of mowing of the triangle and any further improvements that may need to be made ie new benches etc

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P/2018/01022

Proposal: Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the erection of five dwellings with associated garaging without complying with Condition 2 of planning permission P/2017/00748 dated 01/12/17 relating to the orientation of the garage on plot 2

Location: Land off, Burton Road, Tutbury, Staffordshire

P/2018/01046

Erection of 16 dwellings with associated garages and car parking, play area, knee rail to Public Open Space, detached Community Building and car parking, associated highway and drainage infrastructure

Land off Foxglove Close, Tutbury, Staffordshire, ,

P/2018/01104

7 Church Street, Tutbury, DE13 9JE

Replacement of two first floor front windows

Gary Shilton 04-10-2018

P/2018/01159

Proposal: Erection of two storey and single storey side extensions

Location: 29 Honeysuckle Avenue, Tutbury, DE13 9NY

Planning applications comments: -

p/2018/01022- Land of Burton Road: No objections.

PLANNING DECISIONS

**Erection of a single storey rear extension.
45 Cornmill Lane, Tutbury, Staffordshire, DE13 9HA**

PERMITTED

Conversion of existing garage to form additional living accommodation, part first floor and two storey side/rear extension and erection of a single storey side extension to form garage

2 Spinney Close, Fauld Lane, Fauld, DE13 9HW

PERMITTED

Erection of a single storey extension and installation of rooflights on the rear elevation and installation of two dormer windows on front elevation

8 Honeysuckle Avenue, Tutbury, Staffordshire, DE13 9NY

PERMITTED

Erection of a single storey rear extension
23 Bridge Street, Tutbury, Staffordshire, DE13 9LZ

PERMITTED

**Felling of 2 Scots Pine, 1 Conifer and 1 Larch tree (TPO 172)
56 Belmot Road, Tutbury, Staffordshire, DE13 9NL**

PERMITTED

Christmas Tree