

Notes from the Parish Council Meeting held on the 6th November 2017

Defibrillator .A defibrillator is to be purchased and installed at the Victory Hall. The Parish Council will be liaising with Padworth and Aldermaston Councils to purchase an additional defibrillator for the Wharf area.

Beenham Winter Fair. 24th November 5.00pm – 7.00pm @ Beenham Primary School. Christmas is fast approaching and the opportunity to tick some of those Christmas gifts off of your list is here in the fun shape of a Christmas Fair. There will stalls selling all sorts of gifts and of course fun activities for the children to participate in. So come along, have fun and a catch up with friends even if you're ahead of everyone else and have all your gifts made or purchased.

Tree trimming at the Recreation ground. The trees have a perseveration order on them. Therefore we need to get authority from West Berkshire Council to trim them adequately to keep them healthy and to keep the path on the 'rec' clear for pedestrians. As soon as this permission is granted the trees will be trimmed accordingly.

Aldermaston 'Public Toilets'. Please be advised that the toilets that were previously considered 'public' are under the control of Kennet Canal and River Trust and they have decided that the toilets will not be available for public use and will be locked and only accessible via a BWB key which is only available to the boaters who are utilising the canal.

Ward Boundaries In West Berkshire. You may be aware that there has been some discussion locally and nationally about the boundaries that make up Parishes and Wards. To give your opinion on this matter or to

gain some information on what is proposed there is a specific website that addresses this. Beenham Parish Council have a preference towards a single member Ward, although we are happy to be aligned with Aldermaston.

www.lgbce.org.uk/currentreviews/south-east/berkshire/west-berkshire

Planning. Applications for consideration.

17/02949/FUL/ Winning Hand Bath Road

1702516/FUL / Reading. RG7 5JB No Objection.

17/02886/NONMAT Land opposite The Six Bells Mr Bowsher to
The Green, Reading. Submit comments.

17/02706/HOUSE Holly Tree House, Beenham
Reading. RG7 5NN No Objection.

17/02659/house Oak House, Webbs Lane
Beenham. Reading RG7 5LL No Objection.

17/02554/HOUSE 7 Church View, Beenham. Objection. Size is out of
Reading. RG7 5NL character with existing
Houses.

17/02669/HOUSE Four Birches, Broomhill,
Bath Rd, Beenham No Objection.
Reading. RG5 5QB

Neighbourhood Watch. Please keep in mind that when you go out in the afternoon or evening during the winter months it can be very obvious that you're not at home. There are a few small steps that you can take to make a burglar think again about entering the property.

Leave a light on, or purchase a timer switch so that it appears someone is in. Ensure outside of the property is well lit.

Pull your curtains so that there is not a direct view into the property.

Increase that thought by leaving a radio on.

Ensure that you don't leave tools out that help a burglar break in.

Ensure garages and sheds are locked.

Lock bikes away securely.

Talk to your neighbours, let them know when you will be out for the day or evening then there will be people listening out for you.

The Metropolitan Police have issued a third version of The Littler Book of Big Scams which you might find interesting which you can read or download from their website

www.met.police.uk/globalassets/downloads/fraud/the-little-book-of-big-scams.pdf

There is also one for cyber-scams at:-

www.thamesvalley.police.uk/about-us/publications-and-documents/little-book-cyber-scams/

Resignations. November has seen us loose two individuals from the Parish Council, Mrs Lucy Rumens, Clerk of the Parish and Mrs Tanya Bunce, Parish Councillor. We wish them both the very best for the future and thank them for their work for the people of the Parish.

We will be seeking to fill both positions in due course.

Your Parish Councillors are :-

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Peter Mc Ewen, The Old Vicarage, Picklepythe Lane.

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Glynis Harman, The Six Bells.

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Jackie Johnson/ Southdowns, Church Lane.

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Graham Bragg, Puffins, Picklepythe Lane.

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Sadie Jones, 5 Shire Cottages.

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Parish Clerk : Presently a vacancy exists. Please direct concerns to one of our Councillors directly or via www.info@beenhamonline.org

Next Meeting will be on Monday 4Th December 2017 , 7pm
at the Community Room(Next to Beenham Primary School)
Beenham