**Your Parish Council- March 2020**

**February Parish Council Meeting**: Minutes of the Meeting are published on the Council’s website**. Topics discussed included**: Agreeing the Council’s Publications Scheme to be Information Commission Office compliant; setting out a Playground investment approach; agreeing Parish Councillor Lead’s for the Priorities for the year ahead; Licence applications; discussion on the possible approach to the 75th Anniversary Celebrations of VE Day (8-10 May 2020); establishing a Parish Council Assets Register; discussion on changing the meetings schedule for the Council; Highways matters.

**Council Priorities:** These were agreed at the January meeting and a key Councillor has now been allocated to lead on the Parish Council’s approach.

- Recycling: Rachel Holland

- Neighbourhood Plan: Justin Allison

- Flood Plan: Mathew Pickford

- 75th Anniversary Celebrations of VE Day: John Dutson

- Neighbourhood Watch: Hannah Newman

This now compliments existing responsibilities with Edward Fry as key Council contact for highways and drainage matters, and Tim Cave-Gibbs who is lead for Playground and Defibrillator.

**Recycling:** Parish Councillor Rachel Holland has highlighted that Wiltshire Council are changing their recycling procedures and they will be writing to all households with details of these changes this month. Details will also be put up on the Parish Council’s website.

**Neighbourhood Plan:** A reminder that the deadline for your comments is the 15 March. Copies of the Plan are available in the Hub and on the Parish Council and village websites. The Parish Council will be discussing the Plan at its March meeting.

**Playground**: Parish Councillor Tim Cave-Gibbs reports that the playground repairs have been scheduled for after half term so by the time of reading hopefully the playground will be back in full operation. Tim has also arranged for erection of a new advisory sign for parents and persons responsible for the supervision of children in the playground.

**Sustrans National Cycle Network:** Sustrans have advised Wiltshire Council of changes to the cycle network and Route 254 that forms part of the 160 mile Wiltshire Cycleway that comes through the village, loosing its National designation. Discussions are talking place to see what might be done to retain the designation.

**Parish Council Meetings** The dates of future meetings are under review. The March meeting will remain as planned on 8 March 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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