**Your Parish Council- July 2019**

**June Parish Meeting**: Minutes of the Meeting are on the Council’s website**.** A schedule of dates for the year ahead is also published on the website.

**Parish Council Website:** This is www.broadchalkeparishcouncil.com

The website is where the Parish Council places its public documents and Notices. It has also recently been extended with new pages to keep residents informed. If you have any ideas or comments on how to improve access to the information please contact the Clerk.

**Playground:** The playground fencing was completed as scheduled despite the weather and the Council would like to thank Lee at LDP Services for undertaking the work in a timely and efficient way. The Council has also put in place a RoSPA approved inspection process to underpin the regular inspections that the Council are reviewing. If you notice any problems with the equipment please contact the Clerk or Councillor Tim Cave-Gibbs.

**Defibrillator:** This has now been installed in the redundant BT box outside the Hub. A training event is scheduled for Wednesday 17 July 7.00-9.00pm in a local venue. If you are interested in being trained on its use please contact the Clerk.

**Flooding on the Causeway:** This has been investigated by the Council with both Wiltshire Council and the Environment Agency and further action is being taken.

**Ash Trees**: The Council discussed concerns about Ash tree die back and the potential dangers to public safety this could cause in playgrounds and open spaces. It was also felt that the matter should be raised with residents to encourage greater vigilance. It is a serious disease caused by a fungus. Signs of die back include black blotches often at the leaf base; small shaped lesions on the bark of stems and branches; affected trees show extensive dieback of shoots, twigs and branches. Further information can be obtained from the Woodland Trust and Royal Horticultural Society.

**Annual Accounting and Governance Statement:** The Public Rights period runs until 10 July. During which the Parish Council’s accounts for the year 2018/2019 can be inspected via the website or by contacting the Clerk. The External Auditors have also confirmed that the Council is not subject to further audit or inspection for the financial year reported.

**Parish Council Meetings**

The next meeting is Wednesday 10 July at 7.30pm in The Village Hall. Items for discussion include: A review if the Council’s Standing Orders; Guidelines for the award of Section 137 grants; Data Protection; planning applications.

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