

CLAVERDON PARISH COUNCIL

At the last parish council meetings in 2017 and this January, the council considered and commented on a number of minor planning matters offering no objection and supporting proposals to refurbish and extend the cricket pavilion. The planning department have raised some concerns over these proposals and a meeting is arranged to try to reach a suitable compromise.

Following the continued problems of speeding in the village, several reported near misses and a most serious collision close to the Kington Lane/Henley Road junction, the council has urged Warwick District Council to act in respect of speed restrictions and improvements to The Green junction. With thanks to Cllr. John Horner a speeding assessment has been made and the results show some very clear evidence of vehicles at or close to twice the speed limit in the 30 MPH zone. The council are pressing for the 30 MPH zone to be extended for the length of the village from Saddlebow to Kington Lane and for suitable signage. The police have also been requested to enforce the limits via more speed checks. We do have a neighbourhood speed awareness team complete with camera but it seems a lack of volunteers makes it very difficult to carry out regular patrols.

Further discussion has been had with residents concerning the use of the Dorothea Mitchell Hall. Following complaints from a limited number of residents, a number of trustees have recently resigned. Although, new trustees (two from the parish council) have been co-opted, restrictions on the closing time of the hall has deterred wedding bookings especially which are over 80% down on last year. Without revenues from functions it is clear that the continuing financial viability of the hall is under threat. The Council understand that if the situation continues it could well be ultimately up to the charity commission to decide on the future of the hall which could be sold for alternative uses.

The council is pleased to note that the Neighbourhood Plan is now completed in draft form and is due for a six week consultation period. This will be the last chance for residents to comment before the plan goes to the district council for approval prior to a referendum.

The next parish council meeting will be on February 6th at the DM Hall commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Simon Lawton



NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

A Neighbourhood Development Plan has been prepared by The Parish Council with the help of the local community and a Pre-submission Draft Plan is available for public consultation.

The Plan sets out a vision for the future of the Parish and planning policies which will be used to determine planning applications within the Neighbourhood Area. You will, no doubt, see formal notices in The Village and in the Newspapers and the Pre-Submission Draft Plan is being publicised for 6 weeks inviting feedback from organisations and residents on the Pre-Submission Draft Plan. A copy of the Pre-submission Draft Plan and supporting documentation are available on the Claverdon website www.claverdonvillage.co.uk and hard copies of the documents also may be inspected at the community shop during shop opening hours.

The consultation started on Thursday 25th January 2018. Representations on the Pre-submission Draft Plan may be made to the Parish Council by no later than 5pm on Friday 9th March 2018. If you have any comments that you feel should be considered at this stage, please The Council would like them either submitted by email to ClaverdonPC@gmail.com or if you prefer by post sent to Claverdon Parish Council, c/o 90 Station Road, Hatton, Warwick CV35 8XJ. All representations received will be collated and will inform possible future modifications to the Pre-submission Draft Plan prior to submission to the Local Planning Authority. Representations received will not be acknowledged or have individual responses.

South Warwickshire Citizens' Academy

The Citizens' Academy is an exciting opportunity to understand and experience how Warwickshire Police protect local people from harm and improve residents' quality of life. Wednesday 6.30pm-8.30pm 11 April to 27 June at Stratford Samaritans Community Hub, Tyler House, Tyler Street, Stratford On Avon CV37 6TY. Details on: <https://www.warwickshire.police.uk/article/16538/South-Warwickshire-Citizens-Academy>

