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Warwickshire PCC wants to hear your views on policing

Warwickshire Police and Crime Commissioner Philip Seccombe has launched a summer-long public consultation to find out people's views on policing and community safety. The consultation will help the Commissioner shape the next Police and Crime Plan for Warwickshire, which sets out the strategic direction for policing in the county as well as how the Warwickshire Police will work with other partner organisations to reduce crime and improve community safety.

The PCC is seeking the views of residents, businesses, community groups, partner organisations and victims of crime in order to get as wide a range of views as possible.

"Listening and engaging with the public is a fundamental part of my role and allows me to speak up on your behalf to ensure that the police service is acting on your needs and concerns," said Mr Seccombe.

"It is only right that local people should have a part to play in shaping the Police and Crime Plan and I am keen to hear from everyone who makes up Warwickshire – whether they live here, work here, run a business here or who have been a victim of crime here. The survey is quick and easy to complete and I hope to hear from as many people as possible."

People can respond to the survey online at www.warwickshire-pcc.gov.uk or call 01926 412322 to request a hard copy printed version. Alternatively, write to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, 3 Northgate Street, Warwick CV34 4SP to request a hard copy version of the consultation survey. **The consultation closes on Friday 26 August, 2016.**

Great Alne Parish Councillors:

Lynn Bowring (Chairman) – The Old Cottage, Henley Road, Great Alne, B49 6HR

Paul Clark – 66 School Road, Great Alne, B49 6HQ

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Any thoughts on the newsletter? Please let us know!

BITS & BOBS

Here are a few snippets that may be of interest to you!

➤ Free Composting workshop

Wednesday 14th September 2016 at 6pm
Stratford-upon-Avon Methodist Church, Old Town, CV37 6BG. Warwickshire County Council is helping residents to start composting at home with the offer of a 330 litre compost bin for just £5 for anyone attending a one hour workshop where you will be shown how to get started with your new bin.

Contact Katey on 01926 412724

➤ WRCC Energy

WRCC is a registered charity helping residents save money on heating oil, LPG and kerosene. By buying in bulk, WRCC are able to achieve very competitive prices for their members. For further details please visit wrccenergy.org.uk or phone 01789 472419

➤ Guide Dogs National Breeding Centre Open Day

Saturday October 1st 2016 from 11am-4pm. Free entry and ample parking at the Centre: Banbury Road Bishop's Tachbrook Warwick CV33 9QJ.

➤ Power cut?

On 6 September a new national phone number "105" will be launched by electricity network operators for customers to call should they need to report or get information about a power cut. More information next time!

Parish Council Meetings 2016

Great Alne Primary School on Mondays

➤ 26 September

Please note

amended date

➤ 14 November

All meetings have a

7pm start

Everyone is

welcome!

Draft Minutes are now available one month after Parish Council meetings.

Please see the website or contact the Clerk for a hard copy

Please look out for your Electoral Registration form.....and update it online or return it to Stratford on Avon District Council

Defibrillators for the village

Following a talk at the May Parish Council meeting by the Community First Responders, we are now investigating the possibility of adopting the BT phone box on School Road with a view to installing a community defibrillator, together with a possible further installation at either the Memorial Hall or Great Alne Cricket Club. This would ensure that all residents and visitors to the village would have easy, quick access to emergency equipment should the need arise, thereby potentially improving survival rates following cardiac arrest. The cost of purchasing a defibrillator varies and the National Lottery are making funds available for the purchase of multiple defibrillators. Once equipment has been installed, possibly by Community Heartbeat Trust, awareness sessions would be arranged for residents and other interested organisations within the village. Your thoughts and comments about this project would be welcomed. Please contact the Clerk or Cllr Mrs Louise Bennett.

Parish Update

There are various initiatives with respect to the Recreation Ground:

- Voluntary First Registration- This process has nearly been completed at the Land Registry
- Toddler area redesign project and potential funding streams- As the spend on this project is over £25,000 the Parish Council will now have to enter a tendering process. This will be carried out shortly. It is still expected that the project will be fully funded by local developers who have an obligation to provide or enhance existing play areas. Progress is being made with respect to the drainage issues
- Goal posts- The remaining goal post has been removed and replaced with two 5 a side posts which seem to be very popular already!
- The boundary hedge will be cut shortly, once bird nesting season is over

Up at the entrance to the green lane E5998 on Sernal Lane there is a new dog waste bin. Further down the green lane, new posts have been put in each side of the track to try and deter off road vehicles from gaining access to the adjacent land and spoiling the terrain.

Community Speedwatch

Are you concerned about vehicles speeding through the village? Or about the speed drivers approach the village down Sernal Lane? If so, then perhaps you would be interested in being part of a group of volunteers who could potentially make a difference.

A speed gun is available to members of Community Speedwatch. However, a minimum of six volunteers are required in order to apply. There is currently a Community Speedwatch in most villages in the Alcester South area. This would mean the speed gun would be shared on a weekly basis.

Are you interested in being one of the six? Then please contact the Clerk.

Can we help?

Please complete and return this form to Sarah Duran, Clerk to Great Alne Parish Council, 2 Flax Close, Alcester, B49 5DQ

Do you have any comments or suggestions about the state of the footpaths, overhanging trees or pavements for example?

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Thank you.

