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Chairman's Message

Hi,

We hope that you all had a good summer and that you enjoyed your time off.

Your Parish Councillors continued to work hard over the summer months and the plans for the Community Hall and the main Play Area are proceeding nicely.

We welcome Budgens to the centre of our community and we hope that the commercial centre will become a well used and much appreciated asset to the estate.

We regret to announce that one of your Councillors, Phil Sharples, has had to stand down. We would like to thank Phil for his years of service to the estate as both a Parish Councillor and a member of the previous Resident's Association.

As a result of Phil's resignation we obviously have a vacancy on the council, **if you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor please contact myself, the Clerk or any of the other Councillors listed on the back page to find out more.**

As the latest information becomes available we will continue to update the website and the blog between issues of the Parish News.

Regards

Pete Venner

Chair Cawston Parish Council

Cawston Grange WI Lite

Meetings are on the third Thursday of every month in Cawston Grange Primary School.

September 20th Victorian Who Dunit

October 18th Wine Tasting

November 15th AGM

December 20th Christmas Quiz and Party

Visitors always welcome

For more information go to the website, phone 07870 383639 or email info@cawstongrangewilite.co.uk

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Cawston Extension

As you may have read in the press the outline planning permission for the Cawston Extension went before the full Borough Council last week (5th)

The Borough Council approved the outline application even though it was thought that it would not be approved due to it being in contradiction to the Warwickshire Core Strategy.

It would appear that the reason for the approval is that the Core Strategy is unlikely to be met in the timescales required and so this is seen as a convenient way to address the shortfall in housing stock.

We will work with the Borough Council and the Consortium of builders to try and get the best deal possible for the benefit of our Parish. We will be asking the Consortium to move quicker on items such as road adoption. We have said all along that we wanted the current development finishing before new developments are allowed. We will work hard to try and make this happen.

Deliverers Needed

We are very grateful to the people who deliver the magazine for us, but we would like a few more if possible. In particular, is there anyone in the recently constructed housing off Calvestone Road who could deliver to their area? We publish four issues per annum.

If you can help please contact Margaret.brett@cawstonpc.org

Cawston Runners

I have been trying to set up a social running club and I really need some help.

The idea is a weekly 5k run on a set weekday evening, meeting at the same place and everyone running to their own ability. It's not a race, just a social run to get a little bit active and fit.

The original time and meeting point was the play area in Turchil Road on a Wednesday at 6:30pm.

The difficulty for me is that I work shifts so I cannot commit to be there every week, so really need a group of people who are interested in making it work and encouraging other people who would like to get active.

If you are interested then please feel free to get in touch via
paul.hart@cawstonpc.org

or find the group page on facebook called Cawston Runners.

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Gold Avenue Queens Diamond Jubilee Street Party

Residents of Gold Avenue came together to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee on Tuesday 5th June 2012 by having their own street party.

Over 100 attended, meeting neighbours, enjoying the food and festivities.

Craft activities for the children, party games, cake & guess the sweets in the jar competitions, bouncy castle and bungy run.

Organisers felt that the celebrations were a great success, bringing the community together.

A big thank you to everyone in Gold Avenue for your support and Cawston Parish Council for your £50 contribution.

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Planning Issues

There has been some confusion lately about what residents can do to their properties without planning permission. We have contacted the planning department at the Borough council and unfortunately there is not one simple answer. Planning for the estate was given in various phases, so for example what may be restricted in one part of the estate may not be in another.

For some areas, there are restrictions on conversion of garages, erection of fences or walls, insertion of new windows, changes to hard standing to the front of dwellings. There may be further or less restrictions for other areas of the estate.

The best advice we can give to residents is to check with the planning department before you begin to spend money on changes which may need planning permission, especially to the frontage of your property.

One point we have been able to clarify - there is a misconception that planning requirements lapse after ten years; this is not so, anything in the original planning permission remains in force

Dogs

The article in the last Parish News has stirred up some interest in this subject. I have had a couple of Parishioners contact me to say that they own large dogs which they control whilst out walking, and they felt as if they were being singled out in the last article.

To those of you who own large dogs that are controlled I apologise for tarring you with the same brush as those that do not.

I would like to remind all dog owners of the need to supervise them whilst out walking and to clean up after them.

In terms of aggressive behaviour people can use the following link to report dogs and their owners;

http://www.rugby.gov.uk/site/scripts/documents_info.php?documentID=276

In terms of dog mess again there is a link where owners can be reported;

http://www.rugby.gov.uk/downloads/dog_control_report_form_Jan2012.pdf

or call 01788 533857

We would like to remind all owners that they can be fined up to £1000 for not clearing up after their animals.

Please can we all think about other 'green space' and footpath users when taking dogs for a walk? Thank you.

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The County Council are still building the case for spending secured Government funding for upgrading our broad band infrastructure but need our help. If you have not already done so please can you complete the online survey regarding broadband speeds at: www.cswbroadband.org.uk/.

As a community we now have 3 Broad Band Champions, Richard Smith, Michael Dobson and Matt Emery who are liaising with Broadband and Fibre Optic suppliers Virgin Media and BT to see how soon this Parish can be upgraded. For further info feel free to contact: matt.emery@cawstonpc.org

Cawston Greenway

Cawston Greenway is the disused railway-line that runs alongside the Western Relief Road. If you use the greenway for walking or cycling you will have noticed the work being done to create an open space, by local volunteers. If you would like to join us as a volunteer then please feel free to come along to our workdays. We are a very informal group of local residents who are very much learning as we go. The work is as light or heavy as you want to make it, and is an excellent way to keep fit and meet new people with a like minded interest.

You can see what we do at our blog www.cawstongreenway.wordpress.com or get in touch with me at paul.hart@cawstonpc.org

Cawston Parish Blog

Some of you may have noticed that we have a blog. This is like a virtual notice-board that just lets residents know what is going on in and around Cawston.

www.cawstonparish.wordpress.com

So far, over 1,100 people have visited the blog, since it started in August 2011, which is encouraging.

The idea is to share what is going on in our local community and help people to engage with things that they are interested in, or maybe have a concern about, and want to see if there is a wider audience out there.

If you want to start a club or group, hold a charitable event or have questions about any aspect of Cawston, then the blog is as good a place to reach out and find like minded people. All updates appear on our facebook and twitter pages too.

Please use the blog and if you have anything that you want put in, or suggestions to make it better, just let me know via email at paul.hart@cawstonpc.org

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Community Hall

The Community Hall is still in the initial stages of planning; the land is now secured and the Parish Council has created a Working Group, Chaired by Cllr Venner to manage the project. Work has been divided into three areas of focus:

1. The 'build'; developing the building plans, working through the planning approval process and thinking about the physical structure.
(Led by Cllr Emery)
2. The 'money'; creating a business plan which is financially sustainable and creating a fund raising strategy to obtain the funds to build the hall.
(Led by Cllr Ms Bestwick)
3. The 'management'; developing the financial, legal and management models and processes to create a model of Community ownership and direction
(Led by Cllr Hayward).

Want to get involved?

We already have members of the Community involved in the project areas outlined above and would welcome further involvement from people living in Cawston – if you have skills to bring to these groups please do contact the Councillors leading the groups directly.

Want to hear more?

Sign up to the Cawston Parish blog, the quickest way to find out about Parish news.

Garden Walkabout

As part of the fund raising for the Community Hall, we are considering having a Garden Walkabout in June next year 2013.

Are any of you willing to open your garden for this good cause?

We're not trying to compete with Chelsea, and no one will come around to check if your garden is 'good enough', if you are willing to take part we shall be delighted to include you on our list. All you would have to do, is put a Garden Open sign in your front garden, and leave your side gate open. If you wish you can stay indoors, there is no obligation to show people around.

When we did this before we had a lovely day, and it would be good to repeat it. If you are interested, or if you would like to open your garden for refreshments, please contact Margaret on 01788 813215 or e mail Margaret.brett@cawstonpc.org

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Community Hall - Design and Build Working Party

The 'Build 'team are in the process of engaging with local architects and getting formal quotes for the next stage of the process, submitting the planning application. Obviously the tendering, quotation and evaluation stages are critical to selecting the right company to work with on this important project, so the team is taking their time to ensure that this process is concluded successfully.

Once we have been granted planning permission the scheme will have reached a significant milestone as we will be able to submit applications for grants and funding to assist with the build costs.

In the mean time we will be starting to draw up detailed specifications and requirements for each of the rooms in the hall so that the Architect and Structural Engineer will be able to efficiently design the fabric of the building to our requirements.

We are currently a group of only 4 people (2 councillors and 2 Parishioners) although we do have within our group Building, Civil Engineering and Mechanical and Electrical experience.

If you think you have a relevant skill or attribute you can add to the working party and are interested in helping out please feel free to contact us.

Email: matt.emery@cawstonpc.org

Fund raising ideas?

If anyone has any ideas for potential sources of funding, community fundraising ideas or information on possible capital development donations please do contact us; there is no monopoly on good ideas and we are keen to explore any opportunities.

Email: samantha.bestwick@cawstonpc.org

Community Play Area

The Borough Council have now reached agreement with the Consortium reference the funding of the remaining play areas.

They are in the process of drawing up the detailed specifications for the equipment before putting the project out to tender for quotation.

Timing will be dependent on the weather during the winter but we are hopeful that the play area may be open for Easter next year.

We will keep you updated via the Parish News, the website and the blog.

I would like to extend our thanks to Sean Lawson and Colin Horton at RBC, Borough Cllr Mark Williams and Parish Cllr Dawn Wilson for their hard work in bringing this project to life.

For more info contact

dawn.wilson@cawstonpc.org

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Olympic Torch comes to Rugby

Faye Emery from Durrell Drive and Fiona Warner from Gold Avenue were lucky enough to be selected to carry the Olympic torch through Coventry and Rugby.

Fiona - 'it was a fantastic experience. I also went to Althorp House and ran with the torch there, and was introduced to Earl and Lady Spencer'



Faye - 'it was an amazing day, and I was really pleased to see so many people out to support the torchbearers. I've been visiting quite a few schools, nurseries and church groups with the torch since I ran and I've really enjoyed being able to share the experience'



We are very proud to have had two Cawston residents carry the Olympic torch in Coventry and Rugby.

Olympic Themed Treasure Hunt

Olympic Themed Treasure Hunt

Sun, 30th September 2012

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As part of our fund raising in support of the Community Hall project we would like to invite you to take part in a treasure hunt around the estate.

The entrance fee is only £1.50 and there will be prizes, all proceeds from the event will go straight into the funding pot for the Community Hall.

If you are interested in taking part or helping out at the event please contact either Sam or Margaret.

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