

Solihull Civic Honours

Solihull Council are now promoting this years Civic Honours to celebrate people who have made a real difference in Solihull and deserve recognition for it.

If you want to nominate someone, please use the online nomination form at www.solihull.gov.uk/civichonours/default.htm

Children's play area at the Recreation Ground - Have Your Say!

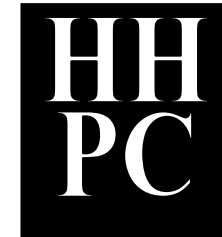
Letters received from local residents, expressing their dismay at the state of the existing playground. As a result, Parish Councillors are to work with Hockley Heath Primary School and local residents to bring forward new proposals for the play area. A questionnaire will go to all pupils at the local primary school to seek their views on what is needed. Do you have an idea of what play equipment should be there? Play facilities for older children maybe? A fitness promoting Trim Trail? You too can have your say by emailing the parish clerk on hhpc2009@hotmail.com or responding to

the questionnaire on our webpage:
www.hockleyheath.org.uk



Jubilee Fun for HH under 5's !

Meeting at the Pavilion on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, the Hockley Heath Under Fives playgroup celebrated the Diamond Jubilee. The children celebrated by looking at photos of the Queen when she was a little girl riding a bike and then seeing her as a lady at her Coronation. They raised their glasses and said "cheers to our Diamond Queen". The children were given a Jubilee spoon to remember this very great celebration.



Hockley Heath Parish Council

Newsletter - Summer 2012

Welcome to this summer edition of the Hockley Heath Newsletter.

Learn more about ...

- Summer Fete
- Children's play area
- Superfast Broadband

If you have any questions, contact the Parish Clerk on 07703 647 883 or email hhpc2009@hotmail.com

Hockley Heath Grand Fete

Sunday 8th July sees the ever popular summer fair come again to Hockley Heath Recreation Ground.

The fun starts at 11am with the opening by the Mayor and Mayoress of Solihull. Highlights of the day include the Shirley Brass Band, Dog Display Team, Solihull Rock School performance and the Hockley Heath Zumba Dance to get fit display. Lots to see and do and fun for all the family with vintage cars, face painting, bouncy castles, pony rides, climbing wall and a great fun dog show.

Let's keep our fingers crossed for some lovely weather.

Profits from the event will be used to buy play equipment to be placed in the recreation ground which will benefit local children.



Village Plan

In recent newsletters, we have aimed to keep you up to date with progress on this amazing document which brings together the ideas and comments held by local residents. Thank you once again to everyone who responded. The Parish Council hope to use the findings to steer future funding in the village. Delivered with this newsletter is your own brief copy of the report giving you a summary of the key points.

The Parish Council would like to thank the diligent team of volunteers who enabled this work to be carried out.

And the future of the report? The Parish Council, Residents Association and others will work with Solihull Council to see how this can be used by Planning Officers to help inform comments on planning applications.



Superfast Broadband

At a recent Broadband meeting at Stratford Council, the Parish Council heard how **£8.14m** could be spent in the Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire area to roll out superfast broadband to rural areas. Match funding would be required by Local Authorities.

In order to see Hockley Heath benefit from this scheme, the Parish Council are encouraging all wishing to see superfast broadband in the area, to **go to the website www.cswbroadband.org.uk and complete the residents or businesses survey.**

Please encourage all that you know to do the same. This way it will show that Hockley Heath has support for this venture and the operators e.g. BT, will be more willing to take action and commit to the scheme.

The impact on the village while it does not have superfast broad band is that schools have difficulty in getting information, no tele-health support (important as we have no doctors surgery) and problems for Small and Medium Enterprises (SME's).

PLEASE ACT NOW!