

Byelaws

The pavilion on the recreation ground is a great local asset. It plays host to a number of clubs and societies and the fields are popular with the footballers, local bowls club and families. Together with the woodland, this area is held in trust by the parish council, for the local residents.

Sadly, however, the area is open to misuse by a minority of people. Because of this, the parish council continues to seek to create byelaws which will direct the use on the area. This will ensure that motor vehicles cannot go on the fields unless previously approved by the parish council, will stop overnight camping on the fields etc.

The parish council will be undertaking an awareness raising session about possible byelaws over the coming months. Please keep a look out in the press for notices and if you have any comments / questions, get in touch with the parish clerk.



The Pavilion

Staying on the topic of the Pavilion, the parish council are committed to making sure that the building is safe and secure, and meets the needs of the various clubs and societies.

With this in mind, the parish council has recently received a grant to change the heating clock on the boiler. This way, the heating can be scheduled for every class taking place in the building rather than staying on when the hall is empty.

Work is also underway to get the inside of the hall decorated. It is long overdue and will make the hall a place that you would like to hire.

The hall has a fully equipped kitchen with kettles, cooker fridge and freezer.

Maybe you would like to hire the hall to celebrate family occasions or have a meeting? Maybe you want to start up a group of some description? If you have any interest in the hall, please contact Jenny - our assistant Clerk on 07591 954002 or via email at hhpcbookings@outlook.com.



Hockley Heath Parish Council Newsletter – Spring 2017

Welcome to this edition of the Hockley Heath Newsletter.

This edition will be reviewing the past year and looking forward to the tasks ahead of us. It also incorporates the work of the Neighbourhood Plan steering group and what is happening at the pavilion.

If you have any questions, contact the Parish Clerk on 07703 647 883 or email: hhpc2009@hotmail.com or find us on www.facebook.com/hockleyheathpc or on twitter: twitter.com/hockleyheath_pc

Hockley Heath is getting a Spring Clean!

Following our successful joint venture in November, the parish council and Solihull Council have once again teamed up to arrange a Spring Clean in the village. This will take place on:

Friday 21st April

10am – 2pm

Meet at the recreation ground.

Please bring your own gloves.

SMBC will provide safety equipment.

Come along and choose what you would like to do to improve the village.

As it's the Easter break, why not make it a family affair and bring the kids too? The children of Hockley Heath Academy planted lots of bulbs in the recreation ground in November of last year. As you can see, this has brought 'spring' into the park.



If you have an hour, couple of hours, half a day or a whole day to help, please contact Maria on 07974 795588 or email the parish council on hhpc2009@hotmail.com

Neighbourhood Plan

Thank you to all who came along to our really successful community consultation day. Over 200 of you came through the doors and learnt more about the plans afoot in the parish. Representatives were there from Waterloo Housing and Spitfire to talk about the housing developments taking place in the village.

But work did not stop there...the steering group then collated your thoughts and ideas and fed them back to Solihull Council through their Local Plan consultation. Details of the response made by the parish council can be seen on our website.

So why has it gone quiet?? It hasn't - it's just that the next stage takes a bit of time and careful planning. Parish councillors and local residents are now working on developing the survey which will hopefully drop onto your mat in the next few months. Once the survey / questionnaire has been delivered, another

public open session will take place. This session will be to offer you support and advice on completing the document and will allow you to drop off any completed surveys.

All of this work is being undertaken by a small handful of volunteers. Please, if you have any interest in developing a Neighbourhood Plan, get in touch via the parish clerk or stop a councillor in the street!



Do you want to have a say in the shaping of development in Hockley Heath or do you want Solihull Council to determine where and what development takes place? Support the Neighbourhood Plan by completing the survey when it gets delivered and/or helping on the steering group.