

Endon with Stanley Winter Newsletter 2017 Parish Council



FOOTPATHS CONSULTATION

The county council is proposing new standards for the maintenance of public rights of way. Every right of way will be categorised as A, B or C. Proactive maintenance will be primarily focused on A paths and issues will be addressed on these ahead of those routes categorised as B or C. When resources allow C paths will be maintained.

Proposals include:

- how each right of way is categorised - local knowledge will be welcome.
- a new online system to keep people informed about reports they make.
- an enhanced volunteer programme to help people get more involved.

More detailed information about the proposals, an interactive map showing the proposed path categorisation and an online questionnaire is at www.staffordshire.gov.uk/rightsofwayreview for anyone that wants to have their say.

The consultation runs until Dec 25th.

Questions or comments can also be sent by email to

rightsofwayreview@staffordshire.gov.uk

Local knowledge is essential as some paths seem to have been wrongly categorised therefore it is important that residents contribute their opinions.

SCHOOL PARKING

Inconsiderate and dangerous parking on the 'school run' continues to cause problems to residents and road users. Endon is not alone as it is a national problem. To try and educate the perpetrators a Traffic Management Team will be making unannounced visits to the affected areas.

A particularly dangerous practice is the parking on double yellow lines which causes problems for traffic entering and leaving the roads, Platts Avenue and Brookfield Avenue are cases in point. Double yellow lines are there for safety reasons and by encroaching on them lives are being put at risk.

SPONSORSHIP

If you or your business would like to sponsor an edition of this Newsletter, which comes out four times a year, then please contact the Parish Clerk.

SPEEDING ON CLAY LAKE

Excessive and often dangerous speeding has been reported to the Parish Council. This is particularly prevalent at school journey times in the location of Clay Lake. Members of the PC have observed the situation and have formed a small sub group to collect relevant data and to explore all feasible options. A meeting with the Community Infrastructure Manager, County Councillor, and two residents will take place early in the new year when all possible solutions will be discussed. In the meantime we ask residents to take extra care when using Clay Lake especially at school journey times. Motorists need to be aware that large numbers of pupils are crossing at the top of Clay Lake in order to take a safer, shorter route to Endon High School via Edge Lane.

The Parish Council wishes all residents
a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



CROWDFUNDING

Do you have a good idea to make a difference but need funding to get it off the ground?

Now Staffordshire has its own platform called 'Crowdfund Staffordshire.'

Find out more about crowdfunding and the projects that are already fundraising at

www.crowdfunder.co.uk/funds/crowdfund-staffordshire.



A reminder that the Parish Council has a Facebook page, **endon with stanley parish council**, which is gradually building up followers. Up to date information is posted on the site, as well as relevant photos. Residents can also message the council in confidence.

STOCKTON BROOK

The Gateway project has now been completed with the refurbishment of the car park. The whole area now presents a much tidier approach to the Moorlands. The Moorlands Partnership and Highways contributed to the cost of the project.

INTERPRETATION BOARDS

The board at the bottom of Hillswood Drive is being updated and repainted and will be moved to Station Road, where it will be seen by more people. The board at the entrance to The Village, by the bus shelter, will also be refurbished in the coming months.

GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN

The PC has registered with this campaign, which takes place March 2-4, 2018. Its simple aim is to bring people together across the country to clear up the litter which blights our environment. Our litter pick will be on Sat March 3rd, meeting outside Parish Office at 9.30am. If you would like to be involved please contact the Parish Clerk, or just turn up. Litter pickers and bags will be provided.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

All residents are welcome to attend the Parish Council meetings which are held every second Tuesday of the month at 7p.m. in the Methodist Chapel. Feel free to voice relevant issues and concerns during the public forum which takes place at 7 p.m. Alternatively please raise concerns on local issues with our **Parish Clerk, Dennis Boulton, on 01782 503918** or email clerkatendon9@gmail.com. Our clerk is able to contact the appropriate agencies and he has the expertise to advise you on the correct course to take and the authority to include relevant items on the next Parish Council meeting agenda.

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Website: www.endonwithstanleyparishcouncil.co.uk

LAUNDRETTE

Some residents have complained about the unsightly appearance of the laundrette which has been sited at the service station. Members of the PC have spoken to the owner and to planners and there appears to be no contravention of planning rules.

GRANTS

The following grants were awarded at the November meeting of the PC:

Approach(Dementia Café) £500

Endon Scouts £375

Endon Cricket Club £375

Endon Junior FC £375

Village Hall £375

BUS SHELTER

The PC has erected a new bus shelter at Stockton Brook in front of the school playing fields. Many residents have made favourable comments as it is a great improvement on the old one, which had become an eyesore.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Early in the New Year a decision will have to be made whether to enter the 2018 competition. In order to be a success the Parish Council is looking for volunteers to join with the council to help run our entry. If you would like to help please contact the Parish Clerk. Last year there was insufficient support from residents to warrant an entry. We hope for a more positive response this year.

PUBLIC FORUM

At the monthly meetings of the Parish Council the public forum, which is an opportunity for residents to raise issues, has been moved to the start of the meetings at 7pm. Residents are welcome to stay after the public forum but cannot participate further in the meeting unless invited to contribute by the Chairman.