

# Endon with Stanley Autumn Newsletter 2019 Parish Council



## CLAY LAKE CROSSING

Amey Consulting working under a brief received from Community Highways have produced their recommendations for pedestrian safety improvements across the B5051 aimed specifically at school children walking from Brown Edge to Endon High School and St. Luke's CE Primary School.

After consulting with local residents and parish councillors they have proposed a package of options which, as both Endon with Stanley and Brown Edge parish councils have now agreed with the recommendations, will now go forward for detailed design and accurate costing. If the costs exceed the budget then further liaison will be had with local members. If the costs are within budget, then the works can commence, as well as further consultation. Subject to cost and the outcome of the statutory traffic regulation process it is anticipated that the works will be completed by March 2020.

The proposed options are:

1. Speed reduction along the entire length.
2. Proposed uncontrolled crossing on Broad Lane.
3. Proposed uncontrolled crossing on the B5051, including a proposed footway.
4. Proposed 'Pedestrian Crossing' signs either side of the proposed crossing.
5. Additional safety and speed signage.

The speed reduction was not included in an interim report but after listening to local views Amey have added it to their final options although they still do not recommend it. By including it they say that costs will increase as existing signs will have to be removed and new ones added. The budget for the works is £40 000.

## HARVEST FESTIVALS

St Luke's harvest services are 9.15am (church) and 11.00am (school) on Sun Oct 6th. All gifts in support of Leek & District Food Bank so no fresh produce please. Tins, packets, jars and bottles are acceptable providing they are within date. At the moment the food bank has plenty of dried pasta, soap and toilet rolls. A detailed list of current needs can be accessed on the food bank website.

The Endon Methodist Church Harvest Festival Service is on Sunday, 6th October, 2019 at 10.00a.m. The Service will be led by Mr. Dennis Johnson from Leek.

## FLOOD ACTION GROUP

Unfortunately at the last meeting Henry Jebb resigned as Chairman of the Flood Action Group and regretfully no one has volunteered to take on the role of Chairman so the group is currently floundering.

However as part of the group's collective work a grant of £450,000 was secured to provide flood defence measures to some properties in the Village and to provide natural flood defences, located in various places, to help prevent the Village Brook flooding the Village.

Alas due to the apparent inability of Staffordshire County Council and Severn Trent to produce schemes showing the defence measures and to obtain the consent of local landowners to the proposals this work also seems to have reached an impasse.

However the Parish Council with the assistance of Councillor Flunder are trying to contact both Staffordshire County Council and Severn Trent to arrange a meeting with both parties to ascertain exactly where they are with the scheme and obtaining local landowners' permission for the works, to ensure that the scheme proceeds and the monies are not lost.

## ENDONIAN SOCIETY EVENTS

Friday 27th September 2019 - Local Film Night in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. - pay at the door

Friday 4th October 2019 - Harvest thanksgiving and auction of produce in the Village Hall at 7.00 p.m.

Friday 11th October 2019 - Annual Dinner at the Lake Hotel, Rudyard (booking required in advance)

Saturday 14th December 2019 - Annual Audley Brass Band and Carol Concert in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. (tickets required in advance)

Friday 20th December 2019 - Carols round the Well (mince pies and mulled wine will be served) 7.00 p.m.

More information from the Endonian Society Secretary on 01782 502622 or any Endonian Society member.

## ENDON DRAMATIC SOCIETY

The Society's Autumn production will be "Out of Sight, Out of Murder" by Fred Carmichael. This comedy murder mystery play takes place on a late summer's day in an old mansion in Scotland. Characters include a lovely ingénue, a trusty butler, a dauntless hero, a fascinating "other" woman and an always pregnant maid. A number of murders occur which are solved ingeniously with romance, suspense and wit. Go along and find out how the evening ends.

"Out of Sight, Out of Murder" will be performed at Endon Village Hall from Wednesday 13th to Saturday 16th November at 7.30pm.

Tickets: £8.00 (£7.00 concessions) are available from 01782 503592 or 01782 503269.

## COMMUNITY CHOIR

The choir celebrated its 10th Anniversary this summer with a special concert of favourite songs selected by choir members, and performed to a capacity audience in Endon Methodist Church. The autumn term has just started and will see the choir preparing for the Harvest Supper at the same venue on 5th October, and their own Christmas Concert on 3rd December – details will be displayed on local notice boards.

## ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

New security fencing has been ordered for Station Road playing field and the Village Hall so that once the gate is locked it will be more difficult to gain entry to the area and, hopefully, prevent access to the Hall roof. The Parish Council has continued to liaise with police and residents about incidences which have caused both annoyance and damage.

## YOUTH CLUB

The Endon Methodist Junior Youth Club meets every Friday night at the Methodist Church at 6.00p.m. -7.00p.m. during term time for children of 6-11 years of age. It is led by their Circuit Youth Leader, Jonny Newbould assisted by several volunteers. The young people do crafts and play games. There is also table tennis, snooker, X Box, tuck shop etc. All in a very friendly atmosphere. They are also hoping to start a Senior Youth Club again on Friday night 7.30-8.30p.m. during term time for ages 11-16 years. This will also be led by the youth leader, Jonny Newbould and volunteers, they will be looking at relevant topics in the world that impact on our young people to see how we should act concerning this. Everyone involved is DBS checked.

## WORLD CHALLENGE

In June a number of Year 10 and 11 pupils from Endon High School spent a fortnight in Swaziland trekking and helping with community projects. They worked at a school, helping to build a new classroom, and organised sport and games for the pupils. They did their own cooking on open fires which meant organising themselves so they worked as a team. The main purpose of the trip was to experience different cultures and to understand what it was like to live in a developing country.

## GRANTS

Grants are available from the Parish Council for local clubs, societies and organisations. Grant forms can be obtained from the Parish Clerk and applications need to be received by October 31st.

If any local society or organisation wishes to publicise their activities in the newsletter please email [editorendonnews@gmail.com](mailto:editorendonnews@gmail.com). If you wish to publicise a business please contact the Parish Clerk who will be pleased to advise you.

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

All residents are welcome to attend the Parish Council meetings which are held every second Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the Methodist Chapel. Feel free to voice relevant issues and concerns during the public forum which takes place at 7pm. Alternatively please raise concerns on local issues with our **Parish Clerk, Dennis Boulton, on 01782 503918** or email [clerkatendon9@gmail.com](mailto: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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