Birlingham Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 20 November 2024

In Birlingham Village Hall

Councillors:

Councillors Paula Aston (PA), Rupert Day (RD), Steven Byrne (SB), Michael Porter (MP) and Ian Yates (IY).

In attendance:

County Councillor Adrian Hardman (AH), District Councillor Paul Middlebrough (PM), Clerk June Hiden (JH) and 2 residents

Welcome – The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were tendered by Councillor David Glover (DG) due to being abroad. The apologies were accepted. Apologies from Footpath Warden Bruce Hayward and Lengthsman Carl Brassington.

2. Declaration of Interest

a) Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
d) Written requests for the Council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) are to be with the Clerk at least four clear days prior to a meeting.

Councillors who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, or Other Disclosable Interest which falls within the terms of paragraph 12(4) of the Code of Conduct, must leave the room for the relevant items. Failure to register or declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest may be a criminal offence.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 18 September 2024, a copy of which has been circulated to all Councillors was agreed, after an amendment to the time, as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

Democratic Opening

The meeting was adjourned for public question time.

School Buses

Councillor Paula Aston raised concerns, on behalf of residents, with Councillor Hardman about the unreliability of the school buses for Prince Henry's High School operating from Bredon's Hardwick, via Eckington Bridge to Birlingham. The bus picks up at St James' at 08:20 and Birlingham Nursery at 08:25 but not when Eckington bridge is closed. Cresswell who run the service has no flood timetable in place and do not communicate with parents if they are not picking up children just leaving them waiting on the roadside. They do not want to go via the Combertons. Some parents pay for the transport service. Worcestershire County Council's transport section have a policy that states it has the responsibility to pick up the children. Worcestershire County Council has agreed the situation was unacceptable and the Head of School Transport is dealing with it.

Prince Henry's school mark the children as late attendees.

Cresswells is trying to work with villages. Councillor Paula Aston will take forward. There must be a minibus laid on.

Action AH agreed to contact Stuart Payton, Head of School Transport to resolve concerns with the service.

Follow up PA

20 is Plenty

Identifying the benefits of a speed restriction in Upper End and further into the village. Residents attending were happy for Rupert Day to update and report. All discussions summarised at Item 10.

4. Progress Reports

a) Footpath Warden: none.

b) Tree Warden:

The Warden advised that the trees near the Avenue have works required that are still ongoing and waiting further updates.

c) Lengthsman – circulated to all Councillors. ***Appendix 1***

d) District Councillor. The following report has been received from Paul Middlebrough:-

"Key issues from Wychavon District Council –

This has been a month of waiting for announcements from Government to do with finance and planning. Although the government budget has happened the implications for Local government and Wychavon in particular are not yet known.

It will be late December before the level of grants and rules around council tax changes are released.

Finance

The budget parameters for the 2025/26 budget.
(a) A 5% pay award effective on 1 April 2025.
(b) Inflation of 2.4% will be applied to all expenditure budgets
© 2025/26.
(c) a 3% Increase applied to fees and charges income budgets
In addition to this, further efficiency gains and excess budgets will be reduced.

Wychavon will have to pay the increased employers National Insurance rates though there might be some additional government grant to offset this.
More significantly our contractor will be passing these charges and the increase in the national minimum wage onto the council.

English Devolution Bill

There is a lot of Government discussion on how devolution will be implemented on Local government areas outside of the metro mayor arrangements. This will no doubt be a major discussion for our area as proposals emerge.

Arrangement for Meetings

The Secretary of State is consulting on whether councillors should be able to attend meetings remotely or use proxy votes when they need to."

Councillor Paul Midddlebrough said that the Review has been sent to the Inspectorate. Members asked if the Head of Planning, Ian McCleod would come to a Parish Council meeting. There was much concern over the Tiddlesley Wood planning application which was still at inquiry.

The District Councillor was thanked for his attendance. He can be contacted on paul.middlebrough@wychavon.net

e) County Councillor:

Councillor Adrian Hardman was involved in the discussion on '20 is Plenty' and 'Lower End Flooding' and provided valuable input.

Councillor Hardman was thanked for his attendance and everyone was grateful for his assistance and help.

f) Clerk - See ***Appendix 2***

5. Planning

a) Planning applications – none

b) Applications determined: -

i. W/24/01789/CLE The Bungalow, Upper End, WR10 3AA
Certificate of Lawfulness for the Existing Use and Operational of the single dwellinghouse, known as The Bungalow, specifically not subject to any agricultural occupancy conditions.
Applicant – Mr and Mrs P Haydon

Parish Council comments: "*The Parish Council has considered the application and has no comments to make, and is content to leave it to the case officer to determine the application in accordance with the relevant policy and legislation.* "

Decision – Refused 20 November 2024

Tree Work Applications

i. W/24/01804/CAN – St James Church
Tree works within a conservation area
9 October 2024 – no objections

ii. W/24/02033/TPOA – Merriview, Upper End
Tree Preservation Order works
28 October 2024 – approved

c) Enforcement: -

Worcestershire County Council Enforcement Plan review 2024
Worcestershire County Council, as the County Planning Authority, are responsible for the monitoring of planning conditions attached to planning permissions for minerals developments, waste management facilities, and the County Council's own developments, such as libraries, schools, roads and railway stations. In addition, it investigates allegations of breaches of planning control associated with mineral and waste activities. The Enforcement Plan has been reviewed to take account of the updated guidance contained in the Government's Planning Practice Guidance (PPG),

and the revised National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) December 2023. The Enforcement Plan sets out how the council will operate its planning enforcement function. The reviewed Enforcement Plan can be found as follows: https://worcestershire.gov.uk/EnforcementPlanConsultation.
Comments on the content of the document, the consultation runs until Tuesday 3rd December 2024.

6. Financial Matters

a) The Accounts for 2024/2025

i) Bank balances - current is £10,115.65 as at end of October 2024 and Business saving balance is £13,465.68 as at end of October 2024.

ii) Receipts

i. £192.50 - Worcestershire County Council
ii. £87.50 – Worcestershire County Council
iii. £3,457.00 – Wychavon District Council (precept)

iii) Payments agreed: –

i. £20.00 – Birlingham Village Hall September 2024
ii. £2.00 – Birlingham Village Hall (payment due from July)
iii. £113.75 – Lengthsman July 2024
iv. £87.50 – Lengthsman August 2024

b) Future payments for consideration

i. £192.50 – Lengthsman September 2024
ii. £157.50 – Lengthsman October 2024
iii. £22.00 –Birlingham Village Hall – November 2024
iv. £167.40 – Clerk's PAYE – July, August and September
v. £670.00 – Clerk's pay – July, August and September
vi. £104.28 – Clerk's expenses – July, August and September
vii. £167.40 – Clerk's PAYE – October, November and December
viii. £670.00 – Clerk's pay – October, November and December
ix. £104.28 – Clerk's expenses October, November and December
x. £250.00 – Clarian for Millennium Bench as already agreed.

Standing order to be set up for the Clerk's pay.
Action PA

c) Budget setting:

The pre-budget draft has been done by the Financial Officer, Councillor Paula Aston

Discussion commenced on the level of balances it is appropriate for the Parish Council to hold.

Precept / application to be considered for January submission. The grant is confirmed as £170.00.

Discussion included:

- Clerks pay, PAYE and expenses – quarterly payments as per financial year and in line with RTI
- Insurance due in May
- CALC's fees – consider any increase in subscriptions
- Village Hall charges
- Training
- Litter Bins – annual charges
- Millennium Bench – annual charge
- Projects - Councillor Parsons said that some projects / measures may cross with CIL. The Projects will be circulated to residents in the same survey as CIL. See (d).
- Charities/ poppy wreath
- Car allowance – 40 pence per mile (Adoption of Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003

Lengthsman (Worcestershire County Council set target)- Carl Brassington to confirm his rate for 2025/2026.
Action JH

Footpath Warden – budget comes through Worcestershire County Council.

The Parish Council reviewed the budget for 2025/2026 and agreed to limit the increase to just £210.00 for the parish precept. The Wychavon District Council budget is still awaited. Clerk to complete the application for the budget request by January 2025.
Action JH

d) Consultation on Potential Community Infrastructure Projects

The Parish Council has £4000.00 of funding available within its Community and Projects provisions. Also, through recent discussions with Wychavon District Council (WDC) opportunities for grant funding for community facilities and infrastructure have been identified as they become available. In addition, the Parish Council is in receipt of a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) of £1543.00 as a result of certain planning permissions granted. There are different criteria defined for how each of these various funds can be used but in general the monies can be spent on community infrastructure projects.

The Parish Council intends to compile a list of potential projects on which monies could be spent, or for which applications for grant funding could be made and consult so that the parish priorities can be agreed.

Councillor Katie Parsons will be contacting Birlingham Community Groups to invite them to put forward projects using a simple form. The resulting list will then be consulted upon with the local community, as well as inviting any further suggestions. The proforma will be a 2-stage process; send out to residents and then consent from Wychavon District Council.
Action KP

Members asked if a speed sign would fit the criteria for an item. Councillor Katie Parsons to be asked to update.

This will be added to the agenda in future as Community Project Funding.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) monitoring

This will now be shown on the Parish Council financial spreadsheet as a separate line item and will be revised if contributions from it are made towards village projects.
Action Financial Officer

The CIL officer at Wychavon District Council has contacted the Parish Council asking for the CIL statement for the financial year 2023 – 2024 to be completed. The Clerk asked for clarification on this as the BACS was receipted on 11 April 2024. The statement will now be returned for publication on the authority's website.

7. Worcestershire CALC AGM

Councillor Paula Mann was not able to attend the Worcestershire CALC AGM on 26 September 2024. CALC minutes from the meeting will be circulated.
Action JH

8. Highways

Flooding at Lower End near Manor House

Councillor Steven Byrne gave an update.

The ongoing work to try and solve the problem of the leak on the slope by the Manor House continues. In October, Worcestershire County Council Highways closed the road and repaired the collapsed drainage pipe for which the Parish Council were grateful. However, there is still a problem which requires Severn Trent Water (STW) to inspect and then repair their collapsed surface water sewers to the north of Manor Stables, within the Moors land. STW have a statutory responsibility. This is still the main issue causing excess water to flow onto the public highway. Councillor Steven Byrne provided an update for Adrian Hardman and the Parish Council with maps showing the location of the various drains (4 it is believed) and sewers. The maps will be forwarded to County Councillor Hardman for reference. However, to date, the Parish Council has been unable to get STW to carry out the necessary inspection and repair so it was agreed that with Councillor Hardman's help the Parish Council would try and put pressure on the ownership and escalate the action to the Managing Director of Severn Trent, Liz Garfield. Barry Barnes at Worcestershire County Council Highways will be contacted for further assistance on engagement with STW. This will be followed through by Councillor Hardman also as Councillor Bryne has communicated already.
Action AH

Broadwalk/Footbridge repairs
(public right of way number 508 from Gravelly Hill to Defford over the brook repair

This continues to be an issue and Defford Parish Council are copying the Clerk in on matters. See photos in appendix 2.

9. Survey / Speed

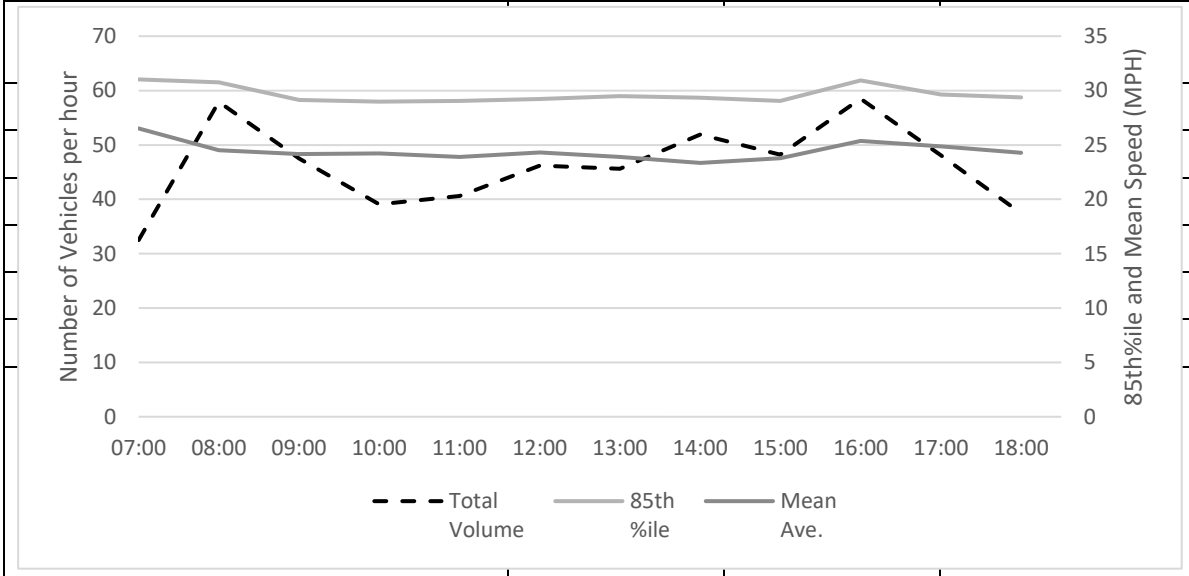
'20 is plenty' - identifying the benefits of a 20mph limit in Residential Areas.

There had been discussions during the Democratic Opening.

As reported previously, a small working group of residents, headed by Councillor Rupert Day, carried out a survey to establish resident's views and support for the possible introduction of a 20mph speed limit in parts of the village. As part of this initiative, Worcestershire County Council (WCC) were asked to monitor the speed and volume of traffic in Upper End and in The Avenue and this was carried out in September 2024. A summary of the results follows:

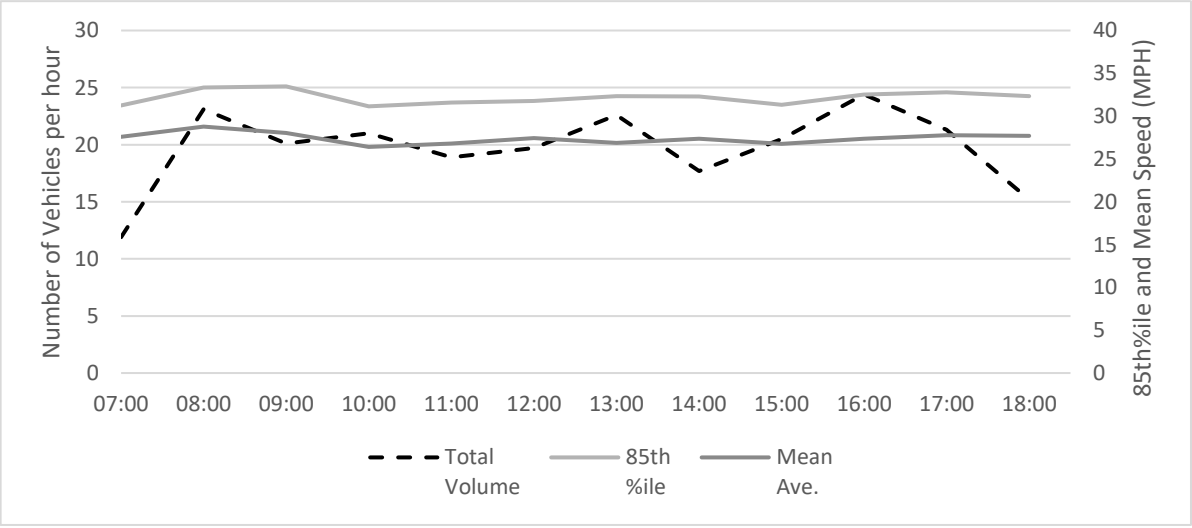
Upper End

	Daily Volume	Mean Av. Speed	85th %ile Speed
Westbound	313	25	30
Eastbound	318	24	29
Combined	**631**	*Figures above shown in miles per hour*	



The Avenue

	Daily Volume	Mean Av. Speed	85th %ile Speed
Westbound	161	28	33
Eastbound	112	27	33
Combined	**273**	*Figures above shown in miles per hour*	



The Group asked for feedback from the Parish Council and to understand a process in going forward with any issues needed to be addressed.

The Parish Council discussed the results along with County Councillor Adrian Hardman. The issue of traffic in the Village has been addressed many times. The last being in 2016 when the Parish Council looked at both traffic numbers and speed. This did not progress since it was found that cars were sticking to the 30-mph limit but raised the question as to whether 30mph was an appropriate speed for Birlingham's roads, particularly where the roads narrow and there are blind spots.

Reviewing the results:

1. Overall traffic does not seem to have increased from 2016
2. Speeding (i.e. over 30 mph) decreased from 20% in 2016 to 14% in 2024
3. The key target area of 20 mph-30 mph was 69% in 2016 and 67% in 2024 (i.e. no change)
4. Speeds of 20 mph and less have nearly doubled from 11% in 2016 to 19% in 2024

The working group drew two potential conclusions:

1. Reducing the speed limit to 20 mph would capture 86% of all traffic – on the understanding that those who currently obey the speed limit would continue to do so
2. The traffic is becoming more "speed aware" and therefore is more likely to adhere to new speed limits – a key issue around enforcement.

It would also have a positive impact on those 14% inclined to speed.

Two actions for the working group were agreed:

1. Worcestershire County Council's Head of Highways Paul Smith will be invited to meet with the working group to discuss a proposal for a 20mph limit in parts of the village. County Councillor Hardman will attend the same meeting. This should help inform whether current government policy supports such a proposal. The question of the funding required for any change can also be discussed looking at the County's policy and the national one. In addition, the use of a Transport Consultant who can advise on policy and likelihood of success will also be considered before a formal submission is made.
   Action RD

2. Separately, the group will look at other calming measures such as white line marking to highlight / roundels where roads narrow and active speed signs. Barry Barnes would be the contact at Worcestershire County Council to contact.
   Action RD

Rupert Day will represent the Parish Council.

10. Remembrance

The Parish Council thanked Ian Moore who laid the wreath in Eckington and Councillors Michael Porter and Katie Parsons who read the names and laid the wreath in Birlingham. The meeting was also grateful to Councillor David Glover and his wife Judith for clearing the leaves and cutting the grass around the war memorial ahead of the service.

The poppy wreaths cheque will be posted to the contact in Pershore representing the Royal British Legion.

11. Councillors' reports and items for next agenda

No items.

Councilllor Katie Parsons gave her apologies for the next meeting due to work commitments as she may not have travelled back to the village in time.

12. Closure and date of next ordinary meeting - with nothing further to discuss the meeting closed at 8.30pm and the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance.

The next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 15 January 2025 at 7.00pm.

The meeting will be held in Birlingham Village Hall. Clerk has booked the hall.

Signed: ..... Councillor Ian Yates, Chairman

Date: ……..……..……..……

Appendix 1 – Lengthsman's Report

Drainage

Upper End

19 September 2024 – Reference 58861

Reply from Highways *"Thank you for your enquiry. We will investigate this issue but will require a road closure to carry out the works safely. Please note there is minimum 3 month notice for a road closure."*

19 September 2024 - Reference 60899
Reply from Highways *"Thank you for your Drainage Report at THE AVENUE that you reported on 05 September 2024. Further to your report a Worcestershire Highways inspector attended the location. Following the inspection they have raised a works order for the Gully team to attend site and complete an empty and jet on the gully. Thank you for your assistance in this matter and your patience while the works are being completed*."
Junction with Defford Road
19 September 2024 – Reference 60900

Reply from Highways "*Thank you for your Drainage Report at WR103AA that you reported on 05 September 2024. Further to your report a Worcestershire Highways inspector attended the location. Following the inspection they have raised a works order for the Gully team to attend site and complete an empty and jet on the gully. Thank you for your assistance in this matter and your patience while the works are being completed*."

19 September 2024 – Reference 60901

Reply from Highways "*Thank you for your Drainage Report at Upper End that you reported on 5 September 2024. Further to your report a Worcestershire Highways inspector attended the location. Following the inspection they have raised a works order for the Gully team to attend site and complete an empty and jet on the gully. Thank you for your assistance in this matter and your patience while the works are being completed."*

Defford Road

19 September 2024 - Reference 58930
Reply from Highways "*Thank you for your Drainage Report at DEFFORD ROAD that you reported on 07 August 2024. Further to your report a Worcestershire Highways inspector attended the location. Following the inspection they have raised a works order for the Gully team to attend site and complete an empty and jet on the gully. Thank you for your assistance in this matter and your patience while the works are being completed."*

New Barn Road
19 September 2024 **- Reference 60898**
Reply from Highways "*Thank you for your Drainage Report at RECTORY LANE that you reported on 05 September 2024. Further to your report a Worcestershire Highways inspector attended the location. Following the inspection they have raised a works order for the Gully team to attend site and complete an empty and jet on the gully. Thank you for your assistance in this matter and your patience while the works are being completed.*"

Verge Markers

Upper End

24 October 2024 – Reference 58863 - damaged verge markers opposite Maryworth Barn

Reply from Highways "*Thank you for your Other Road or Pavement Report at UPPER END that you reported on 06 August 2024. Further to your report a Worcestershire Highways inspector attended the location. Following the inspection they have raised a works order for the relevant team to attend site and complete the required works. Thank you for your assistance in this matter and your patience while the works are being completed.*"

Manhole Cover

Lower End

Broadway Road

22 October 2024 – Reference 60145 - dislodged cover Broadway Road

Reply from Highways "*Thank you for your enquiry. We attended on 28/09/2024 and raised a four-week order for repairs to be made.*"

Appendix 2 – Clerk's Report

i. Highways / Public Rights of Way

- **The Causeway**

Communications:

Bob Bemand (previously Chairman at Defford and Besford Parish Council)

21 Aug 2024 sent to both Defford and Birlingham Parish Clerk's and copied to Adrian Hardman:-

"Hello Sue and June,
Unfortunately, this protracted issue continues.
To-day I came across a contractor installing a step from the end of the truncated causeway. The contractor said that he had received no instruction to restore the full length of the causeway. Because the causeway does not extend to its former length to the higher ground means that the truncated causeway is totally useless when the Bow brook floods and the work already done on the limited causeway is a total waste of taxpayers' money. The contractor said that apparently the bridge".

23 August 2024 from Phil Coulson, Public Rights of Way Operations Manager to Defford Clerk -

"Dear Sue

As you will probably be aware the bridge is quite low and is regularly topped by flooding. The reason for shortening the boardwalk was we have had issues with people still using the bridge in flood conditions, wading through flood water when crossing the actual bridge which is clearly very dangerous. Longer term we'd ideally look to replace the whole structure with a larger bridge but the cost is prohibitive.

There were some issues with the work the contractor did not been what Will Saunder had requested, this includes installing a step on the end. They have been back this week and we'll be inspecting it shortly.

We'll monitor it over the winter months to see how it performs. If the ground becomes badly poached, we'll probably look to stone it.

If you would like to discuss further my number is 01905 843439".

16 September - Clerk at Defford has replied saying "look forward to the monitoring reports next year".

I October – Bob Bemand to Defford Clerk, copied to Birlingham

"Hello Sue and June

I attach further evidence that the causeway requires restoring to its original length. What is the latest? The footpath is now impassable (even in wellies!) Photos attached. Best regards, Bob".





2 October 2024 from Phil Coulson

"Dear Sue,

Many thanks for the photos. That's really doing exactly what I'd hoped it would given it's unsafe for people to attempt to use the bridge during flooding.

Regards

Phil"

- **Finger post – Eckington Road**

Bruce Hayward reports:

"I checked along Eckington Road for a missing finger-post but was unable to see where one was missing. I am happy to talk to the resident in question if that helps.

When I was out, I did notice that there is some fly-tipping at the end of Asham Lane (FP518) - at the north-west corner of Asham Meadow".

- **Eckington Road - footway**

5 September – resident informs "*Still no action by WCC to restore the Eckington Road footpath and make it useable for wheelchairs/pushchairs. I have reported once again. See attached fyi*".

First reported December 2023.

END OF OCTOBER – the hedge was cut first and then a week later the footway was planed off.

ii. Ditches on Birlingham side of Eckington Bridge

Email received from Eckington Clerk, copied to Timothy Knight, Geoff Ransted and Adrian Hardman.

1 November 2024

"Good evening – at our last PC meeting in Eckington, one Cllr queried whether there were any ditches on the Birlingham side of Eckington Bridge that required 're-instatement / clearance' which could possibly assist and relieve some of the flooding issues at Eckington Bridge, thus resulting in fewer bridge closures?

We welcome feedback / comments from Birlingham in due course".

Following discussion with Chairman, Ian Yates an email reply was sent and copied to Adrian Hardman

11 November 2024 –

"Thanks for your email. Like your council we are also concerned about the number of bridge closures due to flooding as we have children attending Eckington and Bredon schools. We continue to work with landowners to ensure all ditches are kept clear. However, the ditches on the Birlingham side are only there for surface water drainage and would not make any difference to the fluent river and brook water on the Eckington or Birlingham side at flood times and when the meadows are no longer able to cope as 'flood defences'".

This has been acknowledged-

"I will share your comments with the Cllr that raised this with the PC".

iii. Lower End – flooding

Email from Barry Barnes

17 October
"Hello June

Thank you for your e mail. I followed up with Severn Trent during August whilst waiting for our drainage works to be completed. They attended the site 21/8/2024 I've attached the e mail response I received at that time. There are no further requests I can make of Severn Trent.

Regards

Barry"

Response

"Good Morning Barry,

I'm following on from this email. I'm Mark from Severn Trent Operations team.

Apologies about this flooding situation - I did try and get in touch earlier via phone but sorry we missed you. As I mentioned in the voicemail I left, our team have been out and found there to be no issues on the line, with our assets being clear and free flowing. We then spoke to a customer who advised that they had blockage/flooding issues before but hired a private contractor to deal with the situation.

Sorry again about having to deal with this flooding issue, but please let us know if you have any other follow ups or questions in regards to this job. I do hope you take care Barry and thank you for getting in touch!

Your reference: 2006681123

If you need further help please contact our Written Enquiries Team on 02477716700 between the hours of 8am and 4pm, Monday to Friday. If you require further assistance outside of these hours, please contact our emergency helpline on 08007834444 – available 24/7.

Kind regards

Mark

Customer Care"

Circulations to Councillors

4 November - **West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner**

PCC newsletter - October 2024

This edition includes the latest ONS data, a survey on road safety in your community, and work to tackle crime across West Mercia.

Latest crime stats show crime continues to fall

The latest figures from the ONS show overall recorded crime has fallen in West Mercia by 10% from June 2023 to June 2024.

As PCC, I am committed to cutting crime and it's welcome to see a long-term downward trajectory across Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Shropshire.

Other headline figures include:

- Violence with injury significantly increased nationally by 49% but a decrease in West Mercia by 9%

- There has been a 15% decrease in serious violence knife crime

- 10% fall in sexual offences with a 4% decrease in rape

- Domestic abuse has fallen by 11%, outpacing the national 8% decrease

- ASB has reduced by 5%, whilst national figures remain unchanged from 2023

- Burglary down by 6%, theft 5% and robbery 10%

But there are some worrying trends and it's important we refocus our efforts to addressing them like the increase in the number of people who have died or been seriously injured on our roads.

Cotswolds National Landscape Management Plan Consultation. Deadline 18th December

Extracts of interest All News can be found online at birlingham.org

Birlingham News Online

Birlingham **News 338 – 25 September 2024**

The online edition contains:

- Christopher Lawrence
- Cuppa & Chat, Wednesday 2nd October
- St James' Church News: Musical Evening, 18th October; Autumn Walk, 27th October; Remembrance Service, 11th November
- Road Closure – Lower End, Monday 7th – Friday 11th October
- 'Tar' Robertson memorial
- Birlingham Flower & Produce Show 2024 cup and class winners
- Parish Council Report from 18th September
- Planning Applications – The Bungalow, Upper End; tree works at St James' Church
- Recent photographs of the village and dates for your diary between now and the end of October

Birlingham **News 339 – 9 October 2024**

The online edition contains:

- Memorial Service for Christopher Lawrence, Friday 11th October
- Safer Neighbourhood Team Drop-in Session, Friday 11th October
- Birlingham IW, Thursday 17th October
- Musical Evening, Friday 18th October
- Autumn Walk Around Birlingham, Sunday 27th October
- St James' Church News
- Airband Broadband Problems
- Birlingham Bystander (Autumn 2013)
- Recent photographs of the village and dates for your diary between now and the end of October

Birlingham **News 340 – 23 October 2024**

The online edition contains:

- St James' Church News: Autumn Walk, Sunday 27th October; Remembrance Service, Monday 11th November; Dates for December
- Cuppa & Chat, Wednesday 6th November
- Update from Claire
- Tutored Wine & Cheese Tasting, Friday 6th December
- More Northern Lights Over Birlingham
- Planning Applications – tree works at Merriview, Upper End; tree works at St James' Church (no objection)
- Recent photographs of the village and dates for your diary between now and mid-December

Birlingham **News 341 – 13 November 2024**

The online edition contains:

- Parish Council Meeting, Wednesday 20th November
- Birlingham IW, Thursday 21st November
- Tutored Wine & Cheese Tasting, Friday 6th December
- BT internet problems

- Safer Neighbourhood Drop-in Session, Wednesday 27th November

- Baker's Bridge Response
- Birlingham Bystander (Spring 2014)
- Planning Applications – Merriview (approved)

- Recent photographs of the village and dates for your diary between now and the end of December

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