

STRETTON-ON-DUNSMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Rural Crime Prevention

The Parish Council has opted to take part in the Police led Rural Crime Prevention Initiative. It's an initiative to encourage closer links between the Police and rural communities, with the end goal to reduce crime within villages. The Police hold a couple of public sessions alongside the Parish Council, at which they will explain more fully the benefits of marking your property. The Police will give a full overview of the project, and encourage people to discuss their concerns about crime within the area, and explain how people can better secure their homes and property. Each person who attends on the day will receive a sign for their window/front door, and the equipment to mark their property within their home. Once the first session has been held, Stretton will then be given reflective signs to be fixed at the gateways into the village. Further to this, the Parish Council will receive a Community Box which is made up of some items which residents who are going on holiday can borrow to help protect their home from thieves while away. The items within it are simple but proven to be effective, i.e.: light switch timers etc. An initial date will be set for a Saturday in September, the exact date and time will be shared as soon as they are confirmed.

Resurfacing and Repairs

The condition of the pavement and the failing wall on Brookside continues to be an area of concern. The Parish Council regularly report faults to the Highways department via the portal and hastily follow them up with WCC Localities Officer. It has been able to establish that the issue has been 'escalated to a higher level manager' who is looking into having a structural engineer attend site and complete an assessment on the footway in due course. Please report all pavement and highways faults to <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/reporhighwayproblem>
Tel: 01926 410410

The more people who report issues directly to WCC, the better chance there is of them being repaired swiftly.

Crazy Daisy's/Goji Restaurant Site.

The latest information received regarding the derelict building sited on the A45 in Stretton is that it should be demolished sometime this month, subject to some ecology assessments. Fingers crossed...

Speed Watch

To encourage drivers to travel through Stretton at a reasonable speed the Parish Council have purchased wheelie bin stickers, reminding motorists of the speed limits. They are a great visual reminder to drive safely. It is also believed that temporary signs of this nature have a greater effect than more permanent signs. With that in mind, a banner with the same message is being produced, and will be hung in a variety of locations around the village throughout the year. If you would like a sticker for your wheelie bin they will be available free of charge from the Parish Clerk or any of the Parish Councillors.

Grants

The Parish Council introduced a Small Grants Policy last year and has so far given away over £6,000 to local organisations including, Stretton Scouts, the Village Hall, Knightlow School and All Saints Church. The grant is open to all Stretton based community groups and organisations. Application forms can be downloaded from the village website:-

Plott Lane Recreation Ground

Repairs to the quarter pipe in the skate park were due to be made before the summer holidays but unfortunately the contractor has been delayed. These repairs are now scheduled for early in September. The Parish Council has also agreed to lay a track around the perimeter of the playing field which can be used for running, or walking around particularly when the field is muddy during the autumn and winter months. It is hoped the track will be installed early autumn.

Report it!

The Police have reminded the Parish Council that they do not monitor All Things Stretton (Facebook). If you are concerned about suspicious vehicles or activity please report vehicle details to the police by calling 101 as it helps build a picture of activity in the surrounding area, and will go some way to increasing Police presence within the village.

The Parish Council's next public meeting will be on 10th September 2018 at 7.30pm in Knightlow School. Please note there will not be a public meeting during August.

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