



HUNTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Saighton Camp Development Update



Commercial Estates Group (CEG) have submitted a planning application for the next phase of the development of Saighton Camp. The application is for the building of a further 375 houses, office space and a £1.5 M redevelopment of the Boughton Heath roundabout. The application has however been submitted without agreement on the inclusion of the A55 Link Road.

Whilst the Parish Council support the long term development of Saighton Camp, that support is dependant upon the inclusion of the A55 Link Road.

The full planning application details can be seen on the Chester City Council website, simply follow the link from www.huntington-chester.co.uk. Please take the time to review the planning application and send your comments in writing to: The Planning Department, Chester City Council, The Forum, Chester, CH1 2HS or comment on line through the website. The development will affect us all so please have your say.

Cycle Safety

Parents, please ensure your children read this article on cycle safety. We have been asked to provide this advice by the police.

Before you set out on your bike, make sure you've got the right outfit. The most important item of your outfit is your cycle helmet. If you ever fall off your bike it's what comes between your head and the ground. Always ensure your bike is fitted with lights front and back and that they are working. Never ride your bike at night without lights. Bright clothes are a really bright idea. Go for fluorescent or bright colours in the daytime to stand out from the crowd. And if you are cycling in the evening, something reflective is best. So be bright and be seen.

Two thirds of all children who are hurt on their bikes get their injuries while trying to do tricks.

Remember:

- Bikes should only be ridden by one person at a time.
- Always keep about 60cm from the edge of the kerb.
- Give clear hand-signals when turning or overtaking.
- Stay alert for cars, people, animals and other bicycles.

For more good advice visit: www.dft.gov.uk/think/ or www.hedgehogs.gov.uk

The Parish Council Wishes You a Very Happy Christmas

Parish Council Members



Clive Buckler
(Lib Dem)



Nick Dodd
(Cons)



John Moore
(Lib Dem)



Dave McQuay
(Cons)

There have been some changes to your Parish Council over recent months and we would like to take the opportunity in this edition of the Parish Council Newsletter to introduce you to the individual members of the Council.

The current structure of Parish Council sees Nick Dodd as Chairman, and two Vice Chair positions, Special Projects (Mark Williams) and Communications (Anthony Wilcox). The Council is supported by the Clerk, Virginia Hammond .

Parish Council elections have just taken place after Lyn Turner (Lib Dem) and Dorothy Moore (Lib Dem) decided to call it a day after many years of service.

I am sure you will join with us in thanking them both for all of their efforts during their time on the Parish Council.



Carolyn Walker
(Cons)



Anthony Wilcox
(Cons)



Mark Williams
(Cons)



Virginia
Hammond

Congratulations to James Scargill (Cons) and Paul Sheen (Cons) who were duly elected to the Parish Council following their success in the recent election.

Dog Owners

Although the situation is improving, dog fouling remains a problem throughout the village. Four new dog bins have recently been installed and are situated at the junction of Caldly Valley Road and Chester Road and Caldly Valley Road and Gorse Way and two on Chester Road itself. The bins are provided for the benefit of everyone so please ensure that you clean up after your dog. Maximum penalty £1000.



It has now been necessary to impose a complete ban of dogs from the Jubilee Field.

The field is now regularly used by local junior football teams. Needless to say there is nothing more unpleasant than getting covered in dog dirt whilst playing. However there are also serious health issues. The greatest risk from dog dirt is toxocariasis. Toxocariasis is an infection of the round worm *Toxocara canis*. It is a disease which can be spread from animals to humans via dog fouling. It can cause stomach upsets, headaches and sore throats. In some cases it can result in eye damage.



The City Council Dog Warden will be increasing patrols of the Jubilee Field and will enforce the ban. The maximum penalty is a £500 fine.

Huntington now has its own website full of useful and interesting information. Please contact us via the site with your feedback and local issues.

Parish Council meetings are held in Huntington Village Hall on the 3rd Monday of each month - except in August & December – Meetings start at 7.30 pm. Why not come along?