

Parish Plan Actions First Six Month Report to Parish Assembly 2011

Affordable Housing. A meeting has taken place between the Neston Estate and Community First to explore the possibility. Unfortunately the responsible person in Community First has been very ill since that meeting. Matters are on hold for the present. However the Area Board is aware of the Parish Councils commitment to this subject. The issue was raised at a recent additional meeting of the Area Board.

Highway Flooding. Through attendance at the Flood Working Group work has been completed on alleviating the persistent flooding on the Bath Road west of the Bear Garage. All known potential flooding locations have been reported and the Parish Steward has undertaken remedial work in the Great and Little Chalfield area.

Wiltshire Council 2026. Through the medium of the Village Magazine residents' attention has been drawn to this important document. The Parish Council was represented at a recent special Area Board where the implications of the Localism Bill were explored. This will be discussed at the next meeting of the Parish Council in May.

Recycling Facilities. This action is lightly to be overtaken by events. Wiltshire Council has advised that it intends to introduce kerbside collection of cardboard this autumn additional to the paper and metal/glass recovery already in being.

Stiles. Mr David Webb has undertaken a review of stiles and made recommendations that will be discussed at the next meeting of the Parish Council in May.

Recreation Ground, wheel chair access. This item has not been progressed.

Dog waste, Bradford Road. The County Dog Warden has attended and posters reminding owners of their responsibility have been placed on lamp posts etc

Social Events. Mrs King has, through the medium of the Village Magazine, sought support to provide an event for the older members of our community.

Community Event. An event to celebrate the Royal Wedding has been proposed in the latest edition of the Village Magazine. The Youth Club is also looking at staging an event later in the year. In June the Parish Church are holding a Barn Dance & BBQ at Lenton Farm open to all.

Speeding Traffic. A metro counter survey has been conducted at the eastern entrance of the village and it is hoped that a repeat may be possible at the western entrance. Information from the first survey indicates that traffic entering the village travels at less than 38mph. We would be eligible for 'speed-gun' checks. The Parish Council would prefer a Speed Indicator Device. Further work is to be done.

Pedestrian Safety. The remaining work to complete the Pedestrian Crossing has now been done.

North/ South Bus Routes. Lack of funding (outside the Parish Council influence) is likely to make this a non-starter for the foreseeable future.

Street Parking. Residents have been asked to be more careful and considerate when parking.

Bus Shelters. Money has been made available and sites identified for 2 additional shelters on the Bath Road. The Parish Council is currently consulting with those living close to the sites.

Erosion of the Village Green. Money has been allocated and the remedial work is scheduled to be undertaken in the next 2 weeks.