

COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY DECEMBER 10TH 2019

Item 16. Correspondence & Clerks Report

- 1. Brian Hole** - A letter of condolence has been sent on behalf of the Parish Council to Johanna Hole, wife of Brian Hole, following Brian's passing at the end of November.
- 2. Update from the Copythorne Community Speed Watch Team (CSW)** - During the last 6 months, the Copythorne CSW Team carried out surveys on both 30 and 40 Mph roads in the Parish, for a total of 41 roadside hours. At each survey there are 3 to 5 trained volunteer team members. They monitored a total of 7993 vehicles. It is interesting to note that in the 40 Mph zones, drivers are more compliant with the speed, as the maximum speed recorded was 63 Mph and 39.6% of drivers were travelling at 41+ Mph. However, in the 30 Mph zones, drivers are not so compliant, with the maximum speed recorded at 65 Mph and 61.6% of drivers were travelling at 31+ Mph. A total of 923 letters have been sent out by the Police to speeding drivers in the last 6 months, with 23 drivers recorded at 50+ Mph in 30 Mph zones – those drivers can expect direct contact from the Police.
- 3. Pollards Moor Road Sewer Issue** - The emergency repairs to the Southern Water sewer (outside Meadow View and The Gables) which started on Thursday November 28th were completed on Thursday December 5th and the road was re-opened. At the time of writing this report a response was awaited from Southern Water as to the exact nature of the repair along with an understanding of what they believe was the cause of the problem and whether they expect any further issues along Pollards Moor Road in the near future. Once I have this I will provide you with a further update.
- 4. Southampton Road Layby, Bartley** - A response has been received from HCC Highways advising that the full extent of it remains publicly maintainable highway and as such this means that closing it permanently would not be straightforward. Discussions - with the support of our County Councillor, Edward Heron – are still ongoing as to what could be achieved.
A traveller caravan has recently taken up residence in the layby. It would appear to be the same caravan that was moved on in May of this year from the same location (and from across the road from the layby in September). The HCC Gypsy Liaison Team have been notified and asked to instigate the necessary steps for it to be moved on.
- 5. Advisory Committees** - I am aware of the following meetings that have been scheduled:-
Finance – Dec 11th 2019 (11am)
5 Year Plan – Dec 11th 2019 (12pm)
Flooding – Jan 9th 2020 (2pm)
Media & Publicity – Jan 10th 2020 (11am)
Personnel & Governance – Jan 10th 2020 (12.30pm)

David Rigby
Clerk/RFO
December 5th 2019