

## **COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - DECEMBER 8TH 2020**

### **ITEM 19 – COUNCILLORS REPORTS – GRAHAM CHILLCOTT**

#### **Telephone Boxes Update**

As previously reported and as a result of my local discussions I've left the existing panel showing Copythorne Church in situ at Newbridge. Also, at the request of the Newbridge residents, I've retained the old black display panels, but filled them with same updated information as is in Pound Lane. I'm now awaiting local feedback to see whether or not to swap to the new silver style panels.

I have further updated the planning traffic light schedule for the telephone boxes and attached a copy to this update. Obviously with the latest COVID-19 lockdown restrictions things might of necessity have to slip right.

The latest broken windows in Pound Lane and Newbridge Road with have been replaced with plastic ones, but see below. I think that now makes eight broken since I took over responsibility for kiosk maintenance.

Our local PCSO, Richard Williams has kindly given me four Country Watch warning signs and I've so far put one up at the Newbridge, Pound Lane and Winsor Road kiosks.

The Council has now bought most of the bits we need for the New Inn Road kiosk refurbishment. But in the light of continuing breakages in Newbridge Road and now Pound Lane, I'm going to change tack. As reported to the full council on the November 10<sup>th</sup> in an attempt to combat the vandalism, I'm going to replace the remaining glass windows in the Newbridge Kiosk with plastic ones. As also reported to the full Council a very kind local resident has donated £170 towards replacing all the windows in the Newbridge Kiosk. This will be used to buy large plastic replacement windows and a bag of rivet's and clips. This will allow me to swap out all the large glass windows for plastic in Newbridge.

#### **Flooding Advisory Committee ("FAC") Update**

One of the things for consideration by the next FAC meeting in January 2021 is whether we should have a central place where residents - in the event of a declared flooding emergency - can get sand and obviously sandbags. The FAC first thought on this is to ask the Parish Hall Committee if we can put the sand in their car park?

Meanwhile, the Clerk has forwarded to the Flood & Water Management Team at Hampshire County Council a map prepared by the FAC showing which residents to send Riparian letters to and also a second map showing the Highways assets that are in need of maintenance and repair for them to action.

Whilst it's true that the FAC is concentrating on Copythorne/Cadnam for the moment, can I just to reassure other councillors that we are still keeping a weather eye on the rest of the Parish. This is illustrated by the FAC continuing to monitor, for example the surface water flooding events being experienced by residents in the Southampton Road/Old Lyndhurst Road area of Cadnam. At the moment I can only add progress is slow.

After being alerted by Cllr. Goodwin, I've recently been to see a resident in Southampton Road who showed me several inspection pits and drains that had been missed by HCC in their last clean up. As a result, I've raised a couple of new enquiries with the HCC Highways Team.

As an aside after considerable difficulty I've managed to get to the culvert under the M27 at Cadnam and taken its picture!

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**Other Matters**

A quick update on progress on the refurbishment of the iconic Bartley Village sign in New Inn Road. Cllr. Lucas is re-painting both sides of the sign and Cllr. Wiggins has re-painting the back brackets and is in the process of re-painting the uprights. Cllr. Goodwin has a “cunning plan” that once the sign is re-installed that he and I will go along and jack the sign back to vertical!

Just to let you all know, a very kind lady has offered to rub down and re-oiled the bench next to Splitwind pond. Isn't that amazingly public spirited! The Council has gratefully accepted this offer

Cllr. Graham Chillcott  
November 24<sup>th</sup> 2020

# TELEPHONE BOXES PROJECT

Activity/ Week ending	26th Sept 2020	3rd Oct 2020	10th Oct 2020	17th Oct 2020	24th Oct 2020	31st Oct 2020	7th Nov 2020	14th Nov 2020	21st Nov 2020	28th Nov 2020	5th Dec 2020	12th Dec 2020	19th Dec 2020	26th Dec 2020	2nd Jan 2021	9th Jan 2021	16th Jan 2021	23rd Jan 2021	30th Jan 2021
Winsor Road complete*																			
Pound Lane complete*																			
Newbridge Info Signs complete*																			
Newbridge fit Information Panels*																			
Newbridge install new lighting*																			
Newbridge replace all windows																			
Order parts for New Inn Rd*																			
Receive Parts New Inn Rd*																			
Paint New Inn Rd																			
Install new windows New Inn Rd																			
Install information signs New Inn Rd																			
Install information panels New Inn Rd																			
Fit new Light New Inn Rd																			

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