

Shillingford St George Parish Council

NEWSLETTER

August 2019

CLIMATE CHANGE

Following a recent decision of the District Council to declare a climate emergency, Parish Councillors have decided to make climate change central to all their decision making and consider how parish activity can happen in a way that reduces the impact on our environment.

TREE CHARTER

The Woodland Trust has launched a Charter for Trees, woods and People for the 21st century. This is 800 years on since the Charter of the Forest. There are reported to be more trees being cut down than planted for the first time in 40 year and Parish Councils are being urged to sign up to the 10 principles in the Charter. The Parish Council feel that tree planting is important to the parish and agree to sign up to the Charter. Although the Parish Council does not own land for planting, tree planting can be supported and encouraged.

BT CONSULTATION

The telephone kiosk in Shillingford St George is one of 27 being considered by BT for taking out of service. No calls have been made from it over the past 12 months and the Parish Council have not objected to the proposal.

LITTER PICKING EQUIPMENT



We have now received the litter picking equipment from TDC ready for our next event. Now we have our own kit we will be able to run litter picks as frequently as needed. The villages are being kept tidy and this is partly due to the residents who pick up others discarded litter on their walks through the parish. We would like to thank them for what they do.

OLD VILLAGE PUMP

The Pump would originally have been part of the forge in Shillingford St George. It has been donated by a member of the parish with a view to the Parish Council refurbishing it and putting it in a prominent position for all to enjoy.

HIGHWAYS

A number of issues have been raised with DCC Highways, including the scraping of the centre of Markham Lane, scraping the edges of the parish roads and a report on the unsatisfactory remedial work near the A30 overbridge. Barratt Homes who are developing land adjacent to Waybrook Lane (Alphington end), subject to consultation, are proposing a one-way direction in Waybrook lane towards Alphington from the A30 bridge to help reduce traffic volume.

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be on Monday 14th October at 7:30pm in Shillingford St George village hall. Please come along and join us.

MORE INFORMATION

Details about the parish council include information can be found on the website.

www.shillingford.org.uk

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?

Any comments or questions for the parish council please contact the clerk.

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