

**HIGHWAYS ISSUES**

By the time of reading this, the main thoroughfare through the villages should have been re surfaced. Whilst the diversions were no doubt an inconvenience we now have our potholes finally repaired and a new surface to deter erosion.

**RING & RIDE TRANSPORT**

We are still awaiting the outcome of the review of routes to see if they will pilot a route through our parish to Exeter.

**THE FENCE**

On 20<sup>th</sup> March TDC Planning Committee voted unanimously to enforce the breach of planning law in relation to the fence. A Breach of Condition Notice will be served on the Trustees giving 28 days to remove the fence. Should they fail to do so, they will be prosecuted and will be charged the costs of the TDC contractor for removal of the fence. The Trustees have intimated

their intention not to remove the fence. The Trustees continue to demand return of £923.67, paid to the Parish Council in 2012 towards the upkeep of the Village Green. The Parish Council has maintained and insured the Village Green since 2012 & spent significantly more than this in doing so. Trustees have been unable to provide audited accounts to proving the Millennium Green Committee (who paid the funds to the Parish Council) were controlled by them. The funds are spent and no monies will be refunded.

**RURAL AID GRANTS**

Last year we successfully got a grant to help with the refurbishment of the toilets in the village hall. Applications this year must be submitted by 30 April. For up to £5k per bid. The Parish Council currently doesn't have a project suitable for applying. We would like to develop a

project ready to bid next year. If you have any ideas please contact the Parish Clerk. The criteria for bids is that it must:

- improve access to services
- develop and refurbish local community facilities and amenities
- address rural sustainability
- improve the health and wellbeing
- meet the needs of minority and vulnerable groups
- enhance community support and involvement

**NEXT MEETING**

Our next meeting will be on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May. This will be a short Annual Council meeting followed by the Annual Parish meeting. This is your meeting and a chance to influence the way the Parish Council supports you. It will be a more informal meeting with cheese and wine. The next Ordinary meeting will be on 11<sup>th</sup> June. Both meetings start at 7:30pm. Please come along and join us.

*Shillingford Parish Council*

**MORE INFORMATION**

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

[www.shillingford.org.uk](http://www.shillingford.org.uk)

**QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?**

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

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