

Dear Resident

Hilton Parish Council would like to thank those residents who attended the Hilton Village Hall Coffee Morning on 13.02.2018 between 9am and 11am. There were a number of questions raised, which are detailed below, with responses.

You said, we Did.....

Hilton Parish Council

You Asked.....

Your Parish Councillors did.....

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| What are the available hours for contact, can I contact Councillors Directly? | <p>To contact the office and make an appointment to see the Clerk Tel: 01283 730969 or Email: clerk@hiltonparishcouncil.org.uk</p> <p>The Parish Council are looking at the introduction of a new website. As part of this Councillor details may become available but this is still under discussion.</p> |
| Parish Council | |
| Can we have hanging baskets on lamp posts through the Village like we did before | <p>About four or five years ago, possibly longer, enquiries were made with Derbyshire County Council in relation to this matter. Parish Councils can apply for a License to install hanging baskets but first we would need to supply Derbyshire County Council with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Public Liability Insurance of £5million for any one eventEvidence of competency for each person who will carry out work on the highwaySite specific risk assessments and method statementsStructural test reports for the street lights you require the licence to coverWhere applicable evidence that there are arrangements in place to pay for the energy consumption of the equipment <p>When Hilton Parish Council looked into this at that time, it was deemed far too expensive to have the lighting posts structurally tested at a cost to the Parish. The Parish would also have to pay for the services of a specialist contractor to maintain the hanging baskets</p> |

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| | <p>and water then on an ongoing basis. The Parish Council did not feel that the Precept could be increased to cover this, therefore no budget was ever given to it.</p> <p>Bullet points taken from the DCC website – Guidance on attachments to Street Lighting</p> |
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| Standing Orders, can they be more flexible | <p>Standing Orders cannot be more flexible for members of the public to speak or join the Council in their discussions or decision-making process. The Parish Council have agreed to hold Parish Forums in order that the views, questions and suggestions from residents and other members of the community can be heard freely and without restriction.</p> |
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| Will the Parish Council buy bedding plants from the PTFA in their May sale | <p>The Parish Council has put this item on the Agenda for discussion at the March 2018 meeting of the Parish Council. However, answers to the following points would need to have been received from the PTFA before this discussion can take place.</p> <p>The Parish Council does not hold petty cash, therefore the PTFA would need to either allow the Parish Council to have an account with them, or to invoice the Parish Council for plants bought. This invoice would then be paid by cheque at the next available meeting.</p> |
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| Can the Gardening Club maintain the troughs planters at the Main Street Car Park | <p>At present these are maintained by the Groundsman for Hilton Parish Council. The Clerk has spoken to a Representative for the Gardening Club and they would prefer for the Groundsman to continue with this rather than the Gardening Club. The Gardening Club stated that they already have enough with maintaining Roma's Garden.</p> |
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| Etwall had poppies on the lamp posts through the village for Remembrance Day, why did Hilton not have this | <p>This was done by the Royal British Legion and was a first-year pilot. All Parish Council will be given the opportunity to sponsor poppies on lamp posts in 2018 if the Royal British Legion decide that 2017 was a success.</p> <p>However, we understand from the Royal British Legion that permission may be required from Derbyshire County Council to do this and a licence may be required as Derbyshire County Council are responsible for street lighting.</p> <p>Residents may also be able to sponsor a poppy if they wish. If the</p> |

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| | Parish Council go ahead with this, there will be a cost implication. |
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| P O Box number, why can the Parish Council not get Royal Mail to register the PC Office as the official address | <p>This has already been explained fully in the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 25.10.2017, minute number 2069/17 via the Clerks Report.</p> <p>See our website: www.hiltonparishcouncil.org</p> <p>If you do not have an internet connection contact the Clerk to the Parish Council for a hard copy of the minutes on: 01283 730969</p> |
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| <p>The Mease Pavilion, why can section 106 money not be accessed to repair the car park.</p> <p>What did St Modwen agree to with regards to section 106 money</p> | <p>Section 106 money is negotiated and held by South Derbyshire District Council. We understand that Cllr Andy Billings, as reported at the Parish Council Meeting held in January 2018, minute number 2119/18/C, has requested section 106 money to be considered for The Mease Pavilion from the Derby Road Planning Application/Development.</p> <p>With regards to what St. Modwen and South Derbyshire District Council agree with respect to Section 106, Hilton Parish Council is not privy to this information. However, we have asked South Derbyshire District Council the question on how much, if any money they hold, on 14.02.2018</p> |
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| Why does the Parish Council have a height barrier restriction over the car park to the Scout Hut and Parish Council Office when the site has gates at the main entrance | <p>This is a split site, part owned by the Village Hall, Parish Council and South Derbyshire District Council. The height barrier was agreed and installed to help protect Hilton Parish Council and South Derbyshire District Council land as the main gates are not always closed and locked in the evening. The gates are the responsibility of the Village Hall.</p> <p>For example: If Travellers arrive on the Village Hall site, as a Registered Charity they have powers to start proceedings to have them evicted within 24 to 48 hours. However Local Authorities are required to follow the law by completing welfare checks etc. and going to court system, which can sometimes take weeks or even months before they can legally be moved on.</p> |
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| Can the Parish Council explain points of discussion better/fully at their Parish | Hilton Parish Councillors takes this comment on board and will try to explain points of discussion more fully in the future, but this may not always be possible. |

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| <p>Can the lights on the Children's Play Area at the Village Hall Site be switched on during the winter months till about 8pm. Especially on a Thursday 6.30pm to 8pm for Youth Club</p> | <p>Currently there are no working lights in the children's play area.</p> <p>The lights around that area the lighting is part owned by the Parish Council and the Village Hall. The Parish Council lighting is on during the evening, apart from one column which is currently not functioning. The electrician has been informed and it will be repaired as soon as possible. The lighting columns overlooking the children's play area are owned by the Village Hall.</p> <p>We have asked the Village Hall regarding lighting the children's play area during the times and day requested and their response is as follows:</p> <p>"The lights were angled to stop them annoying residents, which let the rain in, which in turn meant they were short-circuiting due to water ingress, so they were switched off. The solution is some new lights that are not going to effect neighbours when they are on. This is clearly a much expensive option and not one that we can afford without external funding."</p> <p>This matter was passed over to the Village Hall Committee on 14.02.2018</p> |
| Highways / Safety - DCC | |
| <p>Can the bus shelters be moved that are no longer in use and moved to the new locations for the bus stops</p> <p>The provision of bus shelters in and around the village needs to be addressed. Some stops do not have a shelter example: by Roma's Garden on Egginton Road. Other stops do have shelters but the position relative to the pavement causes pedestrians to walk on the road if there are a number of people waiting, including push chair users etc. Some</p> | <p>This is a County Council matter and has been passed over to Cllr Julie Patten on 14.02.2018</p> <p>This is a County Council matter and has been passed over to Cllr Julie Patten on 14.02.2018</p> |

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| <p>stops are now redundant example: Main Street, which could be relocated</p> | |
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| <p>A weight restriction sign is required at the T Junction on The Mease & A516 from Hatton.</p> | <p>This is a County Council matter and has been passed over to Cllr Julie Patten on 14.02.2018</p> |
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| <p>A sign is required for Access Only to Sutton Lane Business Park, where lorries come off the A50 using Main Street Hilton as a short cut. Ideally at both ends so that lorries use The Mease</p> <p>Due to people parking on the single yellow line at the bottom of Sutton Lane, heavy vehicles have difficulty getting through and have on several occasions hit a residential property. If the parking regulations were enforced this might stop people parking there.</p> | <p>This is a County Council matter and has been passed over to Cllr Julie Patten on 14.02.2018</p> <p>This is a County Council matter and has been passed over to Cllr Julie Patten on 14.02.2018</p> |
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| <p>There are some hedges on Egginton Road, Hilton that are overhanging the pavements. One is a holly hedge which hangs very low. The Pavements along Egginton Road are very narrow in places and you have to side step the prickly branches. Can these hedges be cut back to the boundary line.</p> | <p>This is a County Council matter and has been passed over to Cllr Julie Patten on 14.02.2018</p> |

