Peover Superior Parish Newsletter



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TRAFFIC TRAFFIC!

Proposed change of speed limit on Stocks Lane

On many occasions residents of the Parish have voiced their concerns over the speed of traffic through the Village. The Parish Council has heard your concerns and has submitted a proposal to Cheshire East Council to reduce the speed limit along Stocks Lane and part of Grotto Lane. The proposal has 3 elements:

- Reduce the National limit to 50mph between the A50 and where the current 40mph limit starts near the Village Hall
- Change the current 40mph zone to 30mph
- Extend the new 30mph zone up Grotto Lane to beyond the junction with Patton Close.

With the help of Councillor George Walton, this proposal has been placed on the Cheshire East Highways list of "minor works" for which there is a budget for small improvements to the road network. As yet we have no indication of when this may happen. Of course, a change in limit may have little effect without enforcement which is why the Parish Council has commenced the Community Speedwatch programme (see below).

Traffic Management Study

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has commissioned a study on traffic management to address concerns raised as part of the survey conducted last year.

A final draft of the report has now been received and it makes proposals to address the volume of vehicles, speed through the residential areas, size of vehicles, lack of parking and risk to pedestrians. Rather than traditional control measures such as speed limits, humps (sleeping policemen) or alternate flow systems, the consultants have proposed more innovative solutions used elsewhere in the UK. These are based on passive features to naturally slow down traffic and encourage traffic to take a different route other than passing through the Village. They also provide additional parking in the vicinity of the Village Hall and school and make the areas safer for pedestrians. Once completed, the report will be uploaded to the Village website under Neighbourhood Plan Documents. We don't expect these changes to happen in the short term, but the report provides a plan for the future should funding become available, for example through the Community Infrastructure Levy.

Speedwatch - Over Peover's very own band of Gilets Jaunes

Calling all residents! The Speedwatch team welcomes new members. Training and glamorous high-viz jacket provided. An hour of your time here or there - that's all it takes. Together we can put the brakes on the hundreds of cars speeding through our village every day. Be a part of the solution - not the problem.

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Over Peover Village Hall

The village hall, situated off Stocks Lane at the junction with Grotto Lane, is available to hire for parties, christenings, meetings, etc. Reasonable rates - £20 for the first hour and then £10 an hour. For further details, visit www.overpeover.com/village-hall

Facilities include: Large hall with lovely solid wood floor A kitchen and a kitchen/bar Plenty of tables and chairs Small stage Versatile lighting





Over Peover WI meet on the last Thursday of the month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. There is a speaker at each meeting and the chance to catch-up with friends over tea and cakes. Ladies of the village are more than welcome to attend one of the meetings as a guest. We organise various activities including monthly walks and a number of trips throughout the year to places of interest (usually by coach from the village). We also have several craft groups which meet regularly. All of these are a great way to socialise and try different things.

So, if you would like to meet new friends please do come along – you will be made most welcome. If you are worried about coming by yourself, just contact us before the meeting and we will make sure there is someone to greet you.

To find out more visit the Village website www.overpeover.com/over-peover-womens-institute or you can contact June Leach on 07500 250969.

Update on Neighbourhood Plan

The Neighbourhood Plan has been progressing over the winter. The final report on "Protecting and Enhancing the Natural Environment" was received from The Cheshire Wildlife Trust (CWT) in January and the second draft of the Traffic Management Study was received from ARCA in March. The CWT report identifies those areas of the Parish of high and medium ecological value, important wildlife corridors, management work to control invasive species and policies to enhance wildlife to be applied to planning applications. These latter policies relate to providing habitat in new buildings and control of lighting to avoid disturbance of nocturnal creatures. Perhaps if your property is lit up at night you can ask yourself if that is really necessary or is the lighting focussed or spilling out across neighbouring land?

The Traffic Management Study is reported elsewhere in the newsletter. These reports, together with earlier reports, questionnaires and feedback from the drop-in sessions have enabled the team to produce an initial draft Neighbourhood Plan. Our next step is to employ Cheshire Community Action Group to refine this draft into what is known as a "Pre-submission consultation" version which you will have the opportunity to comment on and amend prior to it being submitted to Cheshire East. The consultation will last 6 weeks to meet the Neighbourhood Plan Regulations. After the consultation it is submitted to Cheshire East Council who will appoint an independent examiner. Once any modifications are incorporated from the Independent Examiner the Plan will be subject to a Referendum in which all members of the Parish who are on the Electoral Roll will be eligible to vote. Only when a majority of voters have voted in favour of the Plan will it become "made" and then become part of the legal planning framework. We expect to complete this process during the 2019/20 financial year.

Property Marking Kits





Cheshire Police, along with Peover Superior Parish Council, will be issuing residents with household security marking kits on

Monday 3rd June at 7pm in Over Peover Village Hall

The kit usually costs £59.50 however, the Parish Council has a limited number of kits available at the reduced price of £10. Please pay by cash or cheque, made payable to Peover Superior Parish Council.

The kits are unique to each household and enable owners to mark up to 50 valuables with an invisible paint. The solution can be applied to any items of value including televisions, jewellery, laptops and art. In the event of a theft, the stolen property will be made identifiable under UV light and matched against a database of registered owners. Stickers, included in the kit, can be displayed at the property to deter criminals.

The use of kits in whole communities has shown a reduction in burglaries of up to 83%.

For more information please visit selectadna.co.uk or contact the Parish Clerk.

FITNESS SESSIONS IN OVER PEOVER PARK

CLASS TIMETABLE							PB-WOMAN
Please refer to the PB-Woman Facebook page for any timetable alterations							
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
АМ		Metafit			Bootcamp		Bootcamp
		09.00 - 09.30			09.00 - 10.00		09.30 - 10.30
PM	Circuits		Metafit	Circuits			
	18.30 -19.30		18.30 - 19.00	18.45 - 19.30			

Venue: Peover Park WA16 8TY

Prices: Individual classes £7.50, Advance Payment (bank transfer in advance of first class please) for 4 classes £20*
*no charge for cancellations made up to 12 hours before a class

Ts & Cs: All classes must be booked in advance (fiona@pb-woman.co.uk or 07506 375230). Participants must have completed a PAR-Q form

All classes are run outdoors and may be subject to change; in extreme weather conditions classes may be rescheduled or cancelled. Notifications will be posted on the PB-W Fitness WhatsApp group and PB-Woman FB page

BEST KEPT VILLAGE

The judging is taking place now for the Best Kept Village Award. Please do your utmost to keep our village tidy. Thank you

Dates For Your Diary



Monday 3rd June (7pm) - Issuing of Property Marking Kits at Over Peover Village Hall

Sunday 23rd June (10am) - Colshaw Hall 10k Race. Road closure from 09.45am until approx. 11.30am. For full details, a map of the course and the charity 1km kids run, visit cutefruitevents.com

<u>Tuesday 25th June (4pm)</u> - Small Schools Cross Country Competition on the Parish Field. Come and support us!

<u>Friday 12th July (3.30pm-5.30pm)</u> - Peover Superior Summer Fair at Peover Superior School <u>Saturday 13th July (2pm)</u> - St Lawrence's Church Garden Party at Peover Hall. Various stalls, cakes, teas, tombola, brass band and many more



Chair's Report 2019

It has been a very busy year for Over Peover Parish Council and much has been accomplished.

Arrivals and Departures

This year saw the departure of our clerk, Liz McGrath, who had served the Parish with great commitment and enthusiasm for eight years. We are very grateful to her for all she has done for the parish during her tenure and we are most thankful to know that she is well on the road to recovery after her unfortunate accident. George Walton our Ward Councillor and Parish Councillor Sheila Read retired in April. I would like to express my gratitude for their many years of service and helpful advice and support to the Parish Council. Mrs Shareen Worthington took up her duties as Parish Clerk in September. She has adapted very quickly to her new role. We have come to value her expertise and support greatly.

Broadband

After many years of campaigning the second tranche of Superfast Broadband became available in the village along Stocks Lane and Grotto Lane and even some of the houses along the A50, which weren't within the original scope of this phase, have been covered. It was worth the wait as these premises now benefit from FTTP (Fibre to the Premises) which gives unimaginable speeds. We are continuing to press Connecting Cheshire to extend the scope to cover the remaining houses on the A50.

Neighbourhood Plan

A great deal of work has been carried out this year and I congratulate Cllr Phil Welch and his team on their achievements. The drop-in consultation days were very successful, attracting many residents who were able to comment and make suggestions on all aspects of the work. A traffic survey has confirmed the massive number of vehicles passing through the village at rush hours. This data will feed into a professional traffic study, made possible by the generosity of Mr Chris Rudd, to consider the potential for the mitigation of traffic speed and volume. which will form part of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Planning

The Parish continues to see a large number of planning applications, many of which seek to push the boundaries of what is permissible in the Green Belt. The Parish Council endeavours to respond in a measured and reasonable way and will be steered by the Neighbourhood Plan Design Guide when this is adopted. Residents can make their own views about planning applications known by posting on the Cheshire East Planning Portal or in person at a Parish Council meeting.

Local Co-operation

We are hoping to set up a Parish Forum between local parishes to consider items of mutual interest. We are also intending to set up a Liaison Committee between the Parish Council and Barclays at Radbroke to deal with matters affecting the village.

Community Speedwatch

There is now a band of trained Speedwatch volunteers who will be carrying out random speed checks in the village. We hope this will have the desired effect. Anyone wishing to join this elite corps would be most welcome.

Village Hall

The fundraising efforts last year were both successful and enjoyable but the funds raised are only sufficient to enable the day-to-day running expenses to be covered. The significant repairs needed are well beyond our budget. We continue to investigate the options for a new village hall but there are complex ownership problems to overcome. Our thanks to the Village Hall Sub-Committee for the work they have carried out to date.

Improvements to the Village

We are constantly looking for ways in which we can improve the village for residents and any suggestions are always welcome. Thanks are due to Mr. William Stobart whose groundsmen have worked miracles on the Parish Field. It has attracted many admiring comments. The new goal posts provided by Mr. Stobart are in continual use. The War Memorial opposite has never looked better and this is due to the efforts of Mr. Robert Ball and his expertise in treating the stone and replacing/galvanizing the posts and chains. The transformation has led some to believe that a new War Memorial has been installed! Our charming Christmas tree this year was provided by Cllr George Walton and felled and transported by Mr. Myles Dobell, for which many thanks. Mr. Walton also pressed for the resurfacing of Well Bank Lane by the Dog Inn and the replacement of the illuminated Keep Left sign and lamppost outside the Whipping Stocks which were damaged over a year ago. The Parish Council continues to press for the rebuilding of the Old Fire Station opposite the Park Gate Inn, which is owned by Sam Smith's brewery. Finally, I am sure I speak for all residents when I say thank you to all the Parish Councillors, who expend much time, energy and effort in carrying out their duties on behalf of the Parish.