

Beyton Parish Council

Chairman`s Report

I must say that the months of February and March were rather exciting for the Parish Council especially with the proposed application by a large multinational named Kier to develop a site in Tostock for the crushing and recycling of concrete. I was very pleased with the support given by our parishioners in fighting this application.

Concrete Crushing Plant in Tostock

Kier, the main subcontractor to Suffolk Highways applied to install a concrete crushing facility in Tostock, this potentially may have meant considerably more Heavy Goods Vehicles passing through our village. Beyton PC and Tostock PC joined forces to object to the application which was finally withdrawn. We were ably and thankfully supported by many prominent villagers in our quest, forty nine determined people turned up to the council meeting on the 7th of March to listen to the debate and ultimately voice their objections. On a personal note I would like to make a very special mention and record my sincere thanks to Mike and Be Baully, the owners of the site in Tostock for their honesty, transparency and plain decency in the way they handled the discussions over the proposal. For me they conducted themselves in exemplary fashion.

Parish Council Clerk

Thankfully Pat Lamb our clerk has recovered from her broken leg (she denied rumours that she broke it skydiving) is now back full time with us.

A14 Exit Sign

I hope that you have all seen that this has been reinstated, it only took 15 months !

Village Green Lease

A little bit of progress has been made here, we have received suggestions from the National Association of Local Councils and Open Spaces Society on how best to move forward on obtaining a new lease. As a result, Adele Pope and I will meet with our solicitors in April.

Clean up Beyton

Our spring clean up was combined with the special “Clean for the Queen” on Saturday 5th March. The weather was not kind ! In fact certainly could not be described as “ By Royal Appointment “. None the less 19 helpers turned up and did a great job. We were amply rewarded with sausage rolls and bacon butties prepared by Jane and Barry in the White Horse. Also thanks to Lorraine Berwick for printing and donating the eye catching clean up posters.

Dog Poo

I am happy to report that there have been no more reports of dog poo on the footpath of Bury Road, thank you to owners and welcome to the responsible K9 owners club.

Flooding in the village

Two weeks ago there was a lot of rain, this would normally have resulted in flooding of Thurston Road at the north end of the Green. This time we saw only a minor water flow over the road by the culvert which was quickly remedied when Roger Wyartt removed the tree branches which had gathered in the pipes under the road.- thanks Roger.

You may have noticed that the earth spoil on the bank of the stream at the junction of Thurston Road and the one way street has been removed to improve traffic viability.

Beyton and Hessett Village Hall.

The formal opening ceremony was performed by Penny Otton, our County Councillor on Saturday 5th March. By all accounts the refurbishment will do us proud, I am looking forward to seeing what has been achieved. Linda Dixey (271782) will be very pleased to hear from anyone wishing to hire the facility.

Your Parish Council

We are seeking more people to join Beyton Parish Council. If you feel that you would like to join this merry bunch and help run your community, please contact Pat Lamb on 01359 233288

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