



**Wyre Forest Rural District Councillors**

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Mrs Yvonne Scriven  
Clerk to Chaddesley Parish  
Council

Dear Yvonne

**Chaddesley Parish Council Meeting – 6 September 2021**

Please find our enclosed report as follows:-

**Local Issues**

We have been dealing with the usual routine casework and reporting litter along the A roads.

We have the following information regarding the enforcement issues: -

Grove Bungalows, this went to court on 20 August, the applicant was asked to attend but didn't which was frustrating for all concerned, it was therefore adjourned until 3 September.

The Old Post Office, the enforcement officer has been in contact with the applicant, they have submitted a planning application for the extension at the rear but this is invalid at the moment and are waiting for outstanding documents.

Hewett's Harvington, the officers have advised the applicant that under the terms of the enforcement notice they have until the 9 October to vacate the site. They will be in contact with them over the next month to clarify their situation.

We met with residents in Morton Road/Harvington Hall Lane on the 10 August to discuss parking issues and pavement concerns, we have delivered a letter to residents regarding possible solutions. The majority of residents felt that there should be no double yellow lines at all as this will simply displace cars further along the road. However, residents did feel that double yellow lines in the turning circle maybe a solution, Marcus will discuss these with the Highways Engineer.

**Wyre Forest Issues**

Wyre Forest House is still closed to the public as is the Green Street Hub save for dealing with housing and homelessness applications.

Green Street have again been experiencing staff shortages due to COVID Isolation and illness and have had limited operatives working in the depot. They have worked incredibly hard to continue with bin emptying and general tasks including grass cutting, litter picking and collecting fly tipping from the lanes.

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## **Wyre Forest Issues - Continued**

Localism – We are extremely concerned that our Parish Councils are being asked to take on litter picking and parish bin emptying contracts without being given grants to assist with the additional financial expenditure. We will continue to campaign on behalf of our residents and Parish Councils on this matter.

District Council committee meetings are now face to face, the first Planning Committee Meeting was held in August which Marcus and Lisa sit on.

A planning application has been submitted for the complete re-development of the former Magistrates Court in Kidderminster. It will transform the building into a cultural and creative hub which would create performance and production spaces, this has been made possible through the future high streets fund.

We are extremely pleased that the Environmental Enforcement Team have a new Crime Not to Care Fly Tipping campaign which is to assist residents avoid accidentally passing their waste to rogue traders and contributing to fly tipping. We hope that this campaign will educate residents and ensure that checks are made to ensure rubbish is disposed of legally.

The Neighbourhood Watch Team have launched a new Protect your Dog from theft campaign with the increase of recent dog thefts, more information on the campaign can be found on [www.ourwatch.org.uk/protectyourpooch](http://www.ourwatch.org.uk/protectyourpooch) .

We recommend that residents sign up to West Mercia Police's Neighbourhood Matters for neighbourhood watch and local police alerts. The link to register is [www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk](http://www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk). It is very quick and easy and has a huge amount of information.

There is a new scheme from our local libraries to tackle loneliness which include, Library Service at Home where books are picked and delivered to residents at their home, Connect Bubbles which are small chat groups using zoom and Reading Friends which are one to one calls for residents who would prefer to chat over the telephone. Residents can sign up to this fantastic service by emailing [ReadingFriends@worcestershire.gov.uk](mailto:ReadingFriends@worcestershire.gov.uk) or visiting [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/ReadingFriends](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/ReadingFriends) or by telephoning 01905 822722.

If you have any issues you would like us to deal with, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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