

THE MARKET HOUSE

Newent Town Council's Newsletter - May 2018



Police

The Council has now started monthly meetings with the police which gives both sides an opportunity to provide feedback - positive and otherwise.

A Doggy Problem

The Mayor is currently working with Rob Carpenter, the Street Warden, to try to draw attention to the problem of dog fouling in the town. It is hoped that talks with pupils at the Primary School and the poster competition recently held, will make dog walkers more aware of the dangers of not cleaning up after their pets.



Speeding Traffic

Several councillors have are being trained in the use of speed guns by the police as part of a campaign to reduce speeding in built up areas. This campaign is one of the police priorities for the coming year.

A Date for Your Diary

Following the successful Newent Open Day last July, the Town Council is supporting another event this year to encourage more residents to find out what Newent has to offer. This will take place on July 14th.

Tree Roots

The roots of one of the conifer trees at The Cemetery are causing severe problems as they push up through the nearby path. Several solutions have been considered, including an expensive option to lay a flexible surface, but a final decision has been taken to remove the tree in the interests of safety and cost.

The Black Dog

The Town Council has been concerned that a recent planning application to build houses on the car park of The Black Dog would create parking problems and impact upon the view of the historic building which greets visitors coming into the centre of the town. We have learnt that The Forest of Dean District Council has refused this part of the application but we warmly welcome plans to bring The Black Dog back into use.

Flood Relief Scheme

Work is planned to start in spring on Scragg's Bank between Culver Street and the Community School to provide a scheme which is intended to prevent flooding further down in the town. Owners of properties that border or include Peacock

Brook have also been reminded through the Town Council of their responsibility to keep it clear of debris and

Contacting your Councillors

The Listening Post that used to take place prior to the Council Meetings has been discontinued for the present time. If you wish to speak to one of the councillors, please contact them through the clerk or from the details elsewhere on this web-site.



One or more of them will be present

at the new Meet and Mingle sessions at the Library as well which take place on a Friday morning towards the end of the month. Watch out for the posters.

Other service providers are also represented such as the Police, The District Council and some voluntary organisations.