

EVERTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER – SUMMER 2007

Summer?

Please excuse this rather belated summer newsletter, but we thought we'd wait until the summer arrived before going to print. As everyone knows, the main deluge came on 25th June, following some earlier skirmishes, and it's continued to rain throughout July – now classed as the wettest July over Britain as a whole since records began in 1766. Hopefully August will prove better, and it's certainly kicked-off in the right frame of mind.

Unfortunately some properties have suffered surface water flooding, and we're currently talking to the Environment Agency about the possibility of future preventative action. We'll report back in due course.

CPRE Nottinghamshire Best Kept Village Competition

We'd hoped to announce the results of the competition in this edition, but, because of design/printing deadlines, we can't. When you read this, the result will be known. Timescales permitting, we'll put something in September HEDS Together.

As announced in August HEDS, we've reached the final of Category C, with the result shortly to be announced. The other finalists in Category C are Orston, Oxtun and Normanton-on-Soar. It's a credit to the village that Everton is the only one of last year's four category champions to have reached this year's finals.

Win or lose, the village has done well and, as in previous years, our achievement is largely down to community effort. We wish to express our appreciation to everyone who's played a part and, in particular, those residents who've tirelessly kept the village tidy and litter-free, come rain or shine.

Congratulations also to Beckingham, who've reached the finals of Category B.

Community Speedwatch

We now have eight Community Speedwatch volunteers, and are hoping to establish a scheme in Everton shortly. We'll be giving the matter further consideration at our September meeting.

Tunneltech North Ltd.

Tunnel Tech North Ltd. has been successful in its planning application to improve and expand its facilities. Improvements include measures aimed at ameliorating the impact of "the smell". We will continue to monitor the Tunneltech operation via our membership of their liaison committee and press for changes where appropriate.

Daneshill Household Waste and Recycling Centre

The County Council has made it absolutely clear that its decision to close Daneshill on 31st March, 2009 is irrevocable, despite the inconvenience to local people and the adverse effect on the environment. Unfortunately, the County Council refuses to listen to our protests – and those of Gringley on the Hill, Mattersey and Ranskill Parish Councils. It's quite clear that the whole point of the exercise is about cost cutting, as opposed to providing environmentally friendly public amenities.

Lafarge Aggregates Ltd.

The latest position is that County Council is promising a further meeting with representatives of affected parish councils before the planning application for a sand and gravel quarry at Sturton le Steeple is determined in the autumn.

Housing Needs Survey

We've had a draft of the survey results, which indicate that some affordable housing is needed

in Everton – possibly a four or five dwelling development to be marketed on a shared equity basis with a local occupancy arrangement. The report is currently being finalised, and we hope to have a meeting with an affordable housing provider in the autumn.

We're also going to have a think about possible sites in the village for affordable housing. If anyone has any thoughts on this, please contact the Clerk.

Dog Waste Bins at Harwell

We're pleased to report that a public-spirited Harwell resident has agreed to empty the dog waste bin at the bottom end of Pinfold Lane on a temporary basis until a permanent volunteer comes forward. Also, the bin at the top end of the lane can't now cope with demand, and so we're shortly going to consider purchasing a second bin to be located next to it.

Policing

We're pleased to announce that PCSO 8185 Stephanie Jones is now covering the BEEB beat area, which includes Everton. PCSO Jones will provide valuable support to P.c. Chris Gregson, who unfortunately has 25 villages to cover in his beat!

Last Word

The next newsletter will be out in the autumn, but it's always easy to contact us. You can use the contact details below, and we have a 15-minute public discussion period at the start of Parish Council meetings. We try to keep everyone up-to-date with significant developments using HEDS Together. You can also read minutes of meetings, etc. on our web site: www.evertonvillage.org.uk

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