

COMMUNITY MATTERS "AS IT HAPPENS"



A weekly bulletin from Woodstock County Councillor Andy Graham

This is the first weekly bulletin/report aiming to keep you updated with what I have been working on in the local community. This will be sent every Friday evening and covers the whole Woodstock Division.

I will also share this on Facebook, please visit Woodstock and Villages (@Woodstocklibdems) and Cllr Andy Graham @AndyGrahamUK for more information.

A vision For Woodstock Division - Progress to date:-

Woodstock Town Council

This week I met with officers at Oxfordshire County Council, to look at the draft feasibility study dealing with traffic/reducing speed and pedestrian safety through the centre of Woodstock and north and south approaches. Draft to be sent out to the Town Council for comments/suggestions, then adjusted, costed and time lined.

Work in the area of pedestrian safety of the Black Prince was discussed, I am looking forward to seeing design options so we can move on to setting a timeline and agreeing a budget.

Briefed on the HGV Burford Bridge Traffic Order-Decision likely on 20th July.

Bladon Parish

Attended parish council meeting. Work to clear overgrowth on pathway out of the village on safety grounds has now been agreed with OCC. Date to be finalised.

Stonesfield Parish

Final decision to be made on making Reducing Traffic Speeds and Road Safety Scheme, in the next few weeks by the parish council with support from OCC officers. Costed and ready to be implemented with added support from my Councillor Priority Fund.

Have had email contact with the new owner of The White Horse, offering advice and support to enable a reopening.

Tackley Parish

Met with Tackley Parish Council and toured the village with the outgoing chair, June and incoming chair Liz to overview the flooding, highways and sewerage issues.

The Main road out (Rousham Road to be completely repaired, gulley's cleared and investigation to digging a deeper pond relief for flooding underway).

Thames Water to be contacted regarding the pumping station capacity and the issues of mitigating raw sewerage in the vicinity of the Village shop/school and into the river area: rear gardens in St. John's Road.

Meeting with nearby landowners and other agencies/authorities to be planned to coordinate the effort.

Rousham

Lower Road site village in the vicinity of Rousham Hall- I have seen trees dangerously overhanging Lower Road. OCC is taking action to ensure trees are pruned/cut to avoid potential collisions in the middle of the highway. 154 of the Highways Act will be enforced if no action is forthcoming by the landowner.

Wootton

Give way signs being investigated for the bridge. Site visit to be undertaken with OCC and Chair of Parish Council.

Combe

Reduction in speed in the village to be further investigated. Ackerman Road is scheduled to be repaired shortly.

Glympton

Met with the parish clerk. Discussions ongoing on environmental opportunities on the Glympton estate.

Steeple Barton

Met with Chair and Vice Chair over the reducing speed scheme needed and is ongoing.

The Bartons

Working with district councillor Dave Jackson and set up a transport for school's action group meeting in the next week to scope the data and research to make school transport more equitable for families.

Met with the Barton Bus volunteers and the options for alternate replacement 0% carbon emissions bus for the future.

Sandford St. Martins

Met with residents over flooding in the centre of the village and the Ledwell Road.

Officers have agreed a site visit and investigation to solve the flooding water routing/drains and action plan defined.

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