



March 2020 Newsletter

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As you can imagine, the main issue is Covid-19/Coronavirus. The Parish Council is taking responsible steps to reduce the risk of infection and to help residents. You should already have received two flyers – one asking for help for the elderly/incapacitated/self-isolated and the other about Neighbourhood Watch. Please act on both of these. We hope you will offer help to those who are housebound and in the at-risk categories but also, if you need help yourself, please ask via our parish clerk. Please get involved with Neighbourhood Watch, which in its future form will be much more proactive and responsive and will share information across the parish and with the police.

Thanks to Cllrs Cathy Burrell and Dave Oswin and Jane our clerk for their initial ideas and organisation as well as input from Rev John Smith and distribution managed by Mrs Katie Burke.

GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN

As a consequence of the Coronavirus situation HBC has recommended the cancellation / postponement of any organised litter pick. Please note, therefore, that the Saturday, 28th March litter pick arrangement has been CANCELLED. Our thanks to Mrs Liz Brown for her work in bringing this to a near conclusion.

NEXT MEETING

With Covid-19 being at the forefront of everyone's mind, it is proposed that the April meeting be postponed in its normal format at the village hall. A form of video-conferencing is being considered as a method of ensuring parish council business continues during this difficult period, while minimising any infection risk to residents and councillors. We'll keep you informed on what is decided via the website and noticeboards.

THIRKILL DRIVE (road through the former Dunlopillo land)

Disappointment and disgust, at HBC's failure to incorporate the agreement made with NYCC officers and landowners into the reserved matters planning conditions, were the opinions of councillors at last week's Parish Council meeting. It was this failure that led to the opening of the road before any traffic calming has been completed. The token effort of Bellway's placing of a few plastic blocks to narrow the road is totally inadequate. HBC

appear to be hiding behind officers' mistakes so as not to enforce what was mutually agreed. Cllr John Mann suggested adoption of the road by NYCC as soon as possible to ensure all traffic calming and signage is completed.

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HBC have confirmed that this parcel of land, studiously ignored by HBC and the inspector in Local Plan deliberations, will remain in the plan. The school has stated it has no need to expand classrooms on this land but a sharing of green space for the school and allotments would appear to be an ideal compromise. The Parish Council will contact HBC to propose this concept as a joint approach with Pannal School.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr Cathy Burrell will contact the group who had historically been involved to ascertain their future commitment in development of the Plan. She had acquired an estimate of cost breakdowns submitted by a consultancy who could provide support and this item will be included in the April agenda.

2020/2021 BUDGET

It was resolved to adopt the budget as set out by Cllr Ian Birchall and to include a £15,000 contingency sum for designation to the Neighbourhood Plan support if required.

PLANNED ROAD CLOSURE NOTIFICATION - 24942

Hill Top Lane, Burn Bridge

The Closure will be in place for a period of 2 days between 23rd March 2020 and 24th March 2020. This is to allow Yorkshire Water to install a washout and valve. The Road Closure and any associated Diversion Routes can be viewed using this URL link

<https://one.network/?tm=116815598>

For reference, the most recent newsletter is always posted on the Village Notice Board (at the Village Hall) and all newsletters are posted on the website here:

<http://www.pannalandburnbridge-pc.gov.uk/Documents.aspx>

Also, if you use Facebook, please join our group where you'll get any breaking news more quickly than through these periodic newsletters:

<https://www.facebook.com/Pannal-and-Burn-Bridge-Parish-Council-1655335551445518/>

Best wishes

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and Dave Oswin, Deputy Chairman, and Councillors Cathy Burrell, Ian Birchall, Steve Cobb, Harvey Alexander and Ryan Dall