



SUMMER NEWSLETTER

We have had some glorious weather over the last couple of months. I hope you have been able to enjoy the summer in our beautiful parish.

Whilst you are out and about walking the dog, visiting the shop or surgery or taking children to the parks, it would be helpful if you could keep an eye out for parts of the parish that need a bit of a tidy up. We use the lengthsman scheme to do small jobs like cutting back brambles etc. and compile a list of jobs to be done when he visits. You can notify us of potential jobs for the lengthsman by emailing the clerk on clerk@badgerfarm-pc.gov.uk or contacting Cllr Julie Lacey on 01962 860717/07734 458840. If we find there are too many jobs for the lengthsman to be able to tackle, council have decided to trial funding some extra work paid for by the parish council.

The problems with anti-social behaviour with one group of young people continue. They come over from Stanmore in a group of 6 (mixed boys and girls) and cause a lot of disruption in the Elder Close and Broad Chalke Down area. We are still struggling to identify the culprits by name. One is called 'Ady' and is very tall, but we have been unable to find out any more information. Cllr Hannah Williams (WCC) is going to contact the Neighbourhood Warden in Stanmore to see if they can be identified. If you witness anti-social behaviour please contact the police on 101. If a crime is in progress, please dial 999.

Our two playgrounds are in top condition after some work recently to rectify a few minor faults. The work includes levelling and re-seeding the two goals at the Central Play Area. Please encourage your children to stay off the re-seeded area whilst it establishes itself. Both our playgrounds are inspected regularly, but if you do spot anything that needs attention, please contact our clerk on clerk@badgerfarm-pc.gov.uk 01425 656010/07463 760801. You can also contact Cllr Harvey Skinner on 01962 868653/07788 207137

We would like to thank HCC Cllr Jan Warwick for a generous grant of £1,000 towards purchasing speed monitoring signs. The parish council will be approaching WCC for a grant to match fund. The signs will be used to monitor speed in various locations around Badger Farm following an appeal for action by one of our parishioners. If you have any comments relating to speeding or other transport related matters, you can contact Cllr Harvey Skinner with your comments or concerns or via the clerk.

Each year the parish council reserves a small amount of money to offer as small grants. The grants are to voluntary organisations and community groups that provide a service that benefits the residents of Badger Farm. These grants are limited and can only be made available to those organisations that can demonstrate a need for assistance and for activities which qualify. An application form must be submitted to request this funding by the closing date of 30th September. The application form is available on our website <https://www.badgerfarm-pc.gov.uk/policies/> or contact the clerk on 07463 760801.