



Stanford Rivers Parish Council Newsletter

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Parish Council Website

Our website is still a work in progress, but operational. Please check it out: we hope you will find some snippets of interest on there at www.stanforddrivers-pc.gov.uk

There will be additions in the near future including details of clubs and organisations using the Village Hall.

We would like to think that together with News & Views we can link the community together with information on activities within our Parish

If you have information you think might be suitable for the website, such as club activities, or stories of historical interest, please contact Councillor Alan Buckley on alan@langfordbridge.com.

Precept

We have had to increase the Precept this year to £17,513 to include the costs for the purchase of the Village Hall. This new total represents 37p per week for each resident.

We aim to provide value for money and feel that securing the future of the Village Hall is of utmost importance for our Community. Since its refurbishment it has attracted more and more users and is a significant focal point in village life.

Community Speed Watch

Now the days are lengthening we have restarted our Speed Gun Patrol: we have 11 fully trained volunteers: including 4 Parish Councillors: on our last patrol on the A113 in Stanford Rivers village we registered 16 speeding drivers during a 2 hour session.

This just underlines the extent of the problem when such a number can be caught despite Community Speed Watch Activity signs being displayed at each end of the village.

These patrols on their own will not, sadly, eliminate speeding but it is our belief that in time it will make drivers aware of our presence and reduce speeding incidents.

Our activity has aroused interest from other Parishes and we have already arranged to lend our gun out to North Weald for an agreed fee.

If you witness any dangerous driving: take the registration number and ring Essex Police on 101. They will follow up your call.

If you are interested in joining our group of Speed Watch Volunteers, please contact Councillor Robert Jackson.

Parish Council Meetings

Minutes of the Meeting that took place March 14th will be posted on the website. Our next meeting is on Thursday May 9th which is our AGM. The meeting starts at 7pm at the Village Hall, Toot Hill and there is a public forum. All residents are welcome so please come along.

Our last meeting was the Annual Assembly where all local groups and stakeholders were given the opportunity to report on their progress and views on what priorities are for the forthcoming year. Details of these will be included in our annual report which will be published after our AGM in the next edition of News & Views and on our website.

Parish Council Planning Matters

All planning matters will be published on the PC website. For those without access the current matters are:

EPF/1116/13	58 Epping Road, Toot Hill Side dormer to existing roof	No Objection
EPF/0196/13	(Lapsed) Summerhill Stanford Rivers Rear extension & loft conversion with dormers	No Objection
EPF/0233/13	Brook Cottage, Mutton Row, Stanford Rivers Two storey and single storey side extensions, dormers and porch.	No Objection
EPF/0117/13	1 Hill Top, Toot Hill Erection of garage in front garden	No Objection
EPF/0251/13	103 London Road Stanford Rivers Demolish chalet bungalow, garage and outbuilding and erection of two-storey house and garage.	No Objection
EPF/0217/13	7 Hillcrest Road Toot Hill Proposed part single, part two storey front, side and rear extensions.	No Objection