

## **Barham Parish Council – July 2022 InTouch Report**

### **DATE OF FORTHCOMING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

The date of the next scheduled Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2022, 7.00pm in Barham Church Hall. As always members of the public are most welcome to attend. November date TBC.

All meetings of the Parish Council are advertised on the village noticeboards (outside the Co-op and by Pethouse Lane). Meeting will also be advertised on the village website [www.barham-suffolk.org.uk](http://www.barham-suffolk.org.uk) Face Book page and the In Touch Magazine (however Extra Ordinary Meetings may not make the deadline to be advertised in the In Touch).

### **SPEEDING IN BARHAM**

Barham Village has been chosen to have an ANPR – Automatic Number Plate Recognition device deployed to the village, within the next couple of months. Speed surveys will be carried out and the research period will last for 14 weeks. During this time NO speed management activity may be conducted in the area. This includes:

- SID deployment
- VAS/TVAS deployment
- Kill your speed signs
- Community Speedwatch
- Safecam deployment

The reason for this is so it can be ensured that any change in speeds during the course of the research is as a result of the interventions being tested and not something else.

Once Barham can continue its Community Speed Watch again, we desperately need more volunteers to be part of the Community Speed Watch Team. In particular it would be great to have some volunteers from the **Church Lane/Rectory Close area**, to help capture the speeding in Church Lane. However anyone from the village is most welcome. If you would like any further information then please contact the Clerk or Chairman.

### **Special Educational Needs**

The Parish Council would be happy to help anyone who wishes to make contact with SCC Cllr Chris Chambers who is the Deputy Cabinet Member for Special Educational Needs children & adults.

### **District Councillors Report**

Cllr Tim Passmore reported that he and Cllr John Whitehead will be meeting with MP Dr Dan Poulter, regarding a Doctors surgery for the residents of Barham. It is not acceptable that residents have to now drive miles to get to see a doctor, if they are lucky enough to even get an appointment. Cllr Passmore will do his best and will keep on the case. He is also on the case to find out if the land set aside for Community Use on the proposed Norwich Road development, can be used for a community centre/doctors surgery.

### **Be a Responsible Dog Owner**

At the Barham Annual Parish Meeting, members of the public expressed concern that recently dogs have been spotted on village footpaths, which are not on a lead. In particular, locations include Thornhill, Coop and Lincoln Gardens/York Crescent. Please be a responsible dog owner and keep dogs under control and on a lead whilst out and about and using the footpaths, thank you.

### **Parked Vehicles & Refuse Bins**

It is an offence to park vehicles on paths and verges, it is evident that this is a problem in Barham. We have been instructed by BMSDC Cllr Tim Passmore to take photographic evidence of any parking offences spotted and to send to him or the local police.

May it also be drawn to your attention that when putting out your refuse bins for emptying, please ensure that they do not block the footpaths, thank you.

### **Kirby Rise Play Area – for the use of children only**

The new play area at Kirby Rise is for children up to the age of 11. We have evidence of teenagers climbing over the gate and damaging it when the play area is locked. Therefore, the police have been called out to investigate. The police will prosecute any person trespassing or causing criminal damage to the play area. This play area is for children of up to 11 years old only.

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