

# BAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Annual Parish Meeting, Bayton Village Hall 7pm Tuesday 18<sup>TH</sup> May 2010 followed by the Annual Parish Council Meeting at 7.30pm**

*The Annual Parish Meeting offers an opportunity to discuss issues of interest to the Parish. We have invited the following people to attend:*

*Ken Pollock, County Councillor*

*Reg Farmer, District Councillor*

*David Chance, Chairman of  
Governors, Bayton CE Primary School*

*Sarah Cooper, Local Policing Officer*

*Vanessa Snape, Community Support  
Officer*

*Should you be unable to attend the meeting, please pass on your views to any member of the Parish Council:*

*David Burns, Glenice Carver*

*Paul Christie, Christine Clarke*

*Daphne Gray, Lester Miles*

*& Kate Taylor*

*You may contact the Clerk, Sue  
Burrows at 5 Summit Road, Clows Top,  
DY14 9HN.*

*Email: bayton\_pc08@btinternet.com*

## **Planning**

Land at Clows Top Garage and adjacent to The Terrace lies within Rock Parish, apart from a few square metres. Plans for development are ongoing and documents may be viewed on the Wyre Forest website under reference 08/0500/FULL. Proposals for the drainage system have not been agreed so the application has not gained approval. During the 2009/2010 period, Bayton Parish Council was required to comment on thirteen planning applications.

## **Highways and Road Safety**

Our Lengthsman is Colin Link and his work is funded by Worcestershire County Council. Cllr Derek Prodger

MBE (County Councillor and Cabinet Member for Highways) and John Wallace (Highways Liaison Engineer) attended the November meeting. Queries were raised regarding road maintenance and gritting. It was confirmed that the Mamble/Bayton and Bayton/Clows Top roads are now on the secondary gritting route as they are school routes. A and B roads remain the priority. Cllr Prodger stated that funding for road maintenance in rural areas would increase in 2010. Footpath repairs have been completed at Clows Top. The Parish Council has requested additional HGV warning signs to attempt to eliminate congestion and damage caused by 'lost' vehicles. A speed survey was conducted by the Highways Department in Autumn 2009 at four key locations in the Parish. The data will be used to help determine if changes to speed limits are required

The Clerk makes regular reports to Worcestershire Highways Department and monitors progress on action within the Parish. All parishioners are reminded that they can report problems via the Worcestershire County Council website or on 0845 6072005.

## **Bayton CE Primary School**

A school bus is now available to transport up to 18 children to and from Bayton Primary School. The Parish Council has supported the proposed additional classroom for Reception children which will provide improved facilities and accommodation. No increase in the numbers on roll is planned.

## **Housing Needs Survey**

The survey was conducted in May 2009 and it identified the need for four additional houses locally. Malvern Hills District Council is responsible for responding to these needs and more information will be shared as it becomes available. In order to be allocated social housing, interested parties will need to be on the Housing List. Please contact Malvern Hills District Council or the Clerk for more information.

## **BT Payphones**

BT has decided to retain the three telephone boxes in the Parish for the immediate future.

## **Finances**

Amongst our outgoings for 2009/10 we have paid:

- The cost of mowing Severne Green, £470.
- Our share of the cost of the weekly Wednesday minibus to Cleobury Mortimer, £720. Grants were received from Shropshire CC (£125) and Worcestershire CC (£100).
- We are advised to retain the equivalent of the precept in reserve for unexpected events. Our present reserves are £5662.01. The current account balance is £1973.45.
- The precept was increased by £250 for 2010/2011 to £6250.

## **Communication**

The Bayton Parish Council website funded by Worcestershire County Council can be found at

[www.worcestershire.gov.uk/MyParish](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/MyParish)

If you would like any item added to the site, please contact the Clerk.

## **Supporting Local Business**

Business Rate Relief - The Parish Council contributed the sum of £61.30 to Clows Top Post Office.

## **Neighbourhood Watch**

Schemes are now active in Bayton, Clows Top and Bayton Common. If you wish to be involved, please contact the Clerk or Kate Taylor.

## **Coronation Corner**

Please take the time to read the attached letter about Coronation Corner. Let us know your views by 18<sup>th</sup> May or come to the Parish Council meetings on that date.

*If you have ideas for initiatives to be supported by the Parish Council, please attend the Annual Parish Meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> May.*

Daphne Gray

Chairman