



Streatley Parish Council Newsletter

**Serving Streatley,
Sharpenhoe &
Bushmead**

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Please be the eyes of the Parish.

Now that the evenings are drawing in could the residents of the Parish report to either the Parish Council or directly to CBC any street lights that are faulty. CBC will ask for the light location and there may also be a light number on the lamp post that would help CBC locate the faulty light. If you are reporting the faulty light through the CBC 'Report it' portal, a reference number will be given and this will also give you the opportunity to track its progress www.Centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/reportit.

CBC customer services number: 0300 300 8301

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LITTER PICKING.... We are proud to say that for the past 20 months we have regularly turned out every month (bar a couple due to snow) to litter pick.

Who are we? Well, we are a handful of villagers who feel passionately about litter in our Parish. Our Parish is Streatley, Sharpenhoe and Bushmead and we care about all of these areas. On the first Sunday of every month at 11am we meet at Streatley village hall, grab the sacks and litter picks and then spend about an hour (sometimes less) litter picking in areas we know fall foul of litter louts. It's a rewarding and worthwhile activity with banter and chat. Some of us continue the chat in the pub after. People wave and give us thumbs up and thank up.

But... we need more volunteers!

You would be so welcome even for a one off or just when you can make it. There is no commitment and we are so grateful to see a new face. If you are still a little unsure then please call Sally 07961 425240 and I'll give you all the details.

GATE PAINTING STREATLEY / SHARPENHOE

Hopefully by now you would have noticed that the wooden gates in Streatley and Sharpenhoe have been painted. A total of 10 gates have been cleaned, repaired as necessary, undercoated and top coated in satin white. The work has been carried out by some members of the Parish Council along with Paul; a most helpful volunteer from Streatley.

The total cost to the council was £143.90 we hope you agree this was money well spent to renovate these gates which were starting to look very untidy.

Many thanks to all those councillors and Paul who gave up their time.
Very much appreciated!

CBC Ward Councillors Surgery

To be held

Toddington Library

Saturday September 21st

10am - 12 noon

**Pop along to meet your
friendly ward councillors'**

**Your chance to ask for advice and
guidance on any council/CBC
issues.**

Speedwatch

To those people who have expressed an interest in the Speedwatch campaign, my apologies for the delay in getting back to you. Speedwatch organisers have to be vetted by the police at regular intervals. This is quite a lengthy process and it was my turn to be re-assessed. My clearance has only just come through. Cllr Ormiston will be in contact shortly.

Parking on Pavements

The Parish Council periodically receives complaints about residents parking their cars partially or wholly on pavements. In an attempt to diffuse the situation we have on occasion politely written to those responsible asking them to find alternative parking arrangements. These requests have not always been warmly received. In many cases, the properties concerned have adequate parking space, which begs the question why are they not used? Parking in this manner is unsightly, but more importantly can be an inconvenience to those who need easy access for children's pushchairs, mobility scooters, or those who are partially sighted, or indeed blind. Parking in this manner can also be dangerous for passing traffic, where restricted vision can cause a blind-spot for oncoming traffic. The Police are aware of our concerns and will take action where they consider it is necessary.

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