

August/September parish council update

The parish council met on 20th July for the last time before the summer break. Meetings are now back in person, and everyone is welcome to attend.

The parish council will be at the community event at Cradley Hall on 25th September, so please come along and meet your councillors there.

Unfortunately, we still haven't had any expressions of interest in the vacant Lengthsman position. This means that there will be a backlog of routine work, but if there are any urgent matters that affect the recreation areas, please let us know.

New benches and tables have now been installed at Chapel Lane and Buryfields. The next project is to make a sensory garden at Chapel Lane. There is a plan showing what this involves and where it will be on the council website – please let us know what you think.

Herefordshire Council are moving ahead with the plan to restrict traffic on the lane between the Pixiefields entrance and Chockbury Lane. The first stage will be a formal consultation process, so you may be contacted by them for feedback. When we get more details, these will be advertised on the noticeboards and on the website.

What's next? We've been asking for ideas about what would improve the parish and make it a better place to live: there seems to be quite a lot of support for more traffic calming (including further speed restrictions) and better provision for pedestrians such as improving walking routes to school – let us know if you have any other ideas.

And...if you would like to get involved, we have a number of vacancies for parish councillors, or if that sounds too daunting, you could become a lay member of one of our working groups. Why not have a word with one of our councillors at the community event to find out what's involved?

The next parish council meeting will be at 7pm on 14 September, at Cradley Village Hall. After that, our monthly meetings switch to Storridge for the winter months.

If you need to contact the council, you can reach the clerk by email at clerk@cradleyparishcouncil.gov.uk, or by phone on 07591 249749.