

Newsletter – January 2021



**From
Cradley and Storridge
Parish Council**

The council met on 12 January for the first time since November. It was a busy meeting.

The precept (the amount that is included in council tax bills to pay for services provided by the parish council) will be unchanged for the next financial year beginning in April.

We did get some very helpful ideas following our call for ideas on how to improve the parish environment. These ideas included improvements to walking routes through the area, supporting village events such as a summer fair, and creating more community gardens. Do you have any thoughts on how we could make Cradley and Storridge a more attractive place to live or visit? Please let us know – you can contact the Clerk on the details below.

We have had some wonderful people step forward and offer to help with emptying the dog waste bins in the parish that have been closed since the start of the Coronavirus epidemic. This should allow us to open some of the bins soon – we'll let you know which ones shortly. We could still do with more volunteers, so if this is something you could help with, please contact the Clerk.

The flooding on the main road through Cradley has been there for far too long, but we recently saw some action by the Highways team at Herefordshire to clear out the drains and hopefully improve the water flow. Our county councillor Ellie Chowns, and the Parish Council will do our best to keep this at the top of Herefordshire's list for action to get a long-term solution to the problem.

The next meeting of the parish council will be at 7pm on 9th February. We're still meeting virtually using Zoom. Why not come along and tell the council what is important to you – every meeting includes a public forum, and you don't even need to leave your home on a cold and dark evening to attend! The meeting details, including the link to join the meeting are posted on our website at cradleyparishcouncil.gov.uk and on the council noticeboards three days before each meeting.

Stay safe!

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