CHISELDON PARISH COUNCIL REPORT Points of interest from the meetings held in October 2016

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Neighbourhood Watch

The next meeting will be Monday 28th November in the Recreation Hall behind Norris Close. All residents are invited to attend.

Police Report

August Crime figures from PC Draper:

- 1 dwelling burglary and 1 non dwelling. (Property recovered and 1 male charged with burglary)
- 10 thefts (9 relating to commercial properties)
- 4 criminal damage (suspects identified in 3 cases)
- 4 vehicle offenses (none after 20th August)

September Crime figures from PC Draper:

- 1 dwelling burglary and 1 non dwelling.
- 4 thefts (all relating to commercial properties)
- 2 vehicle offenses

The Swindon Advertiser reports that one suspect has been in court due to local offenses and has received an 8 week suspended sentence for 2 years. They are also on remand for further incidences.

There is a police community messaging box installed at Oakley's Spar in Chiseldon. This is a confidential convenient method to leave messages for the Police. Messages will be collected by officers directly.

Wiltshire Police Community Messaging has a free sign up service where you can receive texts alerting you to potential problems in your area. This is free to sign up to. Visit www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

Recreation Hall on Norris Road

The hall has been scheduled in for a new coat of paint and some repairs over the next few weeks, ready to brave the winter months.

The Hall is available to hire on an hourly/morning/afternoon/evening basis. Please contact the Clerk on the details above to make an enquiry about prices, or availability.

Changes to the Bus services

Please read Councillor David Hill's report on Transport to get an update on the changes to the bus services coming in on November 6th

Social Housing Damp issues

It has been brought to our attention that some properties are suffering the effects of damp. Swindon Borough Council has a dedicated team who can be sent out to inspect properties and make improvements/alterations to combat damp. Please contact the Contact Centre at SBC who can raise a job to investigate, contact details are: 01793 445 503 or housing@swindon.gov.uk

You can also go on-line to report an issue at http://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20056/council_tenants/506/request_a_housing_repair

There is also an advice leaflet available on damp at http://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20025/homes_and_property/277/dampness_and_mould_growth

Butts Road Closure for re-surfacing

A reminder that Butts Road will be closed for a number of days whilst road surfacing works are carried out. There will be access for pedestrians and home owners.

New Road Build Out

Throughout the months of September and October the Parish Council have been gathering all relevant information and feedback in regards to the traffic calming scheme at New Road after it was previously agreed to let the scheme run for a number of months. Our hope is to devote the November Full Council meeting to presenting these facts to the full committee and any members of the public present. We hope to have information provided from Swindon Borough Council to share at this meeting.

Works required within the Parish

We are now reporting on any areas that require repairs, updates or changes on our website along with the response from Swindon Borough Council if required and the length of time the issue has been outstanding.

We will update this monthly so residents can see the work that goes on within the Parish Council to follow up on issues that affect us all.

If you have an issue to report then please use the contact details above to let the Clerk know or report directly to the relevant team at Swindon Borough Council. Please remember that the Parish Council deal with litter and dog bin emptying; public area grass cutting; public area hedge maintenance and general litter picking.

Flower Planters in the Parish

The Parish Council are looking at placing some planters around the Parish. We would like resident's feedback as to the opinion of this, where we could put them and anyone who may like to help with their maintenance and watering. We have already had a good response from the Parish's Facebook page and would like to hear any further views. Many thanks to those people who have already come forward with offers of help.

We would also be interested in hearing from anyone who would like to "adopt a planter" such as local businesses do with roundabouts. Please email the Clerk on clerk@chiseldonparishcouncil.com or write to us at The Old Chapel, Butts Road, Chiseldon, SN4 0NW.

New Parish Councillor needed

There are still a few days left to get in your application letter if you would like to be considered for the role of Parish Councillor. If you want to contribute to life in the Parish and help make it a better place for all then please use the contact details for the Clerk above to send in your application. We welcome applicants from all areas of the Parish.

Home Library Service

There is a Home Library service for Chiseldon Parish. It is run by volunteers and covers all areas of the parish and can deliver books based on your preferences. Call Anish Harrison on 01793 465 495 for more details.

Next meetings (Please note the new Borough Councillors Surgery location)

The monthly Borough Councillors Surgery which will have a Parish and Borough Councillor in attendance will take place on Saturday 5th November from 11.30 to 12.30 in The Patriot's Arms public house on Draycot Road. This is an opportunity for residents to discuss any concerns with both Parish and Borough Councillors so do come along and say hello.

The next Full Council meeting will be on Monday 14th November, starting at 7.00pm in the Recreation Hall. Residents are welcome to attend and there is a public recess at the start of proceedings, after which residents can choose to leave. PLEASE NOTE THE EARLIER START TIME.