

District Councillors Report November 2016

1. Hedge on Corner of Manor Lane – Highways say the area is a little untidy but there are no safety issues that they would action at this time. They can continue to monitor and if the hedge starts to encroach onto the carriageway they can look to write to the landowner.

They wonder if the Parish Lengthsman could have a quick strim of the nettles and trim some of the lower branches to tidy up the area?

2. Wychavon Enforcement have spoken to the proprietor of Orchids Spa. They were very concerned and did not realise that they had done anything wrong the sign has been removed. The sign was situated on a triangle of grass so the land is probably within highways control. They have been advised on how to submit a planning application if they wish to.
3. Street Furniture at Black Bridge Area- Anything fixed to the highway comes under Client Services. They visited this area in mid August and removed the posters from the street furniture. They did the same earlier in October and were going to note anything requiring planning enforcement. I have asked for an update.
4. The Boundary Commission is consulting on its initial proposals for a 12-week period, which started 13 September and goes to 5 December. For information on how to respond go to www.bce2018.org.uk. I encourage people to participate and have their say.
5. Planning Enforcement Scrutiny Panel Report- As mentioned before this report was referred by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee with all its recommendations to the Executive Board and we were hoping for an outcome by now. But, The next stage is that the Board are actively considering the detailed recommendations and receiving comments from the Senior Management Team. The Exec Board will draft their formal response to the Panel's report for agreement at their next Board Briefing meeting on 9 November. They will then share their response with the Panel members before their response goes to Executive Board on 23 November 2016.
6. Meeting with Leader of Wyre Forest and Wychavon. This meeting took place between Cllr Marcus Hart and Cllr Mrs Linda Robinson. Cllr Hart refused to have either myself or Sheridan at it. Anyway The agreed upshot was that there was nothing more to do until when and if the parliamentary boundary review decide whether to move Hartlebury into the Wyre Forest Constituency. Only at that point would the issue be revisited as per the wording of their council recommendation. Finally Cllr Robinson did make it clear that Wychavon would never support the proposal and did not like the way it had come out of the blue! We consider Hartlebury very much a part of Wychavon.