**ASTON INGHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

**SEPTEMBER MEETING ATTENDED BY** Mrs J. Askew, (chair), Mrs A. Johnson, Mrs M. Pettit, Mr N. Smith, Mr S. Smith, Mr J. Whatley (councillors), Mr H Bramer (District councillor), Mr K Stephens, Mr D Pettit (parishioners)

**PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS**

Mr Stephens reported that the rat holes still needed jetting and that speeding was an ever-present danger for all pedestrians and cyclists. The very poor road surface near Cowley Lane had caused a cyclist to come off their bike.

**DISTRICT COUNCILLOR BRIEFING**

Mr Bramer brought the meeting up to date with the various committees he is involved with at HC, including the Model Farm at Ross on Wye, Hereford southern relief road and road restoration and repairs. HC are looking to spend £10 to 12 million on C and U class road repairs next year. There are proposals to keep the existing 2 bin collection rather than the 4-5 that were to be brought in. Mr Bramer was clear on his support to improve some of the key issues in the parish, including road repairs, speeding and planning, and to provide information and support from HC where needed. He will look into our complaint raised with the planning department.

**HIGHWAYS UPDATE**

SID – Mr S. Smith is still pursuing this. Prices of SIDs have doubled so the grant from West Mercia Police becomes all important.

We have been provided with a detailed survey of the road issues on the Lea Line from Mrs R Tree, via Mr Bramer. This stretch of road is one of the worst in the parish. Silt washed down by rainwater in the village has allowed weeds to grow very high along the road. Balfour Beatty were supposed to clean the roads last year- we will ask again. Hedges need cutting by Willow View, Broadfields and the Cemetery. Landowners to be contacted.

**FLOOD ACTION GROUP**

3 sensors are due to be installed into the three main tributaries flowing into the village. These devices will measure the amount of water flowing from the hills around us. Currently the flood group is working to finalise the permissions for the installations.

**PLANNING**

We have sent a second letter of complaint regarding the handling of the planning for 2 White Hart Cottages, awaiting response from HC planning.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

Referendum voted 98% in favour of adopting the NDP. Final accounts were presented.

**GOV.UK WEBSITE**

S Smith is still to make contact with L Wilcox. (H.A.L.C.)

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING -**  Tuesday 3rd October

The above notes are an abbreviation of the unconfirmed minutes. For a more detailed account and complete minutes when approved, please visit [www.astoninghampc.org](http://www.astoninghampc.org)

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