



Claydon & Whitton Parish Council – November 2016

New Parish Councillor – At the September meeting we were pleased to co-opt Peter Avis onto the Parish Council and we wish him well in his new role. However, there are still vacancies for parish councillors that we are very keen to fill. For more information, but with no obligation, please contact our Parish Clerk.

A14 Road Noise – For a considerable time the Parish Council has been in correspondence with Highways England (formerly The Highways Agency) regarding road noise from the A14, that affects Claydon and work which would help to reduce this. Due to the lack of response or any positive indication that such work has been programmed, the matter was also referred to our local MP, Dr. Dan Poulter, to ask for his support to persuade Highways England to use funding from a special fund that exists for this type of work. In recent times the volume of traffic using the A14 has increased significantly and the resulting road noise level is now extremely disruptive particularly to residents who live in close proximity to the road. At recent Parish Council meetings a few of these residents have spoken about how this is affecting their enjoyment of living in Claydon. However, there must be many more residents who are just 'putting up' with the noise and the Parish Council would like to hear from all of them so that it can restate its case to Highways England to have remedial work carried out as soon as possible. This can be done by either attending a parish council meeting or contacting our Parish Clerk. Residents are also encouraged to write to Dr Poulter or go to one of his local constituency surgeries to draw his attention to the problem and how it is blighting their lives.

Service of Remembrance – The annual Act of Remembrance will take place at Claydon & Barham village hall on Friday 11th November 2016. Refreshments will be served from 10.00 a.m. and there will be a short service of remembrance at 11.00 a.m. Everyone is very welcome.

Police Enforcement Area – We have been notified by Suffolk Constabulary that Station Road has been added to their list of enforcement sites. This means that they will periodically carry out enforcement work relating to drivers, vehicles and other offences under police jurisdiction.

Computer Scam – Suffolk County Council Trading Standards have issued a warning about a computer scam involving bogus technical support. The caller will tell you that your computer has been sending error messages or that it has a virus. They may mention problems with your internet connection or your phone line and say this has affected your computer's recent performance. They may also claim that your broadband connection has been hacked. The caller will request remote access to your computer to 'find out what the problem is', and may try to talk you into buying unnecessary software or a service to 'fix' the computer. They may also ask you for your personal, bank or credit card details. You should never be asked to pay for viruses to be cleared from your computer, or to fix any issues over the phone. If you are called, don't give them any details and hang up.

Meetings in November – The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 14th November 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in Claydon & Barham village hall. Members of the community are very welcome to attend and opportunity will be given at the beginning of the meeting for them to speak on items included on the agenda or other issues about which they have concerns. Agendas will be available prior to the meeting from our Parish Clerk, Mrs. S Eagle, telephone: 01473 687384 (answer machine available). e-mail claywhit@btinternet.com or write to 7 Leicester Close, Ipswich, IP2 9EX.

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