

Ecchinswell, Sydmonton & Bishops Green Parish Council.

The latest parish council meeting took place on 14th February, at Bishops Green Village Hall.

A date for your diary. The ESG AGM and Annual Assembly take place on Wednesday 8th May, at Ecchinswell Village Hall. The AGM starts at 7pm and the Annual Assembly starts at 7.30pm. The Chair will give a report on the parish council's activities over the last year. There will be presentation on various topics and talks from our Borough and County Councillors. As usual there will be refreshments and a chance to talk to all the Councillors at the end of the meeting. We hope you are able to join us.

Before the Assembly, we'll be sending out a Questionnaire to see what the main issues are for everyone living in the parish. We hope you will take the time to answer as the questionnaire will be relevant to your local area and concerns. The parish council is hoping to set up a working party to consider environment and sustainability issues, such as electric vehicle charging points, solar panels and recycling.

As with the previous working parties, we will be asking for volunteers for this environment and sustainability working party. We would also remind everyone that there are 2 vacancies on the parish council. Contact the clerk on clerk@ecchinswell-pc.gov.uk if you would like further information.

The parish council is working closely with Hampshire County Council to try to get the current 40mph zone in Bishops Green changed to 30mph and extend the 30mph zone in Ecchinswell. The speeding in certain areas as time is extremely excessive and needs to be addressed. This is a long running issue which we are making every effort to improve.

Another date for your diary. Pond clearance day will take place on either 6th or 13th October. You may recall the pond was afflicted with azolla in 2022. The weevils purchased did their thing but sadly the azolla has returned. In March, the pond will be assessed to see if more weevils are needed. Once this is established, the pond clearance arrangements can be made.

If you have any questions or want further information on any of the items above, please either contact Marian Dain the Chair (cldrdaian.esbg@outlook.com) or Sarah Jones the Clerk (clerk@ecchinswell-pc.gov.uk)

The Parish Council will next meet at 7.30pm on 13th March in the Ecchinswell Village Hall.

Sarah Jones - Parish Clerk