

Ecchinswell, Sydmonton & Bishops Green Parish Council.

Ecchinswell, Sydmonton and Bishops Green Parish Council held their July meeting on 9th at Ecchinswell Village Hall.

Unfortunately our Borough and County Councillors were unable to join us, but the parish council were able to cover lots of topics.

The safety review was carried out this month. This is done by Cllr Monteith quarterly and he looks at any possible issues in the parish. These are then reported to the relevant parties, or the parish council arrange for them to be fixed. This month, Cllr Monteith raised various issues including the wobbly fence between the school and village hall, this has already been reported to Hampshire County Council, it is hoped it will be rectified soon.

The council continued to look into projects for the spend of the Community Levy monies received. A list is being compiled and once complete, the council will decide on the projects that will receive the money. At present all councillors agree the purchase of a second Speed Indicator Device is a definite priority; although the first has not materialised yet, it will be coming soon, with a second shortly after.

The Neighbourhood Plan review needs to be carried out and councillors agreed that a public meeting will be held in September to plan the process moving forward. Look out for the date, anyone interested to help out would be very welcome.

Bishop's Green is not renowned for its wildlife and yet recently the Merlin app has shown just rich our parish is.

In six weeks this summer, from one location in Bishops Green, the Merlin app has picked up seventy avian species, from garden birds like finches and woodpeckers, to tiny goldcrests, larger species including long eared owls and less common marsh tits, nightjars and turtle doves.

If the Merlin app is accurate (and a friend from the RSPB says it generally is), the wildlife on our doorstep is more than extraordinary.



The next meeting will take place on 10th September at 7.30pm at Bishops Green Village Hall.

If you have any enquiries about the above or other local Parish Council matters please contact Sarah Jones our Clerk (clerk@esbgpc.co.uk)

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