



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

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Kemble & Ewen Parish Council

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WELCOME TO NEW COUNCILLOR

The Parish Council is delighted to welcome Mark Bainbridge as a new councillor. He was co-opted at the January meeting. Mark & his family live in Kemble & he is a Marketing Director for the Army.

Two vacancies remain unfilled. If anyone thinks they might be interested in joining the council & being more involved in local issues, please contact Roger Pettit for a chat. His number is 770133.

The council is also looking for someone, or a team of people, to look after the public footpaths in the parish. Please contact the clerk on 770900 if you are interested to find out more.

QUIET LANES

'Quiet Lanes aim to preserve the character of country lanes, encouraging walkers, cyclists, horse riders and motorists to share with care'. This is the view of the County Council who have developed this scheme.

It affects our parish as Washpool Lane in Kemble is included within the proposal and work to prepare the lane is due to be completed in March.

This will include discreet signs to identify the way as a Quiet Lane, and verge management will be taken over by the Water Park, with the aim of encouraging wildlife and wild flowers.

TRAFFIC ISSUES

Further speed checks have now been conducted along both Windmill Road and the main road by the Road Safety Unit. Their findings were in line with the earlier checks carried out by the Police. 85% of motorists were within the speed limit & County Highways & the Police consider this within 'normal levels'. However, the Parish Council will continue to press for further action.

WINDMILL PARK

There has been a recent spate of spray painting around the village. It has also affected the skate area of the Park. The Police are involved. The councillors urge anyone with information to contact PCSO Clive Wilkes on 01242 276500. Alternatively speak to Sue Burge on 770032 or Kate Lawlor if specifically about the play area on 770482 .

On a more positive note, plans to improve facilities at the Park have received a boost. Kate Lawlor has just heard that the Gloucestershire Housing Association have awarded a grant towards the cost of 2 picnic benches. In addition, junior & senior basketball units are about to be installed at the site. The council would like to thank Brian Robbins, the Play Orderly, for all his excellent work in keeping the play park clean & litter free.

The Sunday morning Football club continues to flourish under Glen Moreman. More help is still needed. If you are interested, please contact Glen on 770994 .

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2005

Parish Council meetings:

- April 1st
- **April 22nd Parish Meeting**
- May 20th
- June 24th
- July 22nd

These will be held in Kemble Village Hall starting at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome and the public will have an opportunity to speak during the evening.

The Agenda for each meeting will be displayed on the notice boards.

Parish Councillors:

- Roger Pettit, Chairman
- David Ball, Vice-chair
- George Collins
- Edward Marriage
- Sohrab Sorabjee
- Glen Moreman
- Mark Bainbridge

Details of how to contact councillors & the clerk are on the notice boards.

District Councillor

John Birch 01285 770360

County Councillor

Shaun Parsons 01285 821451

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 22ND APRIL in Kemble Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Please come along to this review of the year's activities in the parish - all welcome .