



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

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Kemble & Ewen Parish Council

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BLEDISLOE & CALOR COMPETITIONS

Councillor Mark Bainbridge is pleased to report that the entries for both competitions have now gone in and we await the judging. This will take place through a number of visits by the judges during June & July.

The parish council has been busy in attending to the public areas. Benches & notice boards have been re-varnished, the bus shelter painted, a new bin is being installed by the millennium bench in Ewen, a dog bin on the junction of Limes Road & West Lane, and the parish

paths have been tidied up. Brian Robbins, the Play Orderly, has agreed to take on the job of keeping the approaches to stiles & the stretch of the Thames Path by Parkers Bridge maintained.

The Brownies and Kemble at Play have been busy filling planters and Kemble School will be helping with a tidy up.

Please continue to do your bit by keeping your own areas tidy and especially keeping bins out of sight after rubbish collection.

WELCOME TO NEW COUNCILLOR

The Parish Council is delighted that Laura Hetherington has decided to become a councillor. She was co-opted at the May meeting. Laura lives in Orchard Close, Kemble and works for the National Trust.

Edward Marriage has stepped down from the council and Chairman Roger Pettit thanked him for his work as a councillor over several years. Two vacancies now remain. If anyone is interested in joining, please have a word with Roger who can be contacted on 770133.

TRAFFIC ISSUES

At the Annual Parish Meeting which was held recently in Kemble, traffic issues were raised as matters of concern by residents.

The Council undertook to invite a representative from the County Highways Department to a council meeting to raise the following with them for urgent action:

- More prominent weight restriction signs for Ewen.
- Priority control being introduced at The Thames Head bridge.
- Changing the entrance into West Lane from the main road to slow traffic down.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2005

Parish Council meetings:

- June 24th
- July 22nd
- September 2nd

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
- Sohrab Sorabjee
- Glen Moreman
- Mark Bainbridge
- Laura Hetherington

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

District Councillor

John Birch 01285 770360

County Councillor

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The new parish council web site is now up & running. You can find it by going to the village web site and clicking on the parish council logo or by using <http://pcouncil.kemble.co.uk>. Many thanks to Steve Marsh for all his hard work. In developing & running the site.