



Tidbury Green News – February 2017

Tidbury Green – Social Committee Organised Event

“Quingo”
Friday 10th March 2017
Quiz and Bingo
Fish and Chip Supper

Details and ticket application form attached

Development Updates

Lowbrook Farm

Since the appeal to develop 200 homes was allowed on the 8th March 2016 Gallagher Estates have completed the necessary due-diligence requirements, including bat and ground surveys.

25 Lowbrook Farm

Solihull MBC have now approved the planning application for 25 Lowbrook Lane, however they have attached a significant number of conditions designed to protect the green environment and the privacy of close neighbours. You may view the letter setting out these conditions by accessing <http://publicaccess.solihull.gov> and inserting the planning application PL/2016/02834/PPOL.

Tidbury Green Farm

Shortly after the appeal brought by LionCourt Homes succeeded and outline planning permission was granted to build 190 homes, LionCourt sold the land and Planning Permission to Bellway Homes. A Reserved Matters Planning Application, providing the specifics of the development including detail of scale and landscaping, was submitted and approved. Since then Bellway Homes have commenced works on the site. During November 2016 the Parish Council circulated a note to all local residents advising them of actions that they should take if they experience any adverse impact as a result of construction work at the site. If you require a further copy of this please contact us at tidburygreenpc@googlemail.com,

Or a copy can be found on the Parish Council Website www.tidburygreen-pc.org.uk

The Parish Council have continued to engage with and share our concerns to Bellway and Solihull MBC (SMBC), particularly regarding traffic, Highway safety and drainage concerns. However unfortunately we have not received the outcomes that they would have hoped for.

Bellway HOMES Want More Houses

Just after Christmas the Parish Council learnt, that Bellway Homes were seeking to revise proposals to the Outline Planning / Reserved Matters permission previously granted. Subsequently they have submitted a Planning Application – No. **PL/2016/03232/PPFL**. In brief the proposal is for 41 homes to be included at the site in addition to the already agreed 190 dwellings. This increases the density of the site by 22%.

Some of you received a note from the Parish Council, which is available on the Parish Council Website (www.tidburygreen-pc.org.uk), advising Parishioner to object to this proposal.

Solihull Local Plan

SMBC published their Draft Local Plan Review report and proposals for releasing particular sites for either housing or employment development. These were submitted to Cabinet, who approved the Draft Local Plan Consultation, which ran from 5 December 2016 to 17 February 2017. There will be 15,000 new homes built in Solihull up to the year 2033. 5000 of these are planned to be built on new Greenbelt land.

Included within the 5,000 new Greenbelt homes there are 2150 proposed new homes on new Greenbelt in the local surrounding area of Tidbury Green, being 850 South of Dog Kennel Lane, 600 South of Shirley and 700 West of Dickens Heath (off Tythe Barn Lane, Tile House lane and Birchy Leasowes Lane).

There are a number of stages that the Draft Plan will have to go through prior to being approved, including a formal Consultation period and an inquiry that is likely to last up to 6 months. It is anticipated that the Solihull Local Plan will be finalised and approved during 2018.

With the existing approved / new developments and the proposed additional sites a significant amount of development falls within the local area. This would inevitably have an impact on the transport network and other resources.

The Parish Council have shared their views with SMBC. Full details of the Solihull Local Plan Review can be found at www.solihull.gov.uk/lpr.

New Website



Christmas Events & Thank-You's

The 2016 over 60's Christmas Lunch once again proved to be a great success. Special thanks to Jo Hudson, for kindly arranging this event and once again doing such a great job.

2016 Christmas Carol concert

This event featuring 'The Shirley Band and Tidbury Green School Choir', was run for a second year. Once again it proved to be a massive success. A lovely evening was had by all, with profits going to AGE UK. Thank you to all of those involved in making this such an enjoyable event.

The Parish Council would also like to say a big thank to those who helped with the festive decorations. Thank you to Woods Farm for supplying and delivering the Christmas Tree at the Junction of Lowbrook and Norton Lane, thank you to Margaret and Roger Ballard for allowing us to light their holly tree and finally thank you to Peter Seddon for his help with lighting the trees. The above mentioned people help and support us each year and for this we are very grateful.

Tidbury Green Parish Council are pleased to announce that we have launched our new website. The website address remains the same -www.tidburygreen-pc.org.uk however the new website provides a much more visually pleasing site, which is much easier to navigate and offers a greater amount of information and options to users. Previous functions of the website, such as providing planning and development updates, key notices, details of social events and notices and paperwork for Parish Council Meetings, all remain. However with the new website it is hoped that you will be able to find the information that you require much quicker and easier. In addition the website introduces a number of key functions including the ability to email the Parish Council direct, details of roadworks and travel disruption and links to other key services such as those provided by SMBC, allowing you to quickly link to sites where you can report fly tipping, dog fouling etc. We hope that you will visit our site and find it a useful tool and that it will improve community engagement and communication

Tilehouse Lane Pavement Survey Findings

As you may remember last year we asked you to participate in a pavement survey of Tilehouse Lane. We were very pleased that a staggering 51 parishioners completed the survey, allowing us to collate some really useful conclusions. A full report of findings can be found on our website.

In brief it was clear from the findings that the majority found the pavement totally inadequate and more worryingly unsafe. Key reasons for these views were due to the following factors:

- Narrow pavements
- Lack of maintenance, particularly in relation to overhanging hedges and overgrown verges
- Speeding vehicles
- HGV's using the network were considered too large for the narrow roads and with the close proximity of the road to the pavement this made parishioners feel extremely unsafe.
- Vehicles parked on pavements

The first section of the route (Lowbrook Lane/ Tilehouse crossroads to the hedging bordering the Golf Course) was deemed to be the most adequate section, due to wider pavement and being set back from the road. In contrast the remainder of the route was considered by the majority of participants as being poor or dangerous.

The vast majority of participants believed that all the crossing points at the Lowbrook/ Tilehouse Lane crossroads were unsafe. At best almost 75% of people graded each of the crossings as poor or dangerous.

The report has been shared with SMBC so that they are aware of the views of the community which further supports the Parish Council's opinion that this infrastructure is not sufficient to meet the needs of our growing community, despite Developers claiming opposing views for many years.

Important Reminders - Please be considerate Neighbours

Dog Fouling and Clearing Up After Your Pet

Dog fouling continues to be a problem in Tidbury Green. Once again we would like to remind you that if you take out a dog you must clean up after its mess, regardless of whether you are the owner or not.

The Parish Council have recently learnt of occasions where dog owners do pick up their dogs mess, however rather than disposing of the waste bags, they place them on neighbours trees/bushes. This is totally unacceptable. It is your responsibility to take the bag home and dispose of it in the correct manner, rather than leaving the problem for someone else

It is an offence to allow a dog to foul in a public place, without clearing the mess up. Solihull environmental health officers make regular patrols and respond to complaints. For first time offenders fixed penalty notices of £75 (reduced to £50 if paid within 5 days) are given. **Persistent offenders can be fined up to £1000 and have gone to jail in Solihull for such an offence.**



Parishioners can report incidents of dog fouling by calling SMBC on 0121 704 8000 or reporting it online via the Solihull MBC Website: www.solihull.gov.uk. A link to the site/appropriate page can be found on the Tidbury Green Parish Council Website - www.tidburygreen-pc.org.uk

Hedges

Please can we remind you to ensure that the hedges on the boundaries of your properties, especially those next to pavements, are maintained and do not overhang.



Poorly maintained hedges can impede pedestrians and have safety implications, particularly where people are forced to step out in to the road in order to avoid overhanging hedges and trees.

Please do Not Block Pavements

Please do not park vehicles so as to block the pavement.

If you have the need to park on the road / pavement please bear in mind that pedestrians including those with pushchairs and mobility scooters need to be able to freely travel along the pavement without obstruction.

Should your vehicle block the road pedestrians may be forced out into the road, as the only means of continuing their journey. Obviously this has massive safety implications and could potentially result in a serious incident or worse

Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council hold its ordinary meetings once a month (except August). The meetings usually take place on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, except December, when the meeting takes place on the second Wednesday.

There is an Annual Parish Meeting held once a year. This is a meeting set up on behalf of and specifically for Tidbury Green Parishioners.

Meetings are held at the Village Hall and they commence at 7:00pm. Agendas are displayed on all notice boards in the village and on the Parish Councils website, 3 clear days prior to the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend. There is a specific agenda item which provides parishioners with the opportunity to raise any issues if they wish to do so.

2017 Remaining Parish Council Meeting Dates

| Type Of Meeting | Month | Day |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Ordinary | February | 15 |
| Ordinary | March | 15 |
| Ordinary | April | 19 |
| Annual Parish | TBC | |
| Ordinary | May | 17 |
| Ordinary | June | 21 |
| Ordinary | July | 19 |
| August No Meeting | | |
| Ordinary | September | 20 |
| Ordinary | October | 18 |
| Ordinary | November | 15 |
| Ordinary | December | 13 |

To Contact the Parish Council

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Do you want to Receive More Updates Electronically ???

We try to communicate with Parishioners the best that we can, however we are restricted in the number of newsletters that we can issue and a newsletter is often not the quickest way of sharing important, time critical information.

We find that one of the most effective ways of communicating important information, particularly in relation to planning and development is via email. We currently have a relatively small number of Parishioners on our email circulation list. If you would like to be added to the circulation list please email the Clerk at tidburygreenpc@googlemail.com providing her with your name and preferred email address.

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Quingo Night

Friday 10th March 2017

Quiz and Bingo

Cash prizes

Fish and chip supper

Bring your own drink and plastic glasses

Tidbury Green School Hall

7.00 doors open for 7.30pm start

Entrance by ticket only- £7 per person

6 persons max. per team

Last day for tickets – Friday 3rd March

----- Please detach booking form and send to Jo Hudson or Ann Barnard -----

To: Jo Hudson, 300 Norton Lane – ☎ 01564 702622 - or

Ann Barnard, Yew Tree Farm, Dickens Heath Rd- ☎ 01564 826730
(by Friday 3rd March)

I would like _____ tickets (max 6 per team)

I am paying £_____ for those tickets

My name is _____

My contact phone number is _____

My address is _____

My other team members are (if known) _____