

Spectrum Article April 2016

Parish Council Elections

The time has swung around again for the nine seats of the Parish Council to be contested. The successful candidates will serve a term of four years. Early April was the deadline for candidates to throw their hats in the ring. As the number of candidates standing this time matched the number of seats, an election is not required. Many congratulations to the successful candidates; Peter Balicki, Graham Barradell, Rob Collard, Kieron Dunk, Ann Goodridge, Sara Partridge, Justo Perez, Sharon Walker and Willie Wilson.

The Parish Council would like to thank Simon Perry and Andrew Parkinson for their support.

Water Vole Survey

The Parish Council has agreed to a request by the water for Wildlife Office to conduct a survey of Water Voles in the village.

Parish Land and Easements

As we have some space this month in this article, it is an opportunity to inform parishioners of a council activity not many are aware of.

On rare occasions as the village has developed, Hilton PC have entered into negotiations over easements, (or right of access), across Parish owned land. This is usually to give access to newly developed infill property. Such settlements are usually conducted with legal representation employed by both parties with Hilton PC and Commoners working together.

Funds raised from such settlements are used for the improvement of the village; the recent Zebra crossing on the Potton Road is a good example. For this reason it is extremely important that Hilton PC continues to meet any challenge to the use and access of Parish land.

Parish Council Map

The Hilton PC map will shortly be available as an unframed, A2 rolled sheet, for the princely sum of £5. Should you wish to purchase a copy of this map, please contact the Parish Clerk; hiltonparishclerk@gmail.com

Dog Fouling

This item appeared in last month's Hilton PC Spectrum article. Sadly there does not appear to be any improvement in the significant increase in the amount of dog fouling in the village. This is a real step backwards as we have a very good record considering the number of dogs walked daily in the village. Can we call on all dog walkers to please pick up and dispose of your dog's mess in an appropriate manner. This is an important issue of public health.

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 9th May 2016 at the Methodist Church. We would like to remind parishioners who intend to speak at any Parish Council meeting that it must be related to an agenda item published in advance.

Notice of agendas, minutes of meetings and contact details will be placed on the HPC website;
www.hilton-pc.co.uk and on the village notice boards.