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Summary from the Annual Meeting of Cookhill Parish Council Meeting held in the conference room at SE Davis, Sandhills Farm, Edgioake Lane on **Tuesday 7**th **May 2024**

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATES:

Update from District Councillor Ben Hurdman

- The contract with the Home Improvement Agency is up in March 2025. Wychavon councillors will be reviewing the provision and performance currently provided. It is vitally important that, especially in our rural communities, that the elderly and those with a special need can remain in their homes with the correct quality of care.
- Wychavon have committed to using HVO fuel where possible in their diesel equipment. This should reduce Co2 emissions by 90% in comparison to white diesel. They have also committed to using environmentally friendly herbicides rather than pesticides.
- Over the past six months everyone is aware of the amount of rain we have had. However, the weather station at the Civic Centre can provide a bit more detail;
 - o 61mm in January (slightly lower than average)
 - 143mm in February (highest ever recorded)
 - o 122mm in March (just below highest ever)

Cookhill Allotments - Update

- Although there are still two vacant plots at the site, one is being viewed this week and the second will not be ready to access until the autumn as some clearing is required.
- The ground is starting to dry up onsite and many tenants have now been able to start planting crops.
- Participating tenants have benefitted from 10 tonnes for soil conditioner from WCC, Hill & Moor Recycling Centre.

Please contact Mr David Claydon, the Allotment Association Chair, on 01527 894317 if you are interested in being added to the waiting list.

Chairman's Update

- A recycled noticeboard has been sourced to replace the damaged one at SE Davis.
- VAS A new and improved vehicle activated sign has been purchased, with funding awarded by the Police and Crime Commissioner, and will replace the older sign on the Salt Way. It has been reported that the new style of signs have a positive effect on reducing the speed of traffic.

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 Platinum Meadows – The Lengthsman reported some vandalism to the new trees at Platinum Meadows. Several of the young whips had been pulled out of the ground.

Cookhill Village Hall - Update

- AGM The Village Hall Annual General Meeting took place last week. The committee
 are still looking for volunteers to help out with events. Please contact the Village Hall if
 you can offer some help.
- Aber Valley Male Voice Choir The choir will once again be performing at the Village Hall at the end of July. Please contact Anne Sumner on 07891 732888 for more information.
- Barn Dance The Committee will be organising a barn dance in late September / early October. Look out for more information nearer the time.
- King Charles III Portrait The Parish Council presented the Village Hall with a framed portrait of the King to be displayed in the fover of the Hall.

<u>Planning:</u> the Parish Council has asked Wychavon District Council (WDC) to send notification to us of all planning applications that fall within the parish boundary, these are then discussed at a parish council meeting and the ensuing comments are submitted to WDC. All these applications and comments can be seen online via www.wychavon.gov.uk

The following applications were considered for comment:

The Parish Council had not received any applications for comment since the April meeting. To comment on planning applications you can visit the planning portal on the Wychavon website here → www.wychavon.gov.uk/planning



Next PARISH COUNCIL MEETING is scheduled for TUESDAY 11TH JUNE 2024 at 7.00PM

Meetings are held in the Conference Room at SE Davis, Sandhills Farm, Edgioake Lane, B96 6BG. Please park at the entrance to the yard and proceed to the Conference Room to the rear.

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