

## **Belbroughton and Fairfield Parish Council**

### **Vacancies**

There are five vacancies for new members and the Council is looking to fill these as soon as possible. Residents who have an interest in the role are asked to speak to the clerk or any of the current councillors. This is an opportunity to shape the future of the community. Application forms can be found on the website or posted to you by the clerk.

### **Litter**

The Council has a collection of litter picking sticks and 'hi viz' jackets which are available for local groups to hire at no cost. If you are planning a litter pick and want to take advantage of this offer please contact the clerk.

### **Grants**

#### **The following grants have been agreed:**

- a. Capital Grant of £2,000 to the Belbroughton Cricket Club to assist with the purchase of a specialist roller for the pitch.
- b. Capital Grant of £2,000 to the Fairfield Village Hall to assist with the purchase of projection, sound and lighting systems.
- c. Minor Grant of £250 to the Fairfield Community Association for assisting with planting spring bulbs and bedding plants in the village.
- d. Minor Grant of £200 to the Fairfield Bingo Group for assisting with the purchase of a new bingo machine and buffet requirements for 2 evening sessions.
- e. Minor Grant of £89 to the Wildmoor Residents Association to assist with purchasing 30mph signage for distribution to residents.

### **Little Bell Hall Pool – Drayton Road Belbroughton**

Further works have taken place on the site to reduce the dense vegetation in and around the Belne Brook.

### **Fairfield Recreation Ground – Car park extension**

The District Council has now confirmed to the Parish Council that it can extend the car park without the need for planning permission. Council agreed that it would now consult with the Fairfield Community Association, The Fairfield Villa Football Club and The Fairfield First School on the extension size and type of construction.

### **Crime Prevention - Smartwater**

At its September meeting the Council is to consider whether to provide the marking kits free of charge to Belbroughton residents. In advance of that meeting it would like to hear from residents who would feel able to volunteer to assist councillors with the task of distributing these kits. If you wish to be involved please contact the clerk.

### **Council Meeting dates**

The next Council meetings are on 5<sup>th</sup> August and 2<sup>nd</sup> September both taking place in the Jubilee Room Belbroughton Recreation Centre. All residents are welcome to attend, the meetings start at 7.30 pm.

### **Community Engagement**

The Council holds an 'Open Surgery' session of up to 15 minutes at the beginning of full Council meetings to give residents the opportunity to meet and discuss any issues directly with their councillors.