



### 3. The Parish Council and the Role of Lead Councillors

The Parish Council decides on all matters for which the PC is responsible by majority voting. Lead Councillors do not have delegated powers unless specifically approved by the PC.

The role of Lead Councillors is as follows:

- a) To report to the Parish Council on those matters for which they are Lead Councillor, having researched the issues and developed draft proposals if appropriate, in order to assist the PC in making decisions.
- b) To represent the Parish Council at meetings and present the PC's views, bearing in mind that new matters requiring a PC decision must be referred back to the PC.
- c) To liaise with Wiltshire Council and other third parties regarding delivery of services in the Parish, including liaison with parishioners and coordination of action lists.

Note that all formal correspondence on behalf of the PC is the responsibility of the Clerk, unless specifically agreed by the PC.

### 4. Recurring Issues

- 4.1 Road Condition & Road Drainage: The PC will continue to identify road condition and drainage issues in the parish and liaise with the WC highways team to address them.
- 4.2 Land Drainage & Flooding of Properties: The PC will continue to monitor issues of land drainage and flooding within the parish and liaise with land owners, WC drainage team and the Environment Agency to address them.

Flood Wardens have been appointed for each village:

- Burton: Cllr Wright
- Nettleton: Lisa Dafforn (resident at Nettleton Mill)
- West Kington: Cllr Shanahan

- 4.3 Road Safety & Traffic Speeds: Traffic speeds on the B4039 in Burton are being addressed through two measures promoted by Burton Community Association (BCA) and supported by the PC:
  - Speed watch: BCA started this in April 2015 and it is showing promising results.
  - Burton Gateway: Funding has been obtained and it should be in place this year.The success of these measures in Burton will be reviewed in due course.

Traffic speeds and safety of pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders continue to be a concern in both Nettleton and West Kington. This issue will be kept under review.

- 4.4 Footpaths & Bridleways: The PC will continue to monitor the condition of public rights of way and will request the appropriate authorities to take action where considered necessary.
- 4.5 Fly Tipping: The PC will monitor fly tipping in the Parish and notify the appropriate authority to remove it.
- 4.6 Litter: The PC will monitor litter in the parish and will, where considered necessary, take appropriate action to address this issue.

## **5. Current Ongoing Issues**

- 5.1 Broadband & BT new Fibre-optic Installation: Broadband is poor in Nettleton and almost non-existent in West Kington. The PC will continue to press BT by all available means to provide effective broadband throughout the parish.
- 5.2 Neighbourhood Plan & Public Open Space: The PC have set up a Group to review the options and make a recommendation to the PC on whether to proceed with preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan (NP) for all or part of the Parish. This Group is expected to report in the next 3 months and then the PC will decide whether or not to proceed with the first stage of the NP process which is the Scoping Stage.
- 5.3 Provision of Allotments: A request for allotments was received by the PC in 2014 and an investigation was carried out but unfortunately no suitable land was identified in the parish. The matter will be kept under review.
- 5.4 Emergency Plan: WC recommend that each parish prepares an Emergency Plan. A start was made in 2014 and the PC will seek to complete the Plan in 2015.

## **6. Other Issues**

The PC will consider other matters as they arise and will act either independently or in association with other bodies as appropriate. In addition the PC has a non-specific monitoring role of the general well-being of this rural community to identify matters having a general effect on the community and take appropriate action, liaising with the relevant authorities in a timely manner as necessary.

### **Abbreviations used in this document**

PC = Parish Council. WC = Wiltshire council. BCA = Burton Community Association.

NP = Neighbourhood Plan.