

Questions for Annual Parish Meeting 31 May 2018

Issue	Question/s	Response
Mobile Phone Coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is being done to improve both mobile phone and mobile internet signal within the village of Hambledon? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site on top of Cams Hill has been agreed. HPC has been chasing the phone company to find out what their installation programme is, but it appears that there is a national problem of long delays between obtaining permission and installation.
APA 2018 Invitations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why were the invitations sent giving only 48 hours' notice of the meeting? • Why was the decision made to leave the invitations to the meeting on the outside of peoples' front doors? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unfortunately, there were some unavoidable delays in the printing and delivering of the leaflets. However, a Village-wide invitation was sent out by e-mail on the 17th of May, and notices were displayed around the Village (including Village Hall notice board, GP Surgery noticeboard, PC noticeboard and The Peoples' Market). In addition, the invitation/agenda was published on the PC website. • The date of the 2019 meeting has already been promulgated. • Front doors with double-sided letterboxes are very difficult to get paper flyers through. It is likely that this method of advertisement will not be used in subsequent years. Sufficient notice in the Hambledonian is the key
HCC Maintenance of the Ditch Between The Old Forge Tea Room and Bury Lodge Pumping Station	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When is the PC going to put some pressure on HCC (Highways) to honour the agreement they made before work started on the Hambledon drainage scheme, with the Bury Lodge Estate, the Butler family and the occupiers of the meadow from Lotts corner to Bury Lodge pumping station? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HPC is keeping an eye on the ditches downstream of The Old Forge Tea Room, the maintenance of which is the responsibility of HCC, who currently consider them sufficiently clear. The PC do not necessarily agree with this view and are keeping a close eye on the issue.

<p>Protected Wildflower Verges</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Could the representatives of HCC confirm the regulations concerning grass cutting of protected verges? • The protected verges on the road between Hambledon and Clanfield were cut approximately three weeks ago just after the primroses finished and the Cowslips were in full bloom. It is my understanding that they should be left till late summer. The verges just beyond the Bat and Ball Public House which are technically not within the parish of Hambledon are rich in yellow and the rarer pink primroses and cowslips. Can it be confirmed that that they will not be cut next year until the end of summer? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Huxtep answered in detail that the cutting of wild flower verges is under review and that if any particular verge should be left to contact HCC.
<p>Pavements on East Street</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In upper West Street and East Street, the kerbs have not been reset and the pavements have been skimmed rather than resurfaced. The surface is already breaking up and puddles form in wet weather. The pavements are going to need resurfacing again. The current surface is unacceptable in its present form. Recent work to the inspection covers of the drains used inappropriate screwdrivers so that many of the screws have faces. Could someone admit they have got it wrong? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PC has raised this on several occasions with HCC. • The contractor is due to repair deficiencies. • The PC shares the concerns of those villagers raising the issue.
<p>Dog Mess</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What can be done about the current problem of owners not clearing up after their dogs? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PC will look into the possibility of purchasing more bins, and investigate which authority would be responsible for their emptying.
<p>Wood Chips</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who is responsible for clearing up the scattered wood chippings around the Green Man flower beds? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hambledon Horticultural Soc. kindly maintains these flower beds. Over-enthusiastic mulching has occurred which will not be repeated in the future. The current scattering of wood chips would not appear to be so much of an issue that any action needs to be taken.

Car Parking Outside The Peoples' Market	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cars are sometimes left here for days or over weekends. Would it be possible to have a 20-30 mins stopping bay for customers?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No
Blocked Road Drains	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Issues with blocking or drains/grills on Back Lane; near The Stables on Vineyard Lane; and in front of Rosecroft Cottages.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chris Martin does check and clear certain drains as part of his maintenance contract with the Village. This is also something that the Parish Lengthsman scheme will cover. Please inform the Clerk of any issues that need addressing.