ROPE PARISH BULLETIN

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Introducing our new website which can be found at

www.thelocalchannel.co.uk/rope

Your views are welcome

OUR NEW WEBSITE

The hope is that this new venture can be used for the posting of all interesting items taking place in and appertaining to the Parish of Rope. It has been researched and set up by the Vice Chairman of the Council. If you have anything of interest that you think could be included on this site, please contact Bob Squirrell at the address given later in this bulletin.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING RECENTLY?

Over the last 12 months we have noticed some additions to the area, namely the introduction of permanent bus stops in Backfield Avenue, Rope bank Avenue, Whitlow Road and Fuller Drive, as well as a bus shelter in Fuller Drive outside the New Life Church. With the assistance of the Borough Councilors and following a complaint by a resident about designating the bus stop outside his home with red tarmac it was agreed with Arriva that no red tarmac would be placed at any of the stops in the Parish. We welcome the installation of the traffic lights on Rope Lane Bridge. It has taken many years of fighting to get some form of traffic control on what has always been a dangerous road junction and after quite a long wait we have got what we wanted.

Old streetlights have been replaced around the Parish. It did cause some disruption, but the result has been worth waiting for.

The planting of bulbs in various locations around the Parish continues. This Autumn we have planted bluebell bulbs in areas adjacent to the brook.

The pupils of The Berkeley School have been encouraged to suggest names for the Linear Walks in the Parish. The Walkway from Acorn Bank Close through to Fuller Drive has been named Evergreen Way and the Walkway from Crofters Close and Dunham Crescent through to Fuller Drive has been named Oak Tree Walk. Litterbins have been provided on the Linear Walks.

Two new Dog bins have been provided on Rope Lane following the recent opening of the A500 access Road.

Although Rope is a very small Parish, it is a very pleasant place in which to live. We are very fortunate to have many walkways, playing areas and public footpaths, easily accessible by the community. There are unfortunately, continuing problems with loutish behavior which we are constantly trying to address. There is also a problem with litter, and although there are bins they are not used to their full potential. A recent complaint has been received from residents about the high speeds of vehicles using Fuller Drive. The Parish Council will support the residents as a petition is being prepared in an effort to install calming measures on this busy road.

DATES OF PARISH MEETINGS

Parish Council meetings are held on the third Monday in January, March, May, July, September and November at 7.00pm at the Shavington Leisure Center. Members of the public are welcome to attend and to participate.

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All this information and much more is held on the new website. Please take a minute or two to browse the site and if you have any comments, ideas or suggestions please contact Bob Squirrell at the above address, or via the site.