

Parish Council of Coleford

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Newsletter for May 2022

Annual Parish Council meeting

We are very pleased to say that we had 11 Councillors elected unopposed at the recent elections, 10 of which were on board last term but we welcome one new Councillor Amy West. At our annual meeting Cllr Philip Ham was re-elected as Chair with Cllr Chris Pearce taking the role of Vice Chair. We would like to thank all Councillors for giving up their time to help support the parish.

Councillor vacancies

We currently have 2 vacancies which we would like to fill. Being a Councillor is a varied and interesting role. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at Coleford Hub, Church Street at 7pm. Sometimes we have a second meeting 2 weeks later, but only if we have planning applications for consideration or other pressing matters that need addressing. We regularly discuss highways, planning and ongoing projects within the village. If you would like to know more about the role of the Councillor and what is involved then please do get in touch and I'll be happy to talk it through.

Planning Application

- [2022/0659/FUL](#) - Demolition of the existing single-storey residential dwelling including all associated outbuildings and temporary structures & erection of single-storey residential dwelling including bike and machine store and temporary mobile home.
Tan Farm, Common Lane, Holcombe
Coleford Parish Council recommended approval providing a suitable drainage strategy is put in place to address potential surface water and sewage issues.
- [2022/0709/HSE](#) - Erection of first floor extension and conversion of garage. Church Farm, Church Street, Coleford
Coleford Parish Council recommended approval
- [2022/0734/HSE](#) - Erection of first floor extension. Shalamar, Harris Vale, Coleford
Coleford Parish Council recommended approval
- [2022/0879/HSE](#) - Erection of new detached garage following the demolition of existing detached garage. Shalamar, Harris Vale, Coleford
Coleford Parish Council recommended approval
- [2022/0854/FUL](#) - Erection of dwellinghouse. Land South Of 62 Mendip Vale, Coleford
Coleford Parish Council recommended refusal on the basis that the design is not in keeping with the village street scene and there is still a concern over the mining geology at the site which has not yet been addressed
- [2022/0865/ADV](#) - 1no. Internally illuminated fascia logo, 1no. non illuminated welcome letters, car park signs and 1no. internally illuminated totem
Crossway Garage Anchor Road Coleford Radstock
Coleford Parish Council recommended that the application should be allowed providing:
 - The sign is only illuminated whilst the store is open.
 - The signage does not impede visibility for drivers whilst leaving the car park
 - The sign should show the logo for the post office sign which has been promised as part of the store.

Speeding

We have received several emails from Parishioners expressing concerns relating to the speed in which drivers are passing through the village. Although the parish council is already campaigning hard for improvements to highways throughout the village, it was agreed that a speed watch team would be beneficial as it would offer an obvious deterrent whilst active. The police will write to those exceeding the limits and the data gathered would also support future action against speed.

If you are able to give up some time to get involved as part of a speed watch team then please get in touch – clerkcolefordsomerset@gmail.com

Date of Next Meetings

25 th May 2022	Annual meeting of the Parish
8 th June 2022	Parish Council meeting

If you have any issues that you would like to bring to the Parish Council's attention please contact the Clerk on 01749 880428 or email clerkcolefordsomerset@gmail.com Check out the website www.colefordsomerset.info

Philip Ham