



Thanks to our Councillor's and our Clerk

A big thank you to all Balsall Parish Councillors who have worked tirelessly over this last year on all projects. Also thanks to our Clerk Judith Parry-Evans for her support.

During November we held the following Meetings –

A very active Planning Meeting due to a development in Station Rd 7/11/18

Finance & General Purposes 14/11/18

Parish Council Meeting 21/11/18

All minutes from these meetings are available on our website.

The WW1 Armistice Centenary Event was on 8/11/18 at St Mary's Church and Temple Balsall Cemetery.

Following the Service, Lady Katherine School children, teachers, the British Legion, Balsall Parish Councillors, the Deputy Mayor of Solihull and the Lions together with Parents and Residents processed to the grave of Harry Williams to sing a verse from "It's a long way to Tipperary" co-authored by Harry. Harry's parents used to be licensees of the pub now known as The Tipperary Pub. The school children then read the names of those from Balsall Parish who fell in WW1 and placed a poppy cross in the Cemetery Lych Gate.

Balsall Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan (Draft)

Regulation 14 - Consultation and Publicity

Notice is hereby given that Balsall Parish Council as the Qualifying Body has prepared a neighbourhood development plan entitled the 'Balsall Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan' for their parish with the help of the local community and hereby formally publish its Pre-Submission Draft Plan for public consultation.

The Plan sets out a vision for the future of the parish and planning policies which will be used to determine planning applications within the neighbourhood area. In accordance with Regulation 14 of Part 5 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), the Parish Council must now publicise the Pre-Submission Draft Plan for a minimum 6-week period inviting feedback from organisations and residents.

A copy of the Pre-Submission Draft Plan and supporting documentation are available on the Parish Council's website. A hard copy of the plan will be available to view in the Balsall Common Library and on request, at the Parish Council office.

The consultation starts on Monday, 10 December 2018. Representations on the Pre- Submission Draft Plan may be made to the Parish Council by no later than 5pm on Friday, 25 January 2019.

Residents of Balsall Parish are encouraged to submit your representations electronically. Please include your full name, address and postcode with your submission. This can be done using the Parish Council email balsallndp@gmail.com.

All representations received will be collated and will inform possible future modifications to the Plan prior to submission to the Local Planning Authority, Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council.

HS2- Road Closures local to us in Balsall Common for Utility Surveys

HS2 will be closing specific lanes, for a few evenings at a time. Working hours will be 8pm to 6am. Planned overnight lane closures are –

- A46 slip road closure expected to start in November
- A452 Northbound from 18 to 20 December Working hours will be 8pm to 6am.
- A452 North & Southbound from 11 to 16 January
- A452 Northbound from 16 to 19 January
- A452 Southbound from 21 to 24 January
- West of Stonebridge Island from 24 to 30 January
- East of Stonebridge Island from 30 January to 2 February

What to expect - Lane closures for a few evenings at a time. Trial holes will be dug to survey for utilities. HS2 will use clear signage to divert vehicles. Ensure that the vehicles use agreed routes.

HS2 - Update document delivered to our doors on 28/11/18

I'm sure you will all have received the update from HS2 which came in the post 28/11/18. The two highlights from this are as follows.

Haul Route Construction – Expected to take 6 months and start in February.

Temporary Greenway construction – Expected to take 6 months and start in February.

Also Road Closures on Red Lane – 15th to 16th December – closures will follow in January too dates to follow.

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