

A message from the Chairman - Jo Keeling

Hello everyone and Happy New Year to you all! So much has happened since the last newsletter it is difficult to know where to start. We are continuing to gain new members which is great as it is really important we hear everyone's concerns. If you know anyone who isn't a member please let them know about the work we do.

Our website www.talbotvillage.org.uk has lots of information which is continuously updated with upcoming events and news about the village. If there is anything you would particularly like to see included on there please contact us and we will endeavour to include it.

Event Dates

TVRA Committee (only) Meeting Monday 4th March 2024 -



Meet Up Clean Up - Litter Picking Saturday 9th March 2024.



Everyone is very welcome to join the village walking group on the first Sunday of every month at 9am. Walk at your own steady pace for 40-50 mins and then enjoy 25% off at L'arte afterwards.

Latest News



Highmoor Farm Planning Application

Following the Planning Meeting on 2nd October 2023 where Councillors voted to reject the application submitted by TVT and Nuffield Health we awaited the Panning Decision Notice. BCP Council failed to issue this which prompted TVT to appeal on non determination grounds. The Planning Inspectorate will now hold a public enquiry. BCP Planning Committee reconvened to discuss this application in a closed session and Councillors were told not to speak to anyone about what was discussed. A further meeting was held on 18th January where Councillors were to vote on 3 options, one of which was to overturn their previous decision. Many attempts were made by the Chair to conduct the meeting in a closed session (no public or press) however Councillors urged the committee to continue the debate in public in the interests of being open and transparent. They successfully did this and also voted in favour of continuing with their previous decision. If you are interested I would urge you to watch this as it gives you a huge insight into what some Councillors endured simply because they exercised their right to vote against the Case Officer's recommendations. Watch here. We now await an Appeal. I have written a lengthy letter to our MP Sir Conor Burns requesting he writes to The Secretary of State to call this application in. As Talbot Heath SSSI is a BCP capital asset I have also written to neighbouring MPs too. Whilst I cannot predict the outcome of all this I will continue to attend any relevant meetings, write to whoever I think may be able to assist, in short I'm not giving up! Thanks as always to our amazing ward councillors Phil, Matt and Karen. They have worked really hard on this. Fingers crossed.

Village Volunteering

The village had a little Christmas spruce up during the second 'Meet Up Clean Up' litter picking initiative. This was another great turn out and an opportunity to meet more members. Thank you everyone and hopefully see you 9th March for number 3!



Contact Us



For those who are familiar with our Facebook page please continue to share information you feel residents may benefit from knowing. Anyone who would like to join our Facebook group please search for 'Talbot Village Residents Association & Friends' or click on the Facebook icon above.

Alternatively you may contact us through the website via a contact form and one of our committee members will assist you with your enquiry.

Local Business Support

If you are a local business in the surrounding area who would like to offer a discount to members of the TVRA we would love to welcome and support you.

Please email us support@talbotvillage.org.uk and include the details of your business name, address, contact number and your position within the business for further information.

Meet The Team

Chairman - Jo Keeling
Deputy/Secretary - Lara Simpson
Membership Secretary - Nick Thorp
Treasurer - Liz Dyble
Media - Matt Leach
Gina Shears
Tony Ferreira
Caroline Davies
Charlotte Robinson

Actions

Since our previous newsletter we have undertaken the following:

- Won our bid under the Community Infrastructure Levy Fund for two new noticeboards. Will submit another bid for a bicycle rack.
- Held two committee member meetings in November and January with local councillors. Next Meeting 4th March.
- Attended two meetings with Charm (Bournemouth University & local businesses) to discuss any local issues that concerns students.
- Held a children's Christmas party at Bournemouth University thanks to the University donating a room.
- Held a Christmas event at L'arte for members. Huge thanks to talented local resident Olivia Sebis for kindly giving up her time to entertain us and L'arte for hosting us.
- Reported the following to BCP Council overhanging trees/bushes
 on pavements which were cut back, damage to a tree on Fern Barrow
 which is being investigated, car parking issues dealt with by parking
 officers and raised issues with discarded needles. Still requesting
 regular updates about the damaged bus shelter which is still ongoing
 due to ongoing Police enquiries.
- Contacted Bournemouth University in respect of noise complaints in the car park adjacent to Cutler Close. Car park to be closed at 7pm and security staff aware.
- Organised our second successful litter picking event. Third event to follow 9th March.
- Held the first village walking group which was a success and a nice opportunity for residents to meet likeminded people.
- Wrote a letter of complaint to BCP CEO Graham Farrant in respect of the Highmoor Farm planning committee meeting and how it was conducted.
- Contacted Councillors and MP with concerns about graffiti that was not removed for over 3 months, in particular offensive language and anti-semitic phrases. Despite being reported on four occasions, the offensive wording was removed within 24 hours after Karen Rampton and MP Conor Burns stepped in to assist.
- Attended a Council Meeting to raise concerns about the graffiti in the underpass. Will attend Council meeting in February to ask a further question about Wessex Fields and why BCP would not continue talks about this land when initially approached by Nuffield Health.



