

Bearley, Snitterfield, Charlecote Parish Councils

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1. A New Council Plan has just been published and is to be considered at the Cabinet on 11 May. There are no radical changes proposed. I will give a verbal update if anything significant emerges at the Cabinet Meeting

2. The response to the Home to School Transport consultation has been published. There were 623 responses submitted by the closing date on 4 January. Key findings were as follows:

81.6% opposed stopping considering street lighting when considering whether walking to school is safe

66.2% opposed removing respite transport from EHCP children

54.2% opposed removing SEND nursery transport

58% opposed removing transport from children the subject of managed moves

The service remains under great pressure particularly with rising fuel prices

3. The new business support service to replace the Coventry and Warwickshire Growth Hub has been set up and can be found at <https://business.warwickshire.gov.uk>

4. Those seeking to enter their children for consideration of a Grammar School place have to submit their applications before 30 June.

5. Highway Matters

Bearley – Snitterfield Road and Village Hall signs remain on order
Snitterfield – Grasscrete on Bearley Road will cost £14210 which I will pay out of my budget, I have paid for the white lining along the Green which should be done shortly.

Charlecote – a plan for the gateways and roundels has been prepared and I hope to have it for the meeting. The Thelsford no through road sign is on order. I have once again raised the issue of the condition of the road surface through the village and the overgrown footpaths.

Best
George Cowcher
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