# Parish Council News November 2025

We would like to welcome our new Clerk, Ashleigh to the role. At the same time we would like to thank our outgoing Clerk, Leanne for her excellent service over the last 3 years.

A quick reminder that the parish council consists of nine volunteers & a part-time, funded clerk.

We now meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Sports Pavilion. Please feel free to come along if you would like to highlight a particular concern or to listen to the issues discussed. We have a facebook page, Cherry Burton PC, where the agenda and minutes are posted monthly.

If you would like to get involved with village issues & projects by volunteering please contact Ashleigh on <a href="mailto:com">cherryburtonpc@gmail.com</a>.

## **Flooding**

ERYC have undertaken extensive works on the school grounds to help reduce flooding. The whole school field has been lowered by about 10 inches to create an area that will contain the surface waters in time of flood. It has been designed to a 1 in 100 year storm plus a 30% increase to allow for climate change. A pipe from this goes to a new shallow pond/ boggy area to the west of the playground. A pipe with a restriction exits the shallow pond and feeds flood water slowly into the surface water sewer.

The works will also likely help alleviate surface water flooding in the village when groundwater flows are running down The Meadows from the dog walking field.

## **Traffic Safety Updates**

In addition to the traffic issues highlighted by "Cherry Burton Voice" (Andy and Shaun) we have had a meeting with Leo Hammond, the Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner (DPCC) and ERYC ward councillors to discuss measures to tackle speeding.

Discussions were also held with the DPCC concerning the number of HGV's using the village as a cut through and they will investigate what can be done to reduce this.

The Police data shows that Automated Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras and Speedwatch are the two most effective methods of slowing vehicles. In both cases these capture the speed and the number plate of vehicles and are reported back to the police. Grants will be available for ANPR cameras from December and we are hoping to be one of the first villages to benefit.

Speedwatch: The PC, together with volunteers, organise regular sessions at various sites in the village. We hope to have approval to run these in the 20 mph zone in future too.

If you would like to help with Speedwatch we would appreciate more volunteers. Please contact the Parish Clerk.

In the past we have enquired about traffic calming measures (for example, chicanes and fixed speed cameras) but ERYC has always declined to fund them based on cost, risk and priority.

ERYC have plans to close Bishop Burton Road in February 2026 for road improvement works in the bends behind Bishop Burton College, including widening the road where possible. We have asked for a 40mph speed limit in the past, which was declined, but ERYC are more open to stepping down speed limits from 60mph. Hence we will enquire if this could be part of the improvements.

# **Play Park Improvements**

We have applied for a ERYC grant to upgrade three pieces of equipment of the play park. We hope to get this work done over the winter. Thanks to the school for providing two letters of support, towards this application. One from the pupils and one from Mrs Joy, the Head.

Thanks also to the two groups of children (The Beverley Warriors and The Bevtastics) who tidied and cleaned the playpark, the MUGA & the picnic area on the Hudson Way over the summer.

### The Pond

The lilies planted earlier in the year did not survive to produce leaves nor flowers, unfortunately. But we are hoping to have another go. The fountain has had some work and is back up and running with the higher level of water in the Pond. Over the Autumn we will be carrying out tree & hedge trimming & removal around the banks.

#### **Sports Pavilion**

Further improvements are currently being carried out to the corridor and ceiling in the pavilion as the final stage of a complete overhaul of the entire building. This will include improvements to enable safe access to the loft space. Thanks to Tony Baker for securing a £11,000 (100% of the work cost) from "Yor4Good" grant for this work.

### **Cherry in Bloom**

We will be planting 1200 spring bulbs in six locations around the village in November. Including snowdrops, daffodils, crocus, tulips, narcissus, anemone, allium and fritillaria. Thanks to the parishioners who helped with this effort. Let's hope we have more success than the lilies! We hope this will be the start of an ongoing project with more horticultural improvements around the village to come.

#### **Christmas Lights**

Plans are afoot to install lights on the Pond on 22 November from 10:00am. If anyone would like to join the volunteers please do.

A Switch-On event is being planned for Saturday 6th December in conjunction with the Cherry Burton Scouts, who have plans to serve refreshments, and the Beverly Rotary Club who are

hoping to facilitate a visit by Father Christmas. Again volunteers to help on the day would be appreciated and if you would like to help please contact the Parish Clerk

## Utilities

We have been informed that a new electricity sub-station will be erected, near Cedar Grange, on the verge at the bottom of Canada Drive to Main Street junction, replacing an existing defunct one on The Meadows. While we have no influence over it's positioning, (as it's a vital utility) we have asked for funds to help conceal this with hedges & shrubs.