

WALFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting at Walford Village Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 11th October 2017

APPENDIX B: PLANNING APPLICATIONS, CONSENTS & COMMENTS

Applications can be viewed at: <http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/searchplanningapplications>

Decisions can be viewed at: <http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/housing/planning/58243.asp>

1) PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 172722 - Kerne Bridge Picnic Site, South of Bishopswood Village Hall.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed seasonal café kiosk to serve existing canoe launch, picnic site and car park.

APPLICANT(S): The owner and / or occupier.

GRID REF: GRID REF: OS 358184, 218789

APPLICATION TYPE: Planning permission.

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 173582 – Plum Tree Cottage, Walford, HR9 5RF.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed extensions and alterations.

APPLICANT(S): Mr & Mrs Nigel and Ann Fransham

GRID REF: GRID REF: OS 359803, 219569

APPLICATION TYPE: Full Householder.

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 172901 – Yew Tree House, Walford, HR9 5RF.

DESCRIPTION: Retrospective erection of 2 polytunnels, packing shed and equipment store.

APPLICANT(S): Mrs A Stradling.

GRID REF: GRID REF: OS 359661, 219953

APPLICATION TYPE: Planning permission.

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 173561 – 2 Priory Lea, Coughton, HR9 5RT.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed conversion of garage and first floor extension over garage.

APPLICANT(S): Mr B Richardson

GRID REF: GRID REF: OS 359383, 221329

APPLICATION TYPE: Planning permission.

2) PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR PRIOR APPROVAL: None

3) PLANNING DECISIONS MADE:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 162331 - Purland Chase, Coughton, Ross-On-Wye, Herefordshire HR9 5RR

DESCRIPTION: Proposed rebuilding of derelict stable boys cottage with improved extended accommodation to fit with existing structures and character. Intention is to provide an annexe or holiday let.

APPLICANT(S): Mr Robert Channon

GRID REF: OS 359613, 222141

APPLICATION TYPE: Planning Permission

DECISION: **Approved with conditions**

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 172410 - Plum Tree Cottage, Walford, Ross-On-Wye, Herefordshire HR9 5RF

DESCRIPTION: Proposed extensions and alterations.

APPLICANT(S): Mr & Mrs N Fransham

GRID REF: OS 359802, 219567

APPLICATION TYPE: Full Householder

DECISION: **Refused**

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 172728 - Bishopswood Grange, The Oxlet, Bishopswood, Ross-On-Wye, Herefordshire HR9 5QX
DESCRIPTION: Proposed contemporary link extension.
APPLICANT(S): Mr Freeman
GRID REF: OS 359173, 218567
APPLICATION TYPE: Full Householder
DECISION: **Approved with conditions**

4) **CERTIFICATES OF LAWFULNESS:** None

5) **NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENTS :** None

6) **PLANNING REFUSALS:** None

7) **CHANGE OF USE NOTIFICATION:** None

8) **PLANNING ENFORCEMENTS:** None

9) **WITHDRAWN APPLICATIONS:** None

10) **PLANNING APPEALS:**

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 171105 – Little Howle Farm, Howle Hill, Ross on Wye, Herefordshire.
DESCRIPTION: Proposed erection of two bedroom bungalow. Construction of new access and associated development.
APPLICANT(S): Mr Derek Cornes
GRID REF: OS 360722 - 220359
APPLICATION TYPE: Planning Permission

11) **PLANNING APPLICATIONS RESPONDED TO UNDER DELEGATED POWERS:**

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 172866 – Newall Cottage, Walford, HR9 5QS
DESCRIPTION: Proposed single storey extension with car port and storage area.
APPLICANT(S): Mr Durward Boyd
GRID REF: OS 358720, 220107
APPLICATION TYPE: Full Householder
COMMENTS: *There were no objections to the application.*

12) **PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMENTED ON AT THE MEETING ON 28.06.17:**

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: 172215 - Land adj to Howle Hill Crossroads, Howle Hill, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire
DESCRIPTION: Erection of one pair of semi-detached low-cost houses and 2 detached open market houses.
APPLICANT(S): Mr George Jones
GRID REF: OS 360536, 220350
APPLICATION TYPE: Outline
COMMENTS: *The Parish Council had no objection to the application, by a small majority. 4 in favour, 3 against and one abstention.*

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COMMENTS: *The Parish Council supported the application, there were no objections, the decision was unanimous.*

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Catherine Murray

Parish Clerk 05/10/17

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APPENDIX C: CORRESPONDENCE – Meeting on 11th October 2017 7.30pm at Walford Village Hall

If Councillors want a copy of any documentation, please ask the Clerk.
Items marked with ** may be of particular interest

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE:

- Letter and Auditor Report and Certificate, confirming successful completion of External Audit, with no issues raised by Grant Thornton.
- E mail from the Agent acting for Mr Channon (Purland Chase planning application) expressing thanks for the support given by the Parish Council.
- E mail from Okells Francis Law regarding the land transfer discrepancy at Kerne Bridge. (Forwarded to Councillors)
- E mail from David Snow at Riversea Holdings Ltd expressing concern about the delay to the Management Agreement. (The Clerk has responded, explaining the process that the PC is undertaking to move things on)
- E mail from Nigel Rowe and from expressing his thanks to Charlie Baker, who is managing the Kerne Bridge Canoe Launch site, stating what a good job he is doing and what an asset he is.
- E mail from Brian Armitage (Met Police) *'Just a very brief note to express my thanks to Charles Baker – The very nice chap who runs the car park at Kerne Bridge. Whist putting in our canoes, he approached us and engaged in conversation. I found him most helpful and informative. He told me about the work he is doing there and I was most impressed at his efforts. He was also very helpful in assisting with transport issues we had and helped us make the day very pleasant, I didn't get his contact details but would be grateful if you could pass on my thanks and gratitude to him.'*
- **National Grid Project Briefing:** Across the UK, National Grid is updating overhead power lines to make sure that communities have the power they need at the flick of a switch. Replacing the wires of the power lines will ensure a safe and efficient source of electricity is delivered across the country. From mid-2017, National Grid will carry out overhead line refurbishment work on around 250 pylons between Walham and Cilfynydd substations. We will also carry out a partial replacement of two pylons on this stretch of line. The project is due to finish in late February 2019. *(Ask the Clerk for full details)*
- E mails from Solicitors regarding Kerne Bridge Management Agreement and Overage Clause. Being dealt with by The Working Group (as instructed by the PC) who are holding a meeting before 11th October and will report back.
- E mail from Mike Dinnik (Ref request to buy a small parcel of PC owned land: *'I live at Yew Tree Cottage, The Dam and just across the road is a relatively small piece of land which is owned by the council. I would like to ask the council if it would give consideration to selling it to me. It is not suitable for building but needs to be filled in. This was being considered by the council some years ago but they never completed the exercise. Simeon will know all about it.'* (On agenda for a response to Correspondence)

AONB & HWT:

- Herefordshire Wildlife Trust's programme of events taking place during October 2017

LENGTHSMAN: Any reports have been passed on to the Lengthsman Co-ordinator – See Clerk's Report.

- Work needing to be done is included on Clerks report, or will be raised at the meeting.

HIGHWAYS: (See Clerk's report for defects)

- Balfour Beatty Newsletter.

RIGHTS OF WAY: Any reports have been passed to Rights of Way Officer - See Appendix D.

- Work needing to be done is included on Clerks report, or will be raised at the meeting.

POLICE: None

WARD COUNCILLOR / MP:

- **HEREFORD ENTERPRISE ZONE, ROTHERWAS:** A planning application for a modern recreation of the famous Skylon structure to provide a land-mark in the heart of Skylon Park has been unanimously approved. The Skylon was a futuristic-looking cigar-shaped steel structure constructed as the centrepiece for the 1951 Festival of Britain. It was manufactured in Hereford by Painter Brothers Ltd, now part of the Balfour Beatty group of companies, and sat next to the River Thames in London beside Festival Hall until it was removed in 1952.

- **E mail from Cllr David Harlow:** *'I went to a presentation last week about National Grid carrying out work to pylons in south Herefordshire and Wales, NG employees turn up in gangs of 50-75 (3 or 4 gangs at a time therefore north of 200 staff) and they all need places to stay – they will be in the area for a few months. NG employees will be looking for accommodation between November this year and next Summer. Could be an opportunity for hotels in the off season?'*
- **E mail from Cllr David Harlow:** *'I wrote to you all some months ago about giving the LEADER grants a push, please see below an update for your information. LEADER is a grant scheme offering grants of up to £100k to businesses and communities in rural Herefordshire. We have an allocation of almost £1.7M to be spent by March 2019. Grants typically take 6 months to work through the process, therefore we're looking to reach our allocation by this time next year. We have approved just under £200k. As a result of our last push we have 48 projects with a value of £1.1M in the pipeline. We therefore have £400k left and you are welcome to encourage applications from your wards (ex Hereford city). We have applications in the pipeline from projects as diverse as upgrading village halls to tourism and food production to art galleries. If we don't use this money locally it will revert to Europe. Last time I wrote prompted a big response and I'm hoping we'll find more projects as a response to this. For more information go to: www.herefordshire.gov.uk/leader or call Dawn Turner on 01432 383023*
- Marches Growth Hub events list.
- **Housing Futures – The Village Revival:** Really very positive report and how many villages thrive; worth reading.
- **FUNDING TO SCALE UP YOUR BUSINESS (E mail from Cllr David Harlow)**
If you are an entrepreneur, own a start-up or SME located in the Midlands, the Midlands Engine Investment Fund (MEIF) could provide the funding you need to help your business realise its potential.
www.meif.co.uk@meifbbb

HALC / NALC:

- ****Information corner.** (Sent to all Councillors with meeting paperwork)
- **HALC Training Schedule**

HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL:

- All Localities Stewards weekly reports since last meeting. (Ask the Clerk if you want copies)
- Weekly lists of planning applications received and decisions made since the last meeting.
- Hvoss (Herefordshire voluntary organisations support services) Ebulletin.
- Herefordshire Council and Balfour Beatty Living Places were successful in securing £5 million Department for Transport Challenge Fund Bid for resurfacing works on three main arterial routes into Hereford commencing from mid-September. The Challenge Fund resurfacing works get underway from Monday, 18 September 2017.
- Precept: Receipt of 2nd tranche of precept for 2017-18.

PARISH LIAISON OFFICER: (Anthony Bush)

- **Herefordshire Council statement: Blueschool House audit**
Herefordshire Council has begun a review of its internal procedures following the findings of the audit
A review by the South West Audit Partnership (SWAP) was requested by Herefordshire Council's incoming Chief Finance Officer to investigate the Blueschool House project management and overspend. The findings were considered by the council's audit and governance committee on Wednesday 20 September 2017.
The audit scope included the background to the key decision, the procurement of the contract, changes to the original scope of refurbishment work, an understanding of the escalation of costs and how changes to the contract and refurbishment were authorised.
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MAGAZINES, BROCHURES AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL:

- Bishopswood Preview .
- SLCC Clerks magazine and News Bulletin. SLCC events schedule.
- Clerks and Councils Direct magazine
- Herefordshire Rural Hub Newsletter.

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APPENDIX D: CLERKS REPORT

Meeting on 11.10.17 at 7.30pm at Walford Village Hall

If Councillors want further clarification, please ask the Clerk.

HIGHWAYS:

Ross Locality Inspectors Reports: Please ask the Clerk if you want to receive copies.

Local Defect Reports:

- When the Lengthsman is next in Bishopswood, could the please be asked to clear a couple of manholes? The first is in the pavement on the Ross side of the bridge over the Drybrook between The Old School House and The Oxlet at the foot of a telegraph/telephone pole and belongs to BT. The second is a couple of metres up The Oxlet behind the pole. I am not sure which utility it belongs to. Both have, over the years, become covered in mud, brambles and ivy.
Action: *Cllr Cole and the Lengthsman have investigated this and it is on the list of jobs, along with others in that area.*
- A vehicle access road is being bulldozed into woodland on Howle Hill. The lane starts in front of Well Head, Howle Hill, Ross-On-Wye HR9 5SP. My understanding is that the owners of this property are not involved and indeed are unlikely to know about either the project or size of the access road. The access road has no planning permission. Neighbours have not been informed of the plans. The access road has involved moving existing fences and has encroached on to private land and cutting trees. I do not believe that what is going on is legal and wish to raise my concerns before the road is surfaced. Please could you let me know what to do to raise my concerns.
- **Action: Response from Planning Officer Scott Lowe:** *'Following my recent visit to the above site and meeting with the owner's planning agent I can confirm that no Planning Permission exists for the works to widen the existing track into the wood. The owner, who incidentally owns the woodland, has therefore been advised to cease these works as any further works undertaken are entirely at their own risk. A retrospective application has been requested and is required to be received within the next 28 days. The tree removal is part of a woodland scheme for which they have permission from The Forestry Commission, removal of any private fences (which I did not see any evidence of) would be a civil matter. I will update you further in due course regarding the application once received.'*

RESURFACING WORKS:

- **A438 WHITECROSS ROAD, HEREFORD – SECTIONS 1 TO 3**
Thursday, 28 September to Tuesday, 10 October
Night time works: 18.00 hours to 01.00 hours each night
Full road closure in operation during these times – the road will be open during the day
Please refer to plans showing extent of works. Please follow diversion routes.
- A438 Whitecross Road Roundabout to Huntington Lane: Closed Wednesday, 11 October to Monday, 16 October.
- **A480 WYEVALE JUNCTION TOWARDS STRETTON SUGWAS**
Monday, 25 September to Wednesday, 27 September
Day time works: 08.00 hours to 18.00 hours each day
Full road closure in operation during these times – the road will re-open each evening after 18.00 hours
Please refer to plans showing extent of works. Please follow diversion routes.
- **A4103 CRADLEY TO FROMES HILL (STONY CROSS TO TANHOUSE LANE)**
Thursday, 28 September 2017 to Monday, 9 October 2017
Day time road closure between 08.00 hours and 18.00 hours each day. Note the road will re-open each evening at 18.00 hours. No weekend works.
Please refer to plans showing extent of works and diversion routes
- **A465 LLANGUA BRIDGE, TOWARDS PONTRILAS**
Monday, 2 October 2017 to Friday, 6 October 2017
Convoy traffic management in operation on Monday 2 October to Wednesday, 4 October between 08.00 hours and 18.00 hours each day.
Night time road closure (Llangua Bridge/county boundary) on Thursday, 5 October and Friday, 6 October between 20.00 hours and 06.00 hours.
Please refer to plans showing extent of works and diversion routes
- **A4103 TANHOUSE LANE, CRADLEY TO STEEN'S BRIDGE**
Monday, 9 October 2017 to (and including) Wednesday, 18 October 2017
Day time road closure between 08.00 hours and 18.00 hours each day.
The road will re-open each evening at 18.00 hours. No weekend works.
Please refer to plan showing extent of works.
- **A4103 STEEN'S BRIDGE TO FROMES HILL**

Thursday, 19 October 2017 to (and including) Monday, 30 October 2017 – works to be undertaken in 3 sections to improve access in order to minimise disruption, allow ease of access and improve traffic flow:

Thursday, 19 October to Monday 23 October Steen's Bridge section
Tuesday, 24 October Leadon Court section
Wednesday, 25 October to Monday, 30 October Fromes Hill section
Day time road closures between 08.00 hours and 18.00 hours each day for all 3 sections.
The road will re-open each evening at 18.00 hours. No weekend works.
Please refer to plan showing extent of works for the 3 sections.

- **A465 – PONTRILAS SAWMILLS TO HOWTON COURT**
Monday, 9 October 2017 to (and including) Friday, 13 October 2017
Night time road closure between 20.00 hours and 06.00 hours each evening.
The road will be open as normal during the day.
Please refer to plan showing extent of works.
- **A465 – HOWTON COURT BENDS**
Thursday, 12 October 2017 to (and including) Thursday, 19 October 2017
Night time road closures between 20.00 hours and 06.00 hours each evening.
The road will be open as normal during the day. No weekend works.
Please refer to plan showing extent of works.
- **A438 – SWAINSHILL TO A480 JUNCTION** (Wyevale junction towards Stretton Sugwas)
Monday, 16 October 2017 until (and including) Tuesday, 24 October 2017
Day time road closure between 09.00 hours and 17.30 hours
The road will re-open each afternoon at 17.30 hours
No works will take place over the weekend

Herefordshire Council website is the one-stop-shop for up to date information

Maps and timetables for grass cutting and pot holes are now available on the Council's website.

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/grass-cutting>

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/transport-and-highways/maintenance/potholes>

Over time more information, such as planned road resurfacing, will be added.

LENGTHSMAN: Any relevant reports have been sent to Councillor and Cole.
An update will be given at the meeting on work carried out.

RIGHTS OF WAY: Any relevant reports have been forwarded to Councillor Evans.

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KERNE BRIDGE CANOE LAUNCH SITE:

DAYCROFT LANE: No further information.

WAR MEMORIALS:

Walford War Memorial:

VACANCY ON WALFORD PARISH COUNCIL:

At the meeting on 11th October the PC will be noting the vacancy that has occurred on the Parish Council due to non-attendance of a Councillor for a period of more than 6 months. Cllr Martyn Jenkins last attended a meeting on 5th April 2017 and therefore, by 11th October will have disqualified himself as a Councillor. The Clerk will inform the Electoral Services Office following the meeting and the vacancy will be advertised in the usual way for a period of 14 days. If no request is received for a by-election (hopefully not – as it is a very expensive undertaking) the Parish Council will be able to co-opt a new Councillor in the usual way.

EVENTS:

HARC (Herefordshire Archive & Records Centre)

Fir Tree Lane, Rotherwas, Hereford HR2 6LA 01432 260750

HARCbookings@herefordshire.gov.uk

archives@herefordshire.gov.uk

- Dating Photographs workshop – Saturday 14th October
- House History course – Monday 16th October
- Performance of “My Dearest Girls” – Thursday 9th November

Village Assets- unlocking community enterprise!

A Seminar for communities in Herefordshire on Thursday OCTOBER 26th 1.30pm to 5pm

Venue: Lady Emily Community Hall Tarrington

Flourishing communities are those where everyone has someone to talk to, neighbours look out for each other, people have pride and satisfaction with where they live, feel safe going out and feel able to influence decisions about their area. There are local meeting points for the community, whether it's the local pub, shop, church or village hall and there are a variety of opportunities that bring people together.

Assessing assets alongside needs will give a better understanding of communities and help to build resilience, increase social capital and develop a better more enterprising way of providing services.

The seminar (agenda attached) is being held in the Lady Emily Community Hall Tarrington on October 26th from 1.30pm to 5pm.

If you would like further information please do let Anthony Bush know. You can register for this free seminar simply by sending Anthony Bush an e mail: abush@herefordshire.gov.uk
<abush@herefordshire.gov.uk>

Herefordshire Wildlife Trust Events: See website: <http://www.herefordshirewt.org/>

TRAINING AT HALC:

Saturday CiLCA ... 7th October 9.30am–3.00pm at HALC offices ... £100 per person including lunch

Discover the specific roles, responsibilities and statutory duties of councillors, clerks and RFOs (Responsible Financial Officers). What is the difference between Section 137 and the General Power of Competence? How does the Code of Conduct affect you as a councillor or Chairman?

'LEADING LIGHTS' ... Thursday 12th October ... 7.00-9.00pm at HALC offices ... £30 per delegate

Are you an effective councillor? Do you understand your duties & responsibilities? Does the Code of Conduct worry you? Are you aware of new financial risks to your PC? If you are a new councillor or simply want to update your knowledge, this is the course for you.

'IN THE HOT SEAT' ... Monday 16th October ... 7.00-9.00pm at HALC offices ... £30 per delegate

Hot tips for chairmen to ensure that their PCs are well-oiled decision-making machines via meetings lasting no longer than two hours! As a chairman, you need to understand the laws regulating your role, including all aspects of the Code of Conduct. You are in total control of your PC meetings so plan ahead to ensure that they are enjoyed by councillors and residents alike.

'IN THE OPEN' ... Free event ... Free event ... Free event

Tuesday 24th October ... 7.00-9.00pm at HALC offices

Compliance with the Transparency Code is a legal requirement and the initial stage of turning a blind eye to non-compliance is nearly over. Government has made it financially possible for all small councils to comply and will soon be introducing sanctions for those who have chosen not to! This course highlights all aspects of the Transparency Code and will explain how PCs with a turnover less than £25k can access a Government grant for a website & computer/laptop to enable compliance with the Code.

'LAWFUL PURSUITS'

Saturday CiLCA ... 4th November 9.30am–3.00pm at HALC offices ... £100 per person including lunch

Detailed overview of lawful procedures, including: Core Documents ... Standing Orders ... Code of Conduct ... Grants Policies ... Employment & Equality Law ... Health & Safety Legislation ... Delegated Powers ... Committees and Working/Steering Groups.

'POWER TO THE PEOPLE' ... Wednesday 8th November ... 7.00–9.00 pm ... £30 per delegate

As a parish councillor you are a leader of the community but are you aware of the rights of your local residents? How often and when do you have to hold a parish meeting? What would be the financial impact to your council of one or more 'polls' during a financial year and have you precepted to cover this risk? How many residents can require the council to consider the provision of Allotments? Why not come along & find out the answers.

'HALL OF FAME' ... Tuesday 14th November ... 7.00-9.00pm at HALC offices - £30 per delegate

This course outlines how to work effectively with your village hall and not fall foul of VAT legislation or the code of conduct. It covers joint projects, the difference between custodian & management trustees, declarations of interest, management agreements, updating leases, understanding the Charity Commission. Village Hall representatives may also attend, if nominated by their member PC.

'FUN WITH FINANCE'

Saturday CiLCA ... 18th November 9.30am-3.00pm at HALC offices ... £100 per delegate with lunch

This course covers all aspects of PC financial management, including: Setting a budget (Precept), Participatory Budgeting ... Bank reconciliations Risk management ... Grant funding ... Contract law ... Payroll procedures VAT legislation–business and non-business activities ... Internal & External Audit ... Choosing the right bank account ... Electronic banking.

'DANCING WITH DATA'

Tuesday 28th November ... 7.00-9.00pm at HALC offices ... £30 per delegate

How can ensure you will comply with new data protection legislation in force from 25th May 2018? What are the financial implications of a PC appointing a 'Data Protection Officer (DPO)? What will be the legal requirements for processing, retaining, auditing and documenting personal data from May 2018 onwards? The answers to all these questions should become clearer following my legal training session at NALC the week prior to this course. Come along and let me share my new-found knowledge.

'PLANNING WITH THE COMMUNITY'

Saturday CiLCA ... 2nd December 9.30am–3.00pm at HALC offices ... £100 per person including lunch

All you need to know about planning, including: Overview of planning system - national & local ... Legal Rights of Parish Councils ... Proper process to avoid Judicial Review challenges ... 'Material' comments on planning

applications ... Importance of Neighbourhood Plans Acquiring Section 106 Monies ... CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy).

Effective Communication with your local residents is crucial for planning and many other purposes. Make the most of parish meetings ... Produce local newsletters ... Modernise your website ... Use social media but beware the pitfalls of Data Protection versus Transparency Code!

'GRASSROOTS'

Monday 4th December ... 7.00-9.00pm at HALC offices ... £30 per delegate

Commons and Village Greens are coming under increasing pressure for possible future development. Who owns your common and has anyone registered it with the Land Registry without your PCs knowledge? What activities can and cannot take place on common land and village greens? Who can take action against illegal encroachment?

Find out how to safeguard your common land for future generations.

'A NIGHT AT THE OSCARS'

Thursday 7th December ... 7.00-9.00pm at HALC offices - £30 per delegate

Come along and find out how your PC can become accredited under the 'Local Council Award Scheme'. Your PC can achieve Foundation, Quality or Quality Gold status by proving that you are working in an effective manner. Funding

opportunities will improve if you can display one of the accreditation logos on your communications!

HALC training courses are only open to member parish/town councils

All courses can be attended by councillors and clerks

Book your course by emailing lynda@halchereford.gov.uk
