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**Clerk Report – September 2025**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS / DATES FOR DIARY**

**HBBC Parish Forum** – Tuesday 16th September **-**6:30-9pm - Location TBC

**HBBC Rural Conference** – Thursday 12th March 2026 – Mythe Barn, Witherley

**Next Parish Council Meeting** – Wednesday 8th October – 7:00pm

* The Clerk has received two further complaints regarding the cleanliness of the village hall floor, resulting in a long term hirer giving notice.
* Village Sign due to be manufactured at the start of October 25 – to be sited at the junction of St John Cole Crescent and Main Street
* Four residents have contacted the Clerk with support regarding the new development and issues with the road closure at the bottom of Main Street
* Had a request for a roller disco at the Village Hall but they realised the hall was too small – for info
* Parish council employees have received a national pay increase of 3.2%, backdated to 1st April 2025 as part of the National Joint Council agreement for Local Government Services.
* Two new volunteers at the Village Hall, with regular meetings to discuss events programme. Latest cinema night a great success with 26 people attending. Next event is the Indoor Car Boot on 28th September.
* New village hall website has been launched with new branding and online booking system – seemed to coincide with a spate of new bookings with now every weekend in November now booked.
* The Clerk has responded to the latest request for further information from the External Auditor – still awaiting the conclusion of audit paperwork.
* The complaint regarding the overgrown PROW in the Summer from St John Cole Crescent, past Bell Close to Cliffe Hill Road, was referred to LCC and they successfully notified the housing association who have agreed to maintain it.
* A member of the public complained about the dog poo bins overflowing at the start of September – HBBC have been asked about whether there was a service issue.
* Both HSBC accounts have now been closed
* Some temperature issues have been identified by AQUA who undertake the legionella monitoring. This issue will be ongoing until they can adjust the boiler settings accordingly to meet the regulatory guidelines.
* A resident complained about a fallen tree branch off Everards Way. As this was situated on HBBC land, so they removed it