Much Birch Parish council

Ward member report, May 2017

<u>Surgery</u>

Just a quick reminder that I've booked Much Birch village hall on Tuesday 9th May between 6-7.30pm. If anyone wishes to pop in for a chat over a cup of tea they're very welcome, no appointment necessary although you can of course book a time if you prefer. david.harlow.Herefordshire.gov.uk

Planning

Planning Ref 163364 - Three Houses at KingsThorne – This application was passed despite the concerns I raised pertaining to the drainage problem and the other issues mentioned by the MBPC Chair & a local resident. Whilst this decision was disappointing it was not a surprise as the parish is not yet advanced in its NDP; the sooner we get to reg. 16 the more influence the parish will have over housing in the area.

Contracts exchanged for the sale of 16-18 High Town

The sale of the fire damaged building, 16-18 High Town moved a step closer with the exchange of contracts to a Birmingham based property developer Elevate Property Group on Wednesday 26 April.

The building, which was damaged by fire in 2010, has outline planning consent and work on its restoration could start as early as this summer.

Crematorium donates £5,000 to Macmillan Cancer Support

Herefordshire Council's crematorium has donated £5,000 to Macmillan Cancer Support through the Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management's (ICCM) Recycling of Metals Scheme.

In the last year, Macmillan Cancer Support has adopted 25 new posts at Hereford County Hospital and the donation will help the charity to deliver extensive training and development to their team at the Trust.

Since November 2011, under this scheme, the crematorium has so far donated £46,624 to charities across the county such as the ELY memorial fund, The Haven, Cruse Bereavement Care, Marie Curie Cancer Care, St Michael's Hospice, Home Start, Phoenix Bereavement Support Services, Winstone's Wish and Rocky Lee's Little Feet.