

HUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

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- Central Lancashire Preferred Core Strategy Consultation is now under way. Copies of the relevant documents are being issued for Members attention. This is a public consultation however it may be that this Council would wish to make a corporate response and so the Agenda for the meeting on the 8th December will include an item to consider a response to the questionnaire which is contained with the above mentioned documents. This will give members several weeks to read and consider the documents prior to dealing with the item at the next meeting.
- Issue of traffic (HGV) along Ratten Lane has been mentioned again. Complaints have been received by LCC Enforcement Dept and it is hoped that a meeting will be arranged to discuss resident issues involving this Parish Council, SRBC, LCC, Highways and TEG. This will hopefully be an opportunity to ensure that all parties understand the planning consent and what it means whilst also considering whether there are other factors which may affect the issue and need to be looked at with a view to considering what may be done.
- A letter of compliment has been received from a local resident congratulating the Council on its recent Quality Status achievement, Best Kept Village Award and content of Hutton News which he considers 'a good read'
- Lancashire Local has approved a recommendation that Lindle Lane should be included as a Community Concern Mobile Enforcement Site which will mean increased enforcement in the future.
- As we approach the end of summer the lengthsman will be replacing the planting in the barrels in front of the shops with spring bulbs and winter flowering pansies etc so as to maintain the attractiveness of the area over the winter
- It has been re-confirmed by LCC that the Anchor Drive estate will have road repairs done during this current financial year. This is not a re-surfacing exercise but will involve proper repairs being made to the many pot holes and indentations some of which have received temporary repair in the past. At the recent Western Area Committee meeting it was resolved to include this area on the list for full re-surfacing however should funding become available.
- Issues arising from double decker buses accessing Orchard Farm was raised at the recent Western Parishes Meeting and again more recently by a resident by e-mail to the Clerk. Whilst there had been an indication that a planning application was to be submitted allowing the storage/repair of these vehicles the Western Area Committee minutes say that after enquiries the owner has decided to remove them from the site and locate them elsewhere.
- Issues with regard to flooding have recently been raised and reported to LCC. At the Western Area Committee meeting it was stated that there was concern throughout the borough and it was hoped that a meeting would be arranged between SRBC, the Environment Agency and United Utilities to discuss concerns.