## **CLIVE PARISH COUNCIL**

# **News Report – December 2019**

## **Village Shop and Post Office**

Following a very well-attended public meeting in October, it seems like arrangements to keep the Village Shop and Post Office in Clive are now well-underway! Special thanks go out to the Village Hall Committee, who have been making arrangements to temporarily accommodate the Post Office, and also to the owners of Clive Hall, Mr and Mrs Atkinson who are taking on the Village Shop.

#### **General Power of Competence**

In October the Parish Council confirmed it meets the criteria to use the General Power of Competence. Normally Local Councils must find a specific "power" in law that allows them to undertake an activity, e.g. awarding grants, cutting grass, or providing life-saving equipment. But the General Power of Competence is a "power of first resort". This gives the Council a lot more freedom, and it can do (almost) anything that an individual may legally do. If you have suggestions for anything you'd like the Council to look into, please contact the clerk or your councillors.

### **Highways update**

- One of the first things we will use the General Power of Competence for, will be purchasing a vehicle
  activated speed sign, as the funding from the Police has finally arrived! The sign will be located on High
  Street towards the Quarry View end of the village, and we are waiting for Shropshire Council's
  contractors to install the mounting post for us before we put in an order for the sign.
- Thank you very much to all who have signed up to join the Community Speed Watch group, we just need at least one more volunteer before we can get started. Anyone over 18 can volunteer, so if you want to get involved, please get in touch with the Council clerk. Volunteers will use hand-held speed devices to monitor the speed of vehicles from specified safe locations, and data will be submitted to the police.
- Thank you very much to Cllr Matt Alexander who took the time to map out roadside drains that have become hidden by overgrowth over time. We hope that, by the time this is printed, Shropshire Council will have addressed some of these blocked and hidden drains, which will in turn help tackle surface water issues in the village.

## **Sudden Cardiac Arrest: Every minute counts!**

Thank you very much to Alan Wright from Baschurch who has been training councillors in how to check the defibrillator equipment in Clive, but we are still desperate to recruit more volunteers. When someone suffers a sudden cardiac arrest, their **chance of surviving drops by up to 10% for every minute that defibrillation is delayed.** Paramedics and first responders can sadly take some time to reach rural areas like Clive, so the more villagers who are trained to use the AED safely, the more chance we have of saving someone's life. If you would be interested in receiving free training in CPR and using the AED, please contact the Council clerk directly.

## **Yorton Station**

Councillors have received reports of anti-social behaviour from individuals who have been ejected from the train at Yorton. If you have witnessed or been affected by anti-social behaviour, please contact the clerk with dates, times, and as much detail as possible, so the Parish Council can put in a complaint to the rail company.

Parish Council Meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month at 7.30pm in Clive Village Hall, except for December and August. All are welcome and anyone may speak in the Open Forum at the start of each meeting.

Next Parish Council meetings in Clive Village Hall at 7.30pm: 23 Jan, 20 February, 19 March 2020

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