

# Severn Stoke and Croome D'Abitot Parish Council

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As we come towards the end of the summer of '23 it is pleasing to note that we are seeing progress in the construction of the long-awaited flood bund to help protect the infrastructure of Severn Stoke. Following the successful public meeting held in St Denys church on the 7th July involving most of the interested parties, we have seen completion of the archaeological survey and the installing of the crested newt fences. We now receive regular updates from the Environment Agency (EA) on progress. The EA will also be attending future parish council meetings to keep us updated as well as planning to run a 'drop in' event later this year in Severn Stoke. As soon as a date and venue has been agreed we will advise residents.

Speeding through our villages continues to be a major concern expressed by parish residents. To help with addressing this, the parish council has agreed to the purchase of a further Vehicle Activated Speed Sign to add to the two already in use. This will enable us to have a greater coverage across the six approved locations in the parish. We will also continue to press the police to run regular speed checks.

The number of heavy goods vehicles operating from the old Countrywide site at Defford Mill has increased and complaints have been received about more of the lorries using inappropriate routes through Kinnersley and Earls Croome. A site meeting has taken place involving ourselves, Earls Croome parish council, county and district councillors and key officials to look at the issue and try to find practical solutions. This will likely include more effective road signage together with discussions with the on-site companies on ensuring that vehicles leave the site towards the main road.

Finally, we close with our usual plea for more volunteers to help fill the vacancies on the parish council. At the moment we have no one representing Clifton and another person from Kinnersley would be much welcomed. If you think that you might be interested why not come to the next meeting, see what happens and have a chat?

Contact the parish clerk if you would like to receive agendas or minutes by email.

**NEXT MEETINGS: Wed 27th September, 7.30pm at Croome visitor centre SOQ room**

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