## Severn Stoke and Croome D'Abitot Parish Council

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It seems that summer has arrived at last and despite the continued restrictions there feels to be light at the end of the tunnel. Our last meeting, which was also our Annual Parish meeting, was the last meeting to be held via Zoom, all meetings going forwards will be held in person. With the Village Hall still out of action the venue will be the SOQ function room at the Croome visitor centre. Attendance will be limited due to covid restrictions, so if you would like to attend, please contact our Clerk. We still have a vacancy for a parish councillor and since the position has been duly advertised, volunteers for co-option are now welcome.

At our last meeting District Councillor Michaels advised that he was conducting a review of potholes in the parish with the aim of the County Council repairing them. Some of the potholes do not damage cars (yet!) but they cause considerable issues for cyclists.

We received an update on the various points raised as part of the speed survey from the Clerk following a site visit with Highways. The white gates we proposed to the north of Severn Stoke village have been looked at but sadly there is no room due to limited space on the old hotel side of the A38. One white gate alone would not be useful, nor would it look good. This can be re-assessed in future once an A38 speed review has been conducted by WCC (as result of Upton A38 roundabout works) and if the 30mph limit is extended beyond its current position. The possibility of white gates to the south of the village can also be investigated at this time. Regarding the VAS location, excitingly, you will have seen it has now been placed at Clifton. New poles may be required within Severn Stoke village and Highways are looking into this. The previous location near the Parish Hall is not suitable due to stricter visibility requirements for oncoming traffic. The existing pole on the A38 opposite the Three Winds and Half Acre bungalow need to be strengthened/straightened and extended. The existing poles on the A38 near the old pub carpark and Birch Lane turning will be double checked by Highways for viability, as the A38 at this location has more of a curvature than would be preferred. A reminder please to park sensibly along the A38 in Severn Stoke village and not cause an obstruction or block the footpaths.

Some of you may be aware that the A4104 is due to be closed at the Junction with the A38 down to Church Lane Earls Croome from 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> July. This is likely to mean an increase in traffic around the smaller lanes within our Parish so please be extra careful at this time. There is no KLINKS edition next month so we will catch you up on all the details of our next meeting in the September edition.

## **NEXT MEETING: 14th July 2021**

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