

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS from the July 2016 Meeting

MKC HIGHWAYS VISIT TO EMBERTON – During the month of June, a site visit was made by Mr Kim Hills, MKC Highways. There were several areas visited including West Lane to look at damage to the kerb stones caused by farm vehicles, the bank of the High Street, footpaths in the High Street and Olney Road. Mr Hills also addressed the issue of the recent localised flooding in Olney Road. The parish council will be following up the site visit with Mr Hills to see if MKC will be taking any action.

EMBERTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – Following a 4 week consultation period between 22 June and 20 July 2016, Milton Keynes Council has designated the Emberton Neighbourhood Area on 21 July 2016. A copy of the decision and other relevant information can be viewed at www.embertonparishcouncil.co.uk under the heading News and Events.

WE'RE WATCHING YOU CAMPAIGN – Emberton Parish Council is taking part in a campaign launched by Keep Britain Tidy to try and deter dog fouling. The campaign features glow-in-the-dark signs with human eyes to encourage dog owners and dog walkers to do the right thing and pick up after their pets. More than 130 local authorities have signed up to the campaign and the signs will be going up shortly.

WEBSITE – Watch our for new information being added to the parish council website. You can now download the SID (smiley faces) data taken from the recent deployment in May.

MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL'S WASTE COLLECTION – Whilst residents have been asked by MKC to ensure that all household rubbish is put outside by 7am on waste collection day, the parish council would like to request that rubbish is not left outside properties overnight. There have been many incidents where rubbish sacks are being ripped open by wildlife and the contents of the sacks left on footpaths and verges. If your bags are ripped open, please ensure that you clear up any stray litter outside your property as Milton Keynes Council no longer litter picks in Emberton. The parish council would like to thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

COMMUNITY FUND FROM SOLAR FARM – Applications for grants are sought from community groups and individuals within Emberton to utilise the community fund from the solar farm; the projects do not have to be related to energy efficiency. There are two types of grants available, small grants up to £1,000 (no match funding) and community grants up to £3,000 (match funded). Application forms, together with the terms and conditions of the grant are available from the clerk. Deadlines for applications are 1st October, 1st January, 1st April and 1st July. If you are not sure whether your project meets the criteria or you would like more information, please contact the clerk.