



VILLAGE NEWS

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● Traffic Safety

The Parish Council has recently been consulting on proposals to improve traffic safety in the village especially around the area of the school at the starting and finishing times of the school day. There are major problems with parking and traffic congestion. We would like to ask those parents who need to drive their children to school to make use of the car park at the Treble Tile or the Orpen Hall car park and then walk the children the short distance to the school. When using the pub car park the parents can then access the footpath along the side of Poors Land to walk their children safely to school. This would greatly help to reduce the congestion around the school roads. We are grateful for the cooperation of the Treble Tile in allowing the use of their car park.

● Dog Fouling

There are often complaints about the problem of dog fouling in the village. Most dog walkers do take responsibility for clearing up after their dog and it is the few who don't that create a bad image for all the others.

There was a problem recently at the doctor's surgery. A dog had been allowed to foul just outside the surgery and an unwary visitor had trodden in it and then unbeknown had walked it through the surgery. This was a very unpleasant task for the staff to clean up afterwards.

All dog walkers should have by law a plastic bag with them and use this to pick up the poo and place in one of the many dog bins strategically placed around the village. Dog mess on the pavements, in the hedgerows or on the streets is very unpleasant, unhealthy and unnecessary.

Please remember that no dogs are permitted on the Lorkin Daniell Field and this includes all areas around the Orpen Hall. Dog wardens will apply fines for offenders.

PLEASE ALWAYS CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG

● Preparing for winter

For the last 2 years we have had a brave band of "Snow Patrol" volunteers who have worked to keep the pavements in key areas clear of ice and snow during bad weather. We hope the current volunteers will again join the team this year and any new volunteers would be very welcome to help. Anyone who is willing to participate can phone Harry Stone on 241026.

More news is available on the village website:- <http://www.westbergholt.net>