

## **Written Report for North Bromyard Group Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 23rd November 2021**

Works to improve the Upper Sapey (High Cross) crossroads have taken place.

### **Elsewhere in the Ward:**

I reported blocked gullies and scrapes to land drains between Moor Farm and the Wheatsheaf on the A44, which have subsequently been cleared. Please encourage the use of the App. to report any blocked gullies.

The Crumplebury application P210640 was refused by the Planning Committee, P194408 still awaits an Appeal decision from the Inspector and P210527/U (CLEUD)Certificate of Lawfulness still undecided by Herefordshire Planning. . I understand that plans for the Hope Pole have been submitted P213846. The Planning Inspector has ruled on P191409, 15 Linton Lane and refused permission for the two additional dwellings in the garden, but allowed the planned modification to the main dwelling.

The Bromyard Centre (Halo) and library have now reopened. The Mayor and I are meeting with Scott Ralph, the CEO at the end of this month to discuss the opportunity to expand community uses. I attended the turning on of the lights at the invitation of the Mayor. The work to realign the end of Rowberry Street by the zebra crossing by the Post Office has been scheduled to take place beginning in January. Road closures and night working is currently being planned to expedite the improvement. Simon Hobbs, Herefordshire Councils road safety engineer visited Broad Street a fortnight ago to discuss with myself and Cllr. Clark the option of placing tubs on the roadway opposite Sewology so as to discourage parking at that pinch point which leads to buses overrunning the pavement outside that retailer. Simon has agreed the proposals and will issue a guidance plan for the tub location. The scheme is seen as a trial which may lead to a more permanent installation if successful. I have also been away for two weeks during the last month, but zoomed in to a meeting of the Children and Young people's scrutiny meeting where a statement (suggesting questions) was read on my behalf, and I was able to participate in the discussion on the re-contracting of specific Children's services in Bromyard currently delivered by the Hope centre.

I attended the AGM of the Bringsty Common Manorial Court (by Zoom) on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October and can report that a committee of commoners and residents was elected. Discussions centred on the cutting of fire breaks and the funding of the same. I also attended their first committee meeting on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November where Catherine Fuller was again elected as Chair. Matters discussed included a new website, a social occasion, perhaps to mark the Platinum Jubilee, and funding provision from Herefordshire Council.

Works to realign, drain and mark the road surface by "Willowbrook" on the B4203 by Bromyard Downs where a fatal accident occurred earlier in the year were completed in the first week of November. In addition drainage works to the Linley Green road, closing it from "Falling Waters" to the Old Post Office are scheduled for 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> January.

I was called out to attend an incident of "Holly Rustling" by a concerned resident earlier this week. I contacted the NT and two rangers and I attended the incident, which, it transpired, had the tenant's permission. Both the tenant, NT(as landowner) and I agreed it had been a useful exercise in the run up to Tenbury auctions (23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of November).

**Nigel**

Nigel.shaw@herefordshire.gov.uk