

## **WESTON UNDER PENYARD PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Notes from the meeting held on 19 January 2010**

**Chairman Susan Lewis**

#### **Police Warning on Distracted Burglary in the Parish Area**

A Ross Community Police Officer attended this meeting to warn the Parish of a number of distracted burglary situations in our area.

The message is if you are not expecting a visitor or workmen to your home; do not let him into your home under any circumstances. If they try to persuade you gain entry call the Police on 0300 333 3000 to report the matter or if you fear you are in danger, then call 999.

Thefts from outbuildings are also on the increase and residents are advised to make sure such buildings and sheds are fitted with secure locks and all windows are also locked.

#### **Red Telephone Box Adoption from BT**

The Parish Council are giving serious consideration to the adoption of the red telephone box opposite The Weston Cross. However, the adoption process means that the Parish Council will then take on full responsibility for this box including all payments for electricity, insurance and maintenance. In the first year this could realistically represent several hundred pounds with an estimate of at least £200 per year onwards.

The Parish Council would appreciate the views and opinions of residents before the final decision is taken. Please speak with your local Council member, Chairman or Clerk so that your opinions can be considered before this decision is taken with the subsequent increased cost on the Parish Precept.

#### **Planning**

Herefordshire Council are active to present road shows and workshops in the County to inform the public of their new intended Planning Policy called Shaping Our Place to 2026. To find out the dates of these information days and the literature available, please look on the Herefordshire Council website, or call the Planning Department on 01432 260386.

You are also welcome at the next Parish Council meeting to express your views before a question paper is returned to the Planning Department.

#### **Parish Clerk**

Keith Shilton can be contacted on 01600 890131 or write to Hightree House, Pencraig, Ross on Wye, HR9 6HR

Next meeting which is open to the public is on 1 March 2010 at 7.30 pm at Weston Village Hall.