



Okehampton Hamlets Parish Council

CLERKS REPORT – June 2023

1. New developments and dog waste bins – new dog bin arrived. WDRC advise that the legal document that Redrow state is needed is not anything they have ever come across before !! I would suggest that an alternative location is found.
2. Speedwatch – the Okehampton Hamlets Speedwatch Group has been set and I have completed and passed the required training. More volunteers are now needed to undertake the training and sites for undertaking the Speedwatch exercises need to be agreed before submitting them to the Police.
3. 2024 D Day 80th Anniversary 6th June –I have requested use of Okehampton Showground , Air Cadets are accepted an invitation to be part of the event. Others still to be contacted.
4. Old Town Park boardwalk – the rotten planks were reported some while ago but I have raised this again and repairs should now have been completed.
5. Extension of 30mph speed limit in Exeter Road – the traffic order does not cover extending the 40mph limit towards White House Services, this will be covered by a separate order. More complaints received from residents in Persimmon development and Monkey Puzzle, I have advised the current situation (ie it is going through consultation) can be viewed on DCC website by anyone.
6. Exeter Road – cyclists on pavement, concerns raised again by a resident. Highways have confirmed it is not policy to ‘paint No cycling signs’ on pavements, it is a Police matter not Highways. Lois Samuels will report to Police, which I will do as well, suggest it is also raised at the next North West Devon Matters meeting by our Council reps.
7. Insurance renewal – the initial renewal premium of £571.39 was authorised at the last meeting, however since then a revised invoice has been received requesting an additional £168.10, this is as a result of the population figures of the Parish being updated. Originally we fell in the lowest category of under 500, we are now in the next category of 501 – 2500. OHPC is well within the figs and next years premium should not be affected. The additional premium has been paid.