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2011/2012	Village Amenities Committee	Countryside Committee	Planning & Development	Full Parish Council	Finance
September		Wed 7th	Wed 14th	Wed 28th	
October	Wed 5th		Wed 12th	Wed 19th	
November		Wed 2nd	Wed 16th	Wed 30th	Wed 23rd
December	Wed 7th		Wed 14th	Wed 1st	
January			Wed 11th	Wed 25th	
February	Wed 1st		Wed 15th	Wed 29th	

**Public and Press are cordially invited to attend.
All meetings start at 7.30 pm.**



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Colwall Parish Members

Following the end of term for the Parish Council in early May, on this occasion, there was no election of the Parish Council, as only 13 people were proposed for the 15 places on the Council. We have now co-opted 2 new members onto the Parish Council to fill those vacancies, and we welcome Neil Bowring, who has served as a Parish Councillor twice before and John Stock who has been very actively involved with the Parish Council in matters relating to Highways (including the bridge replacement).

Their photographs are below, together with newly elected Roland Trafford -Roberts.



Neil Bowring



John Stock



Roland Trafford - Roberts

Historic finger post repaired

Following an appeal by the parish council, the 100 year old cast iron sign just outside Colwall has been repaired.

The appeal was made after the disappearance of a 'finger' from this old cast iron sign. The finger, which pointed "To Ledbury" on a directional signpost near the village, was eventually discovered by a member of the public, who gave it to Brian Butler, an Amey Highway Inspector.

Brian, who works for Amey in Herefordshire, took the broken sign home and carried out a specialist repair in his own time. As cast iron cannot be welded, Brian fixed a back plate to the broken sign so it could be reattached to the post.



Once repaired, Brian (left) gave the sign to Steve Maund, the Lengthsman for the Parish Council, who reattached and repainted the finger sign - at minimal cost.

To replace the finger with a new one would have needed a new cast to have been made - a very expensive process.

Better Broadband for Herefordshire

Better/faster Broadband should make a significant difference to businesses, communities and households in Herefordshire. Currently, many people in the County have no access to broadband or the broadband they have is delivered at very low speeds which make accessing information on the internet difficult or frustratingly slow. It is anticipated that more and more reliance will be placed on the internet in the future, therefore, there is a risk that more rural areas countrywide will lose out in future opportunities if improved Broadband remains to the exclusive use of those in the major cities.

The Government has recognised these issues, and in response to the situation, there are going to be 4 national pilots to deploy better/faster broadband in rural areas and Herefordshire, along with Gloucestershire has been awarded one of these 4 national pilots.

The first phase of the pilot will see deployment in the southern areas of Herefordshire and the Forest of Dean area of Gloucestershire. More details of the project, including the map of the first phase, can be found on:

www.herefordshire.gov.uk/broadband

The work to find the best supplier of improved Broadband is also in progress, with Herefordshire Council seeking to find the best solution for the whole of the county. As part of the discussion with suppliers, it would be extremely useful to find out the level of demand locally which could justify the private sector contributing significant amounts of money. "Faster broadband for Herefordshire" is working with Herefordshire Council, Town and Parish Councils to gather as much information as possible through a questionnaire which will be released in approximately September. **So please do complete the questionnaire**, when available, as we would like to see faster Broadband available to the residents of Herefordshire.