Lacock Parish Council – written update October-December 2024

There is an ongoing and somewhat heated campaign against Highways recent enforcement of unofficial stopping-up measures. While the Council acknowledges Highways need to implement uniform and universal enforcement, in Lacock this has sadly resulted in a further issue: that of pedestrian safety across the village and at key premises. An online petition is underway with school and the village shop running their own petitions, which will be brought to WC for consideration. Richard Clewer's presence at a future Council meeting (date TBC) has also been secured.

The Lacock Traffic Working Group will approach LHFIG at the January 2025 meeting with requests for assistance/guidance on measures that can be implemented to address pedestrian safety. National Trust has intimated that it would be happy to contribute to safety measures.

Analysis of NT's vehicle survey conducted during late August is pending.

The ongoing issue of planning permission at the Carpenters' Arms continues with the owner stressing the need for permission to be granted for internal restoration works.

The transfer of responsibility for the village-centre play park to NT is almost completed and documents are with the Council's appointed solicitor for review prior to signature.

Lastly, a dog pooh bin at Corsham Road play park has been installed in collaboration with Green Square Accord. Cleaning of the bus shelter is imminent – awaiting date from the contractor - and quotes for a new village noticeboard will be voted on at December's Council meeting. Digging back of a section of embankment that had fallen over the public footpath at Raycroft needs to be addressed since earth has tumbled again during recent heavy rainfall; a more permanent solution is being sought.

Dr Louise Heren Chair, Lacock Parish Council – working with our community