

## **Diptford Parish Council October News**

1 member of the public was present throughout the October meeting. 2 members of the public joined later for The Playing Field agenda item.

### **New waste collection procedures:**

SF welcomed Steve Mullineaux from SHDC who gave a presentation on the new recycling service. **This can be viewed on the website – <https://diptfordparishcouncil.files.wordpress.com/2020/10/2020-10-minutes-app-1-recycling-presentation.pdf>**

### **Answers to questions following the presentation:**

There will be smaller versions of lorries for the narrower lanes

Assisted collections will remain

The food-waste caddies are bigger and stronger than current provision and can be locked. There has been no trouble with wild animals interfering with them during the night in other areas of the county where the system is already in place.

Agreement that the lack of nationally agreed protocols for recycling makes it difficult for visitors and 2<sup>nd</sup> home owners to follow the rules but there is going to be greater emphasis on enforcement to try and combat disregard for the recycling rules – property owners will be targeted rather than the visitors.

S Mullineaux reminded council of the phenomenal increased workload the council has been dealing with due to COVID-19. Last year during 1 weekend in August 3.5 tonnes of waste was collected from the 843 litter bins in the area. During the same weekend this year it had increased to 12.5 tonnes. (Domestic waste had also increased significantly.)

### **Reports from District and County Councillors can be downloaded from the website at:**

<https://diptfordparishcouncil.files.wordpress.com/2020/10/2020-10-minutes-app.-2-devon-county-council-report-diptford-13th-october-2020.pdf>

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### **Response to DPC following an enquiry into the possibility of reclassifying roads to reflect increased traffic:**

There is currently no government consultation on this issue, the last was in 2012 and the report was issued in 2013:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/49845/consultation-responses.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/49845/consultation-responses.pdf)

Devon County Council contributed to the consultation. DCC's website has quite a comprehensive website dedicated to speed limits in the area, that may be of interest to you

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/search/?q=speed+limits#gsc.tab=0&gsc.q=speed%20limits&gsc.page=1>

**New notice -board** has been erected and is currently locked whilst the foundations settle. Reminder that this is for community use and not commercial purposes. **SF thanked SPD and J. Widdicombe.**

**New Website** will be transferred to its new host this week and will soon be up and running

**New Tree Warden for Diptford Parish**

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**Tennis Coaching sessions in Diptford**

Inga Ziemina presented her proposal for tennis coaching in the Parish

**Council agreed:**

- It was a positive thing for the parish
- That Inga proceed with her proposal using a notice to advise when coaching sessions are available and the courts in use. This will be reviewed at the end of the season.
- That Inga research possible booking systems
- That there will be no fixed charge for the use of the courts but that Inga would contribute to the Playing Field fund proportionate to the sessions provided
- That Mike Cox would discuss applying to the Lottery Fund for a grant to refurbish the courts and possibly convert to multi-purpose use with the Playing Field committee. It was hoped that this would improve facilities for teenagers and adults.