

The Village Link

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Fradley Neighbourhood Plan

A neighbourhood plan is a way of helping local communities to influence planning in the area where they live and work.

The plan must comply with the District Council local plan so cannot be used to stop development but it is a powerful way of influencing how a community can grow and develop.

Typical things a Neighbourhood plan might include are:

- The development of housing, including affordable housing and bringing vacant or derelict housing back into use.
- Provision for businesses to set up and expand their premises.
- Transport and access including such things as cycling, walking and disability access.
- The development of schools, places of worship, health facilities, leisure and entertainment facilities, community and youth centres and village halls.
- The restriction of certain types of development

and change of use, for example to avoid too much of one type of use.

- The design of buildings.
- Protection and creation of open spaces, nature reserves, allotments, sports pitches, play areas, parks and gardens, the planting of trees.

- Protection of important buildings and historic assets such as archaeological remains.

- Promotion of renewable energy projects such as solar energy and wind turbines.

These items are an indicative list of items for inclusion in the plan but the content of the Fradley plan will be decided by its committee with the input of local people.

The Parish Council is responsible for setting up and monitoring the plan but will not decide its policy and direction. It is a community plan and your involvement is crucial to it. A committee has been set up of Fradley residents and has decided to concentrate on the Fradley area for their plan. They already have their

own email address; fradleyvillageplan@outlook.com.

With community involvement being so important questionnaires, meetings and the like will be a regular part of the process. Overleaf you will find further information on the plan. Once ratified it becomes an adjunct to the local plan.

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The Parish Council Ground Maintenance Contract

Has been won with a very competitive bid by SJL Landscapes Ltd. Please be patient for the next few weeks as the contract 'beds in'. We will report more on this in future issues.

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Fradley Neighbourhood Plan (Continued)

The Fradley Neighbourhood plan has already undertaken a number of meetings, the minutes of which are posted on the Parish Council website.

Members are as follows: Bob Carruther (Acting Chairman), Cllr. Simon Roberts, Rachel Shinebaum. Richard Fish Darell Baumber, Jane Piper, Julia Usher, Sandy Carruthers Lawrie Walford, Paul Causer, Jo Spence, Linda Wild

The Vision

- To protect and enhance the environment and character of Fradley as a village.

Objectives

- To provide suitable facilities for the village as it expands
- To prevent duplication of these facilities by the various developers on different sites
- To encourage residents to take an interest in and participate more in village life and the wider community
- To maintain Fradley village as a safe environment to live
- To protect and enhance the integrity of the environment
- To remain attractive to residents and visitors
- To continue to have a close relationship with the open countryside around it
- To resist developments that may look to join Fradley with neighbouring villages or Lichfield
- To develop and grow cycle paths and footpaths through the Parish

The email address for further information is fradleyvillageplan@outlook.com.

FURTHER INFORMATION? ANY QUESTIONS? WANT TO GET INVOLVED? Representatives from the Neighbourhood plan committee will attend the Parish Council Annual Parish Assembly on Tuesday 6th May 7—9 pm at the new Fradley Community Hall.

STOP PRESS: The Parish Council has also decided to set up a neighbourhood plan in Streethay. Further details to follow or please contact any Councillor. At the last Parish Council meeting Lichfield District Council stated that all the s106 monies (provided by developers for area improvement) for the development of up to 750 homes would be spent in Streethay. A neighbourhood plan means greater control of both the development and how this money is spent.

Welcome

Welcome one new Councillor — Alan Cope who lives in Streethay who joined us in March. He has previously served as a parish councillor and has actively campaigned against HS2. His contact details are on the back page.

Volunteers

as minor fencing repair, painting or general maintenance work. If you have time to spare please contact any Parish Councillor or the Clerk.

Parking in Fradley (and Streethay)

Can we also take this opportunity to inform residents about potential dangerous parking. Please do not park:

- On a road where it may obstruct other users.
- Where it may prevent access by emergency services.
- Opposite or with 10 metres (32ft) of a junction.
- Where the kerb has been lowered for mobility access etc..
- In front of a driveway.
- On a kerb.
- It is recommended that all residents park in a designated parking space if it is available for their property. This came up as an issue during our parish surgery

Neighbourhood Watch & OWL

Streethay and Fradley now have a number of neighbourhood watches. Its easy to join, make one for your street or log in to receive updates. Just visit www.owl.co.uk



Grants

Every year the council awards small grants to community organisations within the parish. If you are interested in applying or want any more information please contact the clerk or any parish councillor for further information or a form or see our website.

Are you interested in volunteering for tasks around the villages?

These could include anything such as minor fencing repair, painting or general maintenance work. If you have time to spare please contact any Parish Councillor or the Clerk.

Streethay development

The council and residents were disappointed that Lichfield District Council (LDC) planning committee voted to approve the Streethay planning application for up to 750 homes.

The council have long had reservations about the wisdom of putting 2000 homes to the east of Lichfield when both the Fradley and Streethay plans are taken into account. The impact of so much traffic in what is already a congested area and an overloaded A38 is a serious concern. This is before the proposed industrial development on Burton Old Road with access via the Britannia estate and Cappers Lane with all north/east traffic also funnelled through Burton Road. Previous developments in Lichfield at Boley Park and Walsall Road have had the advantage of two routes into Lichfield and being in walking distance. This is not the case for the Streethay development.

It is our view that the committee should not have taken the reassur-



The proposed Streethay development.

ances given over traffic but should have discussed and analysed all the issues in greater depth so they understood them. Now that this has been passed the parish council will work to ensure residents gain the maximum benefit and minimum disturbance from this.

Dogs & play areas

Don't always mix. Lichfield District Council are currently consulting on greater powers over dog owners in these areas. As dogs have been reported in both our Worthington Road play area in Fradley and at Burton Road in Streethay, the parish Council will be involved in this.

Car Crime

The police have reported that burglary is again on the increase with the prime target of car keys. The Audi brand is currently being targeted.

Parish Council and police Surgery



Held outside the Co-op at the Stirling Centre on Saturday 5th April. Watch our website and notice boards for further dates. Residents issues welcomed!

Annual Parish Assembly

Is to be held on Tuesday the 6th May from 7 – 9 pm in the new Community Hall, Hay End Lane.

Responsibilities of each Council are as follows:

Parish Council: Developing and maintenance of recreation facilities, open spaces, seats, bus shelters, commenting on local planning applications, providing Christmas lighting, grass cutting and hedge maintenance of Parish Council land, litter and dog bins.

District Council: Sports centres, leisure & recreation, arts & tourism, housing advice, housing & council tax benefits, local plans, planning & building control, environmental health, waste & recycling collections, street cleaning, licensing & inspection of food, taxis etc., off street parking & city car parks, collection of council tax & business rates.

County Council: Educational issues and youth service, adult & social care, public health, highways & transport, planning, community safety, trading standards, libraries, museums and art galleries, waste disposal, registration of births, marriages & deaths, economic development & tourism.

You will see contact details for all your Councillors on the back page.

Fradley and Streethay Parish Council Useful Contact Information

2014/15 Parish Council Meeting Dates (for the minutes of past meetings see our website)

All meetings are normally at the Fradley Village Hall. 7 pm for viewing of planning applications with the meeting starting at 7.30 pm prompt.	May 6 th **	May 20 th *	June 17 th	July 15 th
	August 19 th ¹	September 16 th	October 21 st	November 18 th
	December 16 th	January 20 th	February 17 th	March 17 th
April 21 st	Parish Assembly**	* Annual Meeting followed by the Parish Council meeting		¹ The August meeting is subject to change

Your Parish Councillors and Staff

Living in Streethay	Living in Fradley			Police Officers and Contact Details	
 Fiona Lever 01543 301450	 Simon Lee Vice Chairman 01283 792442	 Michael Wilcox 01283 791761			
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Alrewas and Fradley Ward	Margaret Stanhope	01283790215
Whittington and Streethay Ward	Alan White	07708 696958
Whittington and Streethay Ward	Robert Strachan	07793838432
County Council	Janet Eagland	01543 257102

If you want to contact Cllr. Mike Wilcox, Leader of Lichfield District Councillor and Parish Councillor, he is available to meet or speak with residents who have any issues: He is around most Thursday's or Friday's during the day or you can e-mail him on : michael.wilcox@lichfielddc.gov.uk or telephone him on 07732750401 or 01283791761.

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