

Our September meeting was attended by members of the Parish who wished to discuss future events and form working groups to push forward plans.

We are delighted to announce our support of the **Christmas Market** on **November 23rd**. This community event is being run and hosted by The Tavern Inn. Please see their Facebook page for more information and put the date in your diary. Lots of local stallholders will be selling their wares, with excellent shopping opportunities for presents and treats. If you would like a stall, pop into the pub as soon as possible.

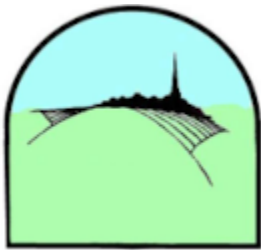
Resident Jenny Elton is keen to set up a **pollution monitoring group**. She believes the air quality along the A429 is poor and more could and should be done to combat this. Historically there were mature trees along this route within the village. These were taken down by Highways. Jenny would like to know if you are interested in looking at planting either trees or hedging. Please contact the clerk@kembleandewen-pc.gov.uk if you wish to be involved.

The Parish is on the list for road sign cleaning. As the list is for the entire county – if you feel you would like to clean a road sign or two within the villages please do so whilst being very mindful of your and others safety.

Good news, the pavement along West Lane has been surfaced.

The PC agreed to take on the ownership and responsibility for maintenance of the 3 village **defribullators**. Inspections need doing weekly and a report completed monthly. Thanks to those involved in acquiring these life savers and looking after them to date. And thanks to the PC member who volunteered to take on this role.

CRIME – please don't click on the QR codes in the car parks – they are put there by scammers. Use a card in the machine or download the app.



Speeding in Ewen is still a problem despite the Police writing to various drivers warning of future action if they are caught again. Please get in touch with the clerk if you wish to become part of a more active group – mobile speed cameras are a great deterrent. In the mean-time we are putting camera signage up to warn drivers that they will be caught on camera. We do hope that all these actions will make a difference.

Weeds in the Cemetery. We are sorry if the state of the cemetery upsets you. We are in the process of doing what we can to tidy it up. However, we have been advised that the brambles covering some of the older headstones cannot be removed as the stonework is too crumbly. There is a “no weedkiller” agreement in place. Parish Councillors have given personal time to mow the grass and put down a new layer of shingle on the path. If you wish to be part of a maintenance group, then please get in touch.

Kemble at Play are making great progress with potential equipment providers. The PC are supporting with an initial grant of £50,000. KEP will be able to generate more money through match funding and going after other grants.

The Zip Wire is open!!!

Thanks to Mike McKeown our CDC Councillor. He is, as always, happy to help the PC and individuals within his area, members of the public at the meeting thanked him in person.

PILATES is at the Village Hall. Louise from Clayfurlong has classes running on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday – posters are up with more information – or send her a message louisesprojects@gmail.com

Next Parish Council Meeting is on Tuesday 8th October starting at 7pm. We meet in the Village Hall and you are always welcome. Please let the Clerk know in advance that you are coming.

To contact us by e.mail please write to clerk@kembleandewen-pc.gov.uk or call us on 01285 770650.