

Communications Committee Annual Report

This year has seen the first full year of the Bulletin in its new format. This has allowed for the size to be changed on a month by month basis and as such be expanded when required to report on issues that need extra space. It has been a useful channel of communications with many new groups using it such as the Orchard share and Transition groups. Also this has enabled the delivery of notices such as the letter reminding readers of the closing date for writing in support or objection to the Park and Ride. This year has also seen the start of the taking of Advertising in the Bulletin and we hope that this has been a welcome addition.

Other communications issues that came to our notice was BT's intention to remove the Kiosk on Bathford Hill. Action by the Parish Council bringing this to the attention of BANES whose responsibility to administer the objections had been on their part overlooked meant it was saved, unfortunately as a card only kiosk. But at least it can be used for 999/112 calls.

Looking forward. Ideas for the future are a "central" finger post directing villagers to different areas in the Village. At present it is not clear and as such cannot be decided what would, if any, be the best site for this. We would welcome any ideas where would be a good location for a finger post or even if you feel it is a good idea. We have provided a Sheet for you to put your ideas forward. Another project is to move the Notice Boards to a more central point and to add more information including a List of events, useful contact numbers and importantly a Map of the Village. Dependant on approval of BANES it is proposed to Site the Board next to the Post Box in Dovers Lane. Initially it is planned to move the existing Notice Board but to replace it with a larger Board in the future.