



Hixon Parish Council Newsletter April 2024

Church Lane Road Closure May 7th to 28th

Church Lane will be closed in both directions from May 7th to 28th for essential works at the nearby Severn Trent Water treatment plant.

The location of the actual works will be between the A51 at Farley Corner and Pasturefields Lane. No vehicles will be able to pass through this point, although there will be a pedestrian route.

Hixon Parish Council has taken the lead in ensuring road safety is prioritised and that traffic movements are controlled and congestion minimised. There will be inevitable delays at peak times of the day and everyone will need to exercise patience. While Church Lane is closed it will be much less busy than normal, but the dangers in the vicinity of St Peter's School at 'drop off' and 'pick up' times will still persist. Indeed, there may be more dangers as all vehicles will have to 'turn around' to return into Hixon rather than travel towards the A51 at Farley Corner.

New Road will be the only route in and out of Hixon from the A51 and will probably be twice as busy as normal. This could see the afternoon exodus from the industrial estates to the A51 extend the tail backs to beyond the railway bridge. At the village end of New Road, where it meets Martin's Way, there will be significant tail backs as hundreds of additional vehicles attempt to gain access to employment sites in Church Lane. Please see over the page the traffic management plans that will be in place during the period of the road closure.



Message to Parents and Guardians of children attending St Peter's School, Hixon.

Parents of young children have busy lives and work commitments that often means the easiest thing to do is get in the car to drop off their child before going to work. The evidence is there for all to see everyday in the area outside the school gates. Inconsiderate (and sometimes illegal) parking makes for a potentially dangerous environment. Which is why it is important that parents should try and minimise the use of their cars as much as possible. Yes, walking takes longer and means an earlier start out, but a pleasant hand-in-hand stroll to school is surely worth it for a couple of days each week. And if you do choose to drive; **ALLOW MORE TIME!**