

March 2025 Newsletter

New Play Area at Bussage Pleasure Ground

Installation for this fabulous new play area commenced 24th February and we are hoping to be all finished and ready to play by the end of March. This is a dedicated enclosed play area with some new equipment for toddlers. The Parish Council are very grateful to Enover for their generous grant which has funded this project.

Investing in Allotments

The Charity responsible for parish allotment sites are always keen to re-invest any profit generated from allotment rents back into the sites. This March we are installing two additional water troughs at the houses end of Middle Hill Allotments to ensure all plot holders have easy access to water. We are also starting to replace plot identifiers across all three sites with taller numbered posts to ensure all plots are clearly numbered.

More work near the kissing gate in Dimmel's Dale

In November the Footpath Volunteers repaired the banks of the stream in Dimmel's Dale near the kissing gate to prevent the path flooding. Now, we've taken the next step and, with the encouragement of the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust Manager for the Dimmel's Dale reserve, we've topped the path with type 1 stone to raise the level and smooth the surface. The work involved a team of eight Volunteers barrowing two tonnes of stone from Coppice Hill and across the stream to where it was needed – warming work on a cold but sunny day!

Road Safety at Fourways

The Vehicle Activated Sign has been deployed at this known trouble spot (and horrifyingly has logged 2269 cars speeding in one week) to gather data to support our letter to County Councillor Chloe Turner requesting a Traffic Regulation Order. The Parish Council hope to improve safety at this dangerous crossroads.