

**CRONTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**GENERAL PURPOSES AND ENVIRONMENT**  
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Continued close liaison with Knowsley Borough Council has enabled us to maintain environmental standards in the village and since the last report we have embarked upon two village clean up days in line with the Great British Spring Clean with both of them delivering positive results and well attended by local volunteers.

Less positively the same can't be said about road surfaces as parts of the village has suffered road and pathway deterioration and whilst Tarmac who are Knowsley Council,s appointed contractor have reacted positively to our requests for repair the longer term answer is of course total resurfacing and we are approaching this issue with the help of our ward councillor to pursue a resolution.

We have renewed our Pasture maintenance contract with Knowsley Borough Council as we believe that they provide a consistently quality service and we are continuing to develop the Pasture Master Plan with the Green and Open spaces team and we have completed the design concept and we are currently seeking funding options and hope to have positive news on that front in the near future.

As mentioned in our last report the traffic island at the junction with Foxes Bank Lane is now close to completion and work is well underway on the developments in the old Cronton Colliery site that will link in with the Cycleway project that is progressing but at a much slower pace than anticipated although you may have noticed the newly planted trees in Sandy Lane that is part of this project.

In regard to village welfare and security we are maintaining contact with Merseyside police and indeed a village Homewatch scheme is in progress also we are in consultation with Merseyside Police to see if a reciprocal association with Cheshire Police could be arranged given our extremity position within their jurisdiction as this would have a positive impact upon any local anti-social behaviour.

Traffic and parking issues remain on our agenda and we are looking at the possibility of installing two "Speed Indication Devices" in the village and there will be more information on this subject in the next village newsletter that will be delivered in the next few weeks. The disgusting practice of dog fouling is still with us and a very difficult issue to solve as these offenders practice this offensive habit in the hours of darkness either late at night or early in the morning and further advice is being sought on this issue.

Councillor Dave Rostance  
Chairman  
General Purposes and Environment Committee

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