

Focus



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20 MPH LIMIT ?

We have had some requests for a 20 mph speed limit on roads in Middleton as is already the case in Broughton. **Do you agree ?** We've set up a poll on our website so that you can vote **Yes** or **No**.

Here's the link & QR code:

<http://ftl.lib.dm/o51r>



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OPEN LETTER

DATE: 4 August 2021
SUBJECT: Far Holme Pond in Middleton

TO:

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CC:

The Parks Trust
Far Holme Residents

Broughton and Milton Keynes Parish Council (BMKPC) urges you all to press for a resolution over the Far Holme Pond in Middleton, and to ask for details of any steps you (or

Congratulations to the Parish Council who have called time on the continuing problems with the pond in Far Holme. They have demanded that Milton Keynes Council and Crest Nicholson get it into a fit state to be handed over to the Parks Trust, even if enforcement action is required.

...and the following...
...have patched, re-anchored and/or...
...there are a lot of photographs and...
...correspondence showing the problem has been communicated to very senior Crest...
...employees, very senior Council officers, and very senior MKDP staff, throughout this period.

THANK YOU !.....

....to everyone who came on our litter pick at the end of July. Pictured below - Starting out and what we gathered.



THE LAW HAS CHANGED



If we're pinged by NHS Test & Trace we no longer have to self-isolate provided that we've been double jabbed and are under 18.

But we must still self-isolate if we're over 18 and only had one jab, or if we've had a positive PCR test.

If you know of anyone who is vulnerable or in need of help at the moment please contact the Council's COVID-19 help line **01908 252398**.

HELP US PUT PRESSURE ON CREST

We've launched two petitions to try to get Crest to cut the overgrown landscaping on Oakgrove and to re-instate the cycle track, which is currently in use but hasn't been maintained.



LANDSCAPING

Having this outside your house isn't right, but Crest are ignoring all requests to get the grass cut, including from the Council.

Here's the link & QR code for our petition:

<https://SignMe.org.uk/1870>



CYCLE TRACK

Here's the link and QR code for the cycle track petition.

Please sign!

<http://ftl.lib.dm/P63P>



BOOKING FOR THE TIPS

The Council is deciding whether to keep the present booking system for the Household Waste Recycling Centres (tips to you and me).

What do **YOU** think? Let us know on:

focusteam@live.co.uk

Or go to the poll we've set up on our website:

<http://ftl.lib.dm/o11r>



STREET LIGHTS

Now that the evenings are beginning to draw in (*ugh!*) Uroy's going to do a survey after dark of all the lights that aren't working on Middleton and Oakgrove.

We'll report these to the Council and try to have them fixed by winter.



HERITAGE OPEN DAYS MILTON KEYNES

Free events

10 - 19 September

This the 16th year of MK Heritage Open Days. All events are free and many will include activities for children & families.

More information here

<https://tinyurl.com/zx3whbjj>

The picture opposite is of Nurse's Cottage and the Swan Inn, Milton Keynes Village c. 1930. Photo courtesy of the Two Villages Archive Trust.

Sam, Kerrie & Uroy The *Focus* team

We aim to reply to mails, text or calls within 48 hours. Texting's usually fastest. If we don't, please get in touch again in case we've missed your message.

Thank you !

