

New Council website

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The new website is now fully operational, we are managing to get all current documents uploaded as soon as they are available.

The site is now complete but we can add further pages and sub-pages if the need arises. There is still some historical material to move from the village website, as time allows, but all that information is still fully accessible on the village site.

The Update mailing list which visitors to the site can sign up to on the website currently has 53 people registered, and so far 18 emails have been sent out. The email system can be used for any information that the Council needs distributed.

As part of the Council GDPR requirements Councillors have now been issued with a dedicated email address linked to the website system with webmail.

It is important that all Councillors use **only** webmail for council email so that we are fully compliant with GDPR. The recent “IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE” email that was sent to Councillors indicates the reasons for only using the password protected webmail for Council emails, especially if Councillors share a computer/email address with someone not on the Council.

Currently not all of the addresses have been activated, as well as the GDPR requirement, it is important that all the webmail addresses are active because all the addresses are published on the website and in the latest edition of the Parish magazine. If a resident sends an email to a Councillor’s Council email address and they have not activated the account, the sender of the message will **not** get a bounce back, because the addresses are ‘live’ on the webmail system, so it will look like the recipient has seen the message, and the person might think they are being ignored.

If anyone needs help with activating the accounts, or any aspects of webmail, I am happy to help, just ask.

Councillors are reminded that NetWise do not allow the automatic forwarding to another email account, because of potential security issues, even though the facility to forward all incoming messages to another address is part of webmail, Councillors are requested **NOT** to use it on the Council emails system.

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