

Notices, Posters and Signs Policy

Introduction

The Parish Council acknowledges the importance that notices, posters and signs have.

They can show that the Parish is lively and thriving with events, businesses, services and celebrations.

This policy aims to ensure they ALL have a positive effect in the Parish whilst meeting the requirements of legislation.

Fairness is to be encouraged whilst everyone works within the framework of legislation.

Scope

Noticeboards, trees, poles, street furniture, street lights, shelters, fences and other public places.

Legislation

Outdoor advertisements are dealt with under the Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) (England) Regulations 2007.

- No advertisement is to be displayed without the permission of the owner of the site on which they are displayed (this includes the highway authority, if the sign is to be placed on highway land);
- No advertisement is to be displayed which would obscure, or hinder the interpretation of, official road, rail, waterway or aircraft signs, or otherwise make hazardous the use of these types of transport;
- Any advertisement must be maintained in a condition that does not impair the visual amenity of the site;
- Any advertisement hoarding, or structure is to be kept in a condition which does not endanger the public; and
- If an advertisement is required to be removed, the site must be left in a condition that does not endanger the public or impair visual amenity.

Further more detailed information about the legislation can be found at: legislation.gov.uk

Responsibilities

Any member of the public can attend the local Parish Council meeting or contact any councillor or the Parish Clerk to discuss issues/concerns related to notices, signs and posters.

The Parish Council will be alert to notices, signs and posters in the Parish.

The Parish Council will take all reasonable efforts to have a dialogue with owners/posters about any problem notices, signs and posters, and if they do not meet our policy then advise them that they must be removed. Only if this fails will the Parish Council remove them.