

**Chitterne Parish Council**  
**Clerk's Report**  
**9<sup>th</sup> March 2009**

**Traffic**

As stated in the minutes, Cllr Lucas is drafting a template letter for parishioners to send to the local M.P. Enquiring the cost of recent works to St Mary's Close bridge and the Knook road and asking why these 'improvements' have a higher priority than the provision of footpaths in Chitterne.

The last issue of Chit-Chat also draws attention to this situation and encourages villagers to make their own protest. Copies will be sent to relevant authorities.

**Sportsfield wall**

As mentioned in the Jan. minutes, commencement of the works to the St Mary's entrance were delayed by bad weather. However, the contractor is now making good progress.

**Sportsfield parking**

We are fully covered on our insurance. See full details in Jan. minutes

**Area Boards, terms of reference.**

Clerk has obtained booklet on the terms of reference of Area Boards, these are displayed for councillors to read. Cllr Newbury has been emailed asking for his suggestions on how Chitterne can be kept informed without incurring too much extra work. As yet, no reply.

**Parish Steward**

All the clamps and drains to 'The Cut' have been cleared by the Unimog. Steward has been asked to replace the grit in the box in Townsend on his next visit. Cllrs are requested to table suggestions for works on the Steward's next visit. (12<sup>th</sup> March)

**Parish Noticeboard**

A parishioner has explained that the minutes displayed in the noticeboard were removed by the wind.

**Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter**

In future, this will be circulated in Chit-Chat. (Unfortunately, the latest issue, (for December) was not delivered until the March issue of Chit-Chat had been circulated).

**Parish Accounts**

Expenditure for Feb/Mar totalled £334.50 and we now have a balance of £8,748.89 (statement attached).

..... Parish Clerk