

Report for Lower Sapey Parish meeting – Thursday 20th January 2022

Dear all,

Happy New Year!

I include a short report for the meeting.

District wide information:

Dog Control PSPO Consultation: On 2 December we launched the consultation to gather responses on our proposed Dog Control Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) that has now expired. We have had a good response so far with 296 completed surveys. We continue to receive reports in relation to dog fouling and would like to extend the PSPO that was previously in place to address these issues. If approved the PSPO will allow the council to deal with dog control offences by issuing fixed penalty notices.

The proposed PSPO could make the following an offence:

- Failure to pick up dog faeces when in control of dog
- Failure to carry a poop bag or other means to clean up after a dog
- Failure to keep a dog on a lead in a designated area
- Failure to exclude dogs from fenced off or enclosed children's playgrounds.

Take part in the consultation before 13 January 2022.

Contact Rob Rich on 01684 862290 or rob.rich@malvern hills.gov.uk if you would like more information on the proposed PSPO.

Businesses could win £1,000 by taking part in skills survey: The survey is being run by Malvern Hills and Wychavon District Councils with telemarketing agency, Team Telemarketing, and will end on **31 January 2022**.

They will be contacted via phone call to take part in the survey but it can also be done online. All entrants will be entered into a prize draw to win a £1,000 cash prize.

The results will help guide the councils in providing targeted support to businesses including future subsidised courses to meet their needs, help with recruitment and to fill the skills gap.

The survey is being run as part of the Malvern Hills and Wychavon Upskilling Project which has received funding of £283,050 from the UK Government Renewal Fund. Read more about the survey by going to the link <https://www.malvern hills.gov.uk/news-alerts/businesses-could-win-1-000-by-taking-part-in-skills-survey>

Thank you.

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