



## **District Councillor April 2018**

My apologies for not writing a report in last month's CRN, I was unavoidably detained abroad due to a broken down plane.

I have written previously on how our village will be targeted for development now that SSDC can no longer demonstrate a five-year supply of deliverable housing sites.

It is inevitable that Curry Rivel will be beset with more planning applications; we have such varied amenities, which makes it an attractive and sustainable place to live.

However, it is important that if we are to take on more housing this is done in a coherent manner, encompassing the encouragement of local employment opportunities and supporting small businesses, ensuring we have the infrastructure to cope with an expanding population and providing adequate parking and highway strategies to combat the increased traffic. Without a plan, we will be left without a defense and our village will be open to developments in an ad hoc, inconsistent manner.

As part of this defense strategy and to adopt a more cohesive approach to the changes that will face our village, the Parish Plan is in the process of being updated and we need to hear your views on how you see your Curry Rivel in the future. What is important to you? Employment, housing, transport, the environment, etc? For us to provide the village you want to live in, one which is vibrant, thriving yet protecting what is important to village life we need your comments and your support and to complete the survey which will be importing in informing Curry Rivel's future. You can complete the survey on line at [www.curryrivel.org.uk](http://www.curryrivel.org.uk) – Parish Plan Survey – or there are feedback forms you can complete at the Post Office and the Village Hall. Please share your views.

The Library Consultation has been extended until 13th June. If you value the services Langport Library provides then you need to make this known by either completing the online questionnaire at [www.somersetconsults.org.uk](http://www.somersetconsults.org.uk) or email [librariesmail@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:librariesmail@somerset.gov.uk). Without your feedback, the County Council will consider a lack of comments as a lack of support.

The 9th Annual Kids Fun Event is back! As always, it will be offering a multitude of things to do for free, so put the date in your diary - 15th September at the Curry Rivel Primary School.

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