

Binley Woods Parish Council

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Dear Mr Crawley

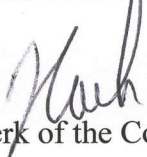
PARISH COUNCILLOR NEWSLETTER

This matter was discussed at last night's Parish Council meeting.

On the advice received by NALC's Legal Officer, the following statement will form part of the Chairman's Introduction in the next Newsletter, which will of course be distributed to every household in the village.

"In the previous newsletter the statement in the introduction could have been read as meaning that the Chairman and the Parish Council had been stressed by a request for information, whereas the stress was brought about by an accumulation of issues throughout the term. The Parish Council is always willing to provide any information to residents providing it is not of a personal nature. As Chairman, I found it frustrating that the MP's expenses scandal had caused people to think that Parish Councillors may be similarly taking advantage of expenses. Coupled with this was the withdrawal of funding for almost 8 months, and also the situation that we were down in numbers of Councillors. This meant projects within the village had to be put on hold. If this ambiguity caused offence to residents, then we apologise. The newsletter is merely a means of communication and we would not like to see it ceased"

Yours faithfully,


Clerk of the Council