## Navestock Parish Council Newsletter

Working for community care and awareness

March already and time for another newsletter.

It has been a busy time for those dropping rubbish and cars in the Parish with I think a record eleven heaps in just one day.

Praise where praise is due and Brentwood Council reacted pretty quickly. Well done to those who reported these heaps.

It is the raising of awareness outside of our Parish amongst those that have the power to stop this blight that is important and the Neighbourhood Watch has set up and launched a one stop reporting email for us in Navestock so that key people such as the Police, Councillors, Chief Execs. etc can share our pain. THIS NEW EMAIL IS.... <a href="mailto:navestockFT@gmail.com">navestockFT@gmail.com</a>. You still need to report it to the BBC as usual but also to this email (which will only forward to those recipients and will not reply) the more outsiders we inform the more action we will generate.

Your Parish Council are helping to finance number of mobile cameras for immediate deployment and going forward there is a plan to put a ring of steel round the Parish covered by a series of tamper proof, ram proof special cameras to which ANPR (number plate recognition) will all be attached on each of the roads entering Navestock which can defeat those that cover their plates with a reflective. Thus every vehicle entering Navestock will be logged.

The first site has been identified and work is going ahead soon to get this in operation soonest

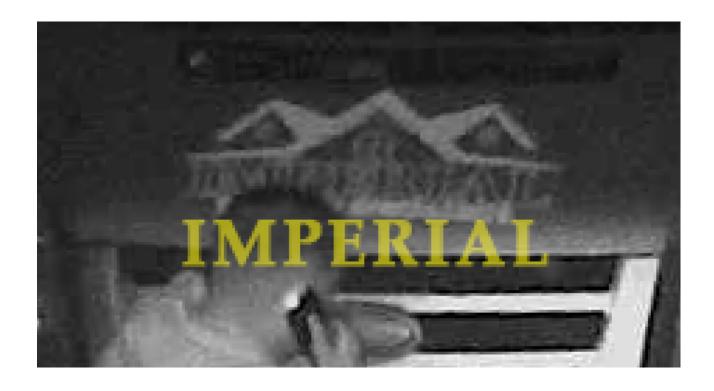
It is not the dumping that is so much the problem as those that do the dumping and a concerted effort must be made to raise their awareness of the anti-social thing they do. To this end, every heap is examined for tell tale evidence of the owner. Court action will be taken. Cameras have been deployed at the Half Way House on the A127 recently to catch doggers and anti social behaviour and in a short time has reduced the incidence enormously.. Hope for us if this happens in Navestock!!

Cost is of course the problem with the ring of steel costing somewhere in the region of £80,000. The Parish Council will soon be sending an appeal for contributions to each household in the Parish.

There is other news!!

The Parish Council, as you may have noticed, has for the second year running held its rates- a small bonus for us all.

A white van with this logo on the front has been seen dumping rubbish. (Its a house with Imperial written) They have obscured the number plate to make life difficult. If you see a white van with this on the front would you please get the number and its location and we will forward the info. to the police.



Talking of police, by April the Essex Police will have more police than at any other time. Lets hope we get some in Navestock.

By a happy perchance the Shepherds Pie Supper Club in the Village Hall on the 18th March at 6.30 has Roger Hirst the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner coming as our guest speaker. A good opportunity for us to express our frustration - in a nice way of course- to him.

Book your ticket now!!! mike@japarrish.com

Some little success. A gang of hare coursers were chased and their car got stuck in a furrow before they ran away. It has been seized and crushed by the police.



Way back in my youth 'Lucky' Balcombe lived in Birch Cottage on Horsemanside opposite the Alma. As you can see he was able to make corn dollies. I have a few piccys of bygone Navestock which I thought would be of interest to publish in each newsletter to add to the collective memories of the inhabitants.