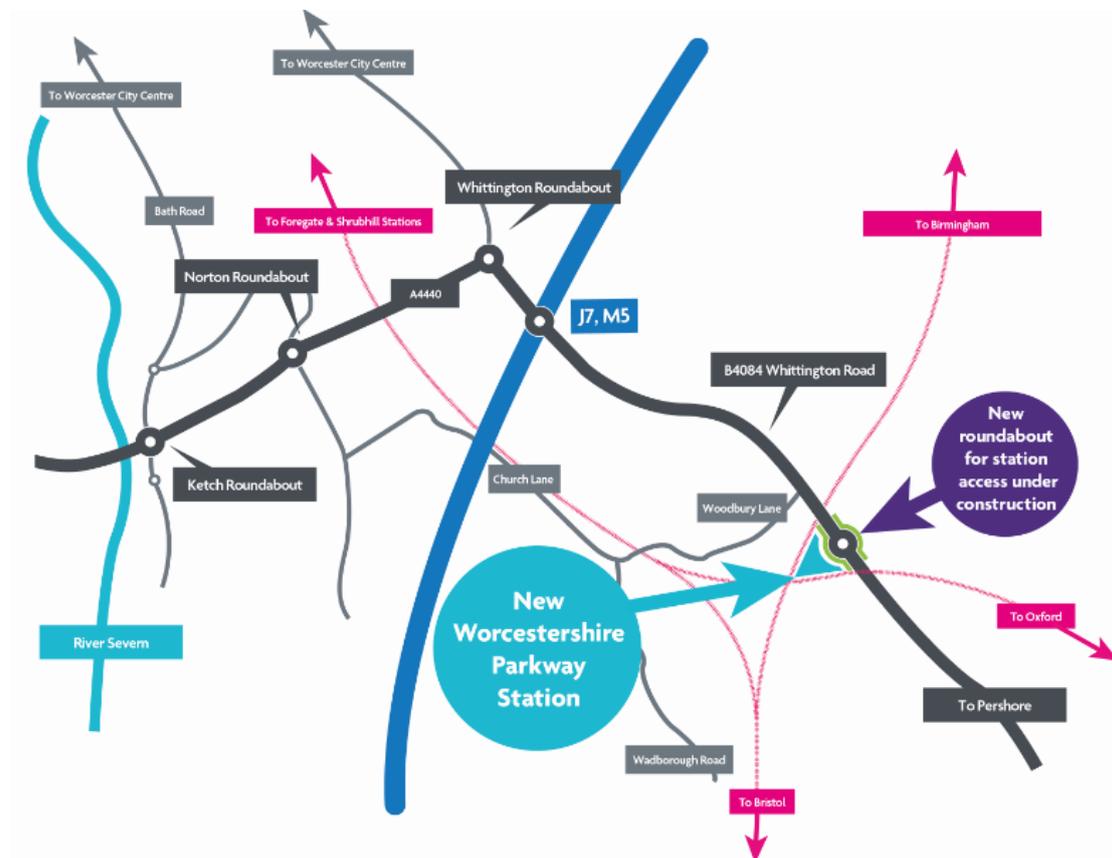


County Councillor Report- Cleeve Prior

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The new Worcestershire Parkway station is well under way and you can see the outline of the new car park from the B4084 main road from Pershore to Worcester. The new railway station linking Worcester to Paddington line to the Birmingham to Bristol line will open in early 2019, meaning many more destinations from Honeybourne.



Highways:

Spring is when Worcestershire County Council's road and pavement improvements programme really takes off! In the last month, lots of surface dressing and re-tarmacking has occurred around the area.

This does mean there are more temporary traffic lights or diversions at this time of the year but although this brings short term pain, it does mean improvements to our roads & pavements in the longer term. Here is the latest news affecting your area:-

1. **New pavement for the entrance into the Close** – this has been given the go ahead. Work not yet started.
2. **Leylandii hedge on the left hand side as you travel towards Cleeve Prior centre along the B4085 just past the Gypsy site entrance need cutting** –. As it is the responsibility of the landowner, WCC have written to the householder, and if they do not cut the hedge, Highways will arrange for it to be cut and invoice the householder. No news so far.
3. **Re-surfaced Bretforton Rd** – Done

4. **Station Road Honeybourne** - roadworks resurfaced and white lines painted - done
5. **White lines at the junction Pebworth Rd/Blakes Hill/Buckle Street** – for safety reasons to highlight this junction, white side lines painted along Buckle Street - Done
6. **A46 Evesham Bypass Closed overnight in both directions by Highways England**
To improve the road markings and signs and replacing the anti-skid surfacing on the roundabout approaches, and install a new pedestrian crossing point to make it safer for all users when crossing this busy road. - Done
7. **B4085 Birmingham Road, Badsey** -for re-surfaced – Done
8. **Closure of Offenham Rd to install a new storm drain** – now done, and road open.
9. **Honeybourne Road Closure C2049 Stratford Road, Honeybourne** - Network Rail are carrying out bridgeworks to bridge parapet - all done
10. **B4085 Birmingham Road, Badsey** -for surface dressing sometime
11. **M5 Junction 6 improvements will start in May and last up until Spring 2019** – please be aware of various overnight closures at this junction. This work is being carried out by Highways England, and visit their website for more info - www.highwaysengland.co.uk
12. **Repairs and re-tarmacking of footways Blacksmith Rd, South Littleton** - done

As always, if you have any issues on any Highways matters, please report it on the WCC website http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/homepage/98/report_it

Also remember a photo of the Highways problem is as good as “a thousand words” so always take a photo where possible.

Worcestershire has been successful in its bid for Government funding to test and explore 5G mobile phone connectivity. 5G is the next generation of mobile technology, so this hopefully will give Worcestershire better and faster mobile phone connectivity. The Worcestershire 5G Consortium, which includes the County Council and the Local Enterprise Partnership, are part of the country’s most comprehensive industrial 5G Testbed trial.

Children's Social Care Services – a new company owned by the WCC has been set up to supply the children’s social care services following the Ofsted report last year. The aim is to improve the services offered, and help more children.

Smart Water Offer The Police & Crime Commissioner, John Campion, has offered to help every village fight burglary by supplying smart water at 25% discount and supplying the signage to be erected around the village warning potential thieves “Thieves beware - we don’t buy crime – Smart water in this area”. Details sent to every Parish Council for their decision to participate in the scheme or not.

Divisional Fund

It is open for applications at the start of this new financial year, so if you run a local Community organisation and need a grant for some vital equipment or service, then please feel free to apply for one from the Divisional Fund by contacting me at adams.pebworth@gmail.com

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