

## Hundreds Sign A518 Speed Petition



**Barry Stamp** is pleased to report that over 400 people signed his petition calling for the speed limit on the A518 to be reduced to 50mph.

**Barry** organised the petition in response to the steady rise in the number of fatal accidents that have occurred on the road. Despite these accidents the County Council's are still dragging their feet over the improvement works which was promised following the A518 Route Strategy investigation and report.



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"During my time as County Councillor, the Council published the A518 Route Strategy which clearly identified work which needed to be carried out to make the road safe. However since that time, despite pressure from myself and the A518 Action Group only the minimum has been done. To make matters worse traffic speeds outside the 30mph zones does appear to be on the

increase. Many residents feel something must be done and have signed my petition to let the Council know just how they feel. I am extremely pleased that over 400 names are on the list and I hope this will make the County Council sit up and take notice. In the next couple of weeks I will be passing this petition on the County Council. I will of course keep everyone fully informed with what they say in a future edition of Focus," said **Barry Stamp**.

### Police Investigate Fly-Tippers

Thanks to one local resident who recently spotted rubbish being tipped from a white pick-up truck in Woodhouse Lane, Haughton **Barry Stamp** was able to pass on the vehicles registration number to the Borough Council's Environmental Health Department. In turn they passed the information on to the police who are now investigating the crime. Hopefully this will lead to a prosecution and a fine! If you see rubbish being dumped please let **Barry** know. Give him a call on 822723.



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### Local Flooding

During the recent spell of heavy rain a number of roads in Church Eaton Ward were flooded. Worst hit was the Church Eaton Road just a few hundred yards outside of Haughton and Long Lane between Whitecross and Derrington. Barry Stamp spoke to the County Council on more than one occasion asking for something to be done. However he was told that there was only one drainage gang available to carry out repair work and that this was moving around this part of the County as quickly as it could. The gang was also concentrating on clearing flooding from main roads to ensure they did not become dangerous if the weather turned frosty. What is clear that the decision to cut over £1Million from the County's road maintenance budget is beginning to bite and that rural areas are suffering. Barry Stamp believes this is not good enough and something must be done to get the funds reinstated.

**Problem? Grumbles? Idea? Information?**  
**Give BARRY STAMP or DIANE KEY a ring on 822723**

## 482 Bus Service Problems

Over the past few months **Barry Stamp** has received numerous complaints about the 482 bus service to Bradley and Church Eaton. On more than one occasion it appears the service has not bothered to follow the approved route, which has meant some passengers have been left waiting for a bus that never appeared! While in itself this is extremely inconvenient to those residents who are missed it also means that the true numbers that use the bus are lower than they should be. As the County Council pays a subsidy to Arriva to run this service they are keeping a close eye on the amount of passengers it carries. The danger is that if they think the numbers are too low they could easily withdraw the service all together. **Barry** has already reported this problem to the Council and will be keeping a keen eye on the situation. If you are waiting for bus which fails to turn up please let him know so he can make sure the County Council knows exactly what is happening.



**Barry Stamp working for Bradley Church Eaton & Haughton**

## Gnosall Youth Centre Saved From Closure

Some months ago the County Council announced it was planning to close a number of youth clubs in Staffordshire. One of those on the list was Gnosall. For many years **Barry Stamp** has been involved with the Youth Club in Gnosall and recognises the valuable service it provides to all the villages in the area. When he heard the news that it was under



Barry Stamp actively fought to keep Gnosall Youth Centre open

threat **Barry** immediately arranged a meeting with Cllr Robert Simpson - the County Council's Cabinet Member responsible for the Youth Service - to explain to him just why the Gnosall Club should be spared. **Barry** is now pleased to report that the club will not be shutting. **Indeed in a recent edition of the Express and Star, Cllr Simpson said he had decided not to close the club because "... one of the main reasons for that is because of the representations made by Cllr Barry Stamp on behalf of his constituents."**

## Hit & Miss Recycling

The recycling collection in Church Eaton Ward certainly seems to be hit and miss! The collection in Ash Drive, Haughton is regularly missed because the new kerb-sider lorry is too large to get down the road; residents of Bradley have complained as recycling and the recycling boxes are left scattered around the roads; and some properties along the Newport Road find their recycling is left and collected the following day! **Barry Stamp** is regularly in contact with the Council's recycling officer reporting the bad service. The Borough Council are desperately trying to increase the amount of recycling and are even talking about only collecting the wheely bin once a fortnight. If your recycling is being missed please let **Barry** know.



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