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PERSHORE CIVIC SOCIETY AUTUMN 2020 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to our latest newsletter. We hope that our members remain well. Despite restrictions from the pandemic resulting in cancellation of our social activities this summer, the Civic Society has continued to scrutinize local planning developments and potential changes in government planning policies. We have also worked to improve untidiness in our streets, and to reduce speeding of vehicles through our town. A total of £2000 has been donated to support local charities which have lost out because of COVID 19. Here are some updates for you

URGENT!! COMMENTS ESSENTIAL

Proposed demolition and replacement of Almonry Close, Abbey Road, Pershore by Rooftop Housing Group who are now asking for residents' views on their proposals for Almonry Close prior to their submitting a planning application. A link to the architect drawings can be found on Pershore Town Council www.pershoretowncouncil.gov.uk/latest_news Their presentation covers demolition of the existing Almonry Close together with a total redesign in what is the most historic setting in full view of Pershore Abbey. Due to current restrictions a public consultation is not possible, but hard copies can be viewed in the Town Hall by appointment.



It is important that you make your views known as this is a complete change and has consequences for both neighbours and residents not only for Newlands but also the surrounding conservation area. Rooftop would appreciate all comments being emailed to almonry@rooftopgroup.org.

Breaking News! David Birtwhistle will present by **Zoom**
'Through the Eyes of an Artist'
Thursday 10th December 7.00 pm
Details of how to join this event will be cascaded nearer the time.



Pershore's Biannual Litter Pick

The litter pick is being held on Sat 17th October, meet 10am Pershore Town Hall where safety equipment will be provided – do join us in our efforts to keeping our town tidy.

Speeding in Pershore

Following our efforts to control speeding in Bridge Street, funding has now been identified for new Vehicle Activation Signs which it is hoped will be installed before Christmas – this year! The Civic Society in liaison with Pershore Town Council paid for new 20mph roundels to be painted on the road as a precursor to a new flashing sign. These roundels have recently been repainted....



Pershore Civic Society Donations were made in August to the following local charities:

- Pershore & District Talking Newspaper
- Pershore United Charities
- Pershore Riverside Youth Centre
- Pershore & District Volunteer Centre
- Vale Wildlife Animal Rescue/Hospital
- Vale of Evesham Community First Responders

Events for the diary 2021 - *dates of visits have yet to be confirmed*

- Tues 2 Feb 2021 Talk "From Sailing Ships to Snowdrops" St Andrew's Centre
- Fri 5 March 2021 AGM St Andrew's Centre
- Tour of Malvern guided by Malvern Civic Society
- Visit to Broadway Nuclear Bunker
- Photo Show in St. Andrews Centre
- Visit to Steve Cooper's Blacksmith's Forge
- Visit to Cotswold Churches including Fairford guided by Tim Bridges
- Visit to Walcot Organic Orchard with Kevin O'Neill

All for now – stay safe