

Wigmore Group Parish Council Information Items for July 2026

1. Queries/Comments from Residents.

- a) Comment regarding long grass in Wigmore Closed Churchyard. Noted this resulted from vegetative material stacked on the bank during refurbishment of the path.
- b) Concern raised that residents' only parking spaces are being used by non-residents. See agenda item.
- c) Concern that hedge along Public Right of Way WQ17 (Ford Street to the School) is obstructing access. To be discussed at the July Parish Council meeting.

2. Junction A4110 / Castle Street / Ford Street / Church Street. Potential visual improvements (lining and/or tarmac colour) are being considered by Traffic Management. The Parish Council will be consulted before action is taken.



3. Wigmore Castle Update. Reports of vandalism inside the Guardianship area have been passed on to English Heritage and the Police. The public is asked stop damaging this historic site. Funds can be spent on repairs, or on replacing items that have been vandalised.

4. Following reports of cars parked on the pavement in Ford Street, email sent to SNT Leominster leominster.snt@westmercia.police.uk asking for a police presence at school pickup time.

5. Speed Indicator Devices. Herefordshire Council's Traffic Management has been approached regarding a suitable location for a SID by the A4110 as you approach Wigmore from Adforton. No progress has been made on finding a suitable grant for a SID in the centre of the village, using an existing socket.

6. Report from Cllr Gwen Fraser. Theft of Elice cycling bike, cost new £10k and another bike worth £800 from a property in Wigmore. Reported to police. Thieves appear to have local knowledge - please be vigilant and keep sheds and garages locked. Please report to police if you are offered these stolen bikes for sale.

7. Reports from Cllr Bryony John

- a) Cllr Hurcomb showed Mr Bruce Evans (Herefordshire Council) the Goggin Road during June.
- b) The Tree Warden has undertaken a plant survey of the upper Goggin (Richards Castle side) and the length of Killhorse Lane from the summit to the Elton road junction. In 2021 a survey was conducted of the verge from Elton 'triangle' to summit of Goggin up Killhorse Lane - 93 species were recorded and 20 asterisked as worthy of roadside verge nature reserve status. In 2026 - a survey of the summit of the Goggin extending down towards Richards Castle, in the region of 100m long. 42 additional species were recorded and 17 asterisked. Botanists recommend the

roadside verge nature reserve is extended to include this section. In practice this means a late verge cut to enable the flora to set seed.

- c) Community Resilience. The Fire Service and Forestry Commission have been contacted regarding action to take should there be a fire in Mortimer Forest. Waiting for calls to be returned from both bodies.
8. Reported to M Group.
- a) Footpath sign at the end of Brook Lane has fallen down. Reported 10 June. FS-Case-846121805
 - b) Overhanging tree branches next to the pavement from Kings Meadow into the village.
9. Planning updates.
- a) [**P261594/PA7 - All others - Prior Approval**](#) Elton, Mortimer, Marlbrook Hall Leinthall Starks Ludlow Herefordshire SY8 2HR, Application to determine if prior approval is required for a general purpose agricultural storage building to include machinery and fodder, Determination Made. Prior Approval Not Required.
 - b) [**P243175/RM - Approval of Reserved Matters**](#) Wigmore, Mortimer, Land at Perryfields Bury Lane Wigmore Herefordshire , Application for approval of reserved matters for scheme of 24 dwellings following outline approval 221923/O (Outline application with all matters, save access, reserved for the erection of up to 25 residential units and associated infrastructure)., Determination Made. Approved with Conditions
 - c) [**P261640/K - Works to Trees in a Conservation Area**](#) Wigmore, Mortimer, Old Post Office Cottage Wigmore Leominster Herefordshire HR6 9UJ, To remove the tree entirely down to ground level, including as much of the root as possible to stop continued damage to the house which is grade II listed., Valid. Deadline prior to July meeting.
 - d) [**P260365/F - Planning Permission**](#) Wigmore, Mortimer, Pig And Whistle Cottage Pig And Whistle Road Lingen Deerfold Herefordshire , Variation of condition 2 of permission 233261 (Construction of new garage and gym, landscaping works and change of use of land to residential curtilage. (Part retrospective)) - to move position of garage and gym to allow access to septic, borehole, and electrical service. Enhance accessibility for vehicles., Determination Made. Approved with Conditions
 - e) [**P250304/F - Planning Permission**](#) Wigmore, Mortimer, Lower House Farm Wigmore Herefordshire HR6 9UL, Application for use of land adjacent to Lower House Farmhouse as a commercial log splitting and sales enterprise to include retention of the existing buildings as a log store and for mixed use of the agricultural extension given prior approval via P241779/PA7 for commercial storage of logs and the approved general agricultural storage (part retrospective)., Determination Made. Approved with Conditions
 - f) [**P261451/XA2 - PP - Approval of details reserved by condition**](#) Elton, Mortimer, Bankside Cottage The Goggin Richards Castle Ludlow Herefordshire SY8 4EX, Application for approval of details reserved by condition 3 of planning permission 251064, Determination Made. Approved.