VILLAGE NEWS

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Route 66

Most village residents seem to have mixed experiences of our bus service, provided by First Buses, into Colchester. For most of the day a half hourly service is probably all that we can expect but no doubt like most travellers we would welcome a more frequent service at peak times. Clearly the most frustrating feature of the service is when buses are cut out without prior notice. Without firm evidence it is difficult to establish how often this happens. On the occasions when there is cause for complaint a response is received from First Buses. If you do have the experience of buses not running as scheduled please let me know. (email stone.vindens@gmail.com or Tel. 241026).

Harry Stone (village transport representative)

Calling all dog walkers

There have recently been complaints received from village residents (some dog walkers particularly), regarding dog fouling in the village. Many of the pavements, fields and country footpaths are soiled and this is extremely unpleasant for other walkers and is a potential risk to young children in particular.

Dogs **are NOT** allowed in the field or surrounds of the Orpen Hall.

Dogs **are** allowed on Poors land but they should be kept under control and dog walkers are requested to keep to the perimeter of the field. Children use this area for playing football and to skid on some dog fouling is most unpleasant.

"How interesting it is that a small minority of dog owners take the time to dutifully scoop up the poo only to throw the plastic bag into the nearest tree or hedge." (Comment from another dog walker.)

There are over 20 dog bins placed strategically around the village for the purpose of keeping our village pathways clean. Please make use of them. A small minority of dog walkers are giving a bad name to others.

KEEP WEST BERGHOLT CLEAN

Scoop it up with a plastic bag and bin it!!!!