

JHC Support Service information for Parish Council meeting

- * So far 341 clients have been seen this year, a similar number to last year.
- * Over 460 bags of food given out, the most we have ever given out since we started back in 2010, where we gave out 69 bags! We expect this to continue as Universal credit is rolled out in this area, there is an average delay of 5 weeks whilst claims are being processed.
- * As usual benefits remains the top enquiry, with grants 2nd, to date we have given over £15,000 to individuals, Housing 3rd. This year we have moved on 9 families from our own housing into permanent accommodation. This is the highest number ever in one year, we normally expect to move 3 families maximum. However, with new homelessness legislation coming into effect this may change significantly.
- * 7 out of 10 people that we see are either disabled or have health issues.
- * We are expecting to deliver around 80 hampers by middle of December.

Other JHC info

Major grants given to a number of organisations working in the village total so far this year £42,000.

British Legion continues to use our offices for monthly drop ins.

Charity called ReadEasy visit weekly, they do one to one sessions with people who can't read or write.

We regularly have health professionals using our offices for meetings free of charge, on average 3-4 times a month.

Mill Lane – Demolition complete. CJ Murfitts have been appointed as contractor. Expect the project to be completed by early August 2019. So we will advertise 4 x 2 bedroom properties in June/July.

Babraham Road – Collaboration agreement between the 3 landowners is almost finished. Once signed, Bidwells will start to market the land for potential developers, hopefully in January.

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