



19th October, 2010

Dear Leaders,

CHURCH CAR PARK

With the increase in number of youngsters and people involved with the Scout Group, the Church car park has become increasingly congested on meeting nights. There have been cars parked outside of the marked bays and also parked in bays designated for use by Blue Badge holders. We are not the only organisation using Church facilities and inconsiderate parking causes conflict with other users.

Additionally, vehicles manoeuvring on the car park pose a danger to pedestrians especially children. The situation is made worse in winter months when it is dark and excited young people running around are harder to see.

To this end, we have conducted a Risk Assessment in relation to parents dropping off and collecting child(ren) for Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. The result of this Assessment is a polite request for an immediate change in what the parents might currently do when dropping off and collecting their son/daughter.

Parents are requested to please refrain from parking on the church car park when dropping off and collecting children on meeting nights unless specific mobility issues dictate that they must use the car park; under no circumstances should cars be parked outside of marked bays or in spaces designated for use by the Disabled unless a Blue Badge is held. If parents do need to park when collecting or dropping off youngsters for Beavers, Cubs and Scouts they should please use the car park at Four Oaks Train Station as the Church has an arrangement in place.

Finally we are asking parents to please ensure that Cubs and Beavers are accompanied to and from the meeting room and not dropped off at, or collected from, the curb - we realise that for older Scouts a level of discretion needs to be exercised by parents in this regard.

The leaders in the Group will not be expected to police this arrangement and instead parents are asked to adhere to this request.

Yours sincerely,

Julian Davies
Group Chairman

Tim Shaw
Group Scout Leader