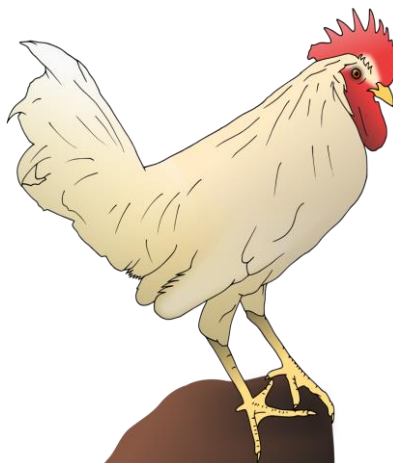


GREAT LIVERMERE PARISH COUNCIL

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**PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE CHICKENS AND COCKERELS AS
THEY CAN SPREAD DISEASE**



Feral chickens and cockerels in the village

The Parish Council have been contacted about an issue with feral chickens and cockerels in the village. We understand that there has been an increase in numbers and as such they have become a nuisance for some residents. This is not only because of the mess and noise they make but more importantly the health hazard they potentially present, most significantly from bird flu.

Information on the Gov.uk/birdflu website states that there has been an increase in bird flu recently in Great Britain. Avian influenza (bird flu) mainly affects birds but it can also affect humans and other mammals. Gatherings of birds are not permitted. There have been multiple findings of bird flu in wild birds from sites across Great Britain. All areas in Great Britain remain at risk of avian influenza in wild birds.

Concerns regarding noise from the birds need to be reported to the West Suffolk Council, Environmental Health department at env.health@westsuffolk.gov.uk

The Parish Council have no powers on private land but politely requests that residents do not feed or encourage the feral chickens and cockerels in any way.

Vicki Gay, Clerk to Gt Livermere Parish Council

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