

Keeping you safe

The door-to-door delivery of Inspire magazine is a valuable service for our community and the local businesses that promote their services.

However it can present a range of hazards that we should bear in mind, the following, whilst obvious, is intended as a reminder to foster a safer environment whilst undertaking this valuable task.

With our increasingly variable weather conditions rain, snow, and ice can increase the risk of slips, trips, and falls whilst extreme temperatures and strong winds can present their own problems.

As we approach the shorter days for early morning or late evening deliveries low light conditions can make obstacles harder to spot, increasing the likelihood of accidents.

Fog or heavy rain can reduce visibility increasing the risk of trips or falls.

Beware uneven pavements and steps can be tripping hazards. Obstacles can block pathways or porches, and wet leaves or moss can be as slippery as ice.

Be mindful of vehicles.

Be mindful of dogs and other pets and even insects or plants, like poison ivy, that can sting or cause an allergic reaction.

To help in keeping safe the following is recommended

- Use high-visibility clothing in low light conditions.
- Carry a mobile phone
- Wear weather-appropriate clothes and footwear.
- Plan routes to minimise road crossings
- Let someone know how long you will be when you have completed your delivery

If, in the event something unfortunate happens, the Editor must be advised of all injuries, near-misses, or incidents.

Remember no issue of safety is too small to report and all feedback is welcome.

The door-to-door delivery of our Inspire magazine is not without its risks, many that we face going about our normal lives, however, we want to work with you to create a culture of safety, ensuring that this important service for our community can be carried out efficiently and safely.

Derry Hill and Studley Parish Council