



NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

We have now had our Annual Parish Meeting and Parish AGM, the minutes of these meetings can be seen on our website.

Should you have any comments or issues to raise please contact the Clerk, (note the new telephone number).

We continue to work on a number of outstanding issues within the Parish with the Authorities concerned, we are making some progress, all be it, slow at times.

Reports can be seen on our monthly minutes available on the website or by hard copy from the Clerk.

Our neighbourhood Plan is progressing well. As you will see from the update report within this newsletters.

The following information can be found on

www.nuthurst.parishcouncil.net/

- Parish Council meeting Agenda's and Minutes
- Document Archive
- Local Societies & Groups
- Events – where & when
- Local maps
- Local travel
- Weather
- Planning applications
- Neighbourhood Plan

The Website contains many links to organisations a few are mentioned below:

- Age Concern (uk)
- Check-a-trade
- Copsale Hall
- Horsham District Council
- Horsham Responders
- Neighbourhood Watch
- The Nuthurst Society
- The Trainline
- West Sussex Police
- West Sussex Police Community Officer

If you are unable to access the web site, require hard copies or more information please contact the Parish Clerk Mrs S Hall

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**Chairman
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Who to contact in the event of tree damage.

It is often the case that trees causing concern are growing on private land, and in these cases it is always the landowner who is responsible for them.

Unless a tree is deemed to be imminently hazardous, it is important to check that it is not listed as having a Tree Preservation Order – TPO – or growing within a conservation area, before carrying out any remedial work.

Contact the Horsham District Councils planning team, for advice on these such trees by emailing planning@horsham.gov.uk or call 01403 215515

Other useful contacts are listed below: -

Horsham District Council's Parks & Countryside team: parks@horsham.gov.uk - 01403 215255

West Sussex County Councils Highways team: highways@westsussex.gov.uk - 01243 642105

Keep your recycling clean, dry and loose

Residents are being reminded that everything they put into their recycling bins is clean, dry and loose. Items should always be placed loose into the blue lidded recycle bin and **NOT** put into plastic carrier bags, as material that is tied together cannot be recycled.

Currently 50% of household waste collected in the Horsham District is recycled. This year Horsham District Council will be communicating with residents to remind them of the need to recycle and what cannot be recycled.

For more information about recycling in the Horsham District, visit the Horsham District website www.horsham.gov.uk email hopoast.depot@horsham.gov.uk or call 01403 733144

Bank holiday refuse and recycling collections

Refuse and recycling collections from Tuesday 27th-30th May will take place on normal days. Horsham District Council's Acorn Plus schemes collect recycling and refuse from Tuesdays to Fridays, which helps to avoid disruption to services around bank holidays. Residents can download a personalised calendar from the council's website www.horsham.gov.uk - alternatively, please call 01403 739459 for advice on collection days.

Horsham starts free summer bandstand concerts

The Saturday morning concert programme will take place on the Carfax Bandstand until 27th September from 11am – 1pm. All concerts are free to attend.

There is also a programme of Saturday afternoon concerts on the Carfax Bandstand from 2pm – 7.30pm that will run until 7th September.

Horsham Park Podium

Free Sunday concerts are on offer on Horsham Park's Podium from 2.30pm – 4.30pm every Sunday from now until 31st August – excluding 13 – 27 July when Horsham Park will be hosting Sparks in the Park on Sunday 13th July.

A full programme of concerts for both venues is available on Horsham District Council's website (under Bandstand Concerts) page and further information can be obtained from the Visitor Information Centre at Horsham Museum 01403 211661

Horsham District Well-being Service

For people living or working anywhere in the Horsham District
Free information and advice supporting healthy lifestyle changes

Get well-being information, advice and motivation, including:

- Being more active
- Stopping smoking
- Emotional well-being
- Drinking sensibly
- Healthy eating and weight
- Healthy workplace

www.horshamdistrictwellbeing.org.uk info@horshamdistrictwellbeing.org.uk 01403 215111

NUTHURST PARISH – NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Our neighbourhood plan steams ahead

Last year we started on our Neighbourhood Plan to set out a vision for the future of the Parish and how it should develop. We held successful “drop-in” events in Nuthurst and Mannings Heath early in November to canvass people’s views. The main concern seems to be that major housing development would “swamp” the Parish leading to: overflowing schools; a greater shortage of hospital services; too much traffic along narrow lanes; more big lorries delivering oil and LPG gas and loss of fields, woods and wildlife, some of it in the High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

So what have we done since then?

We have sought the views of young people at three events in late January and early February, two held at St. Andrew’s School, Nuthurst for 4-7 and 8-11 years old children and one at Mannings Heath Village Hall for teenagers. These young people thought there was too much fast traffic, not enough sporting and other activities to do, not enough farming, not enough protection for the countryside and they did not want houses on our fields and woods.

We canvassed the views of businesses operating from the Parish at an open event in January at Mannings Heath Hotel. They completed a questionnaire. Broadband speed was unacceptable in Mannings Heath. Mobile phones were important to businesses but reception was generally poor from the two main providers. Most businesses did not have problems with deliveries or the lack of a post office. Those few that employed staff said that lack of adequate public transport was an issue.

Full reports of these events will be posted on the Neighbourhood Plan website.

Two survey forms (general survey and housing needs survey) were hand-delivered to all households in the Parish saving about £700 in postage. There was a fantastic response with almost 50% of the forms being returned to our consultant Action in Rural Sussex (Airs). Many thanks to everyone who delivered forms and everyone who completed them.

Information from these events and the surveys will be used by Airs to compile the State of the Parish report, which we hope to publish soon.

What else are we doing?

The Neighbourhood Plan will include our proposals for the future housing development in the Parish. We have issued a “call for sites” to land owners of land who wish to make proposals for development. In April, Airs ran a Stakeholders Planning Workshop for invited representatives of Councils and utilities/services and Groups and Organisations in the Parish. This workshop will start the process of developing the planning policies and the criteria for assessing the sites proposed for development using information from the surveys and the State of the Parish report. A special meeting of the Steering Committee will be held in May to consider the proposals against the policies and criteria. Only proposals for development that satisfy the policies and criteria will be included in the Neighbourhood Plan.

For Further information visit our website: nuthurstplan.wordpress.com or contact us via our facebook site nuthurst.plan@facebook.com

Owen Hydes, Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee.

Horsham Town Surgery – Cllr Helena Croft – will be on hand to personally answer questions about Horsham town centre.

Surgery dates for 2014 are as follows:

Thursday 22nd May 2014

Thursday 24th July 2014

Thursday 25th September 2014

Thursday 27th November 2014

At Horsham Library – 11.30am – 1.30pm

Anyone can drop in to the sessions on the day but ten minute appointments can also be requested by contacting Stacey Dickson at Horsham District Council by emailing leisure@horsham.gov.uk or call 01403 215263

ADOPT-A-STREET scheme

The Adopt-a-street scheme supports residents in caring for their communities and local environment. It means you help keep the Parish clean and tidy by looking after the street or local area. You choose the area you want to keep clean and tidy and when you want to get out and about and pick up litter. Adopt-a-street volunteers are provided with litter picking equipment, plastic bags, gloves and high-vis jackets.

Please remember volunteering for this scheme will not mean a reduction in the council street cleaning schedules.

For more information please contact Horsham District Council

Farm Watch - For those that live in very rural locations it may be practical to be part of a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, so it is suggested that you may consider joining Sussex Farm Watch. This title may be misleading in that you do not have to live on a farm to become a member. Once a member you will receive emails of any crime occurring in your area or reports of suspicious vehicles seen.

Telephone: 0800 3288166 Fax 0870 0100686 Email: farmwatch@sussex.pnn.police.uk or contact

Can you help support older people in your local community?

If you, or someone you know, think you can help then please contact:

volunteer@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk

4G Mobile & Potential Freeview issues

January 2014 sees the arrival of new 4G mobile services. These services may cause problems with TV reception, leading to a loss of sound, blotchy images, or loss of some or all TV channels. Only people watching Freeview TV will be affected while that watch TV via cable or satellite are unlikely to experience any problems.

Households that are affected can be provided with an 'at800' filter.

To enable viewers to find out what support is available and how to access help at800 have set up a Contact Centre – to get in touch, viewers should call 0333 31 31 800 (calls from landlines and mobiles are included in free call packages and inclusive minutes. Outside of call packages, calls from landlines are typically charged between 2p and 10p per minute.

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Mannings Heath Village Hall