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ANNUAL PARISH CLEAN UP

Please come and help with the annual parish clean up on Saturday 18th March. Meet by the War Memorial at 10.00am. Bag, gloves and litter pickers will be provided together with refreshments.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Wednesday 26th April. Further details to follow in March's newsletter.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting is a Planning only meeting to be held on Thursday 16th February at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

NEW PARISH COUNCILLOR

Sparsholt Parish Council welcomes new councillor, Jo Alexander. Jo, a commercial property solicitor with two young children, who works from home in Woodman Close commented

"Sparsholt is a wonderful place to live and I am delighted to now be a Parish Councillor so that I am able to contribute to, and be involved in, decisions that affect the village and those who live in it."

NEW LEADER OF WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

Congratulations to Caroline Horrill, Sparsholt's City Councillor, who has been elected leader of Winchester City Council. Caroline, who took up her new post on 11th January, said

"I am grateful for the support of my fellow councillors for appointing me to be Council Leader. I absolutely promise to fulfil the role to the best of my ability with integrity and vision. We must adopt a new business-minded, innovative and entrepreneurial approach to delivering financial stability to the Council and so ensure we can deliver the highest quality services for our residents, businesses and visitors and that meet the outcomes we have identified in our Council Strategy."

NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF WINCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

Laura Taylor will join City Council this month to fill the vacant Chief Executive role. Her previous post was as the Executive Director of Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council. Mrs Taylor has held senior roles at several Hampshire authorities including Test Valley Borough Council and Eastleigh Borough Council. Also, while at the Mole Valley District Council in, Surrey, she helped to bring the London 2012 Olympics road cycle race event to Surrey.

ROAD WORKS

Surface dressing is planned for Stockbridge Road, between Harestock Road and the A3057. It will not be a full resurfacing. Some preparatory work for the dressing is necessary and this will be undertaken under a temporary road closure over at least three nights - these overnight closures will facilitate structural patching and the removal of the road studs (cat's eyes) and centreline road markings. The dressing itself will not require a road closure but it will inevitably cause some off-peak delays for two or three days. Weekend only working has been specified for the eastern section to maintain access to Sparsholt College. It is anticipated that the preparation work will happen towards the end of February with the dressing following on in March. Exact dates and timings will be confirmed and advanced signs will be erected on site to give regular users notice of the proposed works.

COMMUNITY AWARDS

The Mayor of Winchester, Cllr Jane Rutter, has announced the launch of the Winchester District Community Awards for 2016/17. The Mayor is inviting nominations of individuals and organisations that can be made by anyone. She is keen to ensure that the awards reflect the full range of community

activity from all corners of the Winchester district. As in previous years, the emphasis is firmly on voluntary activities. However, there is also scope to pay tribute to those who routinely go above and beyond the call of duty during their paid employment.

To make a nomination, please contact your District Councillor or local Parish Council with details of your nominee. They will then prepare and submit the nomination on your behalf for consideration by the selection panel. Alternatively, you can nominate at www.winchester.gov.uk/forms/ShowForm.asp
The closing date for nominations is 10th February 2017.

NEWS FROM SPARSHOLT W.I.

Sparsholt's WI, the oldest in Hampshire, will celebrate its **100th Birthday** this year. The WI's Members hope that the people of Sparsholt will join them at the special events planned to take place throughout 2017. Ladies, you are most welcome to attend any of the monthly meetings as a "visitor". Some of this year's meetings will be 'OPEN' to gentlemen too! For details please contact Marie on 776315 and keep an eye on the noticeboard by the Hall.

SPARSHOLT W.I. JUMBLE SALE
Saturday 18th March 11.00am
AT SPARSHOLT MEMORIAL HALL, SO21 2NR
BRIC A BRAC, JEWELLERY, CAKES, LADIES/GENTS FASHIONS & BOOKS
ADMISSION 50P
Charity No.1010437

If you have jumble you wish to donate please contact Marie on the above number who will arrange collection.

WASTE COLLECTION CALENDAR

If you did not receive the calendar of waste collection dates in November, you can download the leaflet from the Council website – www.winchester.gov.uk/bins. If your bin is missed for collection, contact the call centre by noon on the next working day on 0300 300 0013.

BT CALL PROTECT – A NEW FREE SERVICE

BT Call Protect helps you stop unwanted and nuisance calls. You can choose which calls you wish to take and the ones to send to your junk voicemail. To do so just call 1572 from your BT home phone line and manage your settings. It's free to call and free to use

A guide is available on the BT Website www.bt.com

Please be Alert

The website www.police.uk gives details of crimes reported nationwide. By entering post code or place name in the "find your neighbourhood" search box it is possible to find statistics for Winchester Rural West which encompasses Sparsholt.

It is important to report crimes and concerns to the police. Please use the 101 number for **non-emergencies**.

Further, three type of crime that can be reported at www.hampshire.police.uk/internet/contact-us/report-a-crime: criminal damage, theft, and theft from a vehicle

Contact Details and Other Information

Our three City Councillors

Caroline Horrill: email CHorrill@winchester.gov.uk or telephone 01962 776844.

James Byrnes: email jbyrnes@winchester.gov.uk or telephone 07402 114474.

Stephen Godfrey: email sgodfrey@winchester.gov.uk or telephone 01962 884477.

Our County Councillor

Phil Bailey: email philbailey@hants.gov.uk or telephone 01962 775275.

Police Liaison

PCSO 13466 Croutear: email kerry.croutear@hampshire.pnn.police.uk or telephone 07901102445.

Neighbourhood Watch (NHW)

Coordinator of the local NHW is Jan Anderson whose telephone number is 01962 776784.

Report a problem to Winchester City Council

This service enables reporting of problems such as missed bin collections, fly tipping, pot holes and road concerns www.winchester.gov.uk/report

Projector

If you wish to use the Sparsholt Parish Council projector for a council or community presentation, please contact Jill Judge, the Parish Clerk.