

SPARSHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

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PARISH COUNCIL

At the May Annual General Meeting Mrs. Sue Wood was re-elected Chair of Sparsholt Parish Council with councillor's portfolio responsibilities as outlined at the top of this newsletter.

COUNTY COUNCIL

Cllr Jan Warwick was elected as County Councillor for the Winchester Downlands District on 4th May. Contact details for Cllr Warwick can be found at the end of this newsletter. Phil Bailey, the parish's former county councillor, decided not to seek re-election. Our thanks go to him not only for his aid in obtaining grants for village projects but for his support in tackling such issues as the flooding at the Plough.

PARISH PLAN

Winchester City Council describes a Parish Plan as follows "This is community-led and aims to look at what a community needs, identify how to improve the quality of life for people who live there now and to make sure people can enjoy that quality of life in the future"

In Summer 2015 Sparsholt Parish Council called for volunteers from the community to form a working group with the aim of producing a Parish Plan. The Group was formally constituted in September 2015. During 2016 views of residents were sought through the medium of a questionnaire which was delivered to every adult in the Parish with a separate questionnaire for each young person, aged between 11 and 17 years old. An initial Housing Needs questionnaire was circulated to establish the importance or otherwise of changes to the village housing and to assist in preparing the full questionnaire. All this information was collated and results analysed resulting in a draft plan showing issues and potential actions to address these.

The plan has now been passed to the Parish Council and will be discussed at forthcoming meetings ahead of its formal adoption. Thank you to Norman Wood, Sue Annesley, Terry Dunn, John Cooper, Mike Hodder and Chris Tovey for production of such a comprehensive report and the many hours spent in completing this.

ADVICE TO WALKERS

If, or when, you use any of the footpaths around Sparsholt Village, perhaps to get to Dean, Ham Green or to Crab and West Wood, it would be much appreciated by the local farmers if you always stay on the footpaths. For your own safety, please understand that the operators of large farm vehicles and tractors will be concentrating on their work and need to know where you and your dogs are. Staying on recognised and mapped footpaths will ensure that you can enjoy the countryside and that the farmers' can safely do their work.

Please keep your dogs under control, preferably on a lead, and clear up after them taking your "doggie bags" home with you. It's not only an offence not to, but their faeces can cause diseases in cattle and sheep for many months afterwards. Likewise, dogs can suffer serious and expensive health problems as a result of eating livestock faeces.

So, stay on the footpaths and control your dogs, please don't let them run over fields and crops as they are either for food or seed production and quality can be affected.

Enjoy the freedom of the countryside, but please don't you or your dogs foul it up!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SPARSHOLT VILLAGE PICNIC Saturday 3rd June from 2.00pm



The Green, Woodman Close

Enjoy live music
Bring your picnic, a blanket & a bottle!

Contact Bonnie Stagg on 07818 564956 with
any questions

DEFIBILLATOR TRAINING Wednesday 21st June 7.30pm

Training and update session at the Hall - all welcome

SPARSHOLT FETE Saturday 24th June 1.00pm to 4.00pm



Are you having a spring clear out? We are collecting various items for the village fete so please start sorting your cupboards and shelves for the following.....

TEDDY BEARS/SOFT TOYS - Wendy Dean 776580

The ever-popular teddy bear stall is in urgent need of good quality soft toys – the more the merrier.
Please give to Wendy.

BRIC A BRAC - Caroline Horrill 776844

Have a clear out. All donations gratefully received. Will collect or bring on the day

BOOKS - Hilary Eggers 776700

Please dig out any good quality adult or children's books for the stall. Can be collected if required.

TOYS – FOSS

Please go through the toy box. Friends of Sparsholt School are running the toy stall. A great excuse for a clear out.

GAZEBOS - Hilary Eggers 776700

We are always short of gazebos on the day. If you have a gazebo and are prepared to lend it to the village to use at the fete we would be very grateful. We will be putting up gazebos at 6pm on Friday 23rd so please come along with your gazebo and mallet.

BOTTLE TOMBOLA - Katy and Alastair Cobbold 776640

Nearer the date we will be collecting any donations of bottles (wine, beer, bubble bath or anything in a bottle – in date please!)

CAKES - Helen Arundell 776401 Jane Taylor 776624

Please get baking nearer the date donations of whole cakes or cupcakes for the afternoon teas and the cake stall.

Please bring to stall on the morning of fete or can be collected.

If you can help on any stall or activity for an hour, call **Hilary Eggers on 776700**, or **Katy Cobbold on 776640**.

THANK YOU as always FOR YOUR HELP and SUPPORT

SPARSHOLT WI

During WWII the ladies of the WI had to be versatile and innovative to cope with the shortages of the time and our speaker on Tuesday 13th June will tell you how it was done in 1942. MEND AND MAKE DO IN 1942 is the title of the talk by Mrs. D Woodland at 7.30pm in Sparsholt Village Hall. Lady visitors welcome.

An **OPEN MEETING** which should also appeal to the menfolk is a talk by Mr, Don Robertson, a Southampton Blue Badge guide, entitled SOUTHAMPTON DOCKS – 2000 YEARS IN THE MAKING on Tuesday 11th July 7.30pm.

An all day visit to Sparsholt College has been arranged on Tuesday 18th July to which all are invited. From 10.00am to Noon will be with the horticultural section and 1.30pm to 3.00pm will be with the farming unit. Cost only £3.00 and bring a picnic lunch. For further details of any of the above please call Marie 01962 776315 or e mail mbush@midmoors.co.uk.

HAM GREEN VOLUNTEERS

Join the volunteers at the Lay-by at Ham Green, 09.00am to approx. midday on Sunday 11th June 2017. Contact Terry Dunn on 01962 776543 or terry@hamgreen9.co.uk for further information.

FIELDFARE GRANTS

Fieldfare is a community led not for profit partnership. The group was established in 2007 to develop a Local Development Strategy (LDS). The partnership manages the Fieldfare LEADER programme. There is over £1.6m secured to support local projects in the Winchester, Eastleigh, East Hampshire and Havant local authority area.

Potential beneficiaries include sole trader and micro size businesses operating within our local rural communities. To find out more about this unique opportunity, please book onto the information event being held on 5th June from 9.30am using www.Fieldfareleader.org.uk/events.

The funds are to support capital investments in businesses looking to recruit employees and to grow their business offer. The best fit projects are those that wish to purchase equipment or machinery, improve visitor accommodation, add value to their local produce or to expand their business into other areas.

Grants start from £2,500 and we can provide up to 40% of the eligible expenditure (payable upon completion) for projects that will be completed by the end of this year.

POLITE NOTICE

Now that the weather is improving, the number of bonfires around the village seems to be increasing and, if people have windows open or washing hanging out, this can be a real nuisance, especially on windy days.

Barking dogs can also cause frustration to neighbours so do please think before having a bonfire and be aware of the noise caused by your dogs. Thank you.

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 City Councillors

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

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

James Byrnes: email jbyrnes@winchester.gov.uk or telephone 07402114474.

Our County Councillor

Jan Warwick: email jan.warwick@hants.gov.uk or telephone 07717695431.

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.