

# SPARSHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

# NEWSLETTER

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### PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council has a vacancy. If you are interested in finding out more about becoming a councillor please contact Sue Wood the Chair, Jill Judge the Parish Clerk or any of the councillors whose contact details are at the top of this newsletter.

### AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR SPARSHOLT

As highlighted in previous newsletters Winchester City Council is proposing to build a small number of Council homes at Woodman Close. A public consultation took place on Saturday 16 June 2018 at Sparsholt Memorial Hall to allow local residents to view the options for new affordable housing. A summary of comments and feedback can be found on WCC's website:

<http://www.winchester.gov.uk/housing/new-affordable-housing/early-stage-schemes>.

Ecological, topographical, underground and tree surveys have now taken place and are being reviewed and a safety audit has been commissioned. A further round of public consultation is anticipated in the Spring.

It is important that those with a housing need and recognised local connection register with Hampshire Home Choice, as this will help the Council refine the mix of properties and ensure that local people do not miss out on the opportunity of a home in a scheme at Woodman Close.

A local connection is defined as one of the following:

- Ordinarily resident in the village/parish.
- Previously ordinarily resident in the village/parish prior to the date of allocation and has family who ordinarily reside there.
- Employment – current or to take up permanent employment in village/parish.
- To give or receive **essential** support from family members ordinarily resident in the parish/village.

If you meet any of the above criteria and would like to register for affordable housing please visit: <http://www.hampshirehomechoice.org.uk>.

If you are an existing WCC tenant and you are interested in downsizing to a smaller property because it would better meet your needs, please contact the Council's Housing Tenancy team on 01962 848 197 or by email at [housingtenancy@winchester.gov.uk](mailto:housingtenancy@winchester.gov.uk).

If you wish to have a chat about the scheme please do contact Cllr Wood, Chair of the Parish Council, or Cllr Horrill, one of our City Councillors, who will be happy to answer any questions that you may have.

### PARISH PLAN UPDATE

Following a meeting with County Councillor Warwick to review traffic through the village and how it can be managed, a visit and walkabout with both our City and County Councillors and representatives of the Highways team has been arranged for early February.

## **MAYOR OF WINCHESTER'S COMMUNITY AWARDS FOR 2018/19**

"Selfless" residents and organisations who have made a real difference to people and places in the district will be celebrated in the Mayor of Winchester's Community Awards for 2018/19.

Anyone can nominate an individual or organisation, with the emphasis firmly on voluntary action. However, there is also scope to pay tribute to those who routinely go above and beyond the call of duty during the course of their paid employment.

The closing date for nominations for this year's awards is 12 noon on Wednesday 6 February and the nominees will be invited to attend the awards ceremony which will be held at Winchester Science Centre on 27 March.

To make a nomination go to [http://www.winchester.gov.uk/forms/ShowForm.asp?fm\\_fid=490](http://www.winchester.gov.uk/forms/ShowForm.asp?fm_fid=490) or you can contact your ward councillor or local parish council with details of your nominee/s.

To discuss a nomination or any aspect of the Mayor of Winchester's Community Awards, please contact The Mayor's Secretary on 01962 848 259 or email [Mayorssecretary@winchester.gov.uk](mailto:Mayorssecretary@winchester.gov.uk)

## **POLITE REMINDERS**

### **Trees and hedges**

Trees and hedges close to roads and footpaths need to be managed to make sure that they do not cause danger to people, vehicles, and neighbouring properties.

Hampshire County Council manages trees on public roads and pathways and generally (but not always) the verges beside them. **It does not manage trees and hedges on private property and roads as they are the responsibility of the land owner or occupier.**

**If those responsible for trees and hedges on private land fail to manage them Hampshire Highways may give formal notice to the owner or occupier of the land to take the necessary action.**

Further information at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/treehedge>

### **Promoting responsible dog walking in Hampshire**

Please do not let your dog approach or chase livestock. It can cause serious injury or stress to the animals and your dog can get lost or injured. Find out more about the Dog Walking Code supported by the Countryside Service at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/countryside/dogwalking#step-0>

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

### **HAM GREEN VOLUNTEERS**

Join the volunteers at the Lay-by at Ham Green, 9.00am to approx. midday on Sunday 3 February. Contact Terry Dunn on 01962 776543 or [terry@hamgreen9.co.uk](mailto:terry@hamgreen9.co.uk) for further information.

### **SPARSHOLT W.I.**

Ladies! We all have a story to tell so why not come along to Sparsholt W.I.'s next meeting and find out how to research and plot a novel? Glenn Salter will give a talk on this subject on Tuesday 12 February in Sparsholt Village Hall at 8pm.

Sparsholt W.I. celebrates its 102nd birthday in March and the programme will include a brief history and tuneful demonstration from saxophones and clarinet. Put the date in your diary Tuesday 12 March in Sparsholt Village Hall at 8pm.

A warm welcome and refreshments available at both meetings.

## **DIARY DATES FOR 2019**

**Parish Council Meetings** 21 February, 21 March, Wednesday 24 April (Annual Parish Meeting), 16 May, 20 June, 18 July, 19 September, 17 October, 21 November

### **Village Clean Ups**

Spring – Saturday 30 March, Autumn – Saturday 26 October

## **Contact Details and Other Information**

### **Our City Councillors**

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### **Our County Councillor**

Jan Warwick: email [jan.warwick@hants.gov.uk](mailto:jan.warwick@hants.gov.uk) or telephone 07717104236

## **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](http://www.winchester.gov.uk/report).