

SPARSHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

The members of the Parish Council are: -

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We welcome Sue Wakefield to the Parish Council. Sue has lived in the village with her husband and two sons for twelve years. Now that the boys have left home and she has retired, she is delighted to be able to devote time to the Parish Council, and hopefully ensure Sparsholt continues to flourish.

ELLIOT THE DRAGON PATCHER

Cllr Wooles recently won a competition naming one of Hampshire County Council's brand-new Dragon Patchers "Elliot".

Elliot will be coming to visit on the morning of Tuesday 6th August hopefully to fill in potholes! Also, Skanska have donated a prize of a bench and a tree for the village.

Look out for further details on noticeboards and the parish council website.

PARISH PLAN UPDATE – ROAD SAFETY

A meeting has been arranged with Cllr Humby, Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment and Deputy Leader of Hampshire County Council, and Jan Warwick our County Councillor to discuss concerns about road safety.

If you witness a road safety incident for example vehicles driving at speed, HGVs that have no legitimate business in the village, causing obstruction and/or damage, vehicles driving too close to pedestrians, etc please report this to the Parish Clerk (clerk@sparsholtparish.org). Any information such as, date and time, vehicle registration, company names on vehicles, photographs, etc will be helpful. This information will be used to build a dossier of evidence to present to Hampshire County Council to raise the profile of road safety as a major issue in Sparsholt.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR SPARSHOLT

Winchester City Council continues with survey work at the site in Woodman Close. We anticipate that the next round of public consultation will take place after the school summer holidays.

If you are interested in registering for affordable housing 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.

If you wish to have a chat about the scheme please 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.

FIRE AT MOOR COURT FARM

Four students from Sparsholt College have admitted setting fire to a barn at Moor Court Farm and apologised for causing extensive damage. The landowner has decided not to prosecute, recognising the impact of a potential criminal record on the students' future careers.

POLITE REMINDER

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 landowner 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>.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

DO YOU HAVE A PET ?

The annual **Pet Service**, led by Mrs Wesley and Sparsholt School

will be held

on the **Green in Woodman**

Close, Sparsholt

on **Sunday 8th September**

at **10.00 a.m.**



Bring your Pets (and a chair to sit on)!

If you don't have a pet, still come to see the animals, bring a cuddly toy, join in the Service & enjoy the refreshments afterwards.

HAM GREEN

Join the volunteers at the Lay-by at Ham Green 9.00am to approx. 12.00 on Sunday 4th August and Saturday 7th September. For further information, please contact Terry Dunn on 01962 776543 or terry@hamgreen9.co.uk.

VOLUNTEERING AT SIR HAROLD HILLIER GARDENS

The 180 acres of gardens at the Arboretum, near Romsey, have an unrivalled collection of trees and shrubs. If you regularly have a few hours to spare, please consider volunteering. For further information is available from the "Volunteer Co-ordinator" on 01794 369305.

DIARY DATES FOR 2019

Parish Council Meetings: There is no meeting in August. Dates for future meeting are 19th September, 17th October, 21st November.

Village Clean Up: Autumn – Saturday 26th October.

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.

Patrick Cunningham: email pcunningham@winchester.gov.uk or telephone 01962 883 887.

Our County Councillor

Jan Warwick: email 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.

WCC have advised that the refuse collection contract changes in October and problems arising from vehicle breakdowns are likely to continue until then.