

SPARSHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

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Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year to All

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.

Please note there is no Parish Council meeting in December, the next meeting is on 17 January 2019.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR SPARSHOLT

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 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 and tree surveys are now taking place ahead of a further round of public consultation in 2019.

Anyone with a housing need and recognised local connection should register with Hampshire Home Choice. This will help the Council to 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. To find out more please visit:

<http://www.hampshirehomechoice.org.uk>

If you are an existing WCC tenant and are interested in moving to a smaller property that would better meet your needs, please contact the Council's Housing Tenancy team on 01962 848 197 or by email to: housingtenancy@winchester.gov.uk.

PARISH PLAN UPDATE

The Parish Plan available on the parish council website highlighted ongoing traffic concerns. The Parish Council has made a number of requests this year to Hampshire County Council in respect of signs to reduce the number of HGV movements and to discuss ways of ensuring the road safety of our residents. It would appear that Highways do not understand our concerns, accordingly a meeting has been arranged between Cllr Wooles (Highways Portfolio Holder), Cllr Wood (Chair) and County Councillor Jan Warwick. An update will be provided in January's newsletter.

The Parish Plan notes strong support for reducing the speed limit to 20mph in the village. The evaluation of Residential 20mph Speed Limit Pilots showed an average speed reduction of just 0.4mph. As a consequence, Hampshire County Council has advised that no further such schemes would be implemented. A copy of the report and decision record (item 4) is available at the link below

<https://democracy.hants.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=170&MId=3555>

TREES AND HEDGES – A POLITE REMINDER

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 is available on <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/roads/roadproblems/report-trees.htm>.

HAVE YOUR SAY

WINCHESTER MOVEMENT STRATEGY

In a joint project, Winchester City Council and Hampshire County Council are holding a public consultation to seek the views of residents, commuters, visitors, businesses and other stakeholders on the emerging City of Winchester Movement Strategy.

The consultation is open from midday on 19 November 2018 and will close at 11:59pm on 13 January 2019. Details can be found at <http://www.hants.gov.uk/winchestermovementstrategy>

WINCHESTER LOCAL PLAN 2036

In December Winchester City Council will be publishing its response to the 200+ proposals, received from landowners and developers, for plots of land to be considered for development in the next phase of the Local Plan. At this stage the sites have no planning status and it will be for the Local Plan process to determine which if any of the sites should be considered when the need(s) for additional housing or other purposes are known. To find out more and get involved:

<http://www.winchester.gov.uk/planning-policy/winchester-city-council-local-plan-2036>

<https://www.winchester.gov.uk/planning-policy/evidence-base/housing/shlaa-strategic-housing-land-availability-assessment>

POTHOLES

Please continue to report potholes to <http://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems>

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

HAM GREEN VOLUNTEERS

Join the volunteers at the Lay-by at Ham Green, **9.00am to approx. midday on 2 December**. Contact Terry Dunn on 01962 776543 or terry@hamgreen9.co.uk for further information.

DIARY DATES FOR 2019

Parish Council Meetings

17 January, 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

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.