Horne Parish Council
Spring 2012 Newsletter

Working for the Community: Current Projects

Newsletter
Horne Parish Council is committed to working with the local community to provide services that are a benefit to the community. As a step towards increasing the Council’s contact with Horne parishioners we are circulating this newsletter to provide information on the Council and current services.

Website
The Council’s website was launched last autumn. Information available on the site includes details of upcoming council meetings, local events and local planning applications.

Please submit your email address on the website if you would like up-to-date information to be emailed to you.

Lingfield Hub Grass Cutting
The Seven Parishes (the ‘Hub’) of the Lingfield Division of Tandridge have been working together with Surrey County Council to take on the project of grass cutting in the area.

The Hub will run the project, manage the budget provided by SCC, choose the contractors and ensure that the work is carried out efficiently.

If the project is a success then further services can be taken on by the Hub, such as ditches, hedging, signage and weed control.

Horne PC are delighted to be involved with this trial project and hope that by working closely together with the other Parishes we will make this project a great success.

Newchapel Green
To mark the Diamond Jubilee we are looking to restore Newchapel Green for the benefit of pedestrians, horse riders and wildlife.

Newchapel Green was left to the Parishioners of Home in perpetuity. It is our responsibility to maintain the area. Currently it is overgrown and inaccessible, but has the potential to be a useable open space through thinning out the trees, restoring the pond, providing footpaths parallel to the A22 and encouraging the indigenous wildlife to return.

The Council will shortly be reviewing bids for the work. The next step will be to secure funding for the project.
Working with You
We want to hear from residents and local businesses in Horne in order to better understand the needs of the community and how the Parish Council can work with you to improve the quality of life in Horne. Please do contact us or come along to the meetings.

Queen’s Diamond Jubilee
Although work on Newchapel Green will be part of the Council’s legacy to the Diamond Jubilee we would be very pleased to receive input from local residents regarding other options we could consider to mark this event. Please send the Clerk your suggestions by Monday 13th February if possible.

Business Plan
Council members have drawn up a draft business plan to provide a focus for 2012/13 and beyond. The plan is outlined overleaf. Please feel free to submit your comments or contact the Clerk for further information.

Short Term Objectives:
- Queens Diamond Jubilee Celebrations
- To form a complete and proactive Council for Horne
- To agree ways to communicate more effectively with residents
- Website and newsletter to encourage greater participation from residents
- Finalise lease for Newchapel Cricket Club
- To work with neighbouring parishes to enhance quality of life
- Newchapel Green & Frogit Heath: carry out much needed clearing and making available the area for use by the public
- Undertake shared responsibility of Lingfield Hub grass cutting

Long Term Objectives
- Reduce HGVs travelling through Horne
- Improve condition of road surfaces in Horne
- To investigate continuing the pavement along the Lingfield Road from the Newchapel roundabout
- To work with County Council to introduce 30mph speed limits in Horne
- Newchapel Village Hall ensure its availability for the use of Horne’s residents
- Power of Wellbeing: Councillors to undertake training to enable Horne PC to adopt this power
- To analyse possible housing needs in conjunction with Surrey Association of Local Councils
- Neighbourhood Plan: look to wider implications of planning & produce a neighbourhood plan.

Annual Parish Meeting
The next Annual Parish Meeting of registered electors of Horne is tentatively booked to be held on the evening of Wednesday 18th April at Newchapel Hall. Horne PC is looking to invite the local Police Area Inspector to speak and answer questions at the meeting. We would be delighted to meet you there. Final information will be displayed on notice boards and on the website.

Planning Applications
Current planning applications and recent decisions can be viewed on the Horne PC website. The Parish Council will discuss any relevant planning applications at the monthly meetings and will submit comments for consideration to Tandridge District Council. The Parish Council is not the decision making authority.

Your Parish Needs You!
Could you...
Make a difference in your local community?
Represent the views of residents in Horne?
Work to improve Parish facilities?
Commit to at least one meeting a month?

For more information...
Contact the Clerk for an informal discussion: 01342 410 646
Look at the Parish website: www.horne-pc.org.uk
Come along to a Parish Council meeting (the second Wednesday of the month at Centenary Hall, Smallfield from 7.30pm)

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