

Horne Parish Council

Horne Parish Council News!

Horne Parish Council has a new Chairman

Alison Brown

At the Annual General Meeting, Alison Brown was confirmed as the new Chairman for Horne Parish Council. She has already got stuck in with a variety of challenges currently going on in the parish. If you would like to meet any of the parish councillors, please feel free to come along to the parish meetings.

Congratulations Alison and best wishes in your new role!

Horne Parish Council would also like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing Chair David Brown who has worked really hard along with the other councillors to improve the parish for all residents to enjoy.

David will continue in a councillor role which is great news for the parish.



BONES LANE

Bones Lane is the designated access route for a new polo pitch off Croydon Barn Lane. Unfortunately the number of lorries that have been required to bring materials to the site have created significant problems in Bones Lane.

The road surface has suffered from the continuous HGVs passing over it culminating in the excessive number of dangerous pot holes. A further problem had occurred where lorries were turning out onto West Park Road, and created a large area that was completely eroded, exposing the man hole cover.

Although the road is not yet repaired fully the contractors at the Polo Pitch site have been working with the Parish, District and County Councils to facilitate the repairs, sweep the road, reroute the lorries and repair the junction of West Park Road.

This has been a major problem for the residents, road users and Parish Council!

The **Parish Councillors** have **worked tirelessly, putting huge amounts of their own time in voluntarily**, along side the District and County Councillors to get the problems resolved.



PARISH LITTER PICK

The next parish litter pick will be held on

Saturday 28th July 2018



Join us for a hearty breakfast from 9am at The Blacksmiths Head with the litter pick commencing at 10am

Please come along and support the Parish Councillors who will be cleaning up the roads around Horne!

If you would like to get involved please come along, you will be most welcome!!

HUGE THANKS TO THE BLACKSMITHS HEAD FOR THE BREAKFAST PROVIDED AT THE LAST LITTER PICK - IT WAS DELICIOUS!

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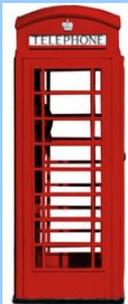
Telephone Boxes

The red telephone box was once a common sight across the land, a design so associated with Britishness that tourists would be as likely to pose beside one for a photo than to step inside to make a call.

But with the rise of the mobile phone, the redundant kiosks are increasingly being put to inventive uses, from miniature art galleries to pint-sized pubs.

Although new users are not allowed to install "electronic communications apparatus", 3,500 have been snapped up and put to a variety of uses. One of the most common, especially in rural areas, is as a lending library or book exchange.

As part of BT's "adopt a kiosk" scheme, communities are able to take over a decommissioned telephone kiosk for £1.



Horne Parish Council have purchased two decommissioned telephone boxes for the community and now would like the residents to suggest how they would like to see the new parish facility utilised.

Please either email the clerk with your ideas or come along to a parish meeting, your ideas will be very welcome.

YOUR DITCH YOUR LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY

Horne Parish Council would like to remind residents that it is the legal responsibility of the Riparian Owner / landowner to maintain the ditches which border their property.

This includes the maintenance of the banks and beds in your section of watercourse, to avoid any obstruction of flow in the watercourse.

If you need help with this process, please contact the clerk who can give you some contact details of local companies who can assist.

The Early Learnings of Your Newest District Councillor!

Dear Residents of Horne,

This is my opportunity to thank you all for your part in voting me into be your District Councillor in May, so thank you!

I've discovered in these first two months the life of a Councillor is an interesting one, so maybe thank you isn't quite the right expression – more "Oh my word..."!! There have been many smaller issues to deal with already, but the wo big ones so far are:

Bones Lane

From day one I have been having "fun" dealing with the damage to Bones Lane and public disbelief caused by the polo pitch being built off Croydon Barn Lane. Tandridge Planning approved the application (before my time!) and Surrey Highways approved the route to and from the site so they ultimately are responsible for the upkeep and damage to Bones Lane that blights all of us who use it. The number of emails that I have sent making sure Surrey Highways are aware of the damage caused and are aware of their responsibility to maintain it during construction is now up to... countless! And the works are likely to take at least another six months to complete I'm told. My thanks go to the residents of Bones Lane who have been excellent in keeping me informed and providing the evidence needed.

The Local Plan

The Local Plan has also been released for the final time before it goes to the Inspector for sign off. This is the last time you will get to comment on it if you wish to so it's worth doing so if the content of the plan concerns you. The good news is Tandridge Council have dropped the number of homes they are going to ask the Inspector to approve for the plan period to 6,200 (previously it was 9,400). This is very welcome, and in my opinion a direct result of the political pressure applied by the election in May of several Independent councillors, myself included, and additional Lib Dems as well around Caterham. I know this will be denied in certain quarters, but I don't recall any talk of reducing the target figure before the election – it was more about the threat of increasing the number to 12,000!

And here goes with the less good news about the plan. I'm not convinced it's going to pass inspection. I am very worried about the quality of the detail (or lack of it) in the Plan documents, and very worried about the strength of the arguments supporting the Plan. The council have persisted with the Garden Village at South Godstone, now called a Garden Community officially. New Town might be more appropriate. The traffic from this new town is going to impact Horne residents as a reasonable percentage of the new home owners are bound to travel to work at Gatwick/Horley/Manor Royal through the lanes of Horne.

I am available for more information, to ask questions of and to be of help to you if I can.

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Do get in touch if you wish to, speak soon
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THE LOCAL PLAN - MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

The Local Plan final consultation period will be for six weeks from 30th July through to 10th September. Previous comments will not be put forward to the Inspector so if you wish to comment on the Local Plan you will need to do so again. In this consultation period the comments are restricted to being about the "soundness" and the "legal compliance" of the plan only.

Soundness is defined as follows:

- Positively prepared – the plan should be prepared based on a strategy which seeks to meet objectively assessed development and infrastructure requirements, including unmet requirements from neighbouring authorities where it is reasonable to do so and consistent with achieving sustainable development
- Justified – the plan should be the most appropriate strategy, when considered against the reasonable alternatives, based on proportionate evidence
- Effective – the plan should be deliverable over its period and based on effective joint working on cross-boundary strategic priorities
- Consistent with national policy – the plan should enable the delivery of sustainable development in accordance with the policies in the Framework

This will be the final opportunity for residents to comment. Previous comments will NOT be passed on to the Planning Inspector who examines and decides on the Council's work.

But comments sent for this final consultation will be sent to the Inspector to read and consider.

If you want your views to be heard by the Inspector, please do take part in the forthcoming consultation.

The Tandridge District Council Website will give further information on how to comment or please contact the clerk who will help.

HOT WEATHER!!



Over the next few months we may experience weather hot enough to trigger heat health alerts. Here are some top advice for being sun safe:

- Try to keep out of the sun between 11am to 3pm.
- Wear UV sunglasses, preferably wraparound, to reduce UV exposure to the eyes, walk in the shade, apply sunscreen of at least SPF15 with UVA protection, wear a wide brimmed hat and light, loose-fitting cotton clothes. This should minimise the risk of sunburn.
- Drink lots of cool drinks and when travelling ensure you take water with you.
- Look out for others especially vulnerable groups such as older people, young children and babies and those with serious illnesses.
- Never leave anyone in a closed, parked vehicle, especially older people, infants, young children or animals.
- It can get uncomfortably hot indoors too. Try to keep your bedroom and living space cool, by closing the curtains on windows that face the sun and opening your windows at cooler times of the day and overnight when you can.
- Turn off non-essential lights and electrical items as these generate heat.

St Mary's Church - Horne

Please come along to the services at St Mary's:

The First Sunday of the Month

Holy Communion - 8.00am

Family Service - 11.00am

The Third Sunday of the Month

Morning Prayer - 10.00am

The Second Sunday of the Month

Holy Communion - 10.00am

The Fourth Sunday of the Month

Holy Communion - 10.00am



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Horne Parish Council Meeting Dates in 2018

Centenary Hall,
Wheelers Lane, Smallfield
Commencing at 7.30pm



Monday 16th July 2018
Monday 17th September 2018
Monday 15th October 2018
Monday 19th November 2018
Monday 17th December 2018

Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend. The first 10 minutes of the meeting are available for the public to raise any issues with the council.

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