

NEWSLETTER

Autumn 2012

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PARISH OFFICE:

Clerk to the Council - Stephen Hoyles

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welcome to attend.) Rosemary Burns COUNCIL:

> 15 November (Savers Common Church Hall), 13 December,

COUNCIL MEETINGS

(All meetings are at 8.00 pm at the Village Centre, Trinity Road,

stated. Members of the public are

Hurstpierpoint, unless otherwise

17 January, 14 February

COMMITTEES:

Planning & Environment:

22 November, 20 December,

24 January, 21 February

Services:

6 December, 7 February

Community Affairs:

29 November, 31 January

New website:

The Council has launched a new 'site' with more features. Please go to:

www.hurstpierpoint-pc.org.uk

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High Street Improvements 18th century street taking 21st century traffic...

The traffic in Hurstpierpoint High Street has been a problem for many years. As traffic increases so difficulties with parking, congestion and pedestrian safety have grown.

Last year the Parish Council asked specialist consultants Stilwell Partnership to investigate the High Street and come up with some options for solving the problems. It has become obvious that a road that was suitable for a horse and cart is never going to be right for modern traffic. However, there are some changes which could make it safer and more pleasant and we now want to hear what local people think about the ideas.



PUBLIC EXHIBITION HIGH STREET IMPROVEMENTS

Thursday 22 to Saturday 24 November 2012 9.30 am to 1.00pm Village Centre, Trinity Road

All are welcome

publish date: November 2012

Parish 2031 Neighbourhood Plan



Thank you to all those residents who were able to come along to our public exhibition in October. Nearly 600 people visited our displays in Hurstpierpoint and Sayers Common and we have received over 500 completed questionnaires. The feedback will help the Council to prepare the community 'Neighbourhood Plan' which sets out the development ideas across the Parish for the next 20 years.

For more information and an opportunity to see the exhibition displays, please go to our website: Hurstpierpoint-pc.org.uk

St Lawrence 700th Artwork Project Sculpture

Work goes on apace with Sylvia Thornhill's Circle of Children sculpture and the bronze casting is now completed. If there are any youngsters out there who would still like to enter the competition to name the children (originally the competition ran at the time of this year's Fair) then call in for a form at the Parish Council office. There is a £1 charge for each entry to go towards the cost of the sculpture. The prize-winning entrants will be part of the unveiling ceremony of the sculpture next Summer and the overall winner will receive a family ticket to the Hurstpierpoint Film Society's children's film presentation of their choice.



A model of the new sculpture. The fullsize version will be placed in the Village Garden next year



Reeds Lane Play equipment/adult exercise gym

Residents in Sayers Common will have noticed that some updating has recently taken place at the Reeds Lane Recreation Ground. The Parish Council-owned recreation area has had new play equipment installed, as well as some adult outdoor gvm equipment for the enjoyment of older children and grown ups. In these hard times gym membership is an expensive luxury so visitors to the play area can now take advantage of the fresh air and exercise opportunities for free! Supplied by Sovereign, a south of England company, the play equipment was funded by Section 106 money held for Sayers Common by Mid Sussex District Council.

A quiet morning on Hassocks Road

Farewell to Jo



Deputy Clerk Jo Kearns started with the Parish Council in 2002 and has seen a great many changes over the last decade. However, Jo is now retiring and will be very much missed as part of the Parish Team. As a local resident Jo is well-known in Hurstpierpoint and will continue to be involved in community life. We wish her all the very best in her retirement and hope that she drops in to the Parish Office to see us regularly.

Trees in the Cemetery at the Garden of Rest

Recent visitors to the Garden of Rest at South Avenue Cemetery will have seen that we are inviting views on the eight large fir-type trees that are dominating the area. Now very mature, the roots of the trees are causing problems with lifting the stones in the garden and the atmosphere is becoming rather gloomy as too much shade is produced. Also, during the Winter, the trees shed large amounts of foliage which makes the Garden of Rest very untidy. We are thinking of replacing the trees with something smaller, but please let us know your views. Because of the type and shape of the trees, reducing in size will not be an option.