

NEWSLETTER

Summer 2016

Parish Councillors:

(Please contact through the Parish Office)

Stephen Hand (Chairman)

Allan Brown

Rosemary Burns

David Evans

Rodney Jackson

Tony Lank

John Lowman

Martin Machan

Judith Marsh

Pam Mitchell

Bob Sampson

Matthew Stokes

Julia Shorrocks

Steve Whitehead

VACANCY

Mid Sussex District Councillors:

Colin Trumble

John Wilkinson

Anthony Watts Williams

West Sussex County Councillor:

Peter Griffiths

PARISH OFFICE:

Clerk to the Council – Stephen Hoyles Assistant Clerk – Roberta Taylor

Assistant Clerk - Charlotte Kempson

Assistant Clerk - Paul Mayne

Maintenance Officer - Cliff Everest

Cemetery Manager - Richard Lechmere

COUNCIL MEETINGS

All meetings are at 8.00 pm at the Village Centre, Trinity Road. Hurstpierpoint, unless otherwise stated. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

COUNCIL:

AGM 26 May 2016

30 June 2016

28 July 2016

22 September 2016

COMMITTEES:

Planning:

2 June 2016

14 July 2016

4 August 2016

1 September 2016

Community Affairs:

19 May 2016

21 July 2016

15 September 2016

Finance + General Purposes:

9 June 2016

7 July 2016

11 August 2016

8 September 2016

Website:

Please go to our website for the Council's published information and latest updates:

www.hurstpierpoint-pc.org.uk

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HURSTPIERPOINT SAYERS COMMON

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Parish Plan 2016-21 **Community Life**

We have a new Plan for the projects and schemes we hope to undertake in the next 5 years. (This is not about housing development, which was covered by our Neighbourhood Plan.)

We had over 400 responses to our questionnaire earlier this year, which has helped us in forming our plans.

Now we would like to hear your views on our ideas. Every household will receive a copy of the Plan and we should be pleased to receive any comments you might have.

Please send your comments to the Parish Council Office: Village Centre, Trinity Road Hurstpierpoint BN6 9UY hurstpierpoint.pc@btinternet.com

Closing date: 17 June 2016





ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:

7.30pm Tuesday 24 May 2016 Village Centre, Trinity Road, Hurstpierpoint

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See inside for details

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Key topics for discussion.....

- Parish Plan 2016-21 (the Council's projects)
- The High Street economy
- Parkland

This is an opportunity for all local residents in the Parish to come and meet their Parish, District and County Councillors. Residents are given the opportunity to ask questions and discuss matters of local interest.

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AGENDA

- 1. Introduction by the Chairman
- Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 26 May 2015
- Annual Report of the Council presented by the Chairman
- Financial Report of the Council presented by the Clerk
- Discussion topics and open forum for the public
- Closing remarks by the Chairman



Member Martin Machan in December last year. Martin has lived with his family in Hurstpierpoint for over 12 years.

In March the Council said farewell to John Wilkinson, former Chairman and Vice-chairman, following his resignation to allow more time in his new role as a District Councillor.

Council VACANCY

The Council has a vacancy for a member for Hurstpierpoint ward. The position will be made by co-option and will run until the next elections in May 2019. For more details please contact the Parish Council Office: 01273 833264 Hurstpierpoint.pc@btinternet.com

Budget and Council Tax for 2016/17

The Parish Council has set its Budget for the new financial year. In doing so we have decided to:

- continue to upgrade public seats and playground equipment -
- replace about 120 of our aging streetlights (we expect to be taking out a loan to help pay for this)
- start to set up the new parkland areas
- support local groups and organisations through small grants
- keep in place all our current services (maintaining our recreation grounds, playgrounds, the cemetery, public toilets, village garden, our maintenance service and help-point at the Parish Office in the Village Centre)
- work strongly to protect our environment through the planning process.

We do not receive any grants from central government or District or County Councils for our day to day operations, and all money has to be raised locally. To meet our plans we have raised the parish part of council tax by 2.9%.

The total cost of all the Parish Council's services is now about £1.26 per week for a typical household.



20mph High Street

The central section of the High Street now has a 20mph limit, which is helping to manage the traffic flow and should be safer for pedestrians. Increasingly local people are finding the revised High Street a safer place to shop, following the changes last summer, especially as drivers are now more used to the 'give way' sections. When everyone drives with care and consideration the system usually works well, despite the confined space. We encourage everyone to drive with patience. The Council always said that the challenge was fitting 21st century traffic into an 18th century High Street.