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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:

19 January 2017
23 February 2017
23 March 2017

COMMITTEES:

Planning:

5 January 2017
2 February 2017
2 March 2017

Community Affairs:

26 January 2017
16 March 2017

Finance + General Purposes:

12 January 2017
9 February 2017
9 March 2017

Parkland management:

17 January 2017
21 March 2017

Website:

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

www.hurstpierpoint-pc.org.uk



Christmas in Hurstpierpoint

Congratulations to the Hurstpierpoint High Street traders for arranging the Christmas celebrations on Sunday 4 December. This year the Council have provided a new tree which we hope will become a regular feature of our Christmas display.



Pop-up Co-op

The Parish Council have been able to provide space on the Village Garden for Co-op's temporary shop, following the High Street fire



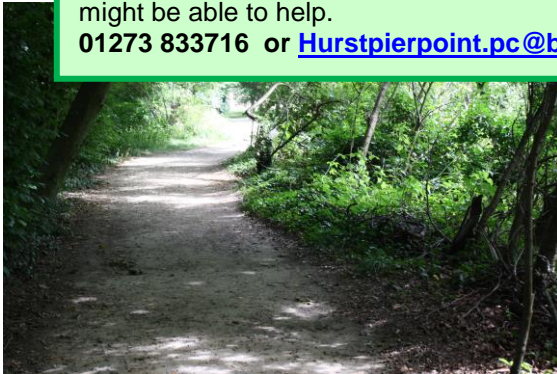
The Councillors and staff wish all our residents and businesses a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Litter-picking in the lanes....

Special thanks to the dedicated group from the **Woodland Flora and Fauna Group** who have been faithfully picking litter from the verges in the lanes around the Parish. They work for one or two hours most weeks from April to October. The Flora and Fauna Group need to commit more time to their conservation work so have arranged for the Parish Council to manage the litter-picking from next year.

We have a committed team, but **MORE VOLUNTEERS** would be very welcome, so please let us know if you might be able to help.

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3-hour limit

Following a request by the Parish Council, the waiting time at Trinity Road Carpark has been increased to 3 hours.

New Streetlights..

As reported in our last Newsletter, we have now started to replace the 140 or so old streetlights around Hurstpierpoint and Sayers Common, with new LED versions. We will be using 'heritage' style columns (as in the High Street) in selected 'conservation' areas, and slimline style in others. Most of the lights will be in place by Christmas.



District Planning matters.....

The Mid Sussex District Plan public 'Examination' started on 29 November 2016 with a hearing on future housing numbers and targets. The Parish Council supports the submitted District Plan and the proposals for the Burgess Hill 'Northern Arc' development, as a means of meeting future housing needs.

We acknowledge that we live in a highly desirable part of the world which attracts others into the area, and with the desire to provide homes for future generations of local people, we need to ensure the right number of new houses. Our Neighbourhood Plan, strongly supported by the community in the vote in February 2015, ensured the necessary amount for our area. We will continue to resist any development proposals which are outside our Neighbourhood Plan.

Preparing for WINTER....

Last winter was very mild but we can never be sure what the weather will bring. We work with the other local councils to try and ensure the best arrangements with the limited resources, in dealing with any snow and ice that might come our way.

Main roads.... When necessary, the County Council will grit these roads :

- Hassocks Road and the High Street to Albourne (the B2116)
- Albourne to Sayers Common and the A23 (the B2118)
- Cuckfield Road (from the High Street to Goddards Green and A2300)
- Brighton Road. (the B2117)

Other roads ...In severe conditions the County Council enlist the help of some local contractors and farmers to clear, but not grit, some minor roads in Hurstpierpoint following heavy snowfall:

- Trinity Road, Western Road, Marchants Road, College Lane .

These have been chosen because of their particular location and where gradients can cause problems. If you live on any of these please try to keep your car off the road, to help the snow-clearance.

Grit/Salt Bags... Wherever possible bulk bags of grit will be placed as follows:

- Western Road, in front of the allotments gate,
- Willow Gardens, corner of Willow Way,
- Iden Hurst, corner of Cuckfield Road,
- Marchants Road, corner of Cuckfield Road,
- Charity Shop/Chantry Stables noticeboard,
- Health Centre, Trinity Road, next to footpath/bench,
- Cherrington Close, corner of Highfield Drive.

These are available for nearby residents' use on pavements – but not for private use. Where possible our local maintenance team will be around to help organise their use. **You only need to lightly sprinkle the grit – otherwise it is wasteful and adds to water pollution.**



VACANCY for COUNCILLOR

We have a vacancy for a Councillor in the Hurstpierpoint Ward. This would be by co-option and the successful candidate would be in post until May 2019, when they would be eligible to re-stand, or step down. An **INFORMATION SESSION is being held at 7.00pm Wednesday 8 February 2017** at the Village Centre, Trinity Road, Hurstpierpoint. Please come along if you would like to find out more, without obligation, or contact the Parish Office.