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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:

12 December 2013
16 January 2014
13 February 2014
13 March 2014

COMMITTEES:

Planning & Environment:

19 December 2013
23 January 2014
20 February 2014
20 March 2014

Community Affairs:

30 January 2014
27 March 2014

Services:

5 December 2013
6 February 2014
3 April 2014

Website:

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

www.hurstpierpoint-pc.org.uk



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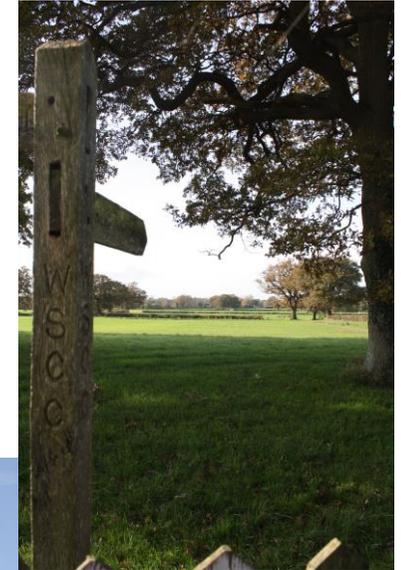


Housing development..... where next ?

The future of three large new housing developments in our Parish remains in the balance after the Government's Secretary of State for Planning, Nick Boles, has intervened.

In a highly unusual move, the Government has asked to review the planning reports for 81 houses at College Lane and 157 houses at Little Park and Highfield Drive, all in Hurstpierpoint, and 120 houses in Sayers Common. It is expected that the Secretary of State will then make a decision on the future of all three in the Spring.

See inside for more details ...



Hurst College in the Winter sun

Parish 2031 Neighbourhood Plan Housing development...

..... where next ?

College Lane, Hurstpierpoint: This site for 81 houses was not included in our draft Neighbourhood Plan and was opposed by the Parish Council, although the Planning Authority Mid Sussex District Council decided to give permission. However, the Government's Secretary of State for Planning has told them not to complete the permission while he considers the future of the proposal.

Little Park/Highfield Drive: This proposal for 157 homes and a 50Ac area of informal parkland was included in our draft Neighbourhood Plan and the planning application was given conditional support by the Parish Council, but then refused permission by Mid Sussex District Council. The developer has appealed this decision and the public enquiry is due to start 17 December 2013. The Planning Inspector will hear the arguments from Mid Sussex DC and the developers, and make a recommendation. Again, the Government's Secretary of State has said that he will study the report and make his decision.

Kingsland Laines, Sayers Common: This application for 120 new houses and a new care home north of Reeds Lane was refused planning permission but then taken to an appeal enquiry in October. The Government's Planning Inspector heard from experts representing the developer and Mid Sussex District Council, as well as from the Parish Council. Our planning adviser argued that this was not the best place for 120 new homes, in a small village without schools, medical facilities, shops or adequate public transport. The Inspector will now write her report and, yet again, the Government's Secretary of State has said that he will study the report and make his decision.

In all three cases it is expected that the Secretary of State will announce his decision in the Spring.

A developer has recently been canvassing local residents about a suggested 90-house development at Kemps Farm, north of Orchard Way, Hurstpierpoint. At this time no planning application has been made.

For more information on local planning, please follow our website:
www.hurstpierpoint-pc.org.uk

New seats.... The Parish Council has started to install new seats around Hurstpierpoint, with the first in Trinity Road.

Boules pitch.... The Council is supporting a local group in Sayers Common to provide a pitch at Reeds Lane Recreation Ground.

Preparing for WINTER....

The local councils have been working together to try and ensure the best use of limited resources, in dealing with snow and ice.

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

- 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 (Wickham Hill end).

These have been chosen because of their particular importance 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.**

Volunteers Needed: Would you be available to help clear the pavements when it snows? If so, please contact the Parish Council office on **01273 833264** or email: hurstpierpoint.pc@btinternet.com and we will tell you about the scheme.

The PARISH COUNCIL wishes all our residents a happy Christmas and prosperous New Year