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## **HERSTMONCEUX PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER**

**NOVEMBER 2016**

### Neighbourhood Plan

We are continuing with the new neighbourhood plan and a draft copy should be ready for you all to look at and comment on in the New Year. The Neighbourhood Plan is an extremely important document that will set out how we want to try to regulate the way the Parish develops over the next 10 to 15 years.

### Website and Face book

We are currently putting the final touches to our new website and ensuring all of the information is correct. We hope to launch our new website in the new year. Watch this space!

The face book page, which has not been used in the past, is being resurrected. For the time being, the clerk is in contact and will be providing updates through the Herstmonceux Community Facebook site which you can request being a member of:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Herstmonceux/>

### Councillors' Surgeries

Again with the theme of keeping the Parish informed, the surgeries continue at the Information Centre on the last Saturday of each month, the next being 29<sup>th</sup> October and 26<sup>th</sup> November. The November surgery will be attended by Bill Bentley one of our East Sussex County Councillors. Please pop in for a chat to pass on any concerns or ideas you may have for your village.

### Developments

The developers are continuing to work on the Reserve Matters for the Lime Cross site. The Parish Council are in contact with them and awaiting a date from them to enable us to discuss the detail with them.

The site at Lime Roughs has been sold on to Monson Homes who will meet with the Council when they are sufficiently advanced enough with their planning to have a meaningful conversation. In return, the Parish Council can discuss the Parish's needs, as indicated in the recent survey. We are hoping this will be in November.

### Defibrillators

The defibrillators outside the Parish Office and at the Merrie Harriers will be fitted in November. We are looking to put another in Windmill Hill in the future.

### Allotments

Great news that we have been able to accommodate all those on the waiting list! Please contact the Clerk if you are interested in 'growing your own' and finding out more about renting an allotment from the Parish Council.

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### Footpaths and stiles

We have a lot of walkers in the village and it would be appreciated that, if you notice any footpaths, stiles and signs that need attention, you contact Clare, in the Parish Office, who will pass the information on to the Councillor responsible.

### Hiring Parish grounds

You may not be aware that you can hire Lime Cross Sports field, the Recreation Ground and Deneield. The cost is very reasonable details, if interested please find out more from the Parish office.

### Dog poo

We mention this again because of the terrible diseases that dog faeces can inflict on a child or farm animals. The contractors were prevented from mowing verges recently because of the amount of dog poo on them. Please, please pick up after your dog. Yes, we are begging!!!



### Councillors

Some Parishioners have indicated that they are not sure who the Parish Councillors are, so here is a list of names:

Ian Stewart	– Chair of Parish Council
Stephen Nash	– Vice-Chair of Parish Council, Chair of Amenities Committee
Jo Angear	– Chair of Planning Committee
Malcolm Bradshaw	– Chair of Finance & General Purposes Committee
Jenny Alder	Angela Ashley
Mick Goodsell	Heather Kenward
Bryan Naish	Catherine Stirling-Reed
Max von Barholt Krag	

#### **Clerks Corner - Happy Autumn everyone!**

We have been talking to Sussex Police recently about changes to community policing. Did you know you can now report all crimes and incidents, including anti-social driving (Operation Crackdown) and abandoned vehicles, to Sussex Police online at <http://www.sussex.police.uk/contact-us/report-online/> or email [101@sussex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:101@sussex.pnn.police.uk) in addition to calling **101**. To report an obstruction on the highway or pavement, call **101**. You can also access the latest Sussex Police news bulletins and find out information such as on lost and found pets and property at <http://www.sussex.police.uk/>. Also, log into <https://www.facebook.com/sussexpoliceforce/> for their facebook updates.

Don't forget you can view Parish Council feedback comments and observations on planning applications. Please follow this link to the website to access this information through the Parish Council Planning Meeting minutes: <http://www.herstmonceuxparish.org.uk/index.html>

Copies of all Council minutes, and other organisation meeting notes, such as Wealden District Association of Local Councils, are in the Parish Council Office, (open Thursdays, 10.00-13.00hrs).

Best Wishes and stay bonfire and firework safe,

*Clare Harrison*, Clerk to Herstmonceux Parish Council