



Fair Oak & Horton Heath Parish Council NEWS

...keeping the community informed

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VE Day Celebrations...

To commemorate next year's celebration of 75 years since the second world war ended in Europe, the Council will be hosting a Street Party.

It is planned to re-enact the street party held in Witt Road in 1945 (see picture above) and we would love to hear from anyone who was actually there!

The Event will be held at Knowle Park and will include an afternoon

children's tea party, traditional games, food and drink and live music.

This celebration is planned for Saturday 27 June 2020 when traditionally the carnival had been held (see more details on page 5).

Thank you to everyone who took part, helped and supported this year's Carnival. The £605.32 collected will go towards funding the VE celebrations.

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FUTURE NEWSLETTERS

As reported in previous newsletters, the newsletter in this format will cease in the New Year, the last one being February 2020.

Residents will be invited to sign up for the new e-newsletter, instructions on how to receive these will be on our website & in the final February edition.



Chairman's Corner



Helen Douglas

Dear Resident

After a somewhat mixed summer and an amazing carnival on the hottest day of the year, organised so ably by Linda Greenslade, our Deputy Clerk, autumn now approaches, and the Parish Council starts to build its new budgets and plans ready for 2020 – 2021.

We have long term projects, which are on-going or in various stages of planning, but if there is anything you would like to see improved or created in the villages please let us know, as it is possible that we may be able to plan for that too in the future.

We welcome three new councillors, Kristina Forfar, Trudie Highbly and Daniel Abbott, all local residents who are keen to have an input into Parish Council life.

We look carefully at our spending every year, and the Council has decided that this is the penultimate edition of our hardcopy newsletter. It is increasingly expensive to produce and often information is out of date or not relevant by the time it gets to you. The newsletter will be available more frequently and on-line. You will be able to sign up to have it delivered directly to your in-box or via the Parish Council web site. We will continue to have some hard copies in key places around the villages – for example our community halls, office and library.

We now know the dates of the enquiry into the Local Plan. As

you know, this plan affects this parish more than anywhere else in the Borough, and we are currently writing our submission to the Inspector. The enquiry is open to anyone and details of the dates and location can be found below. The Parish Council will be putting forward robust views on the deliverability of the plan and its consistency with national planning policy, which we have formulated from our consultations with you and in Parish Council meetings.

Currently we seem to have every road being repaired or dug up with traffic lights and the like in the villages as development gathers pace. Potentially this is the start of years of this development in the villages, and we need to make sure that any development considers us first. If you encounter mud on roads, working out of hours on the sites – generally work should be 8-5pm weekdays and 9-1pm Saturdays with no Sunday working, or lorries queuing to get onto sites please let us know. These hours are set up to give us some peace from the noise of lorries and general building and need to be enforced.

We welcome any contact from our Parishioners or just pop into one of our meetings – every meeting has the first 15 minutes for anyone to speak and ask questions, and you don't have to stay for the rest of the meeting if you don't want to!

Best Wishes

Helen Douglas

Eastleigh Local Plan Inspection

A series of public hearings will be held by the Inspector during the course of the Examination.

Venue: The Millennium Suite, The Botleigh Grange Hotel, Grange Road, Hedge End, SO30 2GA.

The hearing sessions will open on Thursday 21 November, 2019 at 10.00 am and will run for a period of six weeks on the following dates:-

Thursday 21, Friday 22, Tuesday 26, Wednesday 27 & Thursday 28 November.

Wednesday 4, Thursday 5 & Friday 6 December.

Wednesday 8, Thursday 9, Tuesday 14, Wednesday 15, Thursday 16, Tuesday 28, Wednesday 29 & Thursday 30 January.

Please see the Inspector's Guidance Notes for details of the process including registering for taking part in the hearing sessions and the provision of hearing statements. For more information contact Eastleigh Borough Council on **023 8068 8000**.

MINUTES PAST

Fair Oak Parish Council was established in 1894 during the premiership of William Ewart Gladstone.

The following is an extract from the Parish Minute Book.

Wednesday December 6th 1950 Special Meeting

The meeting was arranged to enable the council to meet the Area Planning Officer, Mr. W Graper, who wished to explain the recently prepared town map. Mr. Graper said that although there were no obligations, the planning authority were anxious that Fair Oak should be kept in contact with new proposals.

Development areas were planned on the basis of population increases during the last 20 years. In the case of Fair Oak it was estimated that during the next 20 years the increase would be between 450 and 500, thereby requiring 35 to 40 acres of land.

Suggested areas for building in the village were, the fields opposite Stubbington Farm and the area from The Square bounded by Winchester Road and Witt Road.

Community News & Notices

Fair Oak Art & Craft Society

The Society will be 40 years old later this year and are celebrating with an Anniversary Exhibition on November 9th & 10th. This will be held at Fair Oak Village Hall and is open from 10.00am until 4.30pm both days. Entry fee is just £1 per adult, over 16.

Visitors will be able to browse a wide range of beautiful paintings and craft items produced by our members, all of which are for sale, (ideal with Christmas approaching!). We are also displaying photographic & pictorial memorabilia tracing our history over the last 40 years. Refreshments including home made cakes & buns will be available and visitors can choose their favourite painting as well as participating in our very popular Tombola.

If you would like more details of our Society please visit our website www.foacs.uk

Date for your Diary



A festive poster for a Christmas Craft Table Top Sale. It features a green Christmas tree with red and gold ornaments, a red banner that says 'CHRISTMAS CRAFT TABLE TOP SALE', and several wrapped gifts at the base. Text on the poster includes 'FREE ENTRY! FOR BUYERS', 'FREE PARKING', and '1ST DECEMBER 2019 10am - 3pm'. The event is held at the Horton Heath Community Centre. Booking information: £15 PER TABLE (limited space), book online at www.fairoak-pc.gov.uk or call 02380 692403. Stall holders set up from 9am. Organized by Fair Oak and Horton Heath Parish Council.



Allotments

During the summer the Knowle Park & Campbell Way allotment holders were busy maintaining and reaping the fruits of their plots.

The Allotment Association hosted a BBQ and prizes were given to the "Best Kept" allotments from both Knowle Park and Campbell Way sites. The picture shows some of the winners receiving their prizes.

10 November - Remembrance Sunday



Services start at 10 am at both St Thomas' Church and the Wyvern Sports Hall followed by the parade of uniformed groups. The Act of Remembrance is at

10.55 am, Sunday 10 November at the War Memorial, Fair Oak Square.

ALL WELCOME

Carols in the Square

Monday 9th December
6 - 7.30pm
Fair Oak Square

Carol singing, an array of Christmas crafts and food and an interactive nativity.



 **St Thomas'**
FAIR OAK &
HORTON HEATH

An introduction from Martin Johnson, Operations Manager

When I first met Colin Burchett, little did I know that I would one day be standing in his shoes!

Fast forward 18 months, and he was giving me a guided tour of Fair Oak & Horton Heath, handing over his keys to the parish office and with a content smile on his face waving goodbye. Retiring as the Parish Ranger, after a dozen years or so, his time serving the Parish Council was ending and my time as his replacement was just beginning.

My name is Martin Johnson and in the 2 months since that first day, I have discovered so much already about our flourishing community. Our parks and open spaces are the envy of other parish councils. Knowle Park in particular, I would consider as our hidden jewel. I didn't even know it existed before working here, and I used to drive past it daily. With its striking views, rolling pastures and well-kept facilities this place really does showcase what our parish has to offer.



The cricket wicket and outfield has survived a hot summer, and the football pitches at Lapstone Playing Fields are in fantastic condition going into the new season. We have a brand-new play area at New Century Park, with further playground upgrades programmed throughout the area. We also have a new commercial kitchen installed at Horton Heath Community Centre - a great facility for you to use if you're considering a party or event.

Looking forward, there is so much planned for our parish over the next few years, this is one of the reasons I applied for the job. If we can create another Knowle Park in our parish, I will be the one with the content smile, when I eventually hand over the keys, in the meantime I look forward to serving you for the next dozen years or so.

Let me know your thoughts, concerns and ideas and I will always endeavour to reply.



Martin Johnson

Operations Manager

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Hampshire Constabulary: Eastleigh Police

'Working for Safer Communities'

Cops 'n' Coffee

Enjoy a coffee, discuss your concerns, get crime-prevention advice and tell us your policing priorities at 10 o'clock in the Wyvern Café.

Dates:

9 October

6 November

4 December

29 January 2020



PC King

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Safer Neighbourhood Team
(Fair Oak & Horton Heath)

External: 101

Internal: 731-250



PCSO Rees

PCSO 13140 HELEN REES

Community Support Officer
(Fair Oak & Horton Heath)

Safer Neighbourhood Team

External: 101



Parish Council News & Notices

FAIR OAK CARNIVAL

At its recent Community Events Sub-Committee meeting, Members noted that despite some positive feedback received, as with previous years, there remained some challenging issues, which needed to be addressed with the Carnival in its present format. These included the declining number of procession participants, the adequate marshalling of the event, and the complaints received from residents regarding the road closures and noise from New Century Park, being a heavily built up residential area. The health and safety concerns and environmental impact of the procession had been discussed, as complaints had also been raised regarding fumes from the large float, cars and the walking route being too long for small children.

The lack of participants and the need for marshals had been communicated to residents via the Council's newsletter and Facebook, which had received little response. As such, members agreed that the format of the event, needed to be re-examined.

Taking everything into account, Members of the Committee all agreed, that as the carnival procession had significantly dwindled in recent years, it was time to discontinue the whole carnival and fete in its present format and a new summer event be organised, with a view to launch this new event in 2021. Ideas for this new format, included a family fun day, live music, wider selection of food and drink stalls, local producer stalls and a fun fair.

The location of future events would be held at Knowle Park, given the growth of the Parish, and the new format of the 2021 event, New Century Park was now not an appropriate location. Other benefits of hosting at Knowle Park were that it has a much larger area, having fewer residents nearby, nearer to the Parish Office to assist staff in event management, no road closures needed and an opportunity to showcase this asset.

Local organisations will still be asked to participate in the event, in order to showcase their organisation and seek alternative ways for fundraising.

As mentioned on the front page of this newsletter, the Parish Council will host a summer event next year in the format of a VE day celebration tea party.

COMMUNITY GRANTS

The Council has a discretionary grants award scheme to support a range of voluntary and community organisations to carry out projects and provide activities to benefit local people. The programme

distributes approximately £4,000 per annum received through section 137 grant funding. Awards are determined by elected members, judging each application on its own merits. Applications for grant awards can be made by completing an application form found on our website. All applications must be made from 1 July – 31 October 2019. Funds to successful grant applicants would be released in February 2020.

HIDDEN BOOK CHALLENGE

The Parish Council has supported the Hampshire Hidden Books initiative by hiding books around the local parks. Have you found one yet? Let us know if you enjoyed reading them?

COMMUNITY LIBRARY

A free Community Library has been built using recycled material by one of the Groundstaff, and filled with books donated by staff. The library is situated in New Century Park. Please let us know your thoughts on this idea, and if you have used the facility.



HORTON HEATH COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Parish Council has invested £17,000 using funds from the previous Community Association (£11,000) and ear marked reserves (£6,000) in re-furbishing the Horton Heath Community Centre kitchen to a commercial standard and now meets required health & safety regulations. If you would like to use this facility, please contact us.



Local Activities & Venues



55 Savernake Way, Fair Oak, SO50 7FA

Woodland Community Centre

bookings@fairoak-pc.gov.uk

Tel: 023 8069 2403



Parish Office Meeting Rooms

bookings@fairoak-pc.gov.uk

Tel: 023 8069 2403



Horton Heath Community Centre

bookings@fairoak-pc.gov.uk

Tel: 023 8069 2403

The Parish Council own and manage three buildings. All have facilities for hire ,and some are available to book on-line via our website www.fairoak-pc.gov.uk. Regular users and activities can also be found on the website with details, days and times of the various activities.

Here are some of the activities that take place:

- **Gymnastics**
- **Martial Arts**
- **Mum & Baby Class**
- **Dance Classes**
- **Yoga**
- **Karate**
- **Football**
- **Community Fit Club**
- **Beavers, Cubs, Scouts**
- **Rainbows**
- **Crochet & Chatter**
- **Music**

For more details phone Carly Giles on 023 8069 2403 or email bookings@fairoak-pc.gov.uk.

CROWDHILL GREEN - UPDATE

Unfortunately the public open space, including the play area, is still some way off being acceptable to the Parish Council. A recent site visit carried out with officers from Eastleigh Borough Council, Fair Oak & Horton Heath Parish and the developer has highlighted a number of issues that still fall short of the standards acceptable to both authorities in order that the Parish can accept transfer of this land. We have regular contact with both EBC and the developer and it is hoped that significant progress will be made soon to address these issues. Should residents have any concerns in the meantime, please contact the developers (Bloor and Linden Homes).



NEW CENTURY PARK PLAY AREA

The Parish Council has received many positive comments on its newly refurbished park. The children have certainly been enjoying it over the summer. Unfortunately it has recently been subject to graffiti, and we are monitoring this. If you see anyone behaving inappropriately at any of our sites, please let us know by ringing 023 8069 2403 or emailing clerk@fairoak-pc.gov.uk. We rely on you to be our eyes and ears.

SCOUT HUT - UPDATE

Negotiations between the Parish Council and the Scouting Association regarding formal surrender of the lease is now making some headway. The Parish Council is hopeful that this legal process will be completed soon, after which we will further consult residents on the future use of the site.

Community Organisations and Social Groups

CHURCHES

HORTON HEATH BAPTIST CHURCH

Paul Sorby 04786 380026

METHODIST CHURCH

Annie Mole 02380 615688

ST THOMAS' CHURCH (Church of England)

Rev Ali Mephram 80695786

FAIR OAK FAMILY CHURCH

Allington Lane, Fair Oak 01962 712418

david@dblackburn.co.uk

CLUBS & SOCIETIES

AGE CONCERN (Fair Oak and Horton Heath)

Jill Robertson 80693053

BISHOPSTOKE & FAIR OAK GOOD NEIGHBOURS

Voluntary transport scheme for residents

unable to access public transport.

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FAIR OAK ART AND CRAFT SOCIETY

Meets every Wednesday evening except the last in the month

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FAIR OAK BOWLING CLUB

Tony White 80693023

FAIR OAK GARDENING CLUB

Meets every second Monday monthly at Fair Oak Village Hall

Marilyn Andrews 80694142

FAIR OAK WIDOWS CLUB

Christine Pratt 80601615

WELCOME CLUB

Meets first and third Tues monthly in Fair Oak Village Hall

at 2.00 pm - outings and entertainment.

Pat White 80694433

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Meets at 7.30 pm on the last Wednesday in the month

Anne Griffiths-Turner 80694579

VINTAGE SOCIAL GROUP

Social and table top games 2nd & 4th Fri at 1.30 pm

hortonheathbaptistchurch@gmail.com 01962 712282

EASTLEIGH DISTRICT U3A

Ann Beeching 80600091

EASTLEIGH HEALTHWALKS (FAIR OAK)

1 hour walk every Fri starting at 9.30am from

New Century Park (Brookfield Road entrance)

John Dunne 80693000

QUINN RAIDERS COUNTRY AND WESTERN

Fair Oak Village Hall— Bill Biggs 80642456

SCHOOLS & COLLEGES

FAIR OAK INFANT SCHOOL

Headteacher - David Peart 8069 2207

SPORTS CLUBS

FAIR OAK SQUASH AND RACKETBALL CLUB

www.fairoaksquashandracketball.co.uk

fairoaksquash@gmail.com

80695107

HORTON HEATH BADMINTON CLUB

Every Weds 8-10pm; Contact Robina 80692007

WYVERN YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

tonystevens@wyvernfc.org.uk

TODDLERS AND PRE-SCHOOL GROUPS

FOOTPRINTS PRE-SCHOOL

The Stables, St Thomas' Church 07540 252454

HAPPY DAYS PRE-SCHOOL

Village Hall, Fair Oak - Sue Plowman 80601276

RAINBOWS PRE-SCHOOL

Woodland Community Centre, Jacqui Huskins 80692162

WYVERN PRE-SCHOOL

80603221

Community Wings, Botley Road, Fair Oak: Jayne Leonard

YOUTH CLUBS

ST. THOMAS' YOUTH CLUB

80695786

Y-ZONE YOUTH CENTRE

80693487

HALLS FOR HIRE

FAIR OAK VILLAGE HALL

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Uniformed Groups

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Janet Painter

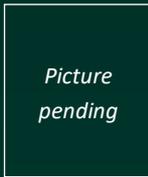
Tel: 023 8069 2985

GDPR COMPLIANCE

For GDPR compliance reasons, we have had to remove a number of the directory listings previously used because we are still awaiting consent agreements. As soon as we hear from you, we can put you back on our contact list.

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Parish Council Meetings

All meetings on a Monday, generally at 7.00 pm unless otherwise specified and are usually held in the **Roger Smith Conference Suite**, 2 Knowle Park Lane, Fair Oak, SO50 7GL. Please check on the notice boards and website for correct times.

Meeting Dates

Full Council: Third Monday of every month
Finance: 28 October, 2 December, 9 March 2020
Planning: First Monday of every month
Asset: 11 November, 13 April 2020
Annual Parish: 30 March 2020