

Chairman's Message

Welcome to our winter newsletter.

I came away from a recent series of briefings to local councils with a sense that there was one overall theme connecting them: trying to do more with less.

This is particularly relevant for parish councils as we are the only tier of local government that doesn't have a funding cap. We raise our funds almost entirely from the precept, paid through your Council Tax.

The government is cutting back the Revenue Support Grant to County and District Councils, phasing it out completely in 2019. They plan to compensate by allowing councils to have more of the business rates they collect. The amount collected is not likely to make up for the amount lost.

Because parish councils are not capped all eyes are on us to take up some of the work normally done by counties or districts. These include things like looking after street signs, grass cutting and managing car parks. There are separate cuts to police funding that will also affect us.

We are already considering cutting the grass in some prominent areas following a number of complaints about the appearance of our villages.

Steyning area parishes set up a collaboration to keep our youth service going when it was cut by the County Council. We also collaborate to fund our wardens.

However, all of this costs, so if we took everything on our precepts would have to rise. So far the cost would not be huge, amounting to only a few pounds on a Band D property.

Would you be prepared to pay more, for example let's say £10 a year to have more grass cutting and the verges and street signs maintained?

Antisocial behaviour and the warden service has been in the local news. Councillors were shocked and appalled by the reported behaviour and expressed concerns and sympathy for bystanders and victims.

However, following ill informed attacks on the warden service, councillors unanimously expressed support for the wardens.

The wardens are not a private police force. Their role has much more to do with community support. They have done excellent work in preventing much antisocial behaviour and vandalism - whilst also looking out for some of our most vulnerable residents.

Dog fouling in public spaces has been raised by members of the public at council meetings and in social media. This is a perennial problem.

The law is clear: it is an offence to allow a dog to foul any public space. Every dog owner must know this yet there are some who still ignore it.

Councillors asked whether dogs might have to be banned from some of our amenity spaces. We will consider doing this as well as other options if the problem persists.

All of our contact details are published in this newsletter and on our website.

You can also follow us on Facebook.

On behalf of all of your Parish Councillors I would like to pass on our best wishes for the forthcoming season to you all.

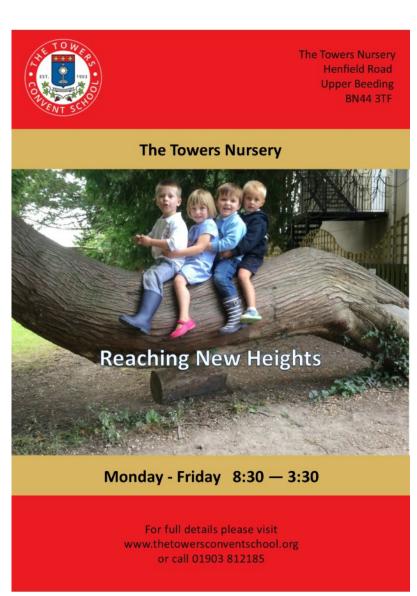
Simon Birnstingl (Chair, UBPC).

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE DECEMBER

- The Neighbourhood Plan (NP) is progressing well since we appointed our new Planning Consultant Allison Keech. As stated previously we have sent Horsham District Council (HDC) our Scoping Document but due to a change in the NP Officer for HDC there has been some delays and we are waiting their response.
- · Allison is busy re-writing our Draft NP and has issued 2 iterations of the Plan to date which we are busy reviewing.
- · We visited Riverside Caravan Park to support the owner's stand against the Environment Agency (EA) and recommended the Parish Council to write to the EA on their behalf (this has now been done) as the site could offer additional housing in the village.
- Received an email from Richard West on behalf of the owners of the Church Farm site who are actively seeking an alternative access other than Church Farm Walk.
- HDC will be holding sessions in the New Year to discuss and advise NP Teams re: The High Court Challenge Henfield Parish Council (PC) had against their NP and how we can minimise these. To ensure we tick all the boxes we have reviewed all our sites again and updated the detail so that we don't fall foul like the Henfield NP. The advice sent out by Chris Lyons at HDC is "matters regarding sites need to be water tight so that there are no repercussions later down the line".
- · Had a meeting at Mackleys with Sam Mackley of Hopegear Properties Ltd who own the site and Les Robinson Planning Consultant to Hopegear Properties Ltd. This was to ensure the needs of their tenants had been noted in a survey we undertook on the site and be included in our plan.
- Once we complete the Draft version of the NP to the satisfaction of the PC we will send it to HDC, Soutdowns National Park Authority (SDNPA), and West Sussex County Council (WSCC) for comment. It is unlikely, what with Christmas, that we will get anything back on this before January 2017 which means we are unlikely to be able to consult with you the residents until January/February 2017. Although this is a further delay I do believe it is best to ensure we have covered all angles and not have any areas that could be open for appeal.
- Do you know what a Habitat Regulation Assessment (HRA) is? If you do you need to join the NP team. If it is needed it will be undertaken for the whole NP. It may be required if any of the sites chosen within the NP are in close proximity to an internationally designated site. An internationally designated site could include Special Protection Areas (SPAs); Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) and Ramsar sites (wetlands of international importance designated under the Ramsar Convention). HDC should be able to let us know if we need to do one and this is what we are trying to get them to tell us through asking for a screening opinion. Clear as mud!! I'm glad you think so, but this is why we need somebody like Allison our Consultant to help us through the jargon and law of Planning.
- The Cements Works continues to frustrate all; it will now be March 2017 before we know who the new owners will be as Hargreaves the current owners have extended Steve Dudman's option to buy until then. We will have to wait and see what happens and which one of the options to develop the site will get the go ahead.
- Our next Public NP Meeting is at the HUB, the Baptist Church UB on 14th. December at 7.30pm.
- · If you have any questions on this please contact me on: teatum@btinternet.com or visit the website at: http://upperbeeding-pc.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan/

Sean Teatum

NP Team Chairman



THE TOWERS NURSERY IS REACHING NEW HEIGHTS

We are committed to providing a happy and safe environment where children can develop at their own pace.

Our nurturing environment provides a stimulating, happy & relaxed atmosphere enabling parents to leave their children in the care of qualified and experienced staff with complete peace of mind, from 8.30 am to 3.30 pm during term time.

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We are passionate about the children feeling emotionally secure and happy in their nursery environment which we believe encourages them to become independent learners.

We follow a structure of learning, development and care for children from birth to five years old. This is called the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) and it enables your child to learn through a range of activities. Your child's development is closely monitored through constant observations both formal and informal. The underpinning philosophy of the Early Years Foundation Stage is that each child is an individual and will develop at an individual pace.

Come along and see for yourselves or phone 01903812185. Check out our web page.... You won't regret it

http://www.thetowersconventschool.org/the-

SHORT MAT BOWLS

Upper Beeding Club meets at the Village Hall and belongs to the West Sussex County Short Mat Bowls Association. Currently we play in the league as well as the knockout cup with matches being played at weekends during the winter months.

The club caters for beginners and also experienced bowlers. New bowlers are given tuition to start them off. The cost of membership is £10 per year with session fees at £2-50.

There are vacancies for new members. We meet on Tuesday and Friday afternoons 2.30 to 4.30pm also Tuesday evenings from 7.30 to 9.30pm. Please arrive 15 minutes early so that the session can be organised.

This is a great sport for people of all ages. Your first session is free !!!

Contact Jean 01273 493184 or come along to the hall.

Village Hall News

Is there anyone out there with accounting/book-keeping experience?

The Village Hall urgently needs a treasurer. Our current one is giving up at the end of the financial year and we need a similar accounting angel to take over from her. The post is voluntary and would suit someone who has recently retired or is working and has some time to give to the Hall. The job involves keeping accounts, invoicing hall users, banking, bill paying etc and attending the Management meetings. We are a friendly and enthusiastic group of people who value our village hall and work hard to keep it the valuable asset to the village that it has always been. Without a treasurer, however, it is difficult to see how we could continue to do so. This is a heartfelt plea for help. If you think you could help or want to find out more please contact our secretary on 01273 493184 or Chairman 01903 812450.

During the summer months the grounds of the hall have been tidied and two new sheds erected as well as a new pushchair shelter installed. Our thanks to the many helpers who came to sort out the accumulated items from sheds and cupboards in the hall. A lot was removed and some of the space has been utilised by our regular users. The list of future improvements in and around the hall is starting to grow but our first priority is the pathway up to and around the hall.

By the time you read this article the Christmas Fair will have gone, so a thank you to all who supported it in any way, either by donating goods, attending the event or helping in the actual organisation.

On Wednesday 21 December there is a Quiz which will have a Christmas theme. Tables of 6 players are welcome, the cost is £1 per person, if you do not have a team to join then come along and we will accommodate you. You can bring your own refreshments but tea and coffee will be available. As always there is a raffle.

The next day (Thursday 22^{nd} December) the hall is hosting a Christmas Concert with Lancing Brass from 7 to 9pm. The second half will be popular carols so we need people with singing voices. Tickets will be on sale in the village and will cost £4 for adults and £2 children. See the posters for more details.

Finally, The Management Committee wish all our supporters a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Jean Armour-Milne

A message from a different time and a different place, but still valid now. In this Christmas Season, remember those less fortunate where you can.

INDIA - 1944 By Ken Brown

We stared from the carriage window
At the beggars who lined the track
Raising their thin, thin hands to us
"Give us the food we lack!"
Some were old - incredibly old Calling for 'alms' by rote But some were young - unbearably young ----(That was a lump in my throat!)
I remember their eyes, the big, brown eyes
Of those children of long ago
And the little shrill cries of 'Baksheesh, sahib!'
Coming from down below.......

The voices faded, the train steamed on,
The children were left behind,
But though that was nineteen forty-three
They are still the same in my mind. . . .
My kids have never begged for food Neither have yours, it is plain,
But I cannot forget the big, brown eyes
Of those kids by that Indian train;
We canot help them - we could not then,
Except for some bread, no more Perhaps we can help the sons of their sons
Who are distressed and poor!





BEEDING & BRAMBER LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Meetings are held in the Village Hall at 7.45 pm on the first Wednesday of the month. Membership fees, which can be paid ay any meeting, are £8 for one person and £15 for two people at the same address. Non-members are welcome to attend for £3.

Meetings in 2017 begin on Wednesday 4 January with Janet Pennington's talk on Steyning Scandals, the Secrets of a Sussex Market Town,

On Wednesday 1 February, John and Jeanette Simpson will tell us about the Princess of Dreams – the Life and Times of Lydia Yavorska, Princess Bariatinsky, and how she came to be buried in the churchyard of St Nicolas, Old Shoreham.

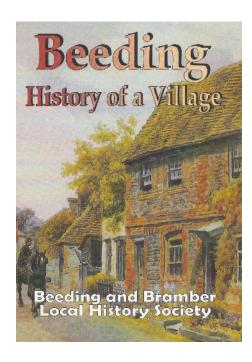
On Wednesday 1 March we hold our AGM followed by Chris Tod from Steyning Museum.

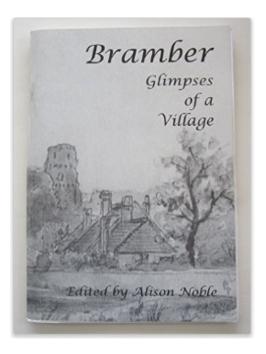
For further information, and for copies of the books produced by the Society, contact Pat Nightingale at "Bowfell", Hyde Street, Upper Beeding, BN44 3TG, Tel. 01903 812847 or email drpnightingale@mypostoffice.co.uk

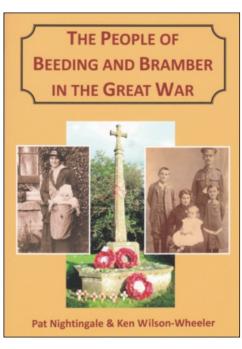
Books: Beeding, History of a Village, £7.50

Bramber, Glimpses of a Village, £3

The People of Beeding and Bramber in the Great War, £12







BEEDING & BRAMBER HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

We held two Shows as usual this year, in Spring and Summer and would like to continue to do so in future, but like many other local organisations, we are lacking willing volunteers to help with the organisation and running of these events. The coming year will be the last for the Society unless some new, younger members step up, so, please, let us hear from you if you can be of assistance. Even if you are not a gardener, we could do with some help to set up and make use of social media.

For further information, Tel. 01903 812847 or email drpnightingale@mypostoffice.co.uk

From Sussex Police

Please be aware that there appears to be a mini spate of burglaries locally.

Reference: 0705 26-11

Location: Storrington Rise, Findon Valley

Date and time: On 25/11/16 between 1230 and 1400.

Details: Glass panel smashed on back door entry gained and untidy search. Christmas presents stolen

Reference: 1104 25-11

Location: Kings Barn Lane, Steyning

Date and time: 25/11/2016

Details: Smashed glass in back door, reached in and opened it. Small search made nothing taken

Reference: 1181 25-11

Location: Kings Barn Lane, Steyning

Date and time: Overnight

Details: Smashed rear patio door, hole big enough to reach in and open door. Entry not gained

Reference: 0018 27-11

Location: Rusper Road, Horsham

Date and time: Between 1900 and midnight on 26/11/16

Details: Front door kicked open. Ipads taken and untidy search made.

Reference: 0113 28-11 Location: Faygate Horsham

Date and time: Overnight between 27/11/16 and 28/11/16

Details: Window smashed to gain entry to building site. Power tools stolen.

Reference: 0993 01-12 Location: Woodmancote

Date and time: 01/12/2016 afternoon

Details: Entry gained by smashing ground floor window, untidy search.

Reference: 1225 01/12/16 Location: Firs Close, Horsham Date and time: 01/12/16

Details: Alarm went off on police arrival no one on the premises.

Other than Dwelling

Reference: 1118 25-11

Location: The Sands, Ashington, Pulborough

Date and time: 1800 on 25/11/16

Details: Attempt break. Male in balaclava seen climbing on shed roofs to find a way in.

Reference: 0501 26-11

Location: Rushams Road, Horsham

Date and time: Overnight between 25/11/16 and 26/11/16 Details: Garage broken into. Stole £4000 worth of tools

Reference: 0829 27-11

Location: Lordings Road, Adversane, Horsham

Date and time: Overnight between 24/11/16 and 25/11/16

Details: Out buildings broken into and lawnmower batteries, chainsaws stolen

vehicle Crime

Please be aware, on colder days when your car needs defrosting, although it may save time to leave your car running while you go back into your house this also saves time for the opportunist to steal your car. It is also illegal to leave your car engine running when unattended on a highway. It can also invalidate some insurance. We have had two incidents reported to us in the Horsham area of cars being left unattended and then stolen

Upper Beeding Parish Council

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Forthcoming Meetings

At Small Dole Village Hall

January 2017	10 th	Planning Committee Council
	24 th	Planning Committee Amenities Committee Sports & Leisure Committee
February	7 th	Planning Committee Council
	21 st	Planning Committee Policy & Resources Committee Emergency Committee
March	7th	Planning Committee Council
	21 st	Planning Committee Sports & Leisure Committee Amenities Committee

Police & Crime

The local PCSOs and Wardens for Small Dole and Upper Beeding are:

PCSO Tina Dunning: tina.m.dunning@sussex.pnn.police.uk Mobile: 07884475331
Warden Paul Conroy paul.conroy@pnn.police Mobile: 07734387889

Contact Sussex Police via the non-emergency number 101 to report an incident.

Call 999 immediately if crime is being committed, the offender is still nearby, people are injured, being threatened or in danger.

Please send to the editor: editor@beeding.plus.com



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Contact: Elaine Whitting 07935314285



Book a hair appointment with a friend on the same day and you'll both receive 15% off your bill, only available with Daniella or Serena!



Hi guys I'm Mena and I'm a newly qualified barber who is lucky enough to be working as part of the team for studio44. I cant wait to meet my new clients and get to know you all, I hope to provide a service that you will all love and I look forward to seeing you soon. Mena x

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We can offer a free winter health check (no purchase necessary) for the readers of this newsletter and also 50% OFF MOT's booked in the month of December.

Please get in contact!





We are located at:

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Hair & Beauty Salon 2 Hyde Square Upper Beeding West Sussex BN44 3JE

Enquiries:

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For Hairdressing contact
Daniella <u>07713 677489</u> or Serena <u>07766 175030</u>

For Hair/Beauty contact Adele 07812 141 173

If you want to advertise a service or an event in the Winter newsletter, due out in early March, please email the details to

editor@beeding.plus.com by 10th February 2017