

WEST PARLEY PARISH COUNCIL eNEWS

Didn't we do well?

In July West Parley was judged for its entry in the South and South-East in Bloom competition. This is the first time we have entered and we have done very well to gain a silver award in the small town category. Councillor Pat Couper and her husband Stuart collected the certificate at an award ceremony in Tunbridge Wells. They also received details of how the scoring was worked out so we can see where improvements can be made.

A lot of very hard work by both village volunteers and other residents went into getting the village looking good for judging. 'Well done' to everyone who helped.

Core Strategy

The Planning Inquiry into District Council plans for large scale housing in West Parley and other parts of East Dorset has approximately a week and a half to run.

The Inspector took a keen interest in the concerns raised by the Cllr Richard Heaslip and the Parish Council's planning consultants and noted their importance. From the early discussions that took place, it is clear there is enough evidence for the Inspector to ask for significant revisions to the Strategy to take place and these will be available for public consultation next year.

The plans were for over 500 houses to be built in West Parley, a 30% increase in the size of the village.

Music event at Bournemouth Sports Club

Another event is planned to be held at the Sports Club. It will be smaller than usual, at about 2500 attendees, and be DJ, rather than live, music. This ticket-only event will be held on 5th October from 11am to 11pm. Environmental Health Officers will be at the event to monitor noise levels and Police will be on patrol outside and locally.

If residents are concerned about the noise levels or any issues surrounding the event, they should phone 01202 495000 for staff to take details. This feedback will be monitored to assess the overall impact of these events on the local community.

Can you help?

The Editor of the Neighbourhood Watch News is looking for someone to take on some of the ancillary roles needed to produce the excellent magazine or take on the Editorship role. The News goes to most houses in West Parley four times a year and is an excellent publication that benefits so many residents. Whilst we live in a very safe area, this has a lot to do with having a vibrant NW organisation and the News is an essential part of this.

If you have the relevant skills and time to help out please contact:-

Douglas Lock, Chairman on 01202 896984 or Trevor Sams, current Editor on 01202 573419.

The NeighbourCar Scheme

This has been in operation since the beginning of September and gives access to transport for the isolated, and people without bus routes as a means of getting to doctor, dentist, hospital and other medical appointments. Once enough drivers can be found this can be extended to incorporate almost any journey needed including social and shopping trips. We would welcome any new drivers who feel they can give a little time to help this local scheme.

For enquiries relating to NeighbourCar please contact Kate Ward 01202 577319 – this includes potential volunteer drivers.

Coffee Mornings and Lunch Club

The Coffee Mornings are still once a fortnight and the Walking Group weekly. The Lunch Club will continue weekly as long as it is supported enough to cover the salaries of the kitchen staff.

As usual more volunteers would be welcomed to help with either the Coffee Morning, Lunch Club or both. Please contact Cllr Sheila Gooden to offer your services.

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Please note that Lunch Club will not take place on Wed. 25th September due to the works being done to refurbish Parley Sports Club. The walking group will, however, still be able to enjoy coffee or tea after their walk on that day.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Coffee mornings at Parley Sports Club 10am – 12 noon

2nd Oct, 16th Oct, 30th Oct

Health Walks from Parley Sports Club meet at 10am

25th Sept, 2nd Oct, 9th Oct, 16th Oct

Lunch Club at Parley Sports Club 12 noon – 2pm

2nd Oct, 9th Oct, 16th Oct, 25th Oct