

# CHURT PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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*This free newsletter is intended to keep the people of Churt informed about the work of Churt Parish Council.*

The Council, in accordance with its policy of not responding to requests for donations, will not be making a contribution to the Hoppa bus service. The needs of the people needing hospital transport are fully met by the excellent voluntary service run within the village.

The Council has responded to the WBC consultation on "Housing Options for the Core Strategy Development Plan" by recommending Option 1 of five options: development within the main settlements of Farnham, (including Badshot Lea), Godalming, Haslemere and Cranleigh with any shortfall being met by selected releases of land around these settlements. WBC wishes to receive the views of the maximum number of residents during this consultation.

The WBC "Consultation on Residential Extensions Supplementary Planning Document" is available for comment on [www.waverley.gov.uk/ldf](http://www.waverley.gov.uk/ldf) or at Locality Offices.

Reported crime in West Surrey has dropped considerably in the last six months but there have recently been a number of thefts from a building site in Old Kiln Lane, thought to have been encouraged by the sharp rise in the price of metals. Residents are asked to report to the police any suspicious movements around building sites. Police are conducting more patrols in the local area, especially between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. and our local PC Will Davies has offered to allow any member of the public to accompany him when he is carrying out speed checks in the village.

SCC Highways intend to replace the grit bin stolen from the bottom of Star Hill because the hill descends to a main road. It is unlikely that the Parish Council request for more grit bins elsewhere will be met.

SCC Highways will start work on the traffic calming measures in Hale House Lane on 15<sup>th</sup> March, weather permitting, and the lane will be closed to through traffic. Local access will be maintained.

At the recent Town and Parish Councils Meeting council representatives asked for WBC support for a traffic count on Hale House Lane and Jumps Road to demonstrate that rat running is a problem with traffic travelling from Bordon to gain access to A3 at Thursley and Milford. A count to be taken now and after A3 tunnel is open. The Chairman, Cllr Richard Gates, Leader of WBC, expressed his concerns and assured us that WBC is doing its best to ensure that its own concerns as well as those of its towns and parishes are being heard. SCC Highways representative, present at the meeting, suggested that Churt attends the next meeting of the Waverley Western Villages Task Group at Haslemere on 12th March to put a question at the public session preceding the meeting, and this will be done.

It was also reported at the meeting that NHS Surrey is in severe financial difficulty. Specialist units are being closed and there is no clear indication on the future of Cranleigh, Milford and Haslemere Hospitals.

The Annual Parish meeting will be held on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> April in the Village Hall. Details will be published shortly.

Cllr Reece has volunteered to act as unpaid consultant for any village organisation wanting advice on how to apply for government funding.

There is to be a public meeting at Frensham Great Pond on at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March concerning a de-forestation proposal by the Forestry Commission. The Council will be represented.

There is to be a Charity Fair in Gostrey Meadow on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> June run by Voluntary Action South West

***The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on  
Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 p.m. in the Pavilion.***

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