

Ashurst Wood Historians

We are holding 3 afternoon "workshops" in the Village Church Hall during February, March and April 2007. We would like to put on record what it was like to live in Ashurst Wood in years gone by. For example, the facilities available to villagers such as schools, employment, water wells, houses and transport. When was gas and electricity installed?

We will have some of our famous archives and scrap books available and would appreciate people joining us for a friendly afternoon.

The dates are:

Wednesday 7th February 2007 2.30 - 4pm

Thursday 8th March 2007 2.30- 4pm

Monday 2nd April 2007 2.30 - 4.00pm

Anyone requiring transport should contact Audrey on 01342 823471

Neighbourhood Watch

We are looking for someone to be the new Co-ordinator for Ashurst Wood Neighbourhood Watch. To liaise with the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator at Sussex Police, distribute the newsletter to the street representatives and to be the main point of contact for Neighbourhood Watch

YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS ARE:

Chairman: Cllr. Don Sinclair. 01342 824317

Vice Chairman: Cllr. Jenny Forbes. 01342 822769

Councillors: Cllr. Andrew Bass. 01342 850511

Cllr. Alan Del Mar. Mouse Hall . 01342 823196

Cllr. Ann Duncan. 01342 822337

Cllr. Annie Pearce. 01342 823825

Cllr. Jan Pollard. 01342 823220

Cllr. Gwen Shuttleworth. 01342 823401

Cllr Karel Stockley. 01342 822606

Clerk :Susan Wellerd. Parish Office. St. Dunstan's Church. Chapel Lane. Ashurst Wood.
01342 823770

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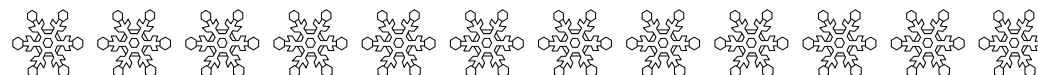
Ashurst Wood



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January 2007

NEWSLETTER



From the Chairman:

The coming months are going to be a busy time for the Parish Council for the following reasons:

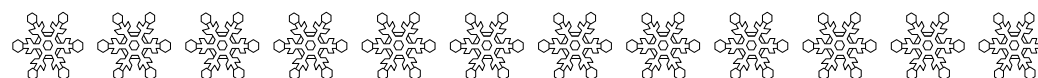
The Village Plan. Following the completion and return of the questionnaires it has been a time consuming task for members of the Steering Committee to analyse these and obtain results. This work is nearing completion and now has to be turned into the Village Plan document. We are aiming to have the Plan finished and circulated to every household in Ashurst Wood by April 2007.

Parish Council Elections in May 2007. Five out of the nine existing Parish Councillors are standing down at the election. We are shortly embarking on a recruitment drive for people to put themselves forward for election to the Council in May. As mentioned in the last Newsletter, I am very keen to promote service on the Parish Council particularly from the sections of the community that are currently under represented on the Council, namely the younger generation. The next few years are going to be important ones for the Parish Council in pushing through the improvements to the village that you requested through the Parish Plan process. There will also be the continuing role of representing the views of the residents of Ashurst Wood to the East Grinstead Area Action Plan.

Quality Status. I would like to thank the Parish Clerk, Susan Wellerd, for the hard work and long hours she has undertaken in order to put together our submission to obtain quality status for the Parish Council. The application for accreditation will be submitted shortly and if we are successful this will significantly enhance the role of the council in dealing with the principal authorities.

On behalf of the Parish Council may I take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and peaceful New Year.

Don Sinclair, Parish Council Chairman



Become a Councillor- Make a Difference

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS MAY 2007

The next elections for Parish Council will be on May 3rd 2007. This is your opportunity to represent the community in which you live. If anyone is interested in learning more about the work of a Parish Councillor please come along to the Village Centre **on Monday 15th January 2007** to see a brief DVD presentation followed by refreshments and the opportunity to ask existing Councillors and the Clerk about Ashurst Wood Parish Council. We would be glad to see as many people as possible
- so do come you may be pleasantly surprised!!

www.ashurstwoodparishcouncil.gov.uk

This is the Parish Council website with information on the work of the Council and local organisations. If you are a local group and wish to add your details please contact Susan, the Parish Clerk.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

All applications for Ashurst Wood can be viewed at the Parish Council Office. If you are unable to view them in our office hours please contact the Clerk to arrange an alternative, convenient time.

DOG FOULING

The Short Mat Bowls club meets in the Village Centre every Friday afternoon 2.30-4.30pm they are looking for new members who would be made most welcome

The Parish Council are aware of someone who is allowing their dog to foul the Recreation Ground. The Dog Warden has been informed. Dog fouling is an offence and the Council are determined to stop this happening. Any information regarding the culprits will be gratefully received and will be treated confidentially.



Parish Council Shopping Bus



This service runs weekly on Friday mornings, however in order for the service to continue we need more drivers and more passengers. Pick up is from The Maypole, Maypole Road St Dunstan's Church and the Three Crowns- if required. Passengers are then returned to their doorsteps and assisted with carrying shopping, if necessary.



This service is primarily for older or disabled residents but anyone wanting to use the bus should contact the Clerk for more details. If anyone would like to receive a timetable, or is willing to help with driving- only one morning a month -please contact the Parish Clerk, Susan, details below.



Village Centre Activities

Mondays 10-11am Yoga 2nd & 4th 2-3pm U3A Circle Dance

Tuesdays 10-11 am Body Conditioning 3rd Tuesday of month W.I 2-4pm
8-11pm Badminton

Wednesdays 10.30- 12.30pm Ladies Badminton 7.30-9pm Yoga

Thursdays 9.15-10.15am Pilates 1st & 3rd Thurs 2-4pm U3A Music Ap-
preciation 7-10pm Dance lesson

Fridays 10-12.00 U3A Singing 2.30-4.30pm Short Mat Bowls
8-11pm Badminton

Anyone wishing to make a booking please ring Sylvia Clenshaw: 01342 823157
5-9pm



PARKING IN THE VILLAGE CONTINUES TO BE A PROBLEM ESPECIALLY IN SCHOOL LANE AND HAMMERWOOD ROAD. IT IS, AT TIMES, IMPOSSIBLE FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES TO GAIN ACCESS. PLEASE THINK BEFORE YOU PARK. IT COULD BE A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY WHO IS AT RISK.