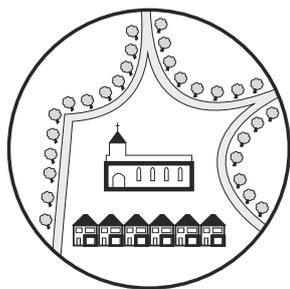


Purbrook and Widley Area Residents' Association.

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Welcome to your PAWARA newsletter

PAWARA's July public meeting will be held at 7.15pm on Thursday July 26th at Deverell Hall, London Road, Purbrook PO7 5JU



Agenda for the Meeting.

1. Chairman's welcome.
2. Treasurer's report.
3. Illustrated presentation on "QA Your New Hospital" by Simon Holmes, Medical Director and Peter Mellor, Company Secretary Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust, who have kindly agreed to talk to us and answer questions.
4. Planning matters and MDA update.
5. Update on policing from our Safer Neighbourhoods team at Waterlooville.
6. A O B from the residents
7. 9.00pm - meeting ends



Pam and Alan Cooper left Purbrook on the 20th April. We all know how much they will be missed but we wish them health and happiness in their new home in Suffolk.

We also thank Pam for her tireless efforts for PAWES and then PAWARA, as Secretary and then Chairman of the association.

It is rare for someone with such strong views to be universally liked and respected; but Pam was. She was always able to put our case both lucidly and succinctly, without antagonising opponents.

A great gift and one we will be the poorer without.

The good news is that Pam and Alan have promised to come to see us from time to time and should be with us for the July 26th meeting!

West of Waterlooville MDA update

Taylor Wimpey Hambledon Road

Permission was granted for phases 3 and 4 on 3rd April. This will complete the 450 residential units approved.

Phase 1 occupied, Phase 2 under construction, partly occupied Residents Association formed.

Grainger "Berewood"

Section 106 legal agreement signed and permission issued 30/3/2012

Whole site rebranded from 'Newlands' to "Berewood".

Phase 1 infrastructure started at the Maurepas Way roundabout.

Grainger are reviewing builders who have applied to build Phase 1.

Grainger and both local authorities are busy getting conditions discharged to allow Phase 1 to progress, it is expected that the residential development will begin later this year, but as always, this will be weather dependent.

Grainger expect to submit Phase 2 and Phase 7 Infrastructure applications by the end of 2012.

General

The Taylor Wimpey site at Hambledon Road is selling well.

Reasons people have said they have found the site attractive are parking facilities and the amount of green space.

There have been some concerns with access to the new HWRC (Household Waste Recycling Plant), due to open towards the end of this year. Because of the mismatch of commencement between TW and Grainger the public access will be, for a while, through the new top road into the Taylor Wimpey site.

Thanks to Jacky Wilson, West of Waterlooville Implementation Officer for Winchester and Havant Councils, for this update.

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Planning Matters

Methodist Church, Stakes Road.

The applicant was granted a premises licence on 27th March and now has a further planning application at Havant B C to increase the ground floor area. Residents from Fielders Court were

unsuccessful in their objections to the licence to sell alcohol, so we must hope that their worries about a lack of sufficient parking coupled with potential for noise nuisance and anti-social behaviour do not become an issue. However, it is good to see a new roof on the hall, which should soon come back into community use for the benefit of many.

Former Purbrook Park Playing Field Stakes Road

Developers have made amendments to their plans after consultation with Havant's Urban Design Team. There will now be more variety in the appearance of the houses. The size of the flats has also been increased. Details of the new pedestrian crossing to Stakes Hill Road have been submitted.

Havant BC has approved these plans, subject to agreements.

New all weather sports facilities at South Downs College.

PAWARA Committee member David Heck will be attending the inaugural meeting of the South Downs College Management Group for the new 4G pitch on 9th July as our representative.

David Heck 023 9226 595

News from our Councillors

Councillor Caren Tarrant writes:

Since being elected in May, I have been busy with residents' concerns. Many residents have contacted me about speeding cars along some of our roads. I would like to reassure residents that this is being looked into with our colleagues at the county council but it's a long process with no easy solutions. The other issue is noise from peoples' gardens during the summer months. Please could I ask if you are planning an outside activity to beware of other residents close by so we can all enjoy being outside.

Caren.tarrant@havant.gov.uk



County Councillor Robin McIntosh Purbrook and Stakes South

Cllr McIntosh writes: Speeding
The County has just completed the VILLAGE 30mph policy. All villages that applied for a 30mph limit through their village have now had one installed. With the vast majority of villages in Hampshire now enjoying an official 30mph speed limit, the County is moving to trial a policy of 20mph in some areas, on roads where this could be considered to be beneficial to residents.



This will take some time and it's not proposed to control all minor roads. I have nominated a couple of roads in my division and await the collation of the trial period.

Road and Pavement maintenance

The county is currently spending some £10 million each year on maintenance, and in addition to that, £16 million is being spent in order to redress the damage from two successive severe winters.

I have highlighted, in addition to the current maintenance, several roads and pavements in my area to ensure we are not overlooked. I have reacted to requests from residents who have contacted me on this subject.

Councillors' Devolved Budget

You can now apply on line for a grant from my budget and I would be pleased to consider applications from clubs and organisations in my area.

Web site: www3.hants.gov.uk/grants.htm

Robin McIntosh 023 9225 8144

Environment Group News

One of the eyesores we are trying to tackle at the moment is the broken down fence at Ladybridge roundabout. A committee member is liaising with British Gas Contracting and Hampshire County Council. We are hoping that between them they will repair the damage done whilst putting in the new Gas Main and by car accidents and vandalism.



We now have "hi-viz" jackets to wear, with PAWARA on the back, when working on our projects.

At the next meeting on Sunday July 8th we will be tackling the small coppice in the Conservation Area opposite the shops on London Road, just off Ladybridge roundabout.



Conservation Area Plaque

This land now belongs to Grainger, the MDA developers, who have given us permission to work on the area. We have been given advice by Rachel Moroney of the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers on thinning out the ivy and undergrowth whilst preserving a wildlife habitat. This is a new project so come and join us, especially if you live nearby.

Pre School to open in Purbrook

"Little Stars" Pre School is planning to open at St John's church hall in October. There is already a Little Stars pre school in Farlington and this would be part of the same company. If you are a parent looking for pre school for your child contact:

jo@littlestarsoffarlington.co.uk

Tel: 07956 162575.

Waterlooville Community Forum



The Waterlooville Community Forum was set up at the end of 2011. It replaces the two Havant Community Boards that previously served the area.

Because many of the issues which affect us involve areas in Winchester or East Hants, the Forum covers the whole of the A3 corridor from Widley to Horndean, including the new developments to the West of Waterlooville and those planned for Horndean. It has links to all three Districts as well as Hampshire County Council through a specific Councillor from each authority.

The Forum will focus on four main topics – Community Planning, Business Development, Community Development and Public Safety.

It has held three meetings so far, all with an encouraging level of attendance, and three more are currently planned. All meetings take place at the Baptist Church in London Road, Waterlooville. Membership of the Forum is open to anyone interested.

The meeting of the Forum on the 16th June will consider ideas for a series of events to be held in Waterlooville, both to publicise the area and also to attract more visitors in the same way as the Music Festival. A survey carried out as an initial step has already received about 150 replies and has provided valuable information on what people would like to see in the area.

There are now over 100 local residents, community groups and local businesses – including some large national organisations – on the mailing list and we hope that many more of each will join us. Anyone who would like more information can contact me at:

davidscrichton@compuserve.com or on 023 9226 2469.

David Crichton Chairman

Next meeting Thursday 26th July 5.30pm-7.30pm at the Baptist Church Hall, London Road, Waterlooville.

Waterlooville and Purbrook Good Neighbours Group.

The Waterlooville and Purbrook Good Neighbours Group aims to help people in Waterlooville and Purbrook by doing the sort of things that 'good neighbours' do such as shopping, popping in for a chat, collecting a prescription or perhaps taking someone to a medical appointment if there's no other suitable means of transport.



Last year we did over 600 small tasks for people in the Waterlooville and Purbrook area, of which half were shopping, and the majority of the remainder involved taking to medical appointments people who have difficulty with public transport or hospital transport.

Could you do with a bit of help from time to time? Would you like to be involved as a helper? What to find out more? Ring us on 9226-6005 or visit our website www.stgeorgesnews.org/goodneighbours/.

A right royal celebration



Some fantastic efforts were made around Purbrook and Widley to make the streets festive.

PAWARA held a Jubilee Barbecue at the Hampshire Rose on May 20th. Once again Mike Saunders and Gill Griffiths showed their talent for organising a fun event. A great time was had by around forty residents, with party gifts of Jubilee mugs and sweets for the children.

The Deverell Players



The first performance from this new theatre group, entitled "A School for Murder", was well received on June 9th at the Deverell Hall.

Their next appearance beneath the footlights will be in September and has the intriguing title of "Last

Tango in Old Widley". What can it mean?? A lot of laughs, that's for sure!

If you would like to join in the fun, get in touch with the Deverell Players on **023 9223 2289**

Dates for the diary:

Christ Church Portsdown Summer Fete

Saturday 7th July from 12 -3pm in the grounds of Purbrook Park School.

PAWARA Environment Group

Sunday July 8th 9.30-11.30 am. Meet at Penjar Pond, Ladybridge Road.

St John's Church Purbrook Summer Fete

Saturday the 14th July from 11am. The fete will be opened by the Bishop of Portsmouth. There will be plenty of stalls, raffles and a barbecue. The theme this year is the Coronation, so expect plenty of red, white and blue and stall holders dressed for the occasion!

Sacred Heart Church, London Road Waterlooville. Car Boot Sales in the car park. Forthcoming dates are 14th July, 11th August and 8th September (with a Local Produce sale indoors). All are on Saturdays. From 8.30am. Parking at the Baptist Church. Refreshments.

The Olympic Torch relay will be in Portsmouth on 15th July and early in the morning of Monday July 16th. On the way to the next relay in Petersfield on the morning of 16th the vehicles carrying the torch will travel through Purbrook and Widley using the old A3. www.london2012.com/torch-relay/route/

The Rowans Hospice Summer Fete

Sunday the 22nd July from 1pm-4pm on Purbrook Heath. This much loved event will be opened by the Mayor of Havant and features over 50 stalls and a grand summer draw.

Waterlooville Community Forum

Forthcoming dates are Thursdays, 26th July and 6th September at the Lancaster Room, Baptist Church Hall, London Road Waterlooville, from 5.30-7.30pm. Come along, join in and help make our area a better place to live and work.

Purbrook Horticultural Society Summer Show

Sunday 19th August from 2pm at Crookhorn College of Technology, Stakes Hill Road, Waterlooville.

Portsmouth Boat Jumble,

Fort Purbrook, Portsdown Hill Road PO6 1BJ
Sunday 19th August. A grand sale of boating fishing and watersports equipment.

See you all on 26th July at the Deverell Hall !