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Parish Council Update - Summer 2024

New Councillor Co-opted

The Parish Council is pleased to welcome Steve Vincent as a new councillor. Steve Vincent is a resident of Hordle and has a background in facilities management in the private and public sectors. Steve is keen to make a difference to our community and you can contact him via the parish office.

Annual Parish Assembly

The Annual Parish Assembly took place on 14th May. As well as a presentation from the police about how to keep safe online (top tips are available on our website - just scan the QR code), the Parish Council also recognised residents who had gone above and beyond for our community. This year we gave certificates to Margaret Maggs, who for the past 10 years, has co-ordinated bookings for the Hordle Drivers Group, who ferry people to and from medical appointments. We also recognised Toby Gore, Tony Monks and Gary Parsons for their longstanding contribution to grassroots football through Hordle Spurs and Frank Dyson who is a stalwart volunteer delivering food parcels to vulnerable Everton residents. We are very grateful to have these amazing people as our neighbours and the Parish Council would like to thank them for their years of service to our community.



Grants For Local Charities and Groups

The Parish Council recently awarded a grant of £500 to the Young Farmers Club for new stainless steel kitchen tables in the refurbished hall, to enable the group to have cookery demonstrations. The Council also awarded £300 for the You Trust, who teach life skills to people with learning difficulties in the parish and £300 to Hordle Volunteer Drivers Group, who take vulnerable people to medical appointments. The group is currently looking for more volunteers—if you want an interesting, extremely flexible and worthwhile role driving for or handling calls from home, please do get in touch—details are on their website: hordlevoluntarycare.org

Sun Shines on Tiptoe Fete

Hordle Parish Council joined forces with Sway

Parish Council at the Tiptoe Fayre on 11th May. It was great to meet so many

residents and have the opportunity to chat about Parish Council initiatives.



Improvements at Hordle Rec

We have taken up the old, damaged astroturf cricket surface at Hordle Rec and are currently reseeding the area. Thank you for your patience whilst the seeds sprout.

Tommy Marks D-Day

We were thrilled that Hordle Flower Club made such poignant and beautiful use of our Tommy silhouette for their D-Day anniversary display at their annual show at All Saints Church in May. It was a fitting tribute to all who sacrificed their lives for our benefit.



New car park markings at Everton Recreation Ground

We have recently marked out parking bays at Everton Rec and created a dedicated disabled bay and safe walkway.

Little library Opens for Business

Following a request from a local resident, The Parish Council is delighted to install a new little-library at Everton Pavilion car park. The library has been made from largely recycled materials by our talented groundsman and it was officially opened by the person who helped suggest it – 5 year old Clayton. There is a selection of books for all ages groups – do pop along and enjoy!



New Wildflower Bed at Ashley Lane

Our Groundsman has recently laid out a

new bed for wildflowers at Ashley Lane, near Golden Hill. It will shortly be planted up to improve biodiversity in this area and to make this gateway to the village more attractive. We had hoped that SGN would assist with this but they have been unable to confirm when then can undertake this. We will keep you posted.

Accounts Available

The unaudited accounts for 2023-24 are available to view on the Parish Council's website under "Finance and Policies".

Speed Indicator on A337

The Parish Council's Speed Indicator Device was in action along the A337 at Everton for 2 weeks recently. It clocked nearly 200,000 cars in this time (it records both directions). Whilst the majority of cars were under the 40mph speed limit, there was a minority who exceeded it—the top speed recorded here was 91mph. We have therefore requested from HCC Highways larger signage along this stretch.

Full Fibre Broadband Comes to Hordle

At its meeting on in April, a representative from Wessex Internet outlined its plans to roll out full fibre broadband to homes and residents in Hordle parish before September 2024. Wessex is also planning a series of drop in sessions at All Saints Church, Hordle Lane on the following dates/ times: 10 – 3pm on: 13th June, 25th July and 22nd August.

You can also contact Wessex directly: Vicky Missen - Community Engagement Manager: vicky.missen@wessexinternet.com Web: wessexinternet.com

Next Meetings

Tuesday 18th June, 16th July, 20th August and 17th September at Hordle Pavilion, Vaggs Lane @ 7.15pm. See the website & noticeboards for agendas and minutes.

