

Hordle Parish Council

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Parish Council Update - Winter 2022

New Councillor joins the team

Sheila Nash was co-opted as a new Parish Councillor at the September meeting. Sheila is an Everton resident and is looking forward to getting involved with community matters. She joins Ben Sandford from Hordle on your council team which is now at full strength.

Mineral Extraction at Yeatton Farm

Hampshire County Council has launched a consultation on the proposals for new mineral extraction at Yeatton Farm, Hordle. The plans can be viewed on its website : hants.gov.uk/ landplanningandenvironment/strategicplanning/hampshire-minerals-wasteplan/minerals-waste-plan-partial-updateconsultation or scan the QR code:

HCC is holding a

consultation event at Forest Arts Centre in New Milton on Tuesday 13th December



4 - 7pm. Details of how to comment directly to HCC are on the web or email: hmwp.consult@hants.gov.uk.

The Parish Council will discuss this at its meeting on **17th January at 7.15pm**— everyone is welcome to attend. Please take the time to have your say on this significant development in the parish.

Community Orchard Grows

On a very wet Saturday morning in November, 4 more fruit trees were planted in the Community Orchard at Everton Recreation Ground. As well as trees of remembrance, a damson was plated to celebrate 100 years of the Everton & Lymore WI. The trees were certainly wellwatered in and should produce a lovely

crop of cherries, damsons and apples for next year. Thank you to everyone who came along to help on the day.



Jubilee trees

To celebrate the late Queen's jubilee, a rowan tree will be planted at Hordle Recreation Ground and a willow at Everton Recreation ground. The trees have been planted at this time of year to ensure they have the best start. We will hope they will be a fitting tribute to Her Majesty and enhance the environment for all residents in the parish.

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 13th November saw the annual Service of Remembrance at the parish's war memorial in Hordle. There were also

services held at St Mary's Church Everton and Tiptoe Green, where wreaths were laid on behalf of the Parish Council.

Golden Hill Woods

The Golden Hill Working Party has reconvened in October and has been cutting back the laurel on Parish Council land on the north of Ashley Lane. The cut laurel is being stacked on logs to keep it off the ground until it has died back and blue bells will be planted in suitable areas.

Plans for the wood itself are to maintain and enlarge glades and plant marsh marigolds, foxgloves, blue bells, primroses and violets. Blue tits nested in a bird box last year and a variety of plants and animals have been noted details of which are on the website. A weasel crossed Hare Lane from wood to field in which is a sign of good habitat. Also, a family of 6 buzzards were seen overhead riding the thermals. More details on our website.

The grass triangle flowered well with early purple orchids flourishing (pictured). A species count will be undertaken this year.

Volunteers also do regular litter picks and make sure vegetation does not encroach the paths. If you would like to volunteer with this group, contact the Parish Office—every is very welcome!



Report a pothole

To report potholes and other road problems to the County Council – visit their website: **hants.gov.uk** and click on the "**Report a road problem**". You can then select from a variety of issues. Enter in a few quick details and the County Council will act accordingly.

Post Office services in the parish

Christmas is coming and posting dates are nigh. The Post Office van visits the Pavilion car park on Vaggs Lane every Friday 11.30am - 1.30pm and Saturdays 10.30am

- 12.30pm. There is also the Post Office at on Wainsford Road in Everton which is open every day. Please use your local services!



Speedwatch takes to the road again

Volunteers for the Speedwatch group met for the first time since before Covid. The well attended meeting from past and new volunteers agreed to restart the scheme from the New Year. If you would like to help out, visit the volunteer page of our website or contact the Parish Office for more details.

Hedges Heads Up

Autumn and winter is a good time of year to give your hedges a prune and the Parish Council's hedges have been given a good trim. If you have a hedge which borders the highway it is your responsibility to keep it trimmed back and the pavement or road clear. For more details visit: hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/ roadproblems/treehedge.

Merry Christmas!

The Parish Council would like to wish all the residents of the parish a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year. It would like to thank everyone who has contributed their time and effort to our parish over the past 12 months and which has made Hordle Parish such a lovely place to live, work and relax.

Next Meetings

Tuesday 20th December, 17th January and 21st February at Hordle Pavilion, Vaggs Lane at 7.15pm. Agendas and minutes are available on our website.