

Hordle Parish Council

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Parish Council Update - February/ March 2023

Mineral Extraction at Yeatton Farm

The Parish Council lodged a comprehensive objection to the proposals in Hampshire County Council's Mineral and Waste Plan Update for new gravel and sand extraction at Yeatton Farm, Hordle. The 11-page document can be viewed on the Parish Council's website (scan the QR code below) but the main points of its objection were:

- Close proximity to the village with its primary school.
- Increased levels of air pollution.
- Noise pollution concerns.
- Detrimental to the character of the area.
- Impact on Green Belt.
- Traffic concerns on the A337.
- Flood risk.
- Impact on biodiversity.
- Impact on local economy.
- Impact on heritage assets.



NFDC also lodged its objections to the plans and the outcome from HCC should



be known later this year. We will keep you posted in the usual ways.

Elections - 4th May: Save the date!



This year is election year and Parish Councillors will be up for reelection. There is also one vacancy on the

Parish Council at the time of writing. If you would like to make a real contribution to our community, why not consider putting yourself forward to become a Councillor? It's a very rewarding role and you can find full details on our website here: Parish

Council elections 4th May – Hordle Parish Council or scan the QR code:



The deadline for nominations is 4pm on Tuesday 4th April.

Please also be aware that from this year, registered voters will also need to provide **photographic ID** such as a driving licence or passport when they come to vote. If you don't have this you can apply for free photographic ID by calling 0800 328 0280 or <u>electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID</u>.

Precept

The Precept for 2023-2024 has been set at £158,000, which is an increase equivalent to 28p per week for a Band D property.

Looking after our Trees

A comprehensive programme of tree work at Yerville Gardens, Charnock Close and Acacia Kickabout and the Cut in Hordle has been planned for 2023, following the annual inspection by NFDC Tree Officers. The work will involve crown lifting, removing dead wood and Ivy banding, all good routine management to ensure our trees are well looked after for years to come.

Clean bill of health for our playparks

The bi-annual RoSPA inspection of the parish's play areas has been given excellent marks, with only minor remedial work needed. We have just installed new surfacing under the basket swing at Dudley Avenue so it is



less muddy and also replaced the old wooden gates with new metal safety



gates. A new bench seat has replaced one of the cradle seats there, to give more children the ability to play. More surfacing works are planned for Hordle Playpark in the coming months.

Dog damage to zipwires

Unfortunately, dogs are biting and damaging the seats & sleeves of the zipwires in the recreation grounds. Please ensure your keep your dogs under control in the these shared spaces at all times, so we can ensure everyone in our community can enjoy these facilities for years to come.

Nominate your Hordle Parish Heroes

The Parish Council is seeking nominations for its annual Parish Heroes awards. If you know someone who has gone above and

beyond for the benefit of their community over the past year then drop a quick email with the details to the Parish Office: clerk@hordleparishcouncil.gov.uk. The awards will be presented at the Annual Parish Assembly on 23rd May.

Heritage Assets in Tiptoe named

The National Park Authority has named Tiptoe School, the River of Life Church and St Andrews as Heritage Assets on its Local List. According to the NPA this will "recognise the positive role buildings, structures, sites, monuments and other features play in reinforcing local character and the distinctiveness of areas...inclusion on the Local List does not add any further controls that already apply to a building or site. It simply changes the level of consideration given to preserving its character and appearance if/when future planning applications are submitted to the Authority for development. Having an upto-date Local List enables the architectural or historic interest of these buildings to be considered properly as part of the assessment of any future development proposals submitted to the Authority."

Get moving with Wheels to Work

If you are aged 16-25 and you don't have access to transport to get to work or training, you could be eligible for Hampshire County Council's Wheels to Work Scheme. For £22-25 per month, the Council can loan you a moped for three months to a year, which will help you get to and from your job, training or job interviews. For more details go to: Wheels to Work Scheme | Hampshire County Council (hants.gov.uk)

Next Meetings

Tuesday 21st March, 18th April, 16th May (annual meeting) & 23rd May (Parish Assembly) at Hordle Pavilion, Vaggs Lane@ 7.15pm. Agendas and minutes are on the website and noticeboards.