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# Some changes at the Parish Council

In late 2015 and as reported in the spring newsletter Councillor Peter Neve took the Chair of the Council and there was also a new Clerk appointed. Little did Peter know that a work opportunity would present itself and he would have to resign his post. At the same time the "new clerk" decided to move on. So, all change once more.

Local resident Janet Crowe was appointed Clerk and is settling in to her work. Janet joins the Council after a career in criminal justice.

Wonersh Parish Councillors elected Shamley Green Councillor Rod Weale as the new Chairman of the Council and Rod chaired his first meeting in September.



"I am settling into the position and enjoying the responsibility enormously. The Clerk and I have both accepted it is a steep learning curve but the other members of the Council have been very supportive, as we knew they would be. One of the more interesting tasks has been to take up my position as a trustee of the Wonersh United Charities. This is a charity that receives funds from legacies left to the Parish many years ago and that today makes grants to local residents in need or hardship. The Chairman of the Council is a trustee and I joined the others at their most recent grant awards meeting. If you would like more information to see if WUC could help you or a neighbour in difficulty you can contact Kevin Garvey at wonershunitedcharities@gmail.com or 01483 892030. All enquiries are treated strictly confidentially"

#### UPDATE ON WAVERLEY BOROUGH Council projects in Shamley green

**New Houses in Nursery Close.** We understand that Waverley Borough Council have sought up to date quotations for this housing development and hope to appoint a contractor in November.

**Shamley Green Parking.** Because of the reductions in government funding, Waverley Borough Council were obliged to reduce their 2016-17 capital expenditure budget and the project to create new parking spaces on The Green failed to be included. Discussions are continuing on its possible inclusion next year.

Councillor Weale joined the Council in May 2015. He grew up in Cranleigh and served in the 1980's in Surrey Police and then, after a period working in industry, left for pastures new when he and his Spanish wife moved to Spain together with their young family. After a successful career in Spain, Rod returned to Surrey and settled in Shamley Green. Councillor Weale is also a member of Cranleigh Lions Club and is currently serving on the national council of the International Association of Lions Clubs. A published author Rod lists his interests, aside from Lions, as history and aviation. He recently completed a well-received book on the war dead honoured on Cranleigh War Memorial and is well into his second project writing about the War Graves in Surrey.

### PARISH NEWSLETTER

The Parish Newsletter is published quarterly. The Council is investigating the practicality of sending copies direct to your mailbox by email. If you would like to receive your copy by email please send an email with the word "**newsletter**" in the subject line to clerk@wonershparish.org. This will allow the Council to look at the viability and potential popularity of such a scheme and indeed might be used to advise residents on other matters of interest. <u>Please reply by January 1st 2016.</u>

## THE LOCAL PLAN DUNSFOLD CRANLEIGH

Recognising that there is a lot going on in local planning at the moment the Parish Council held a small Exhibition on 24<sup>th</sup> September in the Arbuthnot Hall Shamley Green. The aim of the Exhibition was to provide residents with more information and an opportunity to make their views known to the Parish Council on the following key issues.

- The draft Local Plan issued by Waverley Borough Council (WBC)
- The inclusion of 2600 new homes at Dunsfold Aerodrome in the draft Local Plan
- The current application by the owners of Dunsfold Aerodrome to build 1800 homes possibly rising to 3200
- The inclusion of a further 1520 homes in Cranleigh in the draft Local Plan





Over 100 residents attended the exhibition and gave their views. Perhaps unsurprisingly the

main concerns of residents related to the proposals to build at Dunsfold Aerodrome.

Those concerns covered not only the inadequate road structure but also the lack of provision for senior school places and further strain on the primary care and acute hospital care system.

The Parish Council incorporated these concerns in responses to WBC on the draft Local Plan and the current Dunsfold application. WBC will now consider all the responses they have received on the Local Plan and intend to submit the revised Local Plan for examination in November 2016. WBC will also be considering their response to the current Dunsfold application. The Parish Council will continue to monitor developments and keep residents informed of significant issues

### VACANCY FOR COUNCILLOR

Following the departure for pastures new of Councillor Peter Neve there exists a vacancy for a Wonersh Councillor. If you are able to invest some time to get involved with the well-being of the Parish then contact The Parish Clerk Janet Crowe 01483 892601 or at clerk@wonershparish.org. Details are also available on the website and village notice boards.

Being a Councillor allows you to reinvest in your community, it is rewarding work that need not be timeconsuming.

#### PARKING ON GRASS VERGES



Problems continue across the Parish with cars being parked on grass verges. Damage, especially during the winter months when the verges are soft, can be both considerable and unsightly. In areas where cars are being parked in this way, residents are being reminded to park appropriately and signs to this effect are being displayed asking drivers to comply. Residents are also politely reminded to try and avoid the overspill of gravel etc. from drives onto footpaths.



The Councillors and Clerk wish you all , your family and friends "Seasons Greetings"

# **CHANGES TO SURGERY TIMES**

The Clerk is available, by appointment, to residents who wish to discuss any relevant matters. <u>SURGERIES</u> take place between 10:00 and noon every Wednesday (subject to staff commitments) and for an appointment you should call the Clerk on 01483 892601