

The Chinthurst “Triangle” has been re-planted after Surrey County Council undertook a refurbishment of the area. The Parish Council purchased a number of plants that will, once mature, ensure that the area looks attractive without obscuring the views of drivers turning in or out of the junction.



NEWS ON DUNSFOLD Waverley Borough Council approved the application to build 1800 houses on Dunsfold Aerodrome last year. This decision has now been “called in” by the Secretary of State and an Inspector has been appointed to make a recommendation following a full Public enquiry . The hearing commences on 18 July next.

WPC has consistently objected to building large settlements at Dunsfold without addressing the infrastructure issues effectively. In our view the current proposals to mitigate the transport issues are not adequate. WPC has been one of the Joint Parishes which have commissioned transport reports which continue to demonstrate that Dunsfold Aerodrome remains an unsustainable location. At the WPC exhibition last year on the Dunsfold proposals residents were overwhelming against the development.

The Joint Parishes together with Protect Our Waverley Campaign (POW) will be taking a leading role in the Public Inquiry. In order to put up a robust case we will need professional help.

- ◆ A traffic consultant
- ◆ A planning consultant
- ◆ Legal representation including a QC

All of this will involve significant cost. The Joint Parishes, including Wonersh, will be contributing to the costs. However any donations from residents will be gratefully received. Please see the paper headed **URGENT CALL FOR FUNDS** on the Notice Board Section of the WPC website for details as to how to pay.

In addition the Joint Parishes will be making representations at the public hearing on the Local Plan which commences on 27 June in relation to the Dunsfold Aerodrome proposals currently in the Plan.



Over 50 residents attended the Annual Parish Assembly which was held in the Memorial Hall, Wonersh on Thursday May 4th. Together with the Wonersh Parish Councillors, Parish Chairman Rod Weale welcomed those who were attending to submit reports and the key note speaker Mr David Munro, Surrey Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC). Waverley Borough Councillor Michael Goodridge also attended.

Cllr Weale informed the meeting that he had been elected to serve as Chairman following the departure of Cllr Peter Neve for pastures new in the autumn, he also commented on the fact that the Council had appointed a new Clerk and that he and the Clerk, Janet Crowe, had experienced a steep but enjoyable learning curve. After Cllr Neve's departure, the Council co-opted a new Councillor and Oli Burdick was already proving a considerable asset to the Parish.



Some of the work of the Council was explained; Cllr Weale informed the meeting that via the Planning Committee a watching brief was being kept on the situation at Dunsfold. Wonersh Parish Council had joined with other local Councils to ensure that the interests of everyone were kept in mind as the Public Enquiry comes ever nearer. The work of Councillors Payne and Kendal was highlighted as it is they who have responsibility for ensuring the Councils accountability with regard to the Wonersh and Lords Hill playgrounds are met.

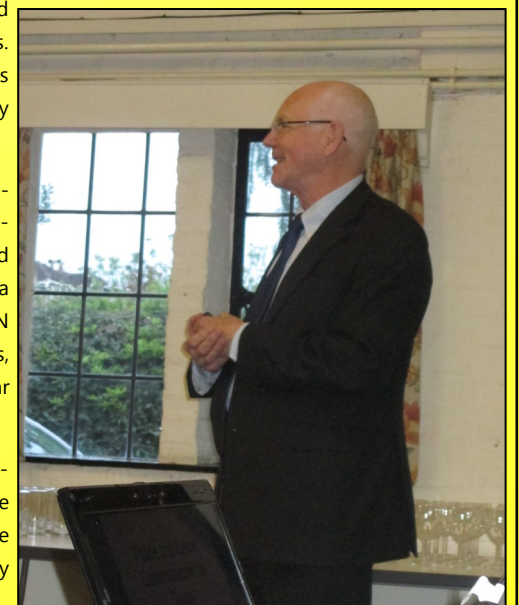
Other works on which the Council needs to maintain a watching brief include the drainage system on the Wonersh Cricket Field and the Closed Burial Area at the Wonersh Parish Church. Cllr Weale explained that the Council was assessing likely future commitments to ensure these responsibilities were met and that funds were available for the works that will be required. This is just one reason that the Council ensures that there is a great deal of thought given to how the annual budget is spent.

Other projects on which Cllr Weale commented included the Speed Watch Programme and the need to recruit volunteers to re-start the programme in Wonersh. Some new waste bins had been provided across the Parish although there was an outstanding matter on which the Council were liaising with Waverley Borough Council. Concern over the noise from the revised flight paths from Gatwick and Heathrow were matters on which the Council had been consulted. It was explained that whilst the concerns of residents were given attention in all cases it was also the case that many residents considered the benefit of living close to two major airports was paramount; therefore, the Council with no official position, had been pleased to simply act as a conduit to ensure these concerns reached the right people or groups. Finally, Cllr Weale ended his report by thanking his fellow Councillors, all volunteers, for their efforts during the year. He assured the meeting that all the Councillors took their responsibilities very seriously but that they also found it enjoyable and fulfilling work.

The meeting received reports from the Wonersh United Charities (Diane Savage), the Gerald's Woodland Group (Rob Burton) and from Graham Healy a summary of the Wonersh Foundation and the Village Stores. The PCC David Munro addressed the meeting at length. He explained that the Police and the demands on their services were changing; the need to fight child abuse and cybercrime being a considerable priority but he assured residents that the fight against crime continued and the PIYN (Policing in Your Neighbourhood), introduced last year was proving a success and crime, in many areas, was seeing a reduction. Mr Munro reported that the “101” number for non-emergencies was now far more efficient and the time taken to answer calls had been greatly reduced.

Mr Munro invited questions from the floor and he and PCSO Phil Snow addressed a number of concerns from residents. The meeting was informed that some, especially those regarding parking, were not a Police matter although PCSO Snow assured everyone that vehicles parked dangerously would be dealt with. Cllr Payne assured the meeting that when he had occasion to call the police on this very subject, the response had been quick and the offending vehicle moved.

After the meeting there was the opportunity for everyone to enjoy refreshments and mingle!



PCC David Munro addressing the meeting.

VISION FOR WONERSH

A group of residents under the auspices of the Parish Council and with some funding from Surrey County Council have been working with consultants, The Stilwell Partnership, to come up with some concepts to address a number of issues in the centre of Wonersh.

The problems highlighted include

- ◇ **Lack of safe pedestrian crossing points**
- ◇ **Excessive vehicle speeds**
- ◇ **Uncontrolled parking around and on the Pepperpot**
- ◇ **Insufficient parking leading to parking on footpaths and verges**
- ◇ **No bus shelters**

In addition the combination of these factors detract from the potentially attractive street scene.

An Improvement Options Report has now been produced and is available on the Notice Board Section of the WPC website. The options are purely conceptual at this stage. We are now looking for feedback on the options and input on alternative ideas in order to determine what ideas to take forward and how best to achieve them. Please send any comments to the Clerk. If there is sufficient interest we will arrange an evening meeting to start the next phase.

NOTICE OF VACANCY IN OFFICE OF COUNCILLOR

FOR THE PARISH WARD OF THE PARISH OF SHAMLEY GREEN NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that a casual vacancy has arisen in the Office of Councillor for the Parish Council which may be filled by co-option. Please see eligibility criteria below.

For details of the co-option process and an application form please contact clerk@wonershparish.org

Please return the Application form by Friday 21ST July. Applications will be considered at the Council meeting on Thursday 14th September 2017.

Eligibility:

- You must be:
- A British citizen, a Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of a European Union country?
- 18 or over

(Only one of the following four qualifications is required)

- On the electoral register for the parish
- Have lived either in the parish, or within three miles of its boundary, for at least a year
- Have been the owner or tenant of land in the parish for at least a year
- Have had only or main place of work in the parish for at least a year

DISQUALIFICATIONS

- ◇ Being the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order.
- ◇ Having been within the last five years been convicted of an offence in the UK, the Channel islands or the Isle of Man which resulted in a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of three months or more without the option of a fine.
- ◇ Having been disqualified by order of a court from being a member of a local authority.

parking in the parish

Parking in the Parish continues to be a problem and one that the Parish Council is keen to address. In Shamley Green, Waverley Borough Council after pressure from the Parish



Council, has now completed the car park on The Common close to the Red Lion. The project was approved in 2015 but funding issues delayed completion. Parking "prettily" there are spaces for 5 cars.



Problems with parking continue in Wonersh with cars often parking inconsiderately by the Pepperpot, the Street and on the main through road. Posts to prevent parking on the verges have helped but it is obvious that further studies need to be completed to try and provide a solution that meets the needs of residents, local businesses and those who drive through the villages. The situation with cars and vans, often commercial vehicles parking on and damaging verges remains an issue. The Parish Council will always report dangerously parked vehicles to the Police.

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH

The speed of cars as they travel through the Parish remains a concern. In Shamley Green there is an active and effective Community Speed Watch Programme but the Wonersh programme remains short of volunteers.



It is proven that the Speed Watch Programme has a positive effect on reducing the speed of vehicles and the Parish Council are actively seeking volunteers to help re-start the programme in Wonersh. If you can spare a few hours a month then please contact the Clerk (clerk@wonershparish.org – 01483 892601). Full training is given and you will be making a positive contribution to road safety in the Parish.