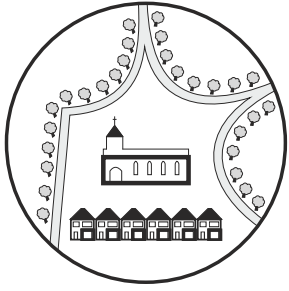


Purbrook and Widley Area Residents' Association.

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**Welcome to your PAWARA newsletter.
The photographs above show the London road
and village shops from the 1930s to the present day.**

PAWARA's Annual General Meeting will be held at 7.15pm on Thursday 24th November at Deverell Hall, London Road, Purbrook PO7 5JU.

**Membership subscriptions can be made or renewed throughout the meeting.
Your membership is still only £3 per year.**

Agenda for the Meeting.

1. Chairman's welcome.
2. Treasurer's report.
3. Election of Officers (a) Chairman (Currently Sue Harvey and wishes to stand down)
(b) Vice Chairman (Currently John Briggs)
(c) Secretary (Currently Sheila McIntosh)
(d) Treasurer (Currently Bill Blackett who is due for re-election).
(e) Membership (Currently Brian Woolley).
(f) Deliveries and Police Liaison (Currently Michael Saunders)
(g) Environment (Mick Mills who wishes to step down).
4. Election of Committee.
Sue Harvey and Mick Mills wish to stand down from their posts. Paul Jackson is seeking election to the committee and has offered to help with environment projects. This leaves three vacancies on the committee. **If any member wishes to join the committee please contact the Chairman or Secretary by 18th November.**
5. Election of Auditors. Carol Crascal and Jack Carruthers are due to be re-elected.
6. Major Development Area Update from Jacky Wilson, MDA Implementation Officer Winchester City Council.
7. Current planning applications.
8. Environment group news.
9. Input from the police if able to attend.
10. **Illustrated presentation on the vitally important work of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance.**
11. A.O.B. from the residents.
12. Opportunity for residents to sign up for the Christmas meal at the Hampshire Rose (numbers limited to 50).
13. **You are welcome to join your fellow residents and the committee for wine and soft drinks to end the evening.**

West of Waterlooville MDA update

You will have seen that Grainger, more exactly their contractor Mayer Brown, have started to work on site carrying out 'lime stabilisation' on the land adjacent to Maurepas Way roundabout in Waterlooville. This procedure strengthens areas of weak soil into a usable and environmentally sound construction base for foundations, avoiding 'dig and shift'.

MDA developer Grainger expects to start construction on phase 1 next spring. The S106 (legal agreement) is hopefully, near completion.

One of the many items in the S106 addresses the timeline for opening the link between the Grainger site and Taylor Wimpey, with it being the preferred and signposted route for access to the new recycling centre.

Taylor Wimpey is in discussion with both authorities on their phases 3 and 4, which will be submitted together, probably late this year.

Street Names

Residents have been asking how they can influence the choice of street names on the MDA. The procedure that Winchester uses for street naming does accept suggestions from residents, usually through the ward or parish councillor(s). The MDA, of course does not (yet!) have either but a new Parish for the MDA is under discussion.

Any proposals will be routed through Jacky Wilson that she can talk with the developer and the Winchester and Havant street naming/numbering teams, who work with the post office etc. Jacky will be at our meeting on 24th November, so why not talk to her then?

Or email her: jwilson@winchester.gov.uk

Street Lighting

It's not often PAWARA finds itself in total agreement with a developer, but we are 100% behind Grainger this time. They are at loggerheads with Hampshire County Council over the design of street lighting on their part of the MDA. Grainger wants traditional "heritage style lamps to compliment this "exemplar development" and Hampshire want modern lighting. Ease and cost of maintenance are the reasons given.

It's a bit like the modern bus shelter foisted on us outside St John's church. It looks totally wrong and out of context, as would modern lighting on a development designed to reflect the architectural heritage of Hampshire and Sussex.



Heritage
vs
Modern

Planning Matters

Goodbye Pete's Airlink - Welcome Madame Ink!

Local business Pete's Airlink has finally outgrown premises in Purbrook and moved to Catherington. Congratulations to them and we wish them the best with their growing portfolio of contracts.

Pete's Airlink Tel: 023 9223 0250

Their former offices at 2 London Road are now leased to "Madame Ink", a tattoo artist, who has outgrown studio premises at Emsworth. Welcome to Purbrook!

Madame Ink Tel: 07513 347 316

Tesco Express Purbrook

Scottish and Southern Electricity have just connected the site by laying a supply cable across London road, so a start should be imminent.

The Curzon Rooms, Waterlooville

Pre-planning discussions are taking place between a potential developer and Havant Borough for a scheme of small retail units with flats above.

Waterlooville Town Centre Improvements

Work has begun on the scheme. The most difficult issue at the moment seems to be the route for a cycle way through or around the centre. Are you a cyclist? Why not contact Havant with your ideas?

Contact Senior Landscape Architect Julie Boschi julie.boschi@havant.gov.uk

Proposed new sports facilities and all weather pitches at South Downs College.

We fully support the proposals for shared community and college use and hope this will be a great boost to many sports teams in the area.

Purbrook Youth Football Club is an example of a local organisation that would benefit greatly.

This excellent club has 140 members (and would welcome more) in teams from 7 years old up to 18. This season they started a mini soccer school for 5, 6 and 7 year olds. Next season they will have introduced a girls' team and should shortly obtain Chartered Standard.



They would like to introduce Hampshire League football to the Club but cannot do this without a pitch that has facilities and can be roped off. They currently have to train and play mostly outside the borough. To have more facilities within the Purbrook area would be fantastic for them and other local clubs. Contact:



Secretary
Trudy Hope-Clarke
07786 746170

www.clubwebsite.co.uk/purbrookyouthfootball

Gas Main Replacement

The gas man cometh! Southern gas networks will be starting work in early November to replace the gas main in London road, Purbrook. The works will take a massive 26 weeks and involve excavating the road and footpath, parking restrictions, traffic lights etc. Access to businesses will not be affected and SGN have pledged to work with residents and businesses to keep disruption to a minimum.



Most of us have had letters if our homes are involved.

Not sure if you will be affected?
Tel: 0845 070 1431
or go to www.sgn.co.uk

News from our Councillors



Care in the Community

By Cllr. Gwen Blackett Havant Borough Councillor for Purbrook

"I attended a workshop organised by the NHS giving an update on Delivering Health Services to the Population of Havant and South East Hampshire.

My main concern was the section on 'Care in the Community' and I can now report on the introduction of what is called 'Virtual Wards' designed around helping patients stay out of hospital and also, where hospital treatment is necessary, to reduce length of stay.

To do this, a group of 'Community Matrons' has been set up with back-up teams of trained staff based in surgeries and health centres working closely with G.Ps.

This is a proactive service actively seeking out patients and identifying their needs before they reach crisis point and so reducing the number of unplanned hospital admissions.

Community Matrons, linked to a group of GP practices, will carry out the initial assessment of a patient and plan care needed to meet their needs making any referrals to appropriate sectors.

This is a very welcome improvement in community care and has already been implemented."



County Councillor Robin McIntosh Purbrook and Stakes South

Cllr. McIntosh writes:

STAUNTON COUNTRY PARK

Most people are aware of the park and its main attractions for the children. I thought it would be useful to expand on its other areas of interest. The Park is funded by the County Council for most of its services with a small contribution from Havant Borough Council and East Hants. The running costs are significant and major efforts are made to make it self supporting.

The Management Board, of which I am a member, is constantly looking to maintain services and reduce the funding required.

There are a wide variety of additional innovative items that go to make up the whole park service.

Most know the gardens and greenhouse with its magnificent lily pond. Don't forget the shop which sells a wide variety of plants, logs, garden pots and meat from the farm stock. There are also excellent facilities for conferences and meetings.

We are currently installing a soft play area for children to encourage birthday party groups. Bicycle hire and fishing are also available, with walking routes throughout the outside main park area.

During the year there are several concerts and festivals, some free of charge.

Staunton Farm, Gardens and Country Park
www.hants.gov.uk/staunton

Community Boards

Although the boards have been dissolved, community representation is at the forefront of the government's Localism bill. The boards hope to regroup with funds from the community development budget, possibly in the same way East Hampshire works. As Havant and East Hants share many resources, this makes sense.

The idea is for all areas and interest groups in Havant Borough to meet regularly at the same time and place. Separate identities are preserved by each area having its own large table, but all are together, able to share information and discussion. The economies for our cash-strapped Councils are obvious. Our Chairman attended one of these new style meetings at EHDC and was very impressed with the format.

The Boundary Commission

is proposing changes to the boundaries of parliamentary constituencies in England.



In the case of Havant, Purbrook ward would be removed from Havant and become part of Portsmouth north. This doesn't affect our local councillors in Purbrook who remain Havant borough Councillors and we will still be in Havant borough.

Public consultation is taking place until 5th December and you can have your say at

www.consultation.boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk

Wheely Bins

Councils across Hampshire have decided not to take the subsidy offered by central government and there will be no return to weekly rubbish collections.

Portsmouth Water Company plans for the next 25 years...

The final plan was published on the 2nd September 2011.

This sets out the key elements which will ensure that the company is able to continue to maintain supplies to customers for the next 25 years.

- 1) A compulsory metering programme over a 15 year period 2015 – 2030.
- 2) A reduction of 3 million litres per day of water leakage for the period 2015 -2020.
- 3) Construction of a Wash water Recovery Plant at Farlington Water Treatment Works 2017-2018.
- 4) Development of Havant Thicket Winter Storage Reservoir filled by surplus yield from the company's Havant and Bedhampton Springs between 2025 - 2030.

Environment Group News



Mick Mills is standing down as leader of our group. As well as coordinating our efforts to keep our area clean and tidy, Mick has inspired us workers through his excellent Penjar Pond and

Sandy Dell Projects and we have achieved great results. Both areas are now a credit to Purbrook and Widley.

At our next meeting at 9.30am on Sunday November 13th we will be moving up to Gauntlett's Park, beside the golf course at Crookhorn. Come and join us for some fresh air and exercise, especially if you live near Gauntlett's Park.

We have been offered some young indigenous trees by the "Friends of Park Wood". Suggestions are being sought about where we could plant them. Please let us know, either by email, in person at the AGM or by telephoning one of the committee - details on page one.

Our Christmas Meal and Quiz Evening

Once more we are at the Hampshire Rose on Friday 9th December for a meal, quiz and raffle. Tickets will be on sale at the AGM for this very popular fixture, or you may purchase tickets at £7 per head in advance from Gill Griffiths, who also has the menu choices. This is an excellent feel-good evening, great fun and great value.

Gill Griffiths Tel: 023 92 793161

Stonham Supported housing have asked us to help in their search for accommodation for young people.



Do YOU have a spare room?

Could YOU do with some extra income?

Would YOU be up for supporting a local teenager?

If so Stonham Supported Lodgings would love to hear from you!

Stonham work across Hampshire supporting local people who can help young people gain the skills and confidence to live independently. Whatever situations they come from, most are very respectful within their supported lodgings placements and you will get detailed information on them before you decide to offer them a home. They just need some stability and support to move forward and a positive role model.

It is quite possible to combine being a supported lodgings host with working full time.

It is a fantastically worthwhile thing to do as the young people are at a crucial time in their lives in terms of what directions they take. Most do really well; in some cases literally turning their lives around.

For more information on this invaluable role contact

**Penny Diver on 077259 58288
or email penny.diver@homegroup.org.uk**

Historical footnote - Wetherspoon's Waterlooville

By the time you read this the new Wetherspoon's pub, the Denmead Queen, will be open. Some residents have been confused by the name, which refers to a bus service that ran from Hambledon to Portsmouth between 1905 and 1937. Waterlooville was one of the stops on the way. Here is the Denmead Queen (one of many incarnations we understand) and her "tribute band", the new Wetherspoon's.



Thanks to the Herbert Marshall Archive for the photograph of the Denmead Queen.

And finally - come and join your committee and fellow residents at 7.15pm in the Deverell Hall on Thursday 24th November for our AGM, followed by drinks to wish each other a happy and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous New Year.