

NEWSLETTER

February/March 2012

SHERE PARISH COUNCIL

**Serving the villages of Gomshall, Holmbury St. Mary, Peaslake
Shere and a large part of Abinger Hammer**

The February meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 24th and will be reported on in the next newsletter. The previous meeting was held on 20th January and the following were amongst matters discussed on that occasion.

Police matters – various incidents of vandalism in Shere and Gomshall were reported. The Police had been contacted and asked that residents be reminded to report all future incidents on their 101 telephone number or via the Surrey Police website. This will enable the Police to have an overall view of the current problems and to be able to act accordingly.

Possible new Meeting Room incorporating Library facilities – building work has now commenced and it is hoped that the library will open in the Spring. It will be necessary to establish a rota of volunteers to assist with the library and anyone interested in being considered for this should contact Mr Roy Davey on 01483 202443.

Improvement in Train Services – a meeting has been held with a representative of Great Western Railways who are to bid for the franchise for the Guildford Redhill Line. This enabled the Council's ideas for an improved service to be discussed. The Parish Council also agreed to host a meeting of groups interested in this train route.

An unsatisfactory reply has been received from Network Rail regarding the lack of safety measures at the Gomshall Station railway crossing. However, since the verdict has been received on the fatal accident at Elsenham station Network Rail have agreed to meet the Parish Council to discuss our crossing and this meeting is due to take place in the very near future.

Traffic issues

Gomshall - a request had been received from a member of the public asking the Parish Council to consider requesting Surrey County Council to install speed prevention mechanisms of some kind in Queen Street, Gomshall. The Parish Council felt that any request should ensure that traffic conditions in Goose Green are also taken into consideration. The County Council will be asked for their comments prior to the setting up of a Gomshall Traffic Working Group.

Shere – the Parish Council agreed to contribute towards the commissioning of a report from a traffic consultant in relation to traffic conditions on the approach roads to the village.

Cycling in the Parish – the Council was informed that productive work is being carried out by other organisations to alleviate problems throughout the Surrey Hills and, in particular, that of the Surrey Hills Mountain Biking Working Group of which the Parish Council is now a member.

Felbury House, Holmbury St. Mary – permission was granted for the removal of several trees where these are on Parish Council land.

Entrance to Gomshall Lane from the A25 – concern was expressed that the Council had not been directly informed by the National Trust prior to clearance work being carried out at the entrance to Shere as the work had been more severe than expected. It was suggested that the Parish Council consider requesting permission to plant a tree in this area to mark the Diamond Jubilee. This will be discussed more fully at the February meeting.

Diamond Jubilee celebrations – as readers will be aware the new library facilities are the Parish Council's main project to mark the Diamond Jubilee. The Parish Council will not therefore be holding a Parishwide celebration but understands that individual villages have already commenced the planning of various village events to mark this occasion.

Future meetings of the Parish Council

Parish Council meetings 8 p.m. in Tanyard Hall, Gomshall – 24th February and 20th April.

Advance Notice – Parish Annual meeting – 3rd May 2012 – this will consist of a report on the work of the Council during the past year followed by a talk by the National Trust Ranger responsible for this area.

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