

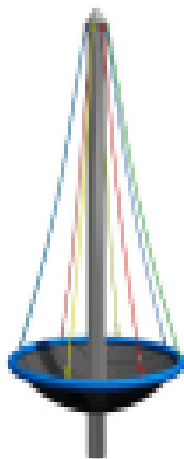
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Peaslake Farm – by now, you will have received a letter from the Parish Council asking you whether you would like to register an interest for one of the new homes to be built on Peaslake Farm yard. It is envisaged that the homes will be available for rent within two years or so. There will be an opportunity to comment on designs and plans at the planning application stage but for now, the Parish Council needs to have an idea of how many and what size of homes are in demand. So if you are interested in renting one of these homes, please let the Parish office know by e-mailing clerk@shereparishcouncil.gov.uk , indicating your ‘household type’ (as described in the guidelines, which are attached to the letter), **by Monday 7th November**.

Parish Council objects to proposed parking machines for Newlands Corner – the Parish Council has written to the government’s Planning Inspectorate, objecting to Surrey County Council’s proposal to install parking charge machines, operating 24 hours a day, at this popular beauty spot. Generally, the Parish Council is worried about the commercialisation of this area and the loss of natural character, wildlife and amenity for local residents, visitors and groups, such as the local astronomical society. It is also concerned about displacement parking into Shere and the free café car park over the road, leading to road safety problems for pedestrians.

More aircraft noise from Gatwick – you might have been aware of more aeroplanes flying over our area recently. This is because Gatwick airport is trialling a change to the flight path so that flights are concentrated along a narrower route, the idea being not to affect as many households. The Parish Council has written to the Civil Aviation Authority, expressing regret about the recent, trial flight path change and its impact on the Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Playground equipment to be up-graded – repairs, refurbishment and painting of all five of the Parish’s playgrounds is to take place shortly. Then, some new pieces of play equipment are planned for next summer: a ‘Birds Nest’ roundabout for Shere and a play house and slide, incorporating interactive educational toys for the under 5s, at Holmbury.



Steps to Peaslake School – the steps up to Peaslake School, playing field and play area are being improved to make them safer. There will be a spur towards the foot of the steps onto Peaslake Lane and a new guard rail.

Scouts bonfire night – the Parish Council has given the go ahead for the Scouts bonfire and fireworks display on Goose Green, on Friday, 4th November.

Christmas lights for our villages – for Peaslake, the Parish Council is buying lights for the Christmas tree; for the front of Peaslake village hall and some path lanterns. In Shere, it is funding additional lighting for the trees by the stream, winter hanging baskets and spring bulbs.

Council meetings for 2017 – the calendar for next year's meeting will appear on the Parish Council's web-site soon. In 2017, there will be more meetings in each of the village halls and Council meetings will now start at 8pm, instead of 7.30pm.

Next Council meeting – Thursday 10th November, starting at 7.30pm at Tanyard Hall, Gomshall

Reporting local problems - contact details

- **roads**, including drainage issues, potholes, overhanging trees, uncut verges, lighting, footpaths and bridleways issues - **Surrey County Council** tel: 03456 009009 or www.surreycc.gov.uk, click on **roads and highways**.
- **leaking pipes** - **Thames Water** tel: 0845 920 0888 (free) or www.Thameswater.co.uk.
- **planning** - **Guildford Borough Council** tel: 01483 505050 or www.guildford.gov.uk or email enforcement@guildford.gov.uk.
- **flooding** – refer to the **Environment Agency** website www.environment-agency.gov.uk
- **crime** – ring 999 for real emergencies and 101 to report a crime or look for information on www.surrey.police.uk.
- **power cuts** and damaged power lines – ring 501 for UK Power Networks who will connect you to your local electricity network operator. Further information is on www.ukpowernetworks.co.uk