

## **Parish Magazine – May 2015 issue**

### **Peaslake Farm Project Group**

Options for the future use of Peaslake Farm are being looked at in detail by this Project Group. Membership of the Group is now complete and so is able to forge ahead with this important research. The Group consists of Parish Councillors, Peaslake Protection Group members: Paul Carter, Ken Harrap and Gerry Reffo and members representing the rest of Peaslake: David Roe, Zoe Fowle and Julie Barham.

On the recommendation of this Group, the Council has dismissed one option – and that is to do nothing; the farmyard itself is in such a tumbledown state and will need to be cleared up. The site is also probably unsuitable for grazing as the fields are so wet. It is envisaged that the English Rural Housing Association will undertake the necessary detailed studies of the Farm site, at no cost to the Parish Council. The Association is one of the leading researchers and developers of affordable rural housing, and works with a variety of partners to tackle the housing problems affecting rural communities.

### **HGVs and pavements in Shere**

Following pressure from the Parish Council and neighbouring parishes, Surrey County Council has agreed to undertake a comprehensive review of HGVs travelling through the Shere area. It is hoped that the review and its findings will be implemented promptly. In the meantime, Surrey Highways has undertaken to place bollards at the junction of Middle Street and Gomshall Lane to protect the Listed Buildings there and the village wall next to the well which keep getting knocked by HGVs.

### **Ideas wanted for grant aid**

The Parish Council gets some grant aid from Guildford Borough Council every year towards the cost of local community projects. In the past, it has received grants for things like play equipment and Christmas lights. If you have any bright ideas for suitable local capital projects, please contact the Parish Council office.

### **New Car parks for Holmbury and Peaslake Village Halls**

The Parish Council is arranging for the car parks at Holmbury St Mary and Peaslake Village Halls to be re-surfaced. This is another project that the Borough Council has contributed towards and the dates of the works will be publicised shortly.