

Peaslake Farm – A small strip of land between the new development of affordable houses and the fields (to be leased) will be retained by the parish council, initially for vehicles during the construction phase (to keep them off the road) and then as a rural track, to access the land above the development for grass cutting. It was agreed at the last council meeting that the surface will be reinstated after the development phase, to a natural grassed surface and any hardcore or artificial surface will be removed. It was also agreed to apply for permission for a wooden gate, to access the strip from Ewhurst Road (set forward to prevent a turning space or to encourage parking).

Peaslake Farm Fields – Friends of The Hurtwood has stepped forward and would like to be considered for managing the fields. Together with Surrey Wildlife Trust, the council now has two options for the fields, offering differing visions. One, to create a nature reserve, with some grazing and a new wetland habitat to hold back water from the village during heavy rainfall and another, primarily with grazing in accordance with DEFRA conservation guidelines with a differing method to slow the water down, via the construction of banking. The parish council is formulating a more detailed criteria and will compare the proposals at the July council meeting.

Broadband for the Surrey Hills (B4SH) – the council has agreed a wayleave across Peaslake Farm fields and a box to provide super-fast broadband, both for the new development of eight homes and other local residents. If you are interested in knowing more, please contact them <https://gigupanddown.net/>

Peaslake bollards – it has been noticed that bollards are being used in Peaslake to prevent parking. The bollards are mostly being used by residents to protect the banks from collapse along Ewhurst Road and in other areas of Peaslake, to stop inconsiderate parking, preventing access to driveways. The parish council is purchasing some no parking signs to go up in Pond Lane, to replace the bollards but no action will be considered on Ewhurst Road, until after the building phase on Peaslake Farmyard.



Tanyard Hall Flooded – Unfortunately a fault with Thames Water equipment led to flooding in Tanyard Hall. The grade II listed hall was left with standing water. Luckily there seems to be no permanent damage other than very smelly carpet which has now been removed. The Drop-in Centre which takes place in Tanyard Hall was accommodated by Shere Village Hall for one session - thank you very much to the trustees. The hall can now be used but we are waiting for new carpet so where possible, when the weather is good and when they are not on a lovely trip, the drop-in will be held in the garden at Tanyard Hall.

Businesses in Shere (BiS) – BiS have formed a forum to improve communication with the parish council. Councillor Mike Keeble has volunteered to be the council representative and will act as a conduit between the forum and full council.

New wooden benches – three new hardwood benches have been ordered: one for Goose Green in Gomshall, one for Horsham Road, Holmbury St. Mary at the junction of Pitland Street and one for the field next to Peaslake Play area. These will be installed in a few months.

Next Council meeting – Tuesday 19th July 2022 at Shere Village Hall, Gomshall Lane, Shere. All meetings are open to the public and there is an opportunity at every council meeting for members of the public to address the councillors.

Dates for the meetings can be found on our website - <https://www.shereparishcouncil.gov.uk/meeting-date-diary/>

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