



It was with great sadness that we have learnt of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. We give thanks for the long life of Her Majesty, a life of service, commitment and unwavering devotion to the nation.

*'We, the residents and council of Shere Parish, would like to extend our deepest sympathies to the Royal Family on the death of our Queen, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. A wonderful lady, who devoted herself to the service of our country and to the Commonwealth, over more than 70 years. She has been someone who has always shown a strong sense of duty and dedication combined with a very obvious genuine interest in everyone whom she met.*

*She has been a national treasure and will be hugely missed by all sections of the community.'*

*Shere Parish Council Chairman Roy Davey*

If you would like to add to the online Book of Condolence, please visit the website <https://www.royal.uk/send-message-condolence>. If you would like to sign a physical Book of Condolence, these are available at St Mark's church in Peaslake and St James' church in Shere.

Chairman R Davey attended the Surrey Proclamation of King Charles III and the Service of Commemoration and Thanksgiving for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Sunday 11th September 2022 at Guildford Cathedral, on behalf of the Shere Parish Council and the community.

The Guildford Borough Council Proclamation of Accession was read by The Mayor of Guildford, Councillor Dennis Booth on the steps on the steps of Holy Trinity Church, High Street, Guildford also on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September 2022

We look forward now to the beginning of the next period in our country's history and wish our new monarch a long and distinguished reign.

God Save the King



## Other News

As a sign of respect following the death of Queen Elizabeth II, the full council meeting was cancelled on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Due to the rules over the mourning period, this meeting will not be rescheduled and the next council meeting will now be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at Tanyard Hall, Gomshall.

**Holmbury St Mary Traffic Calming** – in the last financial year traffic calming was approved by Surrey County Council (SCC) with a contribution of £5,000 from the parish council. We were assured that these works would take place before the end of the last financial year and were persuaded by SCC to pay the £5,000 to them. Unfortunately, these essential works have not yet taken place (despite much pushing) and they still hold the council's contribution. The council has now formally written to the SCC Councillor Robert Hughes to demand immediate action.

**Shere Parking** – Since the public consultation regarding traffic and parking in Shere, the parish council has been working behind the scenes to move the projects forward:

- GBC has been asked for new double yellow lines (dyls) in some areas to improve safety and access but unfortunately, they have a backlog of requests and this could take over a year. Next April SCC are taking back responsibility for dyls which may also impact the timescale. The parish council will continue to push for action.
- SCC are looking into an experimental road closure for part of The Square in Shere and the parish council are awaiting the initial draft plan. When received, a public meeting will be held to hear resident's views.
- Negotiations with the Trustees of Shere Recreation Ground regarding charging in Shere Car Park are still taking place. This is taking longer than expected and it is likely arbitration may be necessary. In the meantime, the parish council has requested an updated quote for the repairs to the driving surface.

### **The Surrey EV Chargepoint Interactive Map – Have Your Say**

Surrey County Council are planning to install electric vehicle (EV) chargers across the county. If you are unable to charge an EV at home, they want to hear from you! Visit the following link, view the map and drop a pin where you would like to see a residential public ChargePoint installed - <https://surreyev.commonplace.is/about>

**Peaslake Farmyard Development** – Greenoak Housing Association is currently shortlisting builders as part of a two-stage tender and the chosen builder will be involved with the detailed design. Due to difficulties in finding builders with availability, the timeline has slipped by a few months. The public consultation regarding the building phase is now scheduled for early December and they are aiming for building works to begin late January/beginning February 2023 and completion late 2023.

**Peaslake Farm Fields** – Two organisations, Surrey Wildlife Trust and Friends of the Hurtwood have made proposals to manage Peaslake Farm Fields. More information will be available after the proposals have been evaluated.

**Shere Well** – the stonework on the well in Shere has now been refurbished and the well enclosure is looking great. The contractor has suggested replacing the old lead roof with a toughened glass roof, to highlight the beauty of the stone and allow plants to flourish.

The council agrees with this suggestion and has submitted a listed building application to Guildford Borough Council. Hopefully the conservation officer will agree too!



**Next Council meeting** – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at Tanyard Hall, Station Road, Gomshall GU5 9LF.

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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