

Crookham Village Traffic

In response to concerns about increased traffic flows through the village, a long-standing worry about pedestrian safety, and because a scheme was about to be trialled in Dogmersfield, Crookham Village Parish Council decided on 23 June to hold a trial of traffic calming measures in Crookham Village. Temporary installations are expected by September.

These schemes will have a unknown effect on traffic flows through the area, including Redfields Lane and Brandon Road. It will, if successful, lead to significant expenditure from the Parish Precept element of your Council Tax to fund the permanent scheme. In the last two years, replacement of lamp standards in the village itself has absorbed the lions share of the total parish precept and, if traffic calming is adopted, this trend looks set to continue.

If you have views on these or other local issues, the Parish Council welcomes public participation at their monthly meetings, normally held (except August) on the first Monday of every month in the WI Hall in Crookham Village starting at 7:45pm.

Parish Council

There are 1100+ houses on Zebon Copse, and about 230 in each of Netherhouse Moor Estate and Crookham Village.

Parish council elections in May 2000 produced 4½ councillors from the village, 3½ from Zebon Copse (the half has just moved from the village to the Copse) and none from Netherhouse Moor. All those who stood from Zebon Copse were elected, so the imbalance is as much due to lack of Zebon Copse candidates as anything else.

The next election is in 2004. Think about it!

STOP PRESS One moving from ZC. Now 2½.

Library Van

Due to lack of support, ZCRA will not seek to get the library van to call at the shop.

Redfields

It looks increasingly certain that the site of Redfields Garden Centre will be redeveloped into a mix of housing and industrial estate. The proposal has the strong backing of Hart Council and was endorsed by the Planning Inspector in the new Local Plan, soon to be finalised.

The latest morsel came from a paper by Hart Strategic Planning Department in early July, which included the building of 40 houses on the site during 2005/6 in projections for new housing.

Horses

Following discussions with riders from Albany Farm, it is hoped that conflicts between horses and pedestrians around the estate will no longer be an issue.

However, people continue to complain about horse droppings in the built up area, especially on footpaths. Rider Mrs Valerie Hall of Browning Road (telephone 513690) has kindly offered to organise cleaning up if people feel strongly about a particular event.

New Path

ZCRA has asked Hart Council to put in a path across the open space between Brandon Road and Jessett Drive, but has yet to receive an answer. Other issues in that area include grounds maintenance, the state of the surface, and new play areas due from the developer.

Dog Mess

The dog bins have been a great success and many paths are now much clearer of dog mess. However, we have had a number of complaints about mess on the paths around the shop. Please be public spirited and clear up after your pet.

ZCRA Summer Extravaganza 16 July

At the Community Centre.
Entry Free.

Something for Everyone

If you are willing to lend a hand for this event, please contact a committee member as soon as possible.

More detail overleaf

Spring Bulbs

Estate Shops

You may have noticed that work is well advanced to convert the empty shop unit in Frenchman's Creek to a sub-aqua training and retail centre.

The mini-supermarket is going through a bad patch at present as John Kinsey tries to sell. There is a risk of losing our only real amenity. Please support your local shop or we might soon regret our lack of interest.

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