

WEST PARLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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JANUARY NEWSLETTER

Woodland Walk Work has continued the area of the Sports Club field leading to Parley Wood. (footpath between Parley Sports Club and Oakland Walk). A Volunteer Chain Saw gang and helpers has made a start on the removal of the large tree stumps left in the ground or lying on the surface. Logs produced from this work are available to residents. The ground will soon be ready for clearing of tree roots and the installation of paths, signs and other amenities for visitors to Parley Wood.

Parley Wood Work by our Working Parties, following the advice detailed in the Management Plan produced by the East Dorset Countryside management team, has continued in Parley Wood to remove the invasive holly etc. in the Western section of Parley Wood. This will encourage a much better ground cover to develop and allow us to arrange some attractive walks in the wood. Anyone wishing to help with this work will be warmly welcomed. We are currently meeting on Saturday mornings every 4 weeks. Please contact Alanmacd@talktalk.net to offer help. 3 new footbridges will shortly be placed across the streams at the entrances to the wood.

Tree planting in main road verges We shall shortly be planting about 20 trees on the verges of the main roads leading into Parley Cross. Decorative Trees have been chosen for the beauty of their blossom, foliage or bark. Several residents have kindly offered to Sponsor a tree and we invite other residents to consider doing so. Please contact Alanmacd@talktalk.net to offer sponsorship.

The Footpath gate – A new pedestrian gate will be installed next week at the New Road entrance to the footpath leading to Church Lane

New notice board A new Aluminium Notice board to replace the green one on the wall of the toilets at Parley Cross will enable us to give residents more information about the village and about the work of the Parish Council.

Village Maintenance The new handyman/Gardener, My Philip Ratcliffe, has started work for 1 day per week on the maintenance of our roadside verges, hedges and pavements. He will also sweep the Bus Shelter at Parley Cross weekly.

Litter We now have a new Litter rota in force and we have several litter pickers patrolling each section of our main roads so that each area is cleared more frequently than before. We are also able to clear some of our residential roads. We now have nearly 30 volunteers involved in this work and more volunteers will always be welcome.

Reporting faults to DCC - All Councillors and all residents can make use of this system to report any problem from potholes to street light failure. www.Dorsetforyou.com./reportroadproblems or telephone **01305 221020**

February Visit–The Community Response Team of DCC is due to visit West Parley in February. Please inform me of any problems of which you are aware on our roads, pavements and verges. eg Potholes, broken kerbstones, rough pavements, bumps in roads caused by tree roots, and the list of jobs will be forwarded to CRT.

Floral Display Floral displays at Parley Cross and opposite the Porsche garage have been very colourful over the last month or so, due to the warmer winter so far. It has been disappointing to see that 4 conifers and some pansies have been stolen from the troughs at Parley Cross. This has been reported to the Police. Replanting will do carried out as soon as possible.

The Former Scout Hut Following our decision to demolish the hut as mentioned in the December Newsletter we advertised its availability to Scout Groups in Dorset, Hampshire and Wiltshire and we have arranged for the hut to be taken down and removed at no charge to West Parley Parish

Council by a Scout group in Hampshire. Several other groups from neighbouring counties are interested in acquiring the hut if the current arrangement falls through. We are now making plans to redevelop the Recreation Ground and its approaches into an attractive amenity for all ages of resident.

Dudsbury Heights Fields Great concern has been expressed by District Cllr Barbara Manual about the appalling state of the grass and the mess surrounding the many buildings erected on the fields. Local residents have for many months been very concerned about the state of these Green belt fields. A meeting has been arranged on the site with EDDC Planning Officer Chris Gausden.

West Parley Village Coffee Club

West Parley Parish Council and the Dorset Partnership for Older People Project (POPP) are working together to set up a regular **Coffee Morning** as a means of giving residents an opportunity to meet for a hour or so in relaxed surroundings. We hope that many residents will wish to attend to meet friends and make new ones.

Initially, it is hoped to hold a Coffee Morning once a fortnight at West Parley Sports Club probably on a Wednesday but this has not yet been finalised. When all the arrangements are in place residents will be informed and details will be posted on the Parish Notice Boards and also on the Parish Council Website. In the meantime it would be most helpful to us if those interested in this facility, either in a helping capacity or as a partaker would please let us know by contacting dawn.jones@helpandcare.org.uk Tel (03001)113303 or cldr.s.gooden@westparley-pc.gov.uk Tel (01202) 573638

Parley Sports Club

Valentines night on the 11th February, live music, all welcome.

The football Club is proud to announce that all teams continue to perform well. On Saturdays the Dorset Premier side now into the top six, The Bournemouth Premier League side have reached the semi final of the Dorset Senior trophy and the 3rd Team are challenging for promotion in Bournemouth Division 3.

The **Sunday side** continues to hold their own in Bournemouth Division 1, **the U18 side** are top of the Dorset U18 league Division 2, **The U13 side** are now second in their league with games in hand and the **U15 team** continue to progress.

We are introducing a **Sunday Ladies Team** next season. They will play in the Southern Region WFL Division 1 South, in which teams play at a very high standard, having Reading Ladies, Oxford Utd Reserves and Basingstoke to name but a few big clubs in their league. Matches kick off at 2pm on a Saturday, 10.30am for the Sunday Senior side and 2pm for the Ladies and youth sides, so come on down and support your Local Club.

In May Parley Sports Club welcomes some very famous names in the world of cricket when an **"Old England XI" will visit** to play at West Parley.

Bournemouth Sports Club (Chapel Gate)

Residents will be made very welcome at all of these events and sports fixtures

Events and Fixtures for the Winter Months

22nd January – Dorset & Wilts Under 20 Rugby game against Bournemouth University KO 2pm

25th January – First Aid At Work Course (3 days) start time 9.30am

27th January – Quiz Night in aid of the Youth Rugby Club from 6pm

28th January – Hockey - Ladies 1st Team against Bristol University 1.30 KO

28th January – Football – Bournemouth Sports FC V Hedge End (Hampshire Premier League) 2pm KO

4th February – Rugby – Bournemouth Rugby Football Club 1st Team V Newton Abbot (National 3 South West Premier League) KO 2pm

4th February – Football – Bournemouth Sports FC 1st Team V AFC Portchester KO 2pm

11th February – Hockey – Ladies 1st Team V Cheltenham Town KO 1.30pm

25th February – American Football – Bobcats V Swindon Storm KO 12noon

Some fixtures have not been finalised so 1st Team Rugby and Football fixtures will be added at a later date.