#### **Hythe and Dibden Parish Council**



## **Parish Picture**

### October 2005



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## **We Need Your Help**

Although the New Forest area is one of the safest places to live in the country, there are still acts of anti-social behaviour and crime that affects our community.

In this newsletter we are focusing on community safety and how you feel about the issue and what can be done to improve the situation.

In order that we can take into account the issues that concern you we would be grateful if you would take a few minutes to complete and return the questionnaire on pages five and six.

Alternatively the questionnaire can be downloaded from our website.

The Parish Council works very closely with the local police and New Forest District Council to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour.

Also in this edition there is information on the trials currently being undertaken by Southampton Airport in relation too approach flight paths.

Whilst not covered in this publication, Southampton Airport has recently published its draft "Master Plan" for its future expansion for consultation. Copies of the plan can be viewed on their website. The closing date for comments is the 31 October 2005.

#### **Vandalism**

Like most other organisations the Parish Council suffers vandalism to the public areas that it maintains on behalf of the ratepayers. Every day the Council's, maintenance team visits all the play areas and recreation ground, clearing litter, broken glass (which is more of a problem over the summer holidays), drug paraphernalia and repairing vandalism.

On the 28/29 July 2005 the play area at Fernhill had around £3000 worth of damage carried out on the equipment. The damage was so bad that the equipment is not repairable.

In order to do that amount of damage the individuals must have made a substantial amount of noise.

The Police and Council would really like to take action against the perpetrators and would welcome any information to

assist in that process.

It is understood that people may be apprehensive about reporting matters to the Police for fear of reprisals, however it is possible to report anonymously using "Don't Accept the Unacceptable" forms which can be downloaded from our website or are available from the Council Offices at The Grove.



#### Southampton Airport 2005 Noise Preferred Routeing Trials

In the summer, Southampton Airport introduced some new take-off and landing procedures with the aim of minimising the noise impact on local people. The trials will run from 1 July 2005, through to 31 December 2005.

Departing and arriving aircraft to follow slightly different routes to and from the airport during the trials. It is hoped this will indicate the best routeings to minimise impact on local residents.

The 2005 trials concentrate on two main elements - arriving aircraft from the south and departing aircraft to the north of the airport. It is hoped that changes in aircraft paths in these two directions will help to minimise the impact on some local residents.

1. Aircraft departing to the north Aircraft departing in a northerly direction will be required to maintain the runway heading until reaching two and a half miles from the end of the runway. At present aircraft are required to fly an alternative heading after departure which impacts on the village of Bishopstoke.

After two and a half miles, aircraft will then route as directed by Air Traffic Control. This will ensure a large majority of departing aircraft will avoid overflying the village of Bishopstoke.

It is also expected that departing aircraft then flying westwards will avoid the populated area of Eastleigh.

During the 2005 trials, there will be no change to the routeings for aircraft arriving from the north.

2. Aircraft arriving from the south The point at which aircraft arriving from

the south (on a visual approach) are required to be on alignment with the runway's centre line at four miles.

It is anticipated that this will lead to less parts of the Southampton urban area being overflown by arriving aircraft. Areas likely to see fewer arriving aircraft include Sholing, Woolston and Shirley.

However this does not mean aircraft will avoid these areas altogether as departing aircraft routeings will not be changed during the trial period.

Many aircraft will also use the lessdensely populated Southampton Water area to manoeuvre onto the centre line for arrival.

#### Giving your feedback

Southampton Airport is very keen to hear your feedback (positive or negative) on the current Noise Preferred Routeing Trials. This will help them to understand if the trials have been a success. When giving feedback please try to identify the direction of aircraft (i.e. north or south) and if arriving or departing.

If you would like to give them your feedback please contact Southampton Airport through one of the following options:

Address: Noise and Flight Evaluation Southampton Airport, Southampton SO18 2NL

Telephone: 02380 62 70 70 (manned

during office hours)

Email: sou community@baa.com

"Southampton Airport wants your feedback."

#### **Community Wardens - the Story So Far**

The Parish Council, in response to previous instances of anti-social behaviour, employs a private security company to patrol the areas where most problems are being encountered.

During 2004, as part of the District Council's Community Safety Strategy, Councillor Malcolm Wade (also a Hythe and Dibden Parish Councillor), headed up a working group at the District Council to look into the possible provision of Community Wardens to work in the New Forest area.

It was anticipated that these local Wardens would work with local people by operating within our Parish.

In view of the possible outcome of this project, the Parish Council set aside £10,000 towards the funding of two Community Wardens for the Parish. However, during the year, Hampshire County Council decided to introduce Accredited Community Safety Officers across Hampshire with one of the first deployments being to the New Forest Area and in particular to the Waterside area.

As a result, New Forest District Council decided not to go ahead with their own Community Warden Service, but instead to contribute to two additional Accredited Community Safety Officers who would then cover the New Milton Area.

The service currently provided by Hampshire County Council covers our Parish and, whilst it is understood there are no plans to move them, it is always an option if the County Council believes there is a more pressing need elsewhere in the New Forest area.

Whilst being disappointed, the Parish Council decided that, before considering the matter further, they would review the operation of the Hampshire County Council scheme after six months and then to consult with residents as to their views on the service and the way forward for the future. These options are considered on page 4.

The Accredited Community Safety Officers commenced their duties in the Waterside in December 2004 and are currently operating out of The Grove. The management of the service is carried out from Winchester.

The ACSO's operate between the hours of 8.00 am and 11.00 pm over 7 days of the week on a shift pattern.

Some of their vehicles are equipped with CCTV to allow them to record instances of anti-social behaviour etc.

The ACSO's can be contacted by any of the following means:

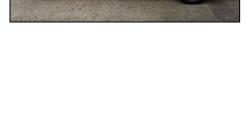
Telephone: 0845 6001747

Email:

community.safety@hants.gov.uk.

Write:
Community Safety Service
Hampshire County Council
Mottisfont Court
High Street
Winchester
Hampshire
SO23 8ZE

or visit their website at www.hants.gov.uk/communitysafety



#### **Parish Picture**

#### **Community Safety – Options for the Future**

In order to decide the best way forward, the Council has constructed a questionnaire which, it is hoped, will give an indication of the issues that concern you and whether you would be prepared to pay an additional amount each week to have more uniformed people patrolling our areas and streets.

The options that are currently being considered are:

- Do nothing and rely on the existing provision of Accredited Safety Officers and our private security patrols.
- 2. Pay Hampshire County Council to have two additional Accredited Community Safety Officers dedicated to the Parish.
- Employ two Community Wardens either directly or via contract to another agency.

Community Wardens would be locally based and would get to know local people and trouble hot spots and work

using mainly persuasion and providing evidence and information to the local Police.

Accredited Community Safety Officers operate in a similar manner and they also have the power to issue Fixed Penalty Notices for certain offences such as graffiti, dog fouling, dropping litter. They also have the power to dispose of alcohol found on under age drinkers.

The Parish Council has established that to provide two additional persons to specifically patrol the Parish would mean each household in the Parish paying, on average, another 15 pence per week on the Parish Council precept\*.

\* Precept is the amount of money that is collected as part of the New Forest Council Tax demand and is specifically to pay for the services provided by the Parish Council. A breakdown is included with the annual bill which is sent out in March/April each year. For the current year the precept for a Band D property (the average band) is £53.52 per year.

"New Forest District Council needs more homes to rent."

"Your views are

important"

#### **Housing Association Leasing (HAL)**

Meeting housing need is high on the agenda for the local authority. One way of providing much sought after accommodation is through the leasing of private property from owners.

The New Forest District Council has been successfully involved in a leasing scheme in the New Forest for a number of years. It has proven to be an excellent opportunity for owners of residential dwellings to let their property with peace of mind and security of income.

Over the past two years the (HAL) scheme has been tailored to meet the ever changing needs of the market. Lease terms have been reduced to two years, giving landlords greater flexibility and reducing long term commitment and rent levels are more reflective of the

market place.

The New Forest District Council works very closely with their Housing Association partners, who directly lease the properties from the owners and are responsible for managing them on a day to day basis.

The current scheme has proven very successful, offering guaranteed rent, even when the property is empty, professional management and minimum involvement for owners.

More properties are now being sought urgently to increase the portfolio and there is a particular need for 1, 2 and 3 bedroom properties in all areas of the New Forest.

For further information on the scheme and rent levels please contact ~ The Development Team at New Forest District Council on 023 8028 5577.

## **Community Safety - Questionnaire**

## How safe do you feel?

	On a scale of 1 to 5 where				
	<ul><li>1 = Very safe</li><li>2 = Fairly safe</li><li>3 = No strong feelings</li></ul>	4 = Fairly unsafe 5 = Very unsafe			
	How safe do you feel at home during the day?				
Completed forms should be eturned to The Grove, 25 St John's Street, Hythe Hampshire SO45 6BZ by 1 October 2005"	How safe do you feel at home during the dark?				
	How safe do you feel going abou	How safe do you feel going about your neighbourhood in the day?			
	How safe do you feel going about your neighbourhood during the dark?				
	How safe do you feel visiting the Centre of Hythe during the day?				
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	Concerns about cri	ime in the area where yo	u		
	From the following list please ide below where	entify your level of concern against the list	detailed		
	<ul><li>1 = Not at all concerned</li><li>2 = Not very worried</li><li>3 = No strong feelings</li></ul>	4 = Fairly concerned 5 = Very worried	he dark?		
	Having your home burgled				
	Having a car or other vehicle broken into/vandalised				
	Theft from your garden/grounds, shed, garage or farms				
	Having a car or other vehicle stolen				
	Vandalism or damage to your property				
	Bogus callers				
	Drug related incident/crime				
	Street robbery/mugging				
	Drunk people causing you a problem at night				
	Arson to your home, land or outb	puildings			
	Another type of violent attack				
	Having a bicycle stolen				
	Road rage				

# Questionnaire (Cont'd) Being insulted or bothered by people who live close by

Being sexually assaulted					
Drunk people causing you a problem during the day					
Being sexually harassed					
Being bullied in school/college/workplace					
Being harassed because of your colour, race, religion or sexual orientation					
Being assaulted because of your colour, race, religion or sexual orientation					
The Future					
In order to help us plan for the future please complete the following questions which detail possible options.					
Hampshire County Council recently introduced Accredited Community Safety Officer Were you aware that the Accredited Community Safety Officers are working in the ar					
Yes No D					
Do you think they have had an impact since their introduction?					
Yes □ No □ Don't know □					
In order to further enhance community safety the Parish Council is considering variou options and would welcome your input.	us				
Would you like to see the introduction of Accredited Community Safety Officers or Community Wardens dedicated to the Parish only?					
Yes □ No □ Don't know □					
If the answer is YES would you be prepared to pay, on average another 15p per week/per household to the Parish Council to pay for this service?					
Yes □ No □ Don't know □					
About you (All replies will be treated confidentially)					
Postcode					
Age range: 18-30 years ☐ 31-50 years ☐ 50+ years ☐					
Ethnic origin: White  Mixed  Asian  Black  Chinese  Other					
Do you consider yourself disabled Yes D No D					

#### **RevitalHythe Update**

#### **Last Editions Prize Draw**

The lucky winner of the £30 voucher provided by the La Vista Restaurant was Jan Ledingham of Dibden Purlieu.

#### **Movies Return to Hythe**

We were very pleased with the response we had to the advert for cinema coordinators. The first meeting of the group, which took place on the 31 August 2005, elected Dave Gowlett as Chairman.

Until the group gets started arrangements have been made to show the following films at the Parish Hall, West Street, Hythe:

25 October 2005 Duma (u)

22 November 2005 Phantom of the Opera (15)

Showings will take place at 2.30pm and 7.30pm. Film trailers can be viewed on the **new community website:** 

#### www.hytheonline.com.

Tickets cost £4.00 and will be available in advance from:

Waterside Herald , 2 Admirals Way, Hythe

For further information please contact Helen Owers on 023 8084 1411 Ext 208 or Dave Gowlett on 023 8084 2186

**Your Council in Action - Future meetings** 

The Council and each of its committees meet eight times during the year.

All meetings are held at The Grove with the exception of the Annual Parish Meeting which is held at the Parish Hall.

Prior to each Council and Committee meeting a Planning Committee is held.

Planning Committee meetings start at 7.00 pm whilst those of the Council, Amenities Committee and the General Purposes and Finance Committees start at 8.00pm.

All Council Meetings and Committee Meetings have time set aside for public participation.

The Council welcomes any questions or comments on issues concerning the Parish.

The following are the scheduled meetings between October 2005 and January 2006:

10 October Amenities Committee

17 October General Purpose and

**Finance Committee** 

7 November Council

14 November Amenities Committee

28 November General Purposes and

Finance Committee

19 December Council

2006

9 January Amenities Committee

Further details can be obtained from the website or Council Office

## **Starting School in September 2006?**

"Was your child born between 1 September 2001 and 31 August 2002?"

"All Council Meetings

Meetings have time

set aside for public

and Committee

participation."

If so, it is important that you apply for a school place by midday on Friday 18 November 2005.

To do this you will need to collect a brochure and an application form (CR2) from your local primary or infant school from September 2005.

If you need more information contact the Admissions Team,

Telephone 01962 846001/846020/846038/846004

#### **Your Parish Councillors**

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