



Newsletter

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Report from Residents Association meeting:

19 September 2016

Parking at Wallands School.

Serious concerns had been raised about the parking problems at Wallands School. Traffic at the start and finish of the school day is causing safety concerns and inconvenience to local residents. At the moment it is legal for cars to park on Nevill Road, but the Residents Association could lobby for double yellow lines to be placed on the junction. A meeting has been arranged with the Parking Manager at ESCC to discuss these issues on 2 November at the School, 5.00 – 6.30 pm.

Proposal to Build on Land Adjacent to Hawkenbury Way

Ron Moore, a director of Economy Properties Ltd, which owns the land adjacent to Hawkenbury Way, presented the meeting with his proposal to build twelve apartments and sixteen houses. This would be affordable housing for sale between £250,000 - £300,000, and the apartments for rent to local people at around £600 pcm. He was hoping to get the support of the local community before approaching the planning authorities.

Access and parking problems were raised at the meeting. To the question about infrastructure he said there would be no problem as a new sewer was being built in Spital Road. The meeting was told that final planning permission would have to be decided by South Downs National Park Authority, and that the plans would have to meet their landscaping criteria.

Flooding on Nevill Green

On 17 June, just as the children were leaving school, the Green was again flooded with rainwater and sewage. Southern Water was informed. Sarah Neels and Alan Chapman from NRA, and a senior engineer for Lewes District Council met to investigate the problem. CCTV revealed that the gully buried under the ramp on the Green, which is owned by Southern Water, was leaking and needed to be dealt with.

Tesco's Grant Update

After consultation it was decided not build the Trim Trail, but to install additional play equipment and planting within play area. Extra planting along the banks of the green is being looked into by Chris Bibbs for the town Council and Tessa Russell, who made the grant application. Final proposals will be put to residents.

PCSO report

Our local PCSO was unable to attend the meeting because of changes to their role. At the AGM in May, Julie McNirlan outlined the reorganisation. The number of PCSOs had been reduced to twelve based in Lewes, four in the town centre, and they would work in a more flexible way. If there was a major crime or incident they could be deployed within a radius of seventy miles. They will have new powers to enter licensed premises to tackle drink related problems, better equipment, a remit to focus on crime prevention, and more training

There have been reports of anti-social behaviour; all incidents should be reported by ringing 101, if there was a personal threat dial 999. E-mail contact – contactcentre@sussex.pnn.police.uk.

There is a separately funded department for reporting speeding called Operation Crackdown. To make a report you need the make of the vehicle, licence number, sex of the driver and date of the incident.

To stop illegal parking, bollards will be placed on the island with the electricity sub-station at the junction of Highdown Road and Firle Crescent.

Environmental Budget

This year's budget will be spent on renewing two benches on Nevill Green.

Good Neighbours Scheme

Following the introductory item in April's newsletter, a small group of enthusiastic volunteers came forward to offer their help to start up a Good Neighbours Scheme and enjoyed several get-togethers to discuss practicalities. They have since

formed a committee which has a constitution, a bank account, a coordinator and several volunteers; through Action in Rural Sussex they have also successfully applied for modest funding. Many residents are fortunate in that they already have support from neighbours and friends, but others may be glad of a network of people who could offer lifts, call in for a chat, collect prescriptions or do occasional shopping. Attached to this newsletter is a survey (similar to the one piloted for a few people at the Extravaganza) and they would be grateful if you could complete and return it to one of the addresses given at the bottom; all three addresses are those of committee members. Once they have received your responses they will have a clearer idea of what support would be helpful to residents, and how many volunteers they may be able to call on to run the scheme. Please remember to include your name and contact details if you would like them to get in touch with you.

At September's Nevill Residents meeting it was agreed that the Good Neighbour Scheme will be affiliated to the Nevill Residents Association and, in time, have a regularly updated page on the website.

If you would like further information about this scheme, please contact Penny Ollosson on 01273 478900 or pollosson@tiscali.co.uk

New Community Allotment Members Wanted!

Some of you may be aware of Lewes Community Allotment (LCA) at the top of the Highdown Road allotments, run by co-ordinator Sarah Rideout. It's now part of Flourish, a Lottery-funded project, managed by Common Cause Coop. We run sessions up there for people with learning disabilities on a Wednesday morning. But we're also in search of new community members. We ask for a reasonably regular commitment of about a couple hours a week – in exchange for good company, fresh air, exercise and a share in our wonderful produce.

Annual membership costs £20 per person, or £25 per family – with concessions available. We offer support and specialist teaching opportunities to learn about organic gardening and growing fruit and veg. We don't expect members to know about gardening – we can help you with that. You are also most welcome to come along to meet us, with no commitment.

Contact project manager Emma Chaplin
flourishlewes@gmail.com or call 07752 384852
commoncause.org.uk/flourish

New Bus Time Tables

Richard Hudson has again collated the country bus times with the 128 and 129.

Local Buses from 16 October 2016

Monday-Friday			
down		back	
07:32 o N121	06:46 s 121		
07:53 o 166	07:35 s 166		
07:54 o 122	07:35 s 167		
08:32 o N121	08:08 s 121		
09:07 o 121	09:00 s 128		
09:09 f 128	09:15 s nw167		
09:20 o 166	09:30 s 129		
09:39 f 129	09:30 s 121		
10:07 o 122	09:35 s 122		
10:09 f 128	09:55 s 166		
10:17 o 121	10:00 s 128		
10:39 f 128	10:30 s 128		
10:47 o mt167	10:30 s 121		
11:09 f 129	11:00 s 129		
11:17 o 121	11:00 s mt167		
11:25 o 166	11:30 s 128		
11:39 f 128	11:35 s 122		
12:07 o 122	11:55 s 166		
12:09 f 128	12:00 s 128		
12:13 o mt167	12:30 s 129		
12:39 f 129	12:30 s 121		
13:09 f 128	13:00 s 128		
13:17 o 121	13:00 s mt167		
13:39 f 128	13:30 s 128		
14:07 o 122	13:35 s 122		
14:09 f 129	14:00 s 129		
14:25 o 166	14:30 s 121		
14:37 o nw167	14:30 s 166		
15:11 f 128	14:50 s 167		
15:29 o 121	15:00 s 128		
15:32 o sd121	15:00 s sd121		
16:11 f 128	15:55 s 166		
16:25 o 166	16:00 s 128		
16:56 f 128	16:00 s 122		
17:07 o 167	16:30 s 121		
17:17 o 121	16:45 s 128		
17:25 o 166	17:10 s 122		
17:26 f 128	17:15 s 128		
17:56 f 128	17:30 s 121		
18:17 o 121	17:35 s 166		
18:44 o 166	17:45 s 128		
19:17 o 121	18:30 s 121		

Saturday			
down		back	
08:39 f 128	08:05 s 121		
08:47 o 121	08:30 s 128		
09:09 f 128	09:00 s 128		
09:39 f 129	09:30 s 129		
10:07 o 122	09:35 s 122		
10:09 f 128	10:00 s 128		
10:39 f 128	10:30 s 128		
11:09 f 129	10:30 s 121		
11:25 o 121	11:00 s 129		
11:39 f 128	11:30 s 128		
12:07 o 122	11:35 s 122		
12:09 f 128	12:00 s 128		
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13:09 f 128	12:30 s 121		
13:25 o 121	13:00 s 128		
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15:25 o 121	15:00 s 128		
16:07 o 122	15:35 s 122		
16:11 f 128	16:00 s 128		
16:56 f 128	16:30 s 121		
17:25 o 121	16:45 s 128		
17:26 f 128	17:10 s 122		
17:56 f 128	17:15 s 128		
18:24 o 121	17:35 s 121		
	17:45 s 128		

Sunday			
down		back	
10:56 f 132	10:45 s 132		
11:56 f 132	11:45 s 132		
12:56 f 132	12:45 s 132		
13:56 f 132	13:45 s 132		

nw = not Wed
mt = Mon, Thu
sd = Schooldays
f = Firle Crescent
o = Offham
s = Bus Station
N = via Nevill

The Next NRA Meeting – Monday 23 JANUARY 2017

If you have any concerns about your area, or ideas for improvement, come to the next meeting. All meetings take place in St Mary's Church Hall, at 8pm.

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