

# Slaugham Parish Council

Spring 2014

Handcross, Pease Pottage,  
Warninglid and Slaugham

## Thank you...

The Parish Council would like to thank Chris Hinchey, who has done a splendid job of representing Warninglid on SPC, for the enormous amount that he has contributed during his time with the PC. Many of you will know Chris as the excellent Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee over the past two years, and before that for his work on the Parish Plan. We are all very grateful for the time, effort and good humour that Chris brought to the Parish Council.

.....and we have a vacancy

We now have a vacancy in the Warninglid and Slaugham ward of the Parish Council. If you are interested in joining the Parish Council, please contact the Clerk, Sally Mclean, or any one on the Parish Council, to find out what is involved and how to apply.

## Your Council

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## Neighbourhood Plan update

In January the Examiner for the Slaugham Neighbourhood Plan issued her report to Mid Sussex District Council. The Examiner's opinion was that the Strategic Environmental Assessment carried out did not meet the requirements of the relevant EU regulation, and as such she was unable to recommend that the Neighbourhood Plan could proceed to referendum in its present form. In a letter sent to MSDC and the Parish Council the Examiner stated that the "aspirations and ambitions of the Parish Council were sound. It seemed to me that it is largely the process followed that has resulted in this outcome."

Since then we have had a meeting with MSDC and are working with them to find the best way to move forward with the NHP. We are also waiting with interest to see the outcome of the Examination of the Cuckfield NHP, and the result of the judicial review of a NHP in Cheshire which will give further guidance on the relationship of NHPs and the Local Plan. While the Examiner's recommendation was initially a disappointment, it does mean that there is now an opportunity to take account of the changes within the Parish and ensure that a revised NHP meets the needs of the Parish over the next 20 years.

There will be a meeting on **Tuesday 3rd June, at 7.30pm** in The Pavilion, Handcross to determine the structure and composition of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee and to discuss next steps – everyone welcome.

We would like to thank everyone in our four villages who has been involved in the process over the last two years, and hope that they and many others will continue to help the Parish Council find the right Neighbourhood Plan which will meet the needs of our villages in the future.

## Parish Council Website

In the near future changes will be made to the Parish Council website with the aim of making it easier to navigate providing access to the information you need. Please bear with us whilst we make these changes!

There is the facility on the website to 'sign up' with an e-mail address for updates such as this newsletter and other Council matters to be sent electronically. This is not yet an active service but would strongly recommend signing up as soon as possible in order to receive such updates once they become available!

## Handcross Residents' Association

Don't forget this year's fun day on Saturday 5 July on the recreation ground from 12 til 4pm. We will have all the usual attractions including a BBQ, beer tent and fun fair. If you would like to get involved or to run a stall, please get in touch with Neil Mitchell at [neil.mitchell2@btinternet.com](mailto:neil.mitchell2@btinternet.com).

*One very happy raffle prize winner!*



## West Sussex Mobile Library Service

Let the library come to you!

Free of charge and open to all West Sussex residents West Sussex's mobile library service offers a library on your doorstep for those areas of the county without a local library.

The vehicle is fully accessible, with a lift to help you on and off if you find steps difficult. Both mobiles also stock large print and audiobooks for borrowers who require material in those formats.

Joining couldn't be easier - it takes five minutes and all they need to see is something with your name and address on it. Joining is done on the spot so you can borrow items straightaway, and every member of the family gets their own ticket.



In Slaugham the mobile stops in Handcross at Red Lion. To find out when the mobile library visits you check out the website at [www.westsussex.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/libraries) or give Horsham Library a ring on 01403 224 350. Horsham Library can also answer any questions you may have about the service as well as renew and order books for you if you're already a borrower.

**We look forward to welcoming the West Sussex Mobile Library soon!**

## Notice Board (...and Telegraph Pole!) Etiquette

A polite request, if we may. Whilst it is an accepted practice, and one that we do not wish to discourage, to advertise any or all events in the parish by putting up posters on the notice boards and telegraph poles, we should be grateful if you would ensure that any you do put up are taken down (with the pins if appropriate) after the event. It would also be helpful if any that you wish to stay up indefinitely, are replaced when it had become difficult to read them. It just keeps things neat and tidy and allows everyone to use this method of advertising. Many thanks.

## Dates for your diary...

### The freighter is back!

The mobile waste collection service will be in our villages on the following dates in 2014. West Sussex County Council is no longer funding these visits, but the Parish Council is continuing to pay for what is a well-used facility. It is a case of "use it or lose it", so do take advantage of the freighter when it comes!

All household and garden rubbish can be brought along.

Saturday	26th April 2014	Slaugham, St Marys Church	10.00 - 11.00
Saturday	26th April 2014	Warninglid, Seaforth Hall	11.10 - 12.10
Sunday	8th June 2014	Handcross, Truggers	10:00 - 11:00
Sunday	8th June 2014	Pease Pottage, Finches Field	11:10 - 12:10
Saturday	13th September 2014	Handcross, Truggers	10:00 - 11:00
Saturday	13th September 2014	Pease Pottage, Finches Field	11:10 - 12:10
Sunday	19th October 2014	Slaugham, St Marys Church	10.00 - 11.00
Sunday	19th October 2014	Warninglid, Seaforth Hall	11.10 - 12.10

## At long last...

### New Community Facility at Pease Pottage

Please don't switch off with cries of 'heard it all before.' Finally, some really good news! According to a recent MSDC press release:

***"The project still requires planning permission but, subject to approval, and with good weather and ground conditions, the new sports pavilion and community building at Finches Field could be completed within the next 9 to 12 months."***

At a meeting on 24th March of MSDC cabinet members, the release of the funds to build our new hall was approved. The Cabinet approved the release of over £500,000 in Section S106 funds to not only pay for the construction of the new pavilion but also to acquire the additional land at Finches Field not currently in the ownership of the council.

MSDC have taken on board all the information and views gathered from the numerous consultations and surveys that have been carried out over the past few years, and will use this to finalise the design of the new building. Work is also under way to secure a company to carry out the construction work.

MSDC is working alongside SPC to ensure this project goes ahead at last so all the newly formed groups in Pease Pottage can have a permanent home. We will keep you updated with news as we get it.