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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Have you got 10 minutes?

That is all it would take to read this Newsletter and catch up on all the Parish news.

Included in this issue are two important questionnaires which we hope you will complete and return.

- The Emergency Plan brings together all the information necessary for the Parish to cope better with a disaster. If you think you can offer assistance in such circumstances, please let us know. Hopefully you will never be called upon.
- The Neighbourhood Planning questionnaire will help shape the future of Hartfield Parish as regards development of housing and businesses; it also seeks to protect aspects which the public value. If you want to influence Hartfield's future, be sure to return a completed questionnaire. If you would rather do this on-line, details are on the form.

The Neighbourhood Planning group is separate from the Parish Council, although some individuals belong to both groups. It is important that as many ideas as possible are represented in the Neighbourhood Planning process, so if you are willing and able to attend future meetings, please let the Parish clerk know. (01342 822404 – answer phone)

Also enclosed with this Newsletter are books of draw tickets for the Village Fete to be held on 7th September. Please help to make the event a success by buying or selling the enclosed tickets and returning the counterfoils and money in the envelope provided.

Many thanks
Jo Edwarde

PLEASE NOTE: Goods Yard House Office Edenbridge Road will be closed on Monday 12th, Monday the 26th August as the Parish Clerk will be please contact the Chair of the Council.



down by the old station off Monday 19th and Bank Holiday on holiday. For urgent matters

PARISH COUNCILLORS' NEWS



We are pleased to welcome Faye Horsman as our newly co-opted Parish Councillor. Faye has lived in the village for just over a year and is set to bring a welcome new perspective to Parish Council business. Faye's working experience is with Human Resources and Marketing and her interests include outdoor pursuits, especially sub-aqua. We look forward to working with her.

Congratulations are also due to Cllr. Laura Hatch and husband Martin whose first baby, Amy Margaret, was born in May.

Everyone loves a volunteer – and we were really sorry to learn that Adrian Fenton, who has been cutting the grass under the Hartfield Oak for the past 25 years, would like to pass on the baton. Adrian was a Parish Councillor in the 80s and took a particular interest in outdoor activities including becoming an active member of the Rights of Way group. He remembers campaigning with fellow councillors for the replacement of the Medway bridge near Culvers which had been washed away during the war. To keep the bridleway open, horses and ramblers would ford the river but this was not possible in periods of heavy rain. The bridge was finally replaced and walkers and riders are still grateful for its presence today.



Adrian, an experienced radio ham, remembers being visited by the Civil Defence Team to assess whether his radio messages (which he transmits worldwide) would be able to reach Lewes in an emergency. This was all associated with developing an Emergency Plan for the village in the days before email and mobile phones. An updated version of the Emergency Plan is still in operation and is being reviewed yet again to help support local people in times of great need.

There is a great deal of satisfaction to be gained from volunteering and if anyone would like to take on Adrian's commitment to care for the grass under the oak tree, please let the Parish Clerk know.



Thanks, Adrian, for all your involvement in Hartfield matters over many years.

LANDHURST (Formerly owned by MK Airlines)



Prior to the June meeting of the Planning Committee, a Director of Verve Holdings who bought Landhurst, outlined their proposed applications for the development of the Manor House, the Oast House and also outlined the plans for the rest of the site. This company specialises in the reuse of old and existing buildings so will only be improving or converting the at Landhurst. Ultimately they hope to have developed 6-7 houses in total on the site. The applications already made were supported by the Planning Committee and subsequently approved by Wealden District Council. – **Anne Higgins Chair of Planning**



present buildings

WEALDLINK COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

20% of all bus services in East Sussex are supported financially by the County Council but they are currently looking closely at whether they can make savings on these services where they are not well-used. Wealdlink could provide a cost-effective means of solving this problem by enabling the County Council to make the required savings in their budget. It should be always remembered however that Wealdlink are a not-for-profit charity. Please do everything you can to support your local community transport operator by using the pre-bookable door-to-door shopper service which picks up passengers in Hartfield on a Friday to go into Crowborough and on a Tuesday to go to Tunbridge Wells. There is also an opportunity during August to support the service by using your green tokens to vote for Wealdlink in the Crowborough branch of Waitrose.

YOUTH BUS Community Transport is set to play an ever-increasing role in solving rural transport problems throughout the country. Last year Wealdlink received a grant from the County Council Community Transport fund, partly to provide transport services for young people from rural parishes across the North Wealden area to youth clubs such as the Venu in Forest Row. Since May, for a trial period, Hartfield Parish Council agreed to support the youth bus scheme providing volunteers to assist the Wealdlink volunteer driver. An increasing number of young people from Hartfield have been using this service on a weekly basis on Thursday evenings, at no cost to the Parish Council. The 12-week trial comes to an end at the beginning of September and the Parish Council will be reviewing the scheme and necessary funding for it to continue. The Parish Council has also paid for Forest Row to provide three additional sessions during the summer holidays on the 1st 15th and 29th August. To book a place on the youth bus please contact the Clerk on 01342 822404 or email parishclerk@hartfieldonline.com

SPORTS ON THE TOWN CROFT Cricket and Football appear to be thriving on the Croft with an emphasis on the Youth. Junior football coaching on Saturday mornings was extremely popular and the croft was buzzing with enthusiastic youngsters.



On the left -Hartfield's first ever junior cricket team saw our boys take on Forest Row under10's in a thrilling narrow defeat. Well done to all the players!

The Annual Tournament in June was this year won by Withyham Cricket Team.



“Another potential six over the oak trees!”

Centre - Jon Sanders is seen presenting the Plate to Hartfield Captain Jan Ball as winners of the Plate final.

TENNIS – The courts have just been resurfaced and are kept in immaculate condition. Membership for juniors is exceptionally reasonable and open to all - why not find out more, contact details on the Courts.



It was good to see so many people attending the April Consultation Event and the response was very positive, however some people who indicated they wished to be involved unfortunately did not leave their contact details. Another meeting was held on the 17th July to discuss the findings of the previous event focusing on the key topics that had been identified and looking at the next steps in terms of further defining the issues and potential solutions. Enclosed with this newsletter is a questionnaire which should be returned to the Parish Clerk by **Friday 13th September**. A new website www.HartfieldFuture.co.uk has just been set up and you can if you wish fill in the questionnaire online. The website will constantly be changing and updating with new information so do please keep referring to it. Next meeting will be in October, date yet to be announced and all parishioners are encouraged to take an interest in this inclusive project. Cllr. Kevin Hawes is Chairing Neighbourhood Planning

WAR MEMORIAL GRANT UPDATE

At the July Parish Council Meeting Cllr Maher reported on the progress made with the grant application from the War Memorial Trust to refurbish and add missing names to the Hartfield War Memorial. They would provide 50% of the costs up to a cap of £2500.



COMMUNITY SNIPPETS

We all own the Hartfield Village Hall. It is not owned by the Parish Council so the Committee of Trustees who are responsible for the management and running of the hall were delighted that by enormous fund raising efforts of their own plus a generous grant from the Parish Council, they were able to retile the North & North West part of the roof that was in a very poor state. Please continue to support the Trustee's fund raising efforts by bringing along unwanted clothes, curtains, bed linen, belts, paired shoes on **October 20th 2pm-4pm village hall** to be collected by **Bags2 the future**. Please note bric-a-brac, duvets and pillows are not accepted



NEED HELP & ADVICE - CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU – Whoever you are and whatever the problem you have, you can get free completely confidential advice from trained staff. Don't bury your head in the sand, so many people struggle with personal problems and debts in these difficult times and don't know where to turn, so why not try the CAB?.

Telephone Crowborough 01892 655303 Open 9.30 – 3pm Monday – Thursday.



FARMERS' MARKET HARTFIELD – A brand new venture for Hartfield held the third Saturday of every month 9am -12 Noon in the Car Park behind The Pantry in Hartfield Village.

If you are a new stallholder or would like more details of produce you can purchase locally, please contact David Westphal Tel: 01892 871355 or 07551 391786.

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It will be followed by a **FAMILY BARN DANCE** – Tickets, £10 Adults and £5 Children, which include delicious food, will be available from various venues throughout the village including the Anchor and Perryhill Orchard.

- For full details of this exciting day please see the leaflet enclosed with this newsletter.

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Wealden District Council – For all enquiries 01323 443322 or 01892 653311 - 8.30-5pm – Wednesday 9am -5pm

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