

Churt Parish Council Newsletter July 2017

The Parish Council is actively looking at ways of protecting the grass on Redhearn Green from parked cars particularly during the winter months. The Council is confident that a permanent solution has been found. This consists of heavy duty mesh fixed to the ground. The grass then grows through it making it all but invisible. Councillors have seen this system installed elsewhere and have agreed that a trial area should be installed.

Work has commenced on the maintenance of a number of trees on the recreation ground and Redhearn Green. This is as a result of the findings of a recently completed arboriculture survey. Tenders were invited from three tree surgeons and a contractor was recently appointed to carry out the work. The works involved are quite extensive and will involve some traffic control on the A287 when a large oak is made safe.

Efforts are continually made to ensure the safety of children from St John's School on their way to and from the school and also when attending the playing field on the opposite side of the A287. Broken white lines have recently been painted outside the Honda Garage which clearly marks the edge of the pavement from the road itself. We consider this minor modification to be a vast improvement.

We are also delighted to announce that when the (to be) Spar reopens its doors on 1 September it will contain a Post Office open 7 days a week.

Waverley Borough Council has recently launched a joint enforcement initiative which brings together Waverley's Environmental Enforcement, Environmental Health, Housing, Parks and Licensing officers to work with the police and community groups to combat environmental and anti-social behaviour. The council has also been granted new powers and will now be able to issue fixed penalty notices for fly-tipping, littering, graffiti and dog fouling as well as seizing alcohol from those drinking in public and the power to take names and addresses from those committing anti-social behaviour. Thanks to funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner, Waverley has acquired new vehicles and training for officers to get out and about in the community, helping to catch offenders. Matters of concern can be reported by going to: www.waverley.gov.uk/report-it. If reporting a crime, however, please contact Surrey Police by calling 999 in an emergency or 101 in all other cases.

As there will be no meetings in August, the next meetings of the Churt Parish Council and Recreation Ground Trust will take place on Weds 20 September in the pavilion at 7.30pm