

# Westhampnett Parish Council

FEBRUARY 2019

## LATEST NEWS

### Community Hall



The building of the new community hall is proceeding well, with not only the frame up and some external walls, hopefully the internal walls will be this month's main task. The hall is due to be completed by mid-August so we need YOU! We need to start planning how the hall will be used and have obtained a few suggestions.

So far we have: -

*WI; Gardening Club; Book Club; Social Club; Sewing Group; Yoga / meditation; Pilates; Dancing; Zumba; Slimming Club; Quiz nights; Bridge; Conversational Spanish, Mother & Toddlers; Rainbows; Brownies; Guides; Rangers; Beavers; Cubs; Scouts; Explorer Scouts; Photographic Competition; Short Mat bowls; Local history group; Summer Fete; Martial arts classes, women's self-defence.*

Please add your comments to the attached questionnaire with regard to what you would like to see or run.

### Parking Public Meeting

There have been parking issues in the village for several years, and this is a subject frequently discussed at Parish Council meetings. The Parish Council has worked with West Sussex County Council to produce a plan which you are invited to study, comment and reflect on at a Public meeting on **March 6<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 8pm, at The March Primary School Hall.** There will be plans on show and Miles Davy from WSCC will present a very short proposal. Please try to attend; it is a problem that affects us all and with further development in the area, may well worsen if we do not act.

There will also be a public consultation, with the plans available on line from the 25th Feb until the 31st March via [www.westsussex.gov.uk/chiparkingplan](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/chiparkingplan)

### Village Green

After a huge amount of delays with solicitors and Bellway, the Village Green now officially belongs to Westhampnett Parish.

We already have plans for its maintenance and a contractor will be cutting the grass regularly. If you notice any problems with the Green or the playpark, please email [westhampnettclerk@gmail.com](mailto:westhampnettclerk@gmail.com)

### St Wilfrid's Hospice Open Garden

Six neighbours on Stane Street are planning to open their gardens in aid of St Wilfrid's Hospice Open Garden event in the summer. We are hoping to open our gardens on a Sunday afternoon in mid-July. To help raise funds for this important charity, we are hoping to have tea and cakes and any help would be welcome. For more details contact Evelyn Coles on 788663.

The next **Parish Council Meetings** are to be held at The March C of E School at 7pm on February 11th and March 11th.

The **Annual Meeting of Electors** is on April 29th, and then **Parish Council Elections** are to be held on May 2nd.

Anyone considering becoming a Councillor should contact the Parish Clerk or any of the Councillors to discuss the role.

### Westhampnett Speedwatch

Thank you to those who responded to the call out for more volunteers for Westhampnett's Speedwatch. This is a group who spend a few hours each week checking the speed of drivers. Unfortunately, as readings cannot be taken in the dark, and there has to be a minimum number out together, the group have been quiet recently. They desperately need more recruits in order that they can restart, so please contact [westhampnettspeedwatch@hotmail.com](mailto:westhampnettspeedwatch@hotmail.com)

### Westhampnett Volunteers

The Volunteers are still in need of extra help. Even if you cannot commit to every week, the more people the easier it is to keep our beautiful area tidy. Tasks include mowing verges, keeping footpaths clear and litter-picking when necessary. Volunteers are covered by the Council's insurance, risk assessments are undertaken and equipment provided as is personal protective equipment. Please contact our Clerk for further details.

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<b>Westhampnett Community Website</b>	<b><a href="https://www.westhampnett.org">https://www.westhampnett.org</a></b>

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# Westhampnett Community Hall

As you will have noticed our new Community Hall is growing and we have to begin planning the use of it by parishioners and others. We have been discussing with other local village halls some of the activities that they have. Now we want to find out what you would like to find happening in our Hall.

To give you some ideas of the sort of thing we are thinking of, these are a few of the activities that go on locally in other halls around here.

Sports & Fitness: - Yoga, pilates, table tennis, short mat bowls

Entertainment: - quizzes, film nights

Educational: - computer, photography, languages

Arts & Crafts

Children:- toddler groups, pre-school, parties

Dance classes

Societies & clubs

Please let us know if there are any other events or activities you would like to see included. Also, as this is a community hall which we hope will be run by and for the whole parish please let us know if you would be interested in helping as a volunteer.

Name.....

Address.....

Activities/ Events I would like to see .....

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I would like to help as a volunteer ..... Yes/No

Please return by 28/2/19 to:-

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or

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