Parish Council

Following the elections on the 5th May six Parish Councillors were elected unopposed: Christine Gadd, Robin Booth, Nick Dawson, Jon Read, Rodney Stubblefield, Kate Webb. Christine was re-elected as Chairman.

It is the prerogative of the Parish Council to co-opt others to fill the four vacancies on Council. We are delighted that four local people have come forward: Richard Sefton, David Lupton, Mark Klincewicz and Liz Voltman. Others are considering volunteering to serve their community in this way.

Neighbourhood Planning

Considerable progress has been made in setting up the committee and its constitution to enable Sunningdale along with Sunninghill and Ascot Parish Councils to establish a Neighbourhood Plan. With greater power given to Councils and neighbourhoods, this plan will give residents more say on how and where development can occur in their local area. A great deal of work is being undertaken to draw up that plan, which will be ultimately presented for public consultation.

Community Garden is growing apace with a variety of vegetable plants. The garden will be open daily and you can simply wander around (but shut the gate to keep the deer out). Occasional free formal sessions will be given by Graeme Kennedy, our Grounds Manager. Graeme will be on hand at set times to help with any questions that you may have.

Village Hall

The Parish Council congratulates the Village Hall Operations Team on completing the decking and awning to the rear of the Small Hall to give the pre-school children space to play outside in this warm weather.

Sunningdale in Bloom – thank you to the businesses in Sunningdale who have contributed to the colourful and vibrant flower displays in the village.

Parish Council: June 14, July 12, Aug 9, Sept 13, Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec 13 Planning meetings: June 8, July 6, Aug 3 & 31, Sept 28, Oct 26, Nov 23

Parish Council office hoursMon- Thurs 09.00 – 14.00
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Parish Newsletter

May 2011

Big Society Friends of Sunningdale

The Parish Council has been seriously considering its participation in the Big Society since it was announced that the Royal Borough would be one of the vanguard Councils to pilot the idea. At three focus groups we heard your ideas on the areas you wished to see addressed. Now we are delighted to announce the Big Society Friends of Sunningdale programme, under Coordinator Joiy Chan-Meeson, who has volunteered to carry forward the ideas. Come and meet Joiy at the Family Fun Day.

"Over the Rainbow" Family Fun Day 11am - 4pm Saturday 11th June 2011

At Broomhall Recreation

Various stalls & games Tombola, Cakes, Giant slide, Bouncy castle, Swings, Face painting, BBQ, Ice Cream, and much more other fun activities.

Children's Fancy Dress Competition Wizard of Oz Theme will be judged at 3pm

In Aid of the Rainbow Trust Children's Charity and the HR Trust Charity

Big Society Friends of Sunningdale

The programme aims to play its role in strengthening Sunningdale's warm and friendly sense of community. It will do this by focusing on building a list of residents wanting to get involved as volunteers in the village, as well as raising awareness of any beneficial community activity/project we would like to initiate in the village. It will also assist residents who want to initiate and lead community-based activities and projects or support existing projects by matching volunteers and projects seeking volunteers.

Residents who attended the focus groups suggested good ideas to start the ball rolling, and we are starting with some of these. Others are added, like the request for a rota of volunteers for our Friday Library in Sunningdale.

Adopt-a-street is based on encouraging community interaction and action whilst promoting an anti-litter mentality. Neighbours along your street could choose an area, gather other like-minded volunteers to help, and decide on a regular litter picking time or day. Equipment such as litter pickers, plastic bags and gloves will be provided by the Council.

Charters Youth Club is looking for an enthusiastic volunteer for the role of Committee member, attending 4 committee meetings a year to support the Youth Club's activities. The Club offers a wide range of sports and extracurricular activities. Their youth sessions are open to Year 7-11 students. Website: www.wamster.org.uk/yc_ascot_sunningdale_sunninghill.htm

ASCENT – **Ascot Community Environment Network** which includes Sustainable Sunningdale, took an active part in Climate Week and sponsored Climate Scientist Dr Manoj Joshi to present the science. The website www.ascent-transition.org.uk communicates the activities you could get involved with – Green Drinks, Solar PV installation, energy audits, more bicycling, local food, Recycle Bank, film showings. Please get involved.



Joiy Chan-Meeson

Joiy Chan-Meeson, our BS Coordinator, looks forward to meeting and working with fellow residents and local groups in the village. She'll be working on recruiting and coordinating a team of volunteers, raising awareness and supporting Big Society activities.

Her work background is in university research, especially in grassroots community development, community social psychology and local governance. Her practical grassroots experience and voluntary work includes working with community groups in Bristol and running a mentoring project pairing school children with university students.

There are therefore many interesting and rewarding opportunities for volunteering in the village with the **Big Society Friends of Sunningdale**, so it'll be great to hear from you. If you are interested in getting involved but are not sure how, contact us to discuss what is possible. The amount of time that volunteers can offer to any activity or project will be very clearly defined and agreed, so don't worry about being over-stretched. Getting involved as a Friend of Sunningdale is all about meeting new people, learning new things and having fun. Email Joiy at mmjchan@yahoo.co.uk for more on how to get involved.

New Cardio Play Equipment



With funding from S106 Developers contribution, the Parish Council is able to plan for the development of equipment in the public open space. We start off with eight pieces designed for all ages to improve your fitness. Please come down and give it a try. Tell us what you think.

New notice board at the Station

Thanks to the sponsorship of Waitrose, Council is proceeding to erect a new double sided notice board in the area by the station. There was an absence of public notices despite this being a heavily visited area. This new notice board, with a map of Sunningdale on the back, will allow for more community notices so we can give more prominence to all those charitable activities undertaken in Sunningdale and beyond.

Tennis – the new arrangement with Charters Tennis is starting to work well now that players can book online. Those not wishing to become members can still use the courts by paying Monika in the kiosk the £5 court fee (per hour) up to 5pm. After 5pm you must register and pay online at www.charterstennis.co.uk. Send an email to sandsgrassi@aol.com giving your full name, address and telephone number. We will then register you and inform you of your password. You can then book your courts online with a paypal account or send a cheque and your account will be credited.

On a Wednesday evening adults can come along from 6.30pm to join in a fun session, free of charge. Contact: www.charterstennis.co.uk