



NORTH MUNDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Working for the whole community



Diamond Jubilee Celebrations—A date for your diary

Newsletter Winter 2011

As you are probably aware the Queen is celebrating her diamond Jubilee the official celebration on 2, 3, 4 and 5th June 2012.

North Mundham Parish Council has been working with members of the community to organize an exciting weekend.

Saturday 2nd June a fun filled afternoon on the playing field and in the village hall followed by an

evening celebration dance are being planned.

On Sunday 3rd June we are hoping that the community will organise their own street parties. If you are interested or would like to know more, please go to www.northmundham.org where there is lots of information on including details about street closure requirements and a draft invite, so speak to your neighbours and organise a fantastic afternoon.

Monday 4th June there will be

food and dancing in the evening on the playing field. A beacon will be lit to finish the celebrations and to link with the beacons being lit all over England.

Further information will be uploaded to the website as it becomes available and if you would like to become involved in this unique event then please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk Louise Chater on 01243 671268 or via email clerk@northmundham.org

District Councillor Paul Jarvis



The Parish Council was very pleased to welcome District Councillor Paul Jarvis. Following his accident he has attended his first parish council meeting on 1st November 2011. We look forward to working with him to improve your parish.

Paul has advised the Parish Council that his interest in standing for District Councillor started with the local community, in particular, the threat of industrialisation of the local green fields and raising funds for the development of the playing field pavilion at North Mundham Village Hall. "I am currently the Hon Treasurer of Mundham & Runcton Residents Association (MARRA). I am also advertising coordination for the North Mundham Parish Magazine.

In order for society to move forward we must all work together within the constraints by which we are bound. Funds are not limitless and we must provide the best service within financial constraints. I am particularly interested in the local infrastructure and how this impacts on the daily lives of residents. I would like to see the Chichester area prosper but not be overwhelmed by the mechanisms to create the wealth.

Please call me on 01243 532066 or email me on pjarvis@chichester.gov.uk"

SAFER CROSSING AT THE WALNUT TREE

Thanks to the hard work of some dedicated residents and all the people who took the time to sign the petitions, work will be carried out on the roundabout at the junction of Mill Lane, Lagness Road and Vinnetrow Road to improve the safety for pedestrians. The County Council will continue to investigate the possibility of installing pedestrian crossings. The Parish Council would like to thank County Councillor Andrew Smith for his support in this important road safety improvement.

Bus shelter vandalism



The bus shelters continue to suffer from vandalism, if you see the perpetrators' then please call 999 as they are committing criminal damage. If you are aware that the shelter has been vandalised please notify the Clerk as soon as possible to ensure the glass is cleared up and the pane repaired as soon as practicable.

The latest episode at Brookside cost £504.00 to repair the four broken panes

BIKE STANDS AT THE BUS SHELTERS

Following completion of the update of the parish plan in 2009. An action plan was compiled.

As a result of the questionnaire it was found there was a heavy reliance on car travel in the parish. Action 4.2 of the plan was to investigate the provision of cycle racks to encourage cycling as an environmentally sustainable mode of transport to access the village hall and the bus service.



Following a review it was considered that there were suitable locations to lock your bike at the village hall and so the Parish Council has concentrated on providing bike stands at the bus shelters.

The Council is aware that residents currently lock their bikes and mobility scooters to street signs and lamp posts we hope that the installation of the stands will encourage more people to cycle to their nearest bus stop.

With the assistance of County Cllr Andrew Smith the Parish Council successfully applied for and was awarded a grant towards the cost of installing the bike stands which were provided free of charge from West Sussex County Council sustainable transport department. The Parish Council would like to thank B&M Plant Hire for the wonderful job installing the stands and look forward to seeing them used to their full capacity.

Annual Parish Meeting of the Electorates

This is your opportunity to tell the Parish Council what you would like the Parish Council to work towards over the next year, so please take this opportunity to come and see us at North Mundham Village Hall on 15th May 2012 from 7pm; refreshments will be available following the meeting



Olympic Torch

What an exciting year 2012 is turning out to be for the village of North Mundham—the Olympic torch will, hopefully, be passing through the village on 16th July 2012 when it is travelling from Chichester to South Bersted on its way to Brighton. Evening Celebration events will be held in Portsmouth on 15th July 2012 and in Brighton on 16th July 2012 so keep your eyes open for further information in the press and on the parish council website www.northmundham.org

So why not get busy and organise your own Street Games, with sack races, egg and spoon, tug-of-war etc—you all know how easy it is to organise having already had a street party for the Diamond Jubilee!



We are looking for
new Parish Councillors
—could it be you?

LOCAL ISSUES NEED
LOCAL PEOPLE TO
SPEAK UP FOR THEM

YOU could help keep the Parish of North Mundham a vibrant, good place to live by becoming a Parish Councillor.

YOU could be in at the 'grass roots' level of Local Government and be involved in making things happen or getting things sorted!

YOU could get local views about local issues brought to the attention of the powers that be.

For further information please contact the Parish Clerk on 01243 671628 or by email clerk@northmundham.org

CHICHESTER DISTRICT WELLBEING

Small changes make a big difference

Chichester District Wellbeing is a FREE, friendly and impartial service that can help you to make changes to your lifestyle and improve your health and wellbeing.

This could involve helping you or your family to:

- Eat a healthier diet and lose weight
- Improve your emotional wellbeing
- Kick a habit
- Manage stress
- Become more active
- Stay mobile and prevent falls
- Drink alcohol sensibly
- Improve your general wellbeing

Find out more on www.chichester.gov.uk/wellbeing or email health@chichester.gov.uk or phone 01243 521041

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Would you like to receive the updates from the Police and Neighbourhood Watch, or even better would you consider becoming a co-ordinator for your road, street or lane.

The Parish Council would like to help residents of the villages to rejuvenate this valuable service within our community.

If you are currently a co-ordinator or would like to be one please can you let the Parish Clerk know so she can contact you and pass on this information to residents who would like to know who their co-ordinators are.

The Parish website is regularly updated with information from the police and neighbourhood watch so please take the opportunity to have a look.

Could you become a rights of way volunteer?

Are you interested in becoming a West Sussex public rights of way volunteer ranger or parish path inspector. Volunteers play a vital role in the maintenance and upkeep of the county's rights of way network. Volunteers are being offered various opportunities to be involved as they wish, by helping with inspections of paths, or undertaking supported practical tasks to improve access and address problems identified by residents and visitors.

Volunteer Parish Inspectors receive full training and have an input in the prioritising of works as well as providing vital local knowledge. Practical tasks are planned well in advance so volunteers can choose which practical sessions they would like to be involved with. Volunteers can be involved with installing bridges, signposts, gates and steps, as well as clearing vegetation.

The County Council runs an ongoing inspection and maintenance programme to ensure the rights of way network stays as safe, open and usable as possible. Every right of way is inspected every nine months, followed by the completion of any identified maintenance.

For further information about volunteering for parish path inspections or practical tasks, please contact West Sussex County Council, Volunteer Coordinator, Darren Rolfe on 07793 187893 or e-mail darren.rolfe@westsussex.gov.uk or download the application form from the website www.northmundham.org



Don't Just Bin It, Blue Bin It!

Last year your rubbish raised £33,800 for St Wilfrid's Hospice. Please help to increase the funds and reduce the number of trees being turned into paper.

Drop your:

Magazines

Newspapers

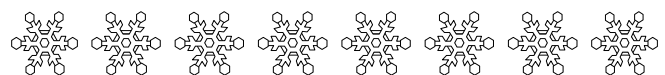
White Office Paper

Junk Mail

Yellow Pages

Cardboard

into your local 'BLUE BIN'! which is located in North Mundham Village Hall Car Park.



WINTER PREPARATION

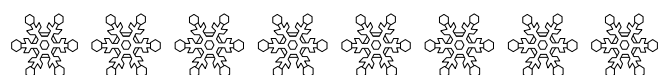
HAVE YOU GOT YOUR
SNOW SHOVEL AND ROCK
SALT READY?

**YOU ARE ALLOWED
TO CLEAR SNOW!!**



Please don't forget to offer to assist your neighbours, there is information issued from the government on the website (www.northmundham.org) about clearing snow.

School closure information will be available on West Sussex County Council's website and on Spirit FM 96.6 FM



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Help is at hand to switch to digital TV

**The Rowridge Transmitter will be switched off
between 7 March 2012—21 March 2012**



TV is switching to digital all over the UK and if you don't have digital TV by the time of switchover, you will lose your TV channels. This can seem a bit daunting but there

is help available for anyone who is over 75 and/or is disabled.

The BBC-run Switchover Help Scheme offers practical help for older and disabled people to convert one TV set to digital, including installation of the easy-to-use equipment, a demonstration of how to use it and 12 months of after-care service including a free helpline.

If you are eligible you will have been sent a Help Scheme letter and information pack through the post. Most eligible people will be asked to pay £40 towards the standard option whilst those who are eligible and on income related benefits will get it free. If you want the help, you need to apply by telephoning the Help Scheme or completing the form.

Doris who is 101 and partially sighted contacted the Help Scheme and was very impressed by the efficiency of the installer and how helpful he was. 'Peter was very tidy and put everything back as he found it. He was very patient as he showed me how to use the new remote control and I now also have the audio description facility as I can't see the screen so well.' Doris was very relieved to know that her TV was converted successfully as she relies on it for company.

The Switchover Help Scheme has helped hundreds of thousands of people to switch to digital. For more information, call 0800 40 85 900 or visit www.helpscheme.co.uk.

CALENDAR OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

3rd January 2012, 7th February 2012, 6th March 2012, 3rd April 2012, 8th May 2012, 12th June 2012, 3rd July 2012, 4th September 2012, 2nd October 2012, 6th November 2012 and 4th December 2012

All meetings will commence at 7.15pm at North Mundham Village Hall unless advertised to the contrary. Planning application papers are available for inspection in the Village Hall from 7pm.

The first ten minutes of the meeting is available to the public to make representations to the Parish Council—Please come and make the Parish Council aware of your concerns or appreciation!