



June 2015 Newsletter

South Wootton Parish
Council
24 Church Lane
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Dear Parishioner

Parish Assembly

This year the Parish Assembly was held on Friday, 10th April 2015. As is usual, the chairmen of the four Parish Council Committees (Assets, Planning, Policy and Finance) presented their reports on the activities of the past year. Comments were also made by our two Borough Councillors. Afterwards the meeting was opened for comments and questions from the parishioners in attendance. Full details are included in the minutes of the meeting, which can be found on our website (swpc@hotmail.co.uk).

New Parish Councillors

We welcome two new Parish Councillors., Stephen Scales and Ken Reynolds. Whilst Stephen is new to the position, Ken is returning to the Parish Council after an absence of four years. We wish both of them well.

We are also saying goodbye to David Gerrard, who decided to stand down after five years as a Parish Councillor. We thank David for all his hard work and valuable contributions in his time with us and wish him well for the future.

Borough Council's Local Plan

The Borough Council's 'Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Pre-submission Document' ,which was published last November and was open to public consultation earlier this year, has been submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination. Mr David Hoggar of the Planning Inspectorate will conduct the examination and hearings will commence at,

10.00am on Tuesday 7th July 2015, at the Wembley Room, Lynnsport, Greenpark Avenue, King's Lynn.

It is anticipated that the hearings will run for a total of 10 days between 7th to 29th July. Anyone wishing to attend the hearings should contact **Ms Clare Cobley**, the Programme Officer, who has been appointed to assist the inspector. **South Wootton developments will be discussed on Thursday 9th July 2015.**

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Further details can be found on the Borough's website.

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Mr A Evans 673367

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Mrs E Nockolds 670264

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Neighbourhood Plan

Earlier, in March, the Neighbourhood Plan (The Plan) was submitted to the Borough Council. They organised a public consultation (from 23rd April until 4th June 2015) for residents to comment on the contents of the document. The Borough will pass all comments made to an inspector, who will be appointed shortly to examine the document. When the Inspector is satisfied that the document meets all the necessary requirements, the Borough Council will organise a referendum to seek approval from parish residents. As previously mentioned, an approval level of at least 51% of those voting is required for the Borough Council to adopt The Plan and incorporate into its own Local Plan. When the time comes for the referendum, the Parish Council urges you to support The Plan and so avoid any unwelcome developments in the future.

Re-location of Post Office

For those of you who are not aware, it is anticipated that the new Post Office at the Talking Heads premises will open on **Monday, 13th July 2015**. We would like to thank the owner of Talking Heads for her support and wish her well in this new enterprise. Also, we trust that residents will continue to give their support as it is important we retain postal facilities in the Woottons.

We must thank also Peter and Glynis for their many years of service and wish them well in their retirement when the premises at Nursery Lane are finally closed.

Wootton Park

Over the past few months the Parish Council has applied for a grant to rejuvenate the pond area at Wootton Park, this will involve a little scraping of the surface of the pond area, planting native plant species, installation of extra bird and bat boxes and the installation of an octagonal picnic table with interpretation board. This is an exciting opportunity to work with the Norfolk Wildlife Trust, South Wootton in Bloom and children from local schools. Thanks must be given to the Norfolk Coast AONB Sustainable Development Fund for their grant.

The Wootton Park Committee are in need of a volunteer South Wootton representative, if you are able to attend 3 or 4 meetings a year, and would like to help with the running of the Wootton Park area, please contact the Parish Clerk who will be able to give more details.

SWiB

Just to let you know, the Anglian in Bloom Judging will take place on the morning of Friday 10th July. As soon as we have the results we will let you know.

Village Hall

Over the May school holidays the ladies toilets in the Village Hall have been refurbished, two new windows have been inserted to help with ventilation and provide natural light, the partition wall has been removed and two new wash basins installed. Bookings can be made by contacting Tony Walker on KL 672828.

Yours sincerely

David Price

Chairman of the Parish Council