

# Headley Parish Council

NEWSLETTER

Spring 2015

## PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES...

Parish Council elections take place on 7<sup>th</sup> May, and two of our Councillors are retiring after a long and loyal service.

It is an interesting and rewarding role, and you will know from our newsletters and from what you see happening around you, that you really can make a difference to your community - yet without the role being too onerous and taking too much time.

**Our Clerk has also decided to retire during this year after almost nine years with Headley Parish Council, so we will be looking for her replacement as well.**

**We are also looking for a Tree Warden for the village - the role does not require a lot of experience, just an interest in trees!**

If you think any of these roles could be of interest to you or you would like more information, please do get in touch with us. You can contact our Chairman David Preedy at:-

[chairman@headley-pc.gov.uk](mailto:chairman@headley-pc.gov.uk) or  
01372 361151

## ◆◆ Annual Village Meeting ◆◆

**The Annual Meeting of the Village will be held on Thursday 14th May at 7.30 in the Village Hall.**

**This year, our main speaker will be Tony Stables who is Chairman of the Headley Court Charity, who will be coming along to talk about the future closure of Headley Court, and what it will mean to the village.**

**Other groups and organisations will be talking about what they have been doing through the year, and we will have updates on all the local things important to you. Please come along and join us and meet other local people.**

***It is always a very enjoyable evening and there will be drinks and a buffet afterwards***

### Parish Council meeting dates 2015

(7.30 p.m. Headley village Hall)

Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> September
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	

***All meetings are open to the public and start with an Open Forum where residents can raise any issue of local concern.***

## Playground complete.... at last!!



Headley's new playground is now complete and we hope you are pleased with the new football/basketball goals recently installed. The playground has proved to be immensely popular and is in use every day - even in the winter! We were pleased to learn that many families have held birthday parties in the playground rather than at home - enjoy!!

We had some problems with the original path, as it was a loose surface design and we had two instances of erosion during heavy rain. Playdale were keen to resolve this (at their expense) and we now have a bonded rubber mulch path, which won't suffer the same problems, and is nice and soft to walk on and much safer.

We have received requests for additional seating within the playground - especially around the perimeter, where parents can sit and watch the children having fun. We would like to do this as soon as we can, but no funds are available at the present time...

**Are you able to help?** If anyone would like to donate a bench in memory of someone they loved and lost, this would be fantastic. It would be a great thing for you to see when you visit the playground, and would enable us to provide something sooner than later. If you would like to help in this way please contact our Clerk at:-

[clerk@headley-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@headley-pc.gov.uk)

Well we have come to the end of the playground project, but a huge thanks to everyone who has been involved and we hope you will continue to enjoy it. Any comments or suggestions of course are always very welcome.

## Prudential Ride-London-Surrey event



The Ride-London-Surrey event takes place this year on **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August**. We don't know much about the organisation and road closure details as yet, but will be working with the organisers to ensure as smooth a day as possible, and will keep you informed as we find out more information ♦

### ◆◆ Affordable Housing ◆◆

During the latter part of last year, Tudors submitted a planning application for the Church Lane nursery site, without discussing the details with the Parish Council. Unfortunately the proposal did not guarantee priority for the Affordable Housing in perpetuity for people with a connection with Headley, so the Parish Council agreed to oppose the application. We were also concerned about the lack of information about plans for the remainder of the site.

As a consequence, Tudors decided to withdraw the application to see how the concerns can be addressed. A further meeting has taken place with the site owners and the planners at Mole Valley DC, and as a result we expect a more acceptable proposal to be prepared in the coming weeks.

If the proposals are acceptable to the Parish Council, we will hold an open day, so that everyone gets the opportunity to view the plans and have their say. We have advised the owners throughout the process that community support is necessary before the Parish Council will approve any plans for the site.

### Emergency Plan

We have been working on the preparation of an Emergency Plan, so that in the event of a state of alert situation, we are better prepared to liaise with and look after the welfare of our residents.

We will be talking briefly about the Plan at the Annual Village Meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> May ♦



### Beware of scams

**SCHEMING  
CRAFTY  
AGGRESSIVE  
MALICIOUS**  
DON'T LET THEM CONVINCE YOU!

In the light of all the police warning emails which we saw around Christmas time, we want to emphasise to residents the importance of being extra vigilant and question anything that is unexpected, asking for money and offering anything too good to be true via email, post or face to face.

One of our Councillors was targeted by two scams recently, one by post and one by email - but she was of course astute.

**These criminals will target anybody - don't let it be you who gets caught ♦**

### PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

Don't forget to check out our website and find out what's going on, read village updates, check up on planning applications, view local photos - and lot's more!

[www.headley-pc.gov.uk](http://www.headley-pc.gov.uk)



### Headley Computer Club



Is a thriving club and is always looking to welcome new members of all levels.

If you haven't yet been along, it is a very friendly club with classes in the afternoons and evenings.

You can learn or brush up on your every-day computer skills - or enjoy specific topics like photography or genealogy!!

New members are always very welcome in all classes so please come along and see what its all about...

**For further information please contact:-**

Sarah Connolly on 01372 378839 or  
David Preedy on 01372 361151



### Village email list



If you are not yet on our email contact list, please let us know so that we can add you! We always send emails by Bcc to protect your privacy and security. Email our Clerk at [clerk@headley-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@headley-pc.gov.uk) to be added to the list so you can receive those important updates! ♦