

# SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL

October 2005

## NEWSLETTER

Quarterly Newsletter

### Shadoxhurst Bonfire

Gates open 6pm Fireworks start about 7.45pm.  
Saturday October 29th.

### Wish List & Parish Plan

In 2003 Shadoxhurst Parish Council consulted villagers on community needs via a questionnaire delivered to each house in the village. The responses to this questionnaire were summarised and submitted to Ashford Borough Council as Shadoxhurst's Wish List. In 2004 a further questionnaire was developed and the Parish Plan team consulted attendees at the Village Fete—from the responses to this questionnaire many items on the Wish List were reinforced and further community needs identified. In this Newsletter we are updating you on what the combined identified needs were and how they, and other locally expressed needs, have been responded to.

## Wish List

#### Introduction of a managed speed control system throughout the village.

The 40mph limit has been introduced through much of the Village.

#### Increased presence of police.

We now have a Community Constable.

#### An appropriately lighted footpath alongside Tally Ho Road

This issue continues to be raised but so far with little progress.

#### Improvement of road surfaces and road drainage.

Routine inspections have taken place with officers of Kent Highways and Borough Councillors. A road lengthsman has been provided by Kent County Council.

#### Improvement to junctions of Hornash Lane with Woodchurch Road and Hamstreet Road

There have been many meetings with Kent Highways regarding these junctions and although there is still very little to point to in terms of improvements—the efforts being made by the Parish Council, Borough Councillors and our County Councillor will continue.

#### Provision of foul water drainage.

Despite meetings held with Ashford Borough Council and the water authority, there has been no progress made in this area.

#### Limit housing development in the parish & definition of separation of village from Ashford.

The Greater Ashford Development Framework overview of Ashford development for the next 20 + years has limited development at a line running close to Magpie Hall Road and through to Newstreet—ensuring that Shadoxhurst is not included in the Ashford development.

#### Suitable local needs housing

The Parish Council maintains a routine monitor on local needs housing and when sufficient need is identified the matter will be taken up with Ashford Borough Council.

#### Development of woodland walks in the neighbouring woods and fields.

The main byways have been surfaced to a good standard and a local walking group meets on a monthly basis.

#### Development of community facilities including facilities for local young people.

There has been a great deal of investment in the playground and exercise facilities at the recreation field, bench seats have been provided on each side of the field. The car parking area was re-laid and recently had potholes filled.

At the Village Hall, the car park has been resurfaced and the hall floor refurbished.

You can see more about what is going on in Shadoxhurst on our web site.

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# Parish Plan Questionnaire

The Parish Plan questionnaire reinforced many of the ideas from the wish list and in addition identified the following initiatives.

- Improvement to bus services.**
- Doctor's surgery**
- Dispensing chemist**
- Mobile clinic.**

Following the publication of the Parish Plan and its distribution to houses in the Village, the Parish Plan team have met with the funding body for the plan, the Council for Improvement in Rural Kent (CIRK) and started discussions with them on how we can make progress in the areas listed below. A further meeting with CIRK representatives with experience in community based services is scheduled for November 1st at 7.30pm in the Pavilion.

**Anyone wishing to help is encouraged to come along and help us deliver improvements in this area.**

## Clubs and Societies meeting in the Village

### Darby and Joan club

First Thursday each month at 2 pm, Contact Mrs B Harrington 502599

### Flower Arrangers

First Wednesday each month at 7.30 pm Contact Mrs G Sim 732212

### Gardening Club

Fourth Tuesday each month at 7.30 pm (except January) Contact Mrs M Burgess 627449

### Ladies Social Club

Third Wednesday each month at 7.30 pm Contact Mrs U Knott 732734

### Short Mat Bowls

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7.30 pm Contact 732555

### Little Scholars Nursery

Term Time Contact Sarah on 07976 515517 for details

### Karate Club

Mondays at 7 pm Contact Richard Nye or Megan Williams on 631905

### Village Walks

Third Sundays start at 10.00 am usually at the Village Hall.

Contact Rosslyn Brady on 732747

### Shadoxhurst Scout Group

Meet in the Scout Hut on the Recreation Field.

Contact

Rainbows Ms English 731140

Brownies Mrs Curry 502696

Guides Ms Plester 502769

Cubs Ann Driscoll 610065

Scouts Mr R Bradshaw 640075

### The Mother and Toddler Group

Meet in the Pavilion each Thursday 10 am during term time

Contact Mrs L Winder 732874

PC Laker can be contacted on his mobile at 07776 261845 or by email at [darren.laker@kent.pnn.police.uk](mailto:darren.laker@kent.pnn.police.uk)

### Book the Village Hall

Contact Mrs Tracey Skates on 733579.

Call only after 9am and before 9pm.

## Parish Councillors

Bill Hollands	732369	Chair
Tony Brady	732747	Vice-Chair
Gill Hawkes	860820	
Harry Clark	733339	
Bernard Howe	733499	
Mia Smith	732423	
Dave Strand	733997	
Judith Batt	733994	Parish Clerk

## County Councillor

Mike Angell 624144

### BOROUGH WARD COUNCILLORS

George Weller 860398

Peter Davison 732280