

Wickham Parish Council News

November 2009

Village Drainage Issues

A great deal of maintenance and improvement work has been carried out in Wickham during the last couple of months.

This is the result of considerable pressure from the Parish Council, lead by Chairman Angie Clear.

The drains in The Circle and Elizabeth Road have been cleared, the system is poor and some further checking and clearing has been promised.

The ditches in Hoads Hill have been cleared and landowners to the north of the village asked to maintain their ditches properly.

Mill Lane has been cleared at the village end, work to resolve flooding problems around its junction with Blind Lane and Pricketts Hill are currently in hand. By the time this is printed, work to resolve flooding in Frith Lane near Frith Farm will be completed.

An order to replace a noisy drain cover in Bridge Street has been placed.

The Parish Council hopes these measures will ease flooding problems and will continue to press for regular maintenance to be carried out to ensure the drainage systems within the village work to their maximum capacity.

Thank you to Michael Sadler-Forster

Parish Councillors were very sorry to receive the resignation of Michael Sadler-Forster. Michael has worked very hard for the Council on a variety of projects all of which has been greatly appreciated. Michael's input will be missed.

The Old Forge Garage

Planning permission has been granted for three retail units on the site of the Old Forge Garage. The Parish Council objected to the proposals on the grounds that development should not take place on a site that floods but Winchester City Council overruled the objection.

The developer will have to demonstrate that the new building can cope with floods.

A new home for Wickham Scouts



The Parish Council continues to work with the Scouts to deliver a new building to serve their needs. Several meetings have taken place in the last few weeks to resolve siting issues for the new Scout HQ.

Skatepark improvements



Join in the discussion on Facebook.
Group name: Extend Wickham Skatepark

Councillor Vacancy

There is a vacancy for a Parish Councillor, please contact the Clerk if you are interested in standing for co-option. Applicants need to be able to attend evening meetings and be willing to undertake training.

Christmas light switch on



**6pm Wednesday
2nd December**

Parish Council Meetings

Held at Wickham Centre, all welcome to attend.

Full Council

7.15pm Monday 16th November

Committees

7pm Monday 23rd November

Please see notice boards and website for agendas and dates and times of other meetings.

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