



Wickham Parish Council News

November 2011

Wickham Parish Council is hosting a Fareham Borough Council presentation on the North Fareham Strategic Development Area
**7pm Thursday
10th November**
Wickham Community Centre

Christmas light switch on



**6pm Thursday
1st December**

Do you have views on policing priorities for Wickham?

There is an opportunity to influence the policing priorities for Wickham by taking part in the Meon Valley Safer Neighbourhood Panel, all meetings are open to the public.

Next meeting
7pm Thursday 8th December at Wickham Community Centre, refreshments and mince pies included!

Winchester City Council Local Development Framework – update

Winchester City Council is proposing to include a requirement for 150-250 new homes in Wickham for 2011-2031 in its Core Strategy. In the first instance this will be through infilling and redevelopment but green field sites may also be required.

At this stage no sites have been identified.

The Parish Council has challenged the need for such high numbers and has asked that consideration be given to reducing the number of new houses to 100.

Winchester City Council will be progressing its proposals further at its next Cabinet (Local Development Framework) Committee meeting due to be held on **10th November 2011**.

Details of the progress to date can be views on Winchester City Council's website

www.winchester.gov.uk

Chesapeake Mill



Hampshire County Council would like to discuss the future of Chesapeake Mill with local interest groups such as the History Society, Wickham Society and Wickham Parish Council.

The meeting is planned at Wickham Community Centre for the evening of Wednesday 30th November.

If you are not a member of the above groups but would like to attend please contact the Clerk.



Bus services

There has been some local publicity regarding the withdrawal of the No 38/138 bus. From Hampshire County Council's records there is no one in Wickham Parish that uses the service.

However, a taxi share has been set up to replace the bus and will cost the same as the bus and is free for bus pass holders.

Collection points are existing bus stops on Hundred Acres Road and Southwick Road. To register to use the service ring 01962 846786

No 69 bus

The timetable for the No 69 bus has been revised. Copies are available from the Clerk or download from the Parish Council website

The Service to Fareham is now at 6.54, 8.04 (8.21 on Sat) 9.21 and 21 minutes past the hour until 17.21 with the last bus at 18.28

Returns from Fareham bus station 7.15am, 8.45, then 45 minutes past the hour until 18.45.

Could you be Hampshire's 2012 Poet?

Hampshire County Council is launching a competition to find a Hampshire Poet for 2012.

The winning poet will receive four paid commissions to commemorate local council projects and activities during the year and will also become a Hampshire advocate for the pleasures of reading and writing. It's an exciting opportunity to be part of the cultural life of the county.

Entrants need to be aged 18 or over and submit two poems from their portfolio, plus a short personal statement of what

they can bring to and gain from the experience, by midday on Friday 9 December 2011. Applications can be submitted on-line and the successful winner will be announced in the New Year.

See Hampshire County Council's website for more information www.hants.gov.uk

Plans for the recreation ground

There is planning permission for two floodlit tennis courts on Wickham recreation ground, work will be starting soon and will be funded through grants.

There is also planning permission for a new Scout HQ but the Scouts have indicated they are unable to accept the terms of the lease required by the Parish Council's landlord Rookesbury Estate.

The offer of the land is still open to the Scouts but we understand they are looking at other possible sites.

Parish Council Meetings

Held at Wickham Centre, all welcome to attend.

Committees

7pm Monday 14th November

Full Council

7.15pm Monday 21st November

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

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