



Udimore Parish Council Newsletter

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Next Council meeting

The Parish Council will meet on
Wednesday

9.7. 2014

At 6:30pm in Udimore
Community Hall. All are
welcome to attend.

The agenda at a glance

East Sussex County Council's
Highways Self-service Scheme

Newsletter delivery

Appointment of new clerk

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The May Parish Council Meeting

Bob Turgoose was re-elected as Chairman and Keith Dean was re-elected as Vice Chairman. Other councillor responsibilities for 2014/15 are as follows:

Representative to Rother Association of Local Councils and Sussex Association of Local Councils, newsletter editor, Risk Assessor - Bob Turgoose. Emergency Plan and Welcome Packs - Keith Dean. Traffic management and Police Liaison - Colin Knight. Footpaths/Bridleways/Stiles - Dominic Leahy. Tree Warden - Val Morin. Website - clerk

The Annual Parish Meeting

This was attended by fifteen residents and a lively discussion took place facilitated by Gina Sanderson of Rother Voluntary Action. In her subsequent report to the Parish Council Gina summarised the discussions as follows

1. The rural nature of the village is highly valued by the village and core to its future identity.
 2. At present fears of future development are not high on residents' agendas. Overall the lack of infrastructure in the village (primarily no shop, no school) means that there does not seem to be very much commercial interest from developers. However it remains something the Parish Council are mindful of.
 3. Traffic management is a key issue to make people feel safe in the village – be it along the B2089 or in the rural lanes.
 4. The state of the roads (potholes) is a major concern.
 5. The need to have a car to access services does have consequences for people who are not drivers and the possibility of developing a village car scheme needs to be considered.
 6. The New Hall is key to enabling community activity within the village
 7. There is room to improve communication within the village, especially ensuring the most vulnerable have access to information as and when they need it.
 8. The website is a valuable resource for those with computers
 9. Volunteering opportunities need to be better communicated
 10. There are older, frail and needier people living within the village and there needs to be some consideration of how best to support them, especially in times of emergency or during severe weather.
 11. People like living in Udimore.
- The Parish Council will address the points made at the July and subsequent meetings.

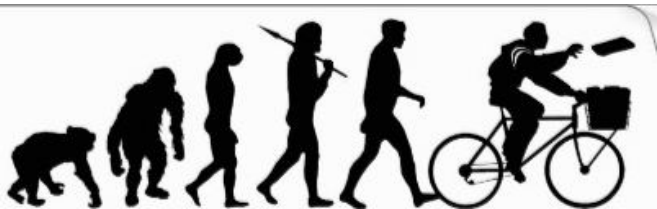
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Newsletter deliveries



At the next meeting the Parish Council will discuss a proposal that door to door deliveries of the newsletter should cease, except to those residents who request a copy. The newsletter will continue to be available online at www.udimore.org and before the each Parish Council meeting copies will be placed at the entrance to the Community Hall and in the two pubs, and will be posted on the Parish notice board.

Change of clerk

Barbara Balkham is retiring as our clerk on 11 July. We will miss her. Since becoming our clerk she has made a major contribution to the parish council through her efficiency, knowledge, patience and friendliness.

We welcome as her replacement Sarah Willoughby. Sarah will combine working for Udimore PC with her present role as clerk to Pett PC. Her contact details are "Wildflowers" Pett Road, Pett Village, East Sussex, TN35 4EY

Telephone: 01424 813785 or mob: 07580 364591

The Udimore PC email address will remain as udimorepc@hotmail.co.uk

Your District and County

Information provided by Rother District Council, East Sussex County Council and other authorities within our county is passed on were it appears to be relevant or helpful to Udimore residents. The accuracy of this information is the responsibility of the originating authority and not Udimore Parish Council.

Changes to "Meals in the Community" services

ESCC is consulting on their plans to stop providing a subsidy for meals delivered to the homes of elderly and disabled people. They would like to hear the opinions of residents about these proposals. Their consultation ends on Tuesday 16 September. To take part go to

<https://consultation.eastsussex.gov.uk/adult-social-care/mic>

Or phone 01273 481565 for a paper copy of the survey to complete

Rother District Council's website changes

If you visit www.rother.gov.uk you will find a new-look website. By entering your post code on the home page you will immediately call up information about your next refuse collection, when it is and whether it is a recycling one, garden waste or main bin one. There are restyled pages to provide information about planning, council tax, housing and a good deal more. We have also received notice that the system for reporting suspected breaches of planning regulations is now on line too under the Planning and Environment Enforcement Team section.

Citizens' Advice Bureau

CAB has launched a new on line service. You can email an enquiry to them through their website and they aim to send you an answer within five working days. They are continuing to offer help and advice in person and by phone, and this additional service will mean queries can be sent out of office hours.

www.rotherdistrictcab.org.uk

The Royal Sussex Regimental Association



is raising money for a new monument that is to be unveiled at Priez in France on 10th September 2014 to both commemorate the Regiment's first losses and to provide a memorial to the 7,302 officers and men who lost their lives in the Great War. If you would like to donate you can do so on line at

<https://mydonate.bt.com/events/priez>

They are also looking for information on relatives of the fallen from the Regiment, with a specific focus on those who died in 1914. If you have any information which may help, please contact royalsussexregt@live.co.uk



Udimore planning applications

All planning applications are decided by Rother District Council. Udimore Parish Council is always notified of new applications in the parish so that it can submit relevant local information or comments to the planning department at Rother DC.



Since your last newsletter there has been one planning decision: RR/2014/220/P St Mary's Hall. Extended opening times. Approved 29.5.14

Full details of all applications and decisions can be found at

<http://www.rother.gov.uk/article/361/Online-Applications-and-Decisions>