

## **Headlines from the November meeting of West Clandon Parish Council**

### **Clandon Park**

Stephen Castle (Project Director) and Ellen Howells (Communications Consultant) of the National Trust Clandon Park Project Team attended the meeting and updated the Council on developments at Clandon Park.

Heritage New Zealand has asked the Trust to exchange the carvings in the Maori House, Hinemihi, for new carvings so the originals can be repatriated. Following consultation a report will be prepared for the Trust but the final decision will be with Guildford Borough Council and Arts Council England. The process may take years.

The Project to restore the House has proved extremely complex and will take longer than first expected, possibly another 5-7 years. Some of the ideas in the original concept which included full restoration of the ground floor, exhibition space and a roof top restaurant might not be feasible. Some phase 1 conservation and repair work could however start in the second half of 2020.

### **Guildford Local Plan**

Results of the Judicial Reviews into the Guildford Local Plan are expected in a few weeks. The Garlick's Arch planning application is also thought to be imminent. Meanwhile the Borough has been awarded £52m to get the Slyfield development underway which will require the re-siting of the Thames Water Treatment Plant.

### **West Clandon Neighbourhood Plan**

Likely to be finalised in December with formal consultation early in the New Year. Updates are posted to the dedicated website at [www.westclandonplan.org.uk](http://www.westclandonplan.org.uk)

### **Playground inspection**

Following the annual inspection which identified no major concerns a number of maintenance issues will be addressed over the next few months. An additional cut of the recreation ground has been authorised as the growing season has been longer this year.

### **New Parish Clerk**

The Parish is still looking for expressions of interest in this post. Contact the current Clerk for more information.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be at 8.00pm Wednesday on 11<sup>th</sup> December in the Village Hall.

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