

## Headlines from the December Meeting of the Parish Council

The review of the entire network of Parish Council Footpaths which stretches from Gambles Lane to the North Downs has been completed and identified a wide range of issues. We will now be working with Surrey County Council on a prioritised plan seeking to preserve and maintain the network, some of which is at risk of disappearing altogether. Meanwhile, a tree blocking footpath 69 between Lime Grove and Green Lane has been removed by the Landowner while the flooding at the Green Lane Bridge has been at least alleviated by an SCC work team who cleared some of the debris blocking the stream.

The Parish Council Website [www.westclandon.org.uk](http://www.westclandon.org.uk) includes a listing of businesses, clubs and organisations operating in the West Clandon. We will shortly be getting in touch to confirm and update details. If you have any comments or know of an organisation which should be on the list please get in touch.

The Council's application for a Community Governance Review has been approved by Guildford Borough Council. As a result we are able to increase the maximum number of parish councillors from 6 to 8 after the forthcoming elections in May 2019. Residents interested in joining the Parish Council are invited to contact me if they want more information as to what is involved.

Following a site meeting with Surrey Highways the Council has agreed to proposals to get the best use of the £7000 allocated for traffic calming and safety measures in West Clandon. Plans include gated entry points near Lime Grove and the Church and measures to discourage parking at the Lime Grove junction with the Street.

The Parish Council has been offered grants from Guildford Borough Council towards the costs of the recent urgent electrical work in the Village Hall and proposals to improve access to the grassed-over car parking spaces in the Car Park.

There has been some interest from residents in supporting the development of a Neighbourhood Plan and an initial meeting is planned for early January to explore what needs to be done in more detail.

The Council has decided to recommend an increase in the Parish Precept in line with inflation, equivalent to an annual increase of 60 pence per annum on the average band D property.

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