

## Headlines from the February Meeting of West Clandon Parish Council

- The Neighbourhood Planning Group continues to make good progress and is now working on a questionnaire to be circulated to all West Clandon residents inviting them to give their views on what they would want to see and not want to see in West Clandon over the next few decades. The Plan will enable local people to have a much greater say in planning decisions which affect the area as well as ensuring we receive a greater share of the 'Community Infrastructure Levy' which developers pay towards the improvement of local facilities.
- Verbal comments from the Guildford Local Plan Inspector suggest that he is minded to declare the Plan 'Sound' while supporting Guildford's pitch to reduce the annual housing starts from 630 to 562. Locally Aldertons Farm in Send Marsh looks set to be dropped as a result.
- The Parish Council has been given custody of modest legacy funds from the former Clandon Horticultural Society. These are to be dedicated to Horticultural and Environmental Projects in Clandon. If you have ideas and are willing to lead, please get in touch.
- Following enquiries from residents we are now able to confirm that road safety work on the Street and at the junction with Lime Grove is programmed for March 2019.
- The project to extend the grassed-over hardstanding area in the Recreation Ground Car park has commenced following the receipt of grant support from Guildford Borough Council and the igas Community Fund. This will allow us to get better use out of the carparking spaces created in phase one by providing additional circulation space for cars parked on the grassed over area providing additional spaces for big events in the Village Hall and the Legion.
- The footpath from Clandon to Merrow has been closed due to an unsafe bridge over the ornamental lake in Clandon Park. Surrey are unlikely to repair the bridge anytime soon and we are looking at options to try and ensure that this valuable route is not lost. Meanwhile the Parish Council has approved a proposal for signage work to footpaths where signs have fallen into disrepair.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 8.00pm on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March in the Village Hall. All West Clandon Residents are invited to attend and participate.

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