

August/September Parish Magazine 2019

**ST MARTHA PARISH COUNCIL**

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**Two Vacancies to Fill**

We are still looking for new Parish Councillors to come forward to fill two vacancies. Please support your local community and help enhance this precious part of the Surrey Hills. It is an interesting and worthwhile thing to do. Why not come along to our next Parish Council Meeting and find out more, the next scheduled meeting is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30 p.m. in Chilworth C of E School. Alternatively, contact the Clerk to the Council and request a copy of 'The Good Councillor's Guide', this will introduce you to the work of local councils and the part you would play as a Councillor in the tier of local government closest to the people.

**Good News for the Rail Partnership and the North Downs Line**

The Parish Council is a member of a Steering Group for the North Downs Rail Line, under the umbrella of the Sussex County Rail Partnership. This Partnership, which works across Sussex, Kent and Surrey, has just been awarded accreditation status by the Department of Transport which will make it eligible to apply for funding for Partnership projects.

**Surrey Hills Highways Working Group - impact of housing development on our roads and rural lanes**

This Group, of which St Martha PC is a member, recently met at Hambledon Village Hall and considered the impact on the Surrey Hills roads and lanes due to recent housing developments and the impending Dunsfold Park development plans. The aims and objectives of a Surrey Hills Highways Strategy was discussed and how best to deliver this. The present evidence of the use of country lanes as 'rat runs', the impact, avoidance and mitigation options were also considered.

**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

- ***Heritage Day at Chilworth Gunpowder Mills Site***  
Sunday 15 September 2019
- ***Annual Chilworth Gunpowder Mills Meeting***  
Thursday 14 November 2019 - 7.30pm at Chilworth Village Hall  
In the presence of Mayor elect of Guildford, Councillor Richard Billington accompanied by the Mayoress elect, Mrs Lynda Billington. Guest speakers and further details will be announced nearer the time.

**Councillors:**

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