

South Mimms Parish Council

M25 Widening Project at Junction 23, South Mimms

Many residents have concerns regarding the M25 widening project and its effect on the landscape of the village. The Parish Council continues to act as a liaison between the contractor (SBBJV) and residents. Councillors have recently attended a meeting with SBBJV and Hertfordshire County Council (owners of the land at the bund site) to discuss the issues raised by residents. We await further news regarding the proposals for the bund site and other areas of concern both on the clockwise and anti-clockwise sides of the motorway. We hope to be able to update residents at our next Parish Council meeting on Thursday 5th April. In addition, the Parish Council has written to our local MP, Mr James Clappison, and a copy of the letter is printed in this Newsletter.

Brookside Meadow Regeneration

The Parish Council has been awarded a grant by the Watling Chase Small Projects Scheme and has agreed to match fund the grant. The funds will be used to regenerate the meadow area alongside the Bridleway behind Brookside. It is hoped the work, including ground preparation and sowing of mixed wild flower seed, will take place later in the year.

Renting a Garage in South Mimms

Residents have enquired as to the availability of garage parking. Hertsmere Borough Council keep a waiting list and may be contacted on 020 8207 7486. Alternatively an application may be made on-line via the HBC website www.hertsmere.gov.uk.

A new P.C. for South Mimms

PC Gareth Clifford has joined the Safer Neighbourhood Team for South Mimms. Telephone **101** to report an incident or **999** in the event of an emergency.

Parish Council Election

Our 5 parish councillors, including those co-opted, will retire in May 2012. Notice of Election will be posted on the village noticeboards. Electors wishing to be nominated as a candidate must complete the necessary Nomination Papers which are available from Hertsmere Borough Council. Please contact the Electoral Services Officer (020 8207 7481) for a Candidates Election Pack.

You should consider becoming a parish councillor if you wish to do something positive for the community and strive to improve the quality of life within the village. The role of a parish councillor is to represent the views of parishioners within and outside the parish. Being a councillor is an unpaid position. The Parish Council meet monthly, usually on the first Thursday of the month, (excluding August and December) to make decisions on the work and direction of the council.

Further information regarding the criteria for nomination is available on the Parish Council website www.southmimmspc.org.uk. A Parish Election will be held on Thursday 3rd May if more than 5 candidates are nominated.

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