

## **Parish Magazine - April 2020 Issue**

**Shere Parish Council Drop-in Mornings** – these have become well established and the parish council has received great positive feedback. However, for the time being the mornings and the hot meal have been cancelled over health and safety concerns due to the coronavirus Covid-19. Melody, our wonderful drop-in coordinator will be contacting everyone regularly who has attended and have given us their contact details; **If you have any concerns or worries please don't hesitate to call us on 01483 203431. There will also be updates on our website [www.shereparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.shereparishcouncil.gov.uk)**

The Drop-in Mornings will start again as soon as possible and when they do, we hope all our wonderful Well-Being Mentors (much nicer title than volunteers) will come back. If you think you have some time to pick someone up and bring them to Tanyard Hall, can come along for a chat or help run an activity please get in contact.

### **The Drop-in Mornings will be back!**

In the meantime, its common sense and most people already will but remember to look after your neighbours. Swap telephone numbers and chat, is your neighbour ok? If you are well can you drop off supplies to your neighbour's door? Can you just reassure someone who lives on their own? **Listen to Government advice and be thoughtful, be kind! Try not to worry!**

### **Other news**

**Peaslake Farm** – it's been a long time coming but I can now confirm that the plans for the development on Peaslake Farmyard have been submitted to Guildford Borough Council. Please support this project, eight wonderful homes will be built (four two-bed semi detached properties and four one-bed properties) to be rented, at truly affordable rents, in perpetuity to people with a connection to the village and on the Guildford Borough Council (GBC) housing list. Remember the farm will not be affected and will carry on being used for agriculture. Gone will be the dilapidated farm building, to be replaced with homes for our local people. When planning has been approved there will be another public consultation – a chance to ask questions and be reassured on all aspects of the building phase.

**Gomshall Lane, Shere** – everyone who uses the surgery or catches a bus knows that Gomshall Lane has some problems with uneven pavement and flooding; Shere Parish Council has been in consultation with Surrey County Council (SCC) for 18 months and works have now been agreed – two new drains and pipe taking water into the field will hopefully stop the flooding by the bus stop and there will be an overlay on the path with wooden edging to improve the surface. Shere Parish Council have agreed to pay half of the costs, over £4,000 to allow SCC money left over to address the problem on **Pursers Lane, Peaslake**. The severe flooding there has eroded the verge and pavement. The council hasn't yet seen the plans for this work but by working with SCC, wants to ensure that the underlying problem of flooding is resolved.

**Advertising 'A' Boards Policy in Shere Village** – A new policy has been adopted by the council. The Parish Council policy aims to promote an environment in which businesses can thrive, whilst maintaining a sympathetic control on 'A' boards, in order to provide an attractive and safe environment for residents and visitors alike. No 'A' boards will be allowed on council property however, a written application to put an 'A' board in the Pound or the Old Fire Station Garden will be considered for businesses not located in the centre of the village. For full details of the policy please see the notice board by the Old Fire Station, our website [www.shereparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.shereparishcouncil.gov.uk) or email the office [clerk@shereparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@shereparishcouncil.gov.uk) for a copy.

**Next Council meeting – 8pm on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020, at Tanyard Hall, 30 Station Road, Gomshall GU59LF** Please note this may be cancelled due to the coronavirus – check the website and notice boards before attending [www.shereparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.shereparishcouncil.gov.uk)