

## **BPC January News**

The council met for the monthly meeting on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January.

### **Recreation Ground Project**

Boldre's play park's fencing is now finished and looks great with its sweeping "curves" rather than a straight 50m run.

Some 400+ bulbs have been planted along the new fence line and around the seating areas to provide colour later this year, and every year.

BPC would like to thank Graham Smith and Josh of Solent Fencing, and Lymington Fencing Centre.

And not forgetting the green fingered parishioners who helped out with some very blustery bulb planting!

Following this a willow dome is to be planted on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January.

A thank you to our Groundsman who has built up the ground again at the entrance of Burnt House Lane vehicle gate where it had been worn down by cars.

Work will soon start on the kick wall revamp, weather conditions permitting.

**A reminder that the Recreation Ground and Children's Play Area are Dog Free Zones.**

### **Highways**

Following representations on HGV use of Hundred Lane, HCC wrote to Cllr Morton promising to erect 'Unsuitable for HGV Signs' on Hundred Lane / School Lane. This work may take a few weeks to be processed / completed.

Obstruction blocking the Shallows Footpath has been removed and some clearing of the path has been undertaken

HCC have been completing work on Walhampton Hill / Undershore Road from 19 January, this should improve safety for cyclists and comfort for motorists.

The monthly report is available on our website. Please continue to report potholes and Highways issues directly with Hampshire County Council.

### **District and County Councillor Update**

20mph speed limit - Cllr Dunning joined the meeting and relayed the information that the Task and Finish group and public consultation has concluded and has been approved. Parish and Town councils can apply for zones to be 20mph speed restriction in areas where there is presence of schools, nurseries, community halls or a history of speeding and unsafe driving. The scheme must be self-funding. A Parish, or Town Council funds the project. Full application details to follow.

### **NFDC consultation on their 5 Year Corporate Plan**

BPC have submitted a response to this and encourage parishioners to review and do the same. It can be found here <https://www.newforest.gov.uk/CorporatePlanConsultation>

## **Dates for the Diary**

### **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February - SSE**

On the 26th February there will be an open evening at Boldre War Memorial Hall where SSE will host an information session about their priority service register and self-resilience for both individuals and local businesses in the event of an emergency. Not one to miss. More information to follow

### **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Spring Open Evening**

BPC welcomes the parish to join them for a spring open evening and a presentation from Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife trust – Invasive Plant species on the Lymington River. We are all looking forward to the event and hope you can join us. More information to follow.

### **Defibrillator Training Course**

A course will go ahead once there are 15 participants. Currently have 8 spaces available. Please book on with the clerk.

### **And finally from us.**

### **Parish Councillor Vacancy**

The council has a vacancy for a Parish Councillor. Being a Parish Councillor is a great way to get involved with the local community. If you like meeting new people, helping solve local problems, organising events and enhancing community facilitates this is a great opportunity!

If you would like more information about being a Parish Councillor, contact the Parish Clerk: [clerk@boldre.org.uk](mailto:clerk@boldre.org.uk)

### **Volunteers**

Can you help out? The councillors are all volunteers and give up their time to help the community. We have a few extra projects on the recreation ground that we could do with some extra help. Please let us know if you can give an hour, it is very much appreciated.

## **Boldre Parish Council**

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