



# Headbourne Worthy Village News



Winter 2013

News and Information from your local Parish Council

## Christmas Greetings

**Services at St Swithun's Church, Headbourne Worthy, for Christmas 2013:**

Sunday December 1st at 5:00pm - Candlelit Advent Carol Service

Sunday December 22nd at 10:00am - Carol Service

Christmas Day: Wednesday December 25th at 10:00am - Christmas Holy Communion

Sunday December 29th at 10:00am - Holy Communion

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## St Swithun's Car Park - Latest

Churchwarden Brian Porter writes; "We have had some useful feedback from various interested organisations on our pre planning

submission to WCC and the next step is to take note of these observations and act on them before submitting our formal planning application for a car park in March 2014."

## Wildflowers for our Roads

Headbourne Worthy Parish Council has commissioned wildflower planting for two areas in the (cont p2)



To contact your Parish Council, visit [www.theworthys.org.uk](http://www.theworthys.org.uk)

or contact the Parish Clerk, Hilary Graham, on 883797. [clerk.headbourneworthy@parish.hants.gov.uk](mailto:clerk.headbourneworthy@parish.hants.gov.uk);

# Worthys Festival 2015?

“This September’s Worthys Festival was another huge success, thanks to the hard work and commitment of many volunteers and the support of local businesses and organisations.

Please give us your views and comments on this year’s Festival by completing the Festival Survey at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/56M6ZR8> The results will help us with the planning for any future Festivals.

Will there be a Worthys Festival in

2015? The decision was made at the Festival AGM last week that we will be going ahead with another Worthys Festival in 2015. If you think YOU can help, or have any Festival ideas, please come along to the next Festival Steering Group meeting on Wednesday 5th February 2014 at the Sports & Social Club at the end of Loader Close, and get involved.”

*Jane Rutter, Chair, Worthys Festival Steering Group. Tel: 884981 Email: [pjanerutter@btinternet.com](mailto:pjanerutter@btinternet.com)*

## Wildflowers

(continued from page 1)... Village, at the bottom of Bedfield Lane and at the bottom of Nations Hill.

Plugs will be planted next spring by the Worthys Conservation Volunteers, overseen by Phillip Jeffs of Worthy Plants. A grant of £250 towards the cost will be provided by Councillor Jackie Porter. The aim of the planting is to help keep the rural feel of Headbourne Worthy, encourage wildlife and give us something lovely to see on our journeys.

Signs will be erected to explain the project and we will move the noticeboard at the bottom of Nations Hill to avoid the plants being trampled.

These pictures give you an idea of what we are hoping to achieve.

*Hilary Graham, Parish Clerk*



## School Governor

Parish Councillor Claire Welland, parent to two children at Kings Worthy Primary School, has been appointed as a Parent Governor at the school.

“I’m very proud to serve my community both on the Parish Council and as a School Governor”, said Claire “and although I know lots of local families send their children to different schools, this is our village’s catchment school and I am happy to support it.”

## Defibrillator

At our September meeting Howard Farley from South Central Ambulance Service came to give a talk about defibrillators in accessible public places.

Currently 30,000 people a year in the UK experience a sudden cardiac arrest and only 18.5% survive. The first few minutes after collapse is the vital period for providing the best chance of saving a life.

The machine would have to be situated within a few minutes of most houses in the parish and attached to the outside of a building with an electrical supply. On calling 999 the caller would be advised of

the location and taken through the procedures.

The cost would be between £975 and £1500.

If a suitable location could be found do you think that this a good idea? Contact

Hilary Graham the parish clerk on [clerk.headbourneworthy@parish.hants.gov.uk](mailto:clerk.headbourneworthy@parish.hants.gov.uk); or on 01962 883797.



## S'vale Road 30mph

### Springvale Road Speed Limit Consultation:

Many thanks to all those residents who sent in their responses to our recent consultation exercise regarding the speed limit on Springvale Road. For this consultation we gave residents the option of returning slips to the Clerk's house, or filling in an online form.

The results were strongly in favour of a reduction to 30mph by 70% to 30% against the reduction.

The Parish Council will be forwarding these responses to Hampshire Highways along with a statement of our continuing support for a 30mph speed limit throughout Headbourne Worthy. The success of offering an online option clearly enabled more people to contribute an opinion, and the Parish Council will endeavour to offer this option in future consultations.

*Claire Welland*

## Comment Spot

The Parish Council is frequently consulted by the District Council, County Council and other organisations on many topics, often having to deal with contentious issues such as planning and highway matters. The Council endeavours to respond in a way which we hope will reflect the views of the majority of residents, whilst not losing sight of the fact that we represent everyone.

Inevitably, it can be difficult at times for us to be confident that our submissions do adequately provide this majority opinion of residents and there will be occasions when you may disagree with our stance. That is why it is so important that you let us know your views, but please do so in a reasonable and courteous manner – little is gained by the use of personal and emotive language. Your Councillors are all volunteers and give their time freely in the interests of all the community. After all, we are all residents of Headbourne Worthy and what affects you impacts on us also. *David Pearcey, HWPC Chairman*

# New Bus Shelter?

Headbourne Worthy Parish Council is looking into the possibility of having a bus shelter erected at the Taylor's Corner bus stop on the South side of the London Road. This stop is well used by locals, in particular the residents of Headbourne Worthy House. It should be especially welcome throughout the winter months. We are looking at various designs, similar to this shelter which has recently been installed on Springvale Road at the end of Nations Hill in Kings Worthy.



## Planning Application for Site at 167 Springvale Road.

Councillors had a presentation from Dan Bull of Drews the builders and his architect Rob Williams. The proposal is to build 8 2/3 bed houses with sustainable energy in mind, triple glazing and with heat recovery systems. To the fore is a modern development in and out, for the 21st century. The Parish Council has objected to the proposed development on the grounds of over-development, an out of character design which is overbearing, a lack of pedestrian permeability for the site and that the development is contrary to the Local Area Design Statement. Residents are urged to have a look for themselves before the final decision is made.

*Claire Duncan*

# Lengthsman

Headbourne Worthy Parish Council will be taking advantage of the new Lengthsman Scheme funded by Hampshire County Council. The parish can use a county Lengthsman for a few days per year for routine maintenance work. Councillor Claire Welland will be maintaining the prioritised Work List, with input from Councillors and the Clerk. If you would like to suggest any maintenance tasks about the village (not on private property) please contact Claire: [wellandcottage-claire@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:wellandcottage-claire@yahoo.co.uk)



Houses proposed for 167 Springvale Road, replacing the bungalow at the top of the allotments. Above: the view from Springvale Road. Below: the view from the access lane behind the houses. They are semi-detached, two and three bedroom family houses, built to a high sustainability specification. Full details can be seen on the WCC planning website; reference number 13/02216/FUL.

