



HYDE PARISH

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we are therefore covered by Exception 2. to deliver this Newsletter.

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The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4)

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Sunday 21st March 2021 Census Day The Census Act 1920 makes it compulsory for everyone in England and Wales to take part in the census. A census letter is being sent to all households and it will include a unique code and instructions for completing the questionnaire online, for anyone not able to access the internet there will be a contact number for requesting a paper questionnaire. Statistics from the National Census will be used for the next 10 years to help create policy, plan and allocate funding. **The 1st census in 1801 recorded the population of England and Wales as 8.9 million, the 2011 census showed it as 56,075,912.**

Thursday 6th May 2021 Hampshire County Council Elections to elect a councillor to Hampshire County Council and to elect the Police Commissioner. District councils administer the County Council's elections, therefore polling cards will be issued by NFDC and applications forms for postal and proxy votes are on NFDC's website:

<https://www.newforest.gov.uk/article/1083/Vote-by-post-or-proxy> anyone who does not have internet access can telephone 023 8028 5445 to request a form and one will be sent to them on or about Wednesday 21st April.

The local support network remains ready to help those who may need it. If you need a lift to Fordingbridge to be vaccinated please contact Penny Skypala 01425 653581 or penny.skypala@gmail.com

In our last newsletter we reported on animal deaths and injuries and on the Forest slower speed campaign; incidents and speeding, dangerous or careless driving can now be reported directly to the police using a simple online tool which includes an interactive map to show exact locations: www.hampshire.police.uk/report-a-road-traffic-incident If a crime is happening or someone is in immediate danger call 999, anyone with hearing problems can use the textphone service 18000 or if you've pre-registered with the [emergency SMS service](#) text on 999.

Please see the ePetition on our website requesting NFDC to support the introduction **of an Average Speed Camera system** on the B3078, the petition runs from 04.01.21 – 04.04.2021. The petition is organized by a commoner on behalf of New Forest Roads Awareness, an independent, non-political campaign group with a single purpose: to bring down the number of collisions with the Forest animals.

There are well-meaning people feeding commoners' livestock so we have been asked to remind everyone that it is an unwelcome interference and detrimental to the animals' welfare; feeding is contrary to Byelaw New Forest 2010 no.993 (16) and can result in a £200 fine. Any concerns about the health of stock should be reported to the Verderers' Office on 023 8028 2052.

The pen on Buddle Hill is intended for Ragwort, please do not deposit garden waste or any other vegetation in the pen - or on the common or Forest - as most Forest residents know garden waste can be poisonous to livestock, but deposits of it sometimes appear, please either compost waste, dispose of it in NFDC green refuse bags or at the Somerley refuse site.

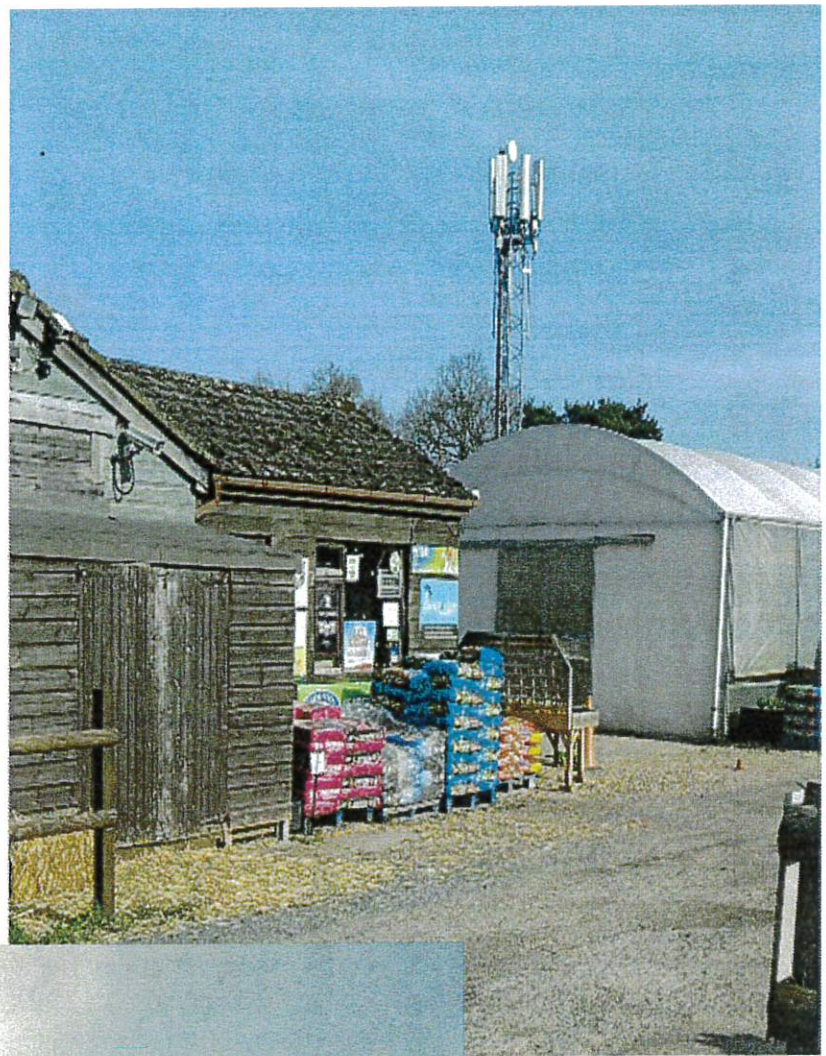
The New Forest is one of the last places in the UK where ground-nesting birds can be found, we can all help to protect these rare and threatened birds during their nesting season, March 1st to 31 July, by keeping to main tracks and keeping dogs under close control or on leads, and by avoiding areas where there are red ground nesting bird signs. Further information can be found via the links <https://www.forestryengland.uk/article/time-nest> and <https://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/conservation/protecting-nature/ground-nesting-birds>

Verge damage is an ongoing problem in our parish and across the Park, much of it caused by parked or moving vehicles however placing stones or other obstacles outside of dwellings is not the answer, anyone caused hurt by them, or the rider of an injured horse, or the driver of a damaged vehicle has a right to sue, complaints to Hampshire County Council about obstacles next to a highway will be noted and referred to the property owner.

Problems with water pressure were reported by residents in the Abbotswell area and were investigated by Bournemouth Water, the pressure will be checked when the camp site is operational again. The water company has sent us the 24 hour emergency helpline phone number 03443 462020.

The Telecomm Mast is now in situ on land at Hyde shop, unfortunately it is very close to dwellings and it can remain there by law without planning permission for 18 months as an emergency measure; the former mast had to be removed from common land owned by HCC. A new, permanent site is needed, if anyone has a site that may be suitable, or can suggest one please contact Waldens directly: Ciara.Daly@waldontelecom.com and/or our clerk. Councillors are working to facilitate the best possible site, please see our website/ Parish Briefs, for a report on the meeting 10th December with Walden/EE. The new temporary mast has been switched on since Jan 29th please let the clerk know if it is having any effect on your service – you must inform your service provider in the first instance as the parish are not able to register any problems on your behalf.

Hyde Shop



View from the gate of a dwelling