



HYDE PARISH

# NEWSLETTER

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*The Support Network continues to provide support in the parish to those continuing to shield. We are extremely grateful to the team of volunteers who have provided support over the past few months and who continue to provide support - they have done an amazing job during these unusual times. If your circumstances have changed and you wish to contact the team for support, please contact Penny Skypala on 01425 653581*

*The parish council had contacted the residents who volunteered to help in an emergency when we adopted a Parish Emergency Plan but we did not have sufficient volunteers to cope with the Covid-19 type of emergency; It would save much time on any future problem occasion if the present volunteers would be willing to add their contact details to the Parish Council Emergency Plan list, if you wish to do this or if you would like to discuss becoming an emergency volunteer please contact Martine. If you do not have a copy of the Emergency Plan please contact Martine or download it from our website.*

*Our clerk, Martine Coatham, works part time and is generally available during office hours by telephone (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm) Outside of these hours Martine would appreciate calls only if there is an emergency otherwise please send an email or wait until the next working day to call.*

*We are working with Hampshire County Council to reduce illegal access to the commons in Hyde, this means that the barriers and gates will be repaired and locks reinstated - if you require access to your fields via the commons and currently do not have a gate key, please contact Martine.*

*If you would like to be involved in protecting the Forest please see details of the New Forest Ambassador Scheme on the NPA website, [newforestnpa.gov.uk](http://newforestnpa.gov.uk) and for helpful downloadable printed resources including the 'New Forest Code' that can be given to visitors, businesses and accommodation providers. Help is needed with litter picking on the open Forest and in the car parks (kits are provided), also to record verge parking and blocked gateways on Crown land or commons via the on-line form. There is a report a problem section; Forest problems, wild camping, barbeques, litter, fly-tipping etc. can be reported to Forestry England on 0300 067 4600 (24 hours) or email [southern.enquiries@forestryengland.uk](mailto:southern.enquiries@forestryengland.uk)*

*As dog walkers are 'often the first people out in the mornings and the last ones out at night' Hampshire Constabulary is asking them not to intervene - but to be vigilant and report any suspicious vehicles or activity, anti-social behaviour, livestock worrying, loose/lost dogs, fly-tipping etc. to the police, local authority or relevant agency - see Dog Watch on [hampshirealert.co.uk](http://hampshirealert.co.uk) Recent local incidents of anti-social behavior, especially cars being driven on the commons, performing donuts in the car park and of shooting at rabbits, should always be reported to the police with as much information as possible so they can build up evidence. Parish residents should also continue to report incidents to Neighbourhood Watch. To report fly-tipping, abandoned cars etc. on NFDC land, carparks or roadside tel. 023 8028 5000 or via the online form on [www.newforest.gov.uk](http://www.newforest.gov.uk)*

*We would like to remind all residents that garden bonfires can be a fire risk to property, the commons and the Forest at all times of year but are especially dangerous during dry weather and should not be lit, and preferably not when it is windy, please be aware that your neighbours may not want your smoke in their gardens.*

*NPA /Planning inform us of applications for tree works in the parish; for the year from August 2019 – July 2020 there were applications for 35 individual trees and 7 groups to be felled, a similar number to other years. If you have trees removed, or have a space in your garden, please consider planting native species, or fruit trees; see the Woodland Trust website for information and advice on native garden and field trees which attract wildlife.*

*19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020 New Forest 100 Sportive For details see [ukcyclingevents.co.uk](http://ukcyclingevents.co.uk) enquiries@ukcyclingevents.co.uk A covid safe procedure will be in place to provide a safe environment to participants, staff and the local community; events will depend on changes to the government guidelines.*

MANY THANKS to those of you who helped to clear the parish of ragwort  
if anyone sees any that was missed please pull it and put it in the pound on Buddle Hill  
--- a little bit spreads lots of seeds ---

THIS CONSULTATION AFFECTS HYDE PARISH  
the consultation runs until 7<sup>th</sup> September

New electoral boundaries are being proposed for council wards in New Forest District Council, the review by the Boundary Commission is to:

Make sure that within an authority each councillor represents a similar number of electors & that ward arrangements will help the council work effectively; create boundaries that are appropriate, and reflect community ties and identities Deliver reviews informed by local needs, views and circumstances.

The Commission wants residents and organisations *'to let us know whether they agree with our proposals before we take final decisions.'*

Hyde parish is now in the North West Forest Ward with Godshill and Ellingham, Harbridge & Ibsley (EH&I) and we have a New Forest District Councillor, Emma Lane, to represent us.

The Commission's proposal, in line with that of NFDC, is that Godshill and Hyde will be included in Fordingbridge ward and share a Fordingbridge District Councillor, EH&Ibsley will be joined with Ringwood North and (our) Forest NW ward will cease to exist.

Hyde Parish Council objected to this proposal and with the agreement of EH&I, Godshill and Woodgreen and Hale ( at present in Downland ward) we had just sufficient number of electors to submit a proposal for an extended NW Forest rural ward, with a D.Councillor, that would better serve our residents' priorities and interests.

Our submission was not successful despite the Commission's report that *'these respondents put forward strong supporting evidence...highlighting the parishes' shared concerns, priorities and responsibilities while having enough electors to justify a single councillor...'* (Our submission and report section is on our website). or see [www.lgbce.org.uk/allreviews](http://www.lgbce.org.uk/allreviews) & <https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/have-your-say/19558>

Woodgreen council decided at a meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> August that the parish would stay with Downland Ward with its District Councillor Edward Heron, so we now have a reduced number of electors and a less geographically compact prospective ward to support a challenge. We will discuss the situation with the other parishes before responding.

*If you have any comments please respond*

by the have-your-say online form; or by e-mail at [reviews@lgbce.org.uk](mailto:reviews@lgbce.org.uk) or by post,

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