

# DUMMER PARISH COUNCIL SPRING NEWSLETTER 2015

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## **Critical Treatment Hospital (CTH)**

Hampshire Hospitals Foundation Trust's planning application for a six-storey hospital on the site north of the A30 behind Ganderdown Copse is close to submission. Its principal purpose is to provide a Critical Treatment Hospital with theatres, high dependency and intensive care, plus critical/acute and emergency beds and obstetrics wards. The hospital will include a birthing centre, paediatric wards, oncology and orthopaedic beds, plus wards for complex elective procedures, hyper-acute stroke and private patients. A cancer treatment centre, pathology laboratory, ambulance station, helicopter pad and power plant will share the site. The planning application is expected in mid-April.

## **Local A&E departments**

The A&E departments in Basingstoke and Winchester will continue to operate after the CTH opens. The Trust is exploring the best use of the capacity of other departments that transfer to the new site. They hope that social care services will be able to take over this space. The present delays in A&E and postponed elective surgery result from bed shortages. A significant cause of these shortages is difficulty in discharging elderly patients who lack support at home. Provision of social care will be vital to allow the CTH to deliver emergency and complex elective care without these constraints.

## **Dummer Friday Post Office**

The Village Hall Committee has extended the lease for the Post Office to use the hall on Fridays until May 2015. Negotiations on its future are continuing.

## **20mph speed limit**

Hampshire County Council 20 mph Traffic Orders have been posted throughout the village. The public has three weeks from Friday 27 March 2015 to submit any objections. These will be considered before a final decision is made. It is expected that implementation would be in the late summer.

## **750 additional new homes in the parish**

The number of houses to be built within the parish boundary in the next fourteen years has been increased to over two thousand. BDBC has added 750 homes on Hounsome Fields, the greenfield site north of the A30 opposite Basingstoke Golf Club. Under the new local plan, their development will be from 2017 onward. This adds yet more homes on either side of the A30 between M3 Junction 7 and the Beggarwood traffic lights. Already approved are 310 on the Kennel Farm site (known locally as Saunders Field) opposite Motts Motorcycles, starting 2015; and 1000 in the Local Plan for Basingstoke Golf Club, starting 2020. The policies for the Hounsome Fields site include a three form entry primary school and a master plan of amenities serving the three sites, a community centre, local shops, sports facilities with playing pitches, open space, pedestrian crossings and cycle links. The cumulative effect of developments on the three sites will increase pressure on doctors' surgeries, secondary schools and A30 congestion.

## **Elections: Thursday 7 May 2015**

In May as well as the general election there will be elections to the borough council and parish council. All five seats on Dummer parish council will be up for election. It is important that residents vote and even more important that these seats are contested. This gives the PC greater legitimacy in the community and in its dealings with BDBC and HCC. If you are interested in standing, please contact the PC clerk or one of the existing councillors. There is more information at [www.dummer.hampshire.org.uk/elections.html](http://www.dummer.hampshire.org.uk/elections.html)

## **Register to vote**

UK electoral rolls have shrunk since individual registration replaced the old household registration process. The deadline to register is 20 April 2015. You can do this online at <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>. You can also register by post. If you require a form, contact the BDBC Electoral Services or the parish council chairman.

**NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:  
MONDAY 20 APRIL 2015 AT 7:30PM  
IN THE VILLAGE HALL  
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING  
18<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2015 AT 8PM**

### **Rural policing**

Negotiations to retain a Rural Police Constable dedicated to a beat covering the parishes in the south of the borough will continue until 1 May. Current police cuts would see two PCSOs (Police Community Support Officers) take over many of Andy Reid's daytime duties while he would join a team of rural officers based in Tadley. An appeal has been launched for contributions to retain a local Rural Police Constable.

### **Beggarwood Area N**

Bellway Homes has revised its planning application for Area N in Beggarwood, between Motts Motorcycles and the local centre. They now propose 64 houses, 2 coach-houses (flats above garages) and 30 apartments. The community building and retail units that were proposed have been removed. This was the result of consultation with local Beggarwood residents who preferred a building with a café in the Woodland Park.

### **Broadband**

The Hampshire project to extend superfast broadband to at least 95% of the county now includes Dummer in its second wave. Roll-out is expected to start in 2016 and continue until mid 2019. If 75% of residents register interest in superfast broadband, the date when the village is enabled could be brought forward. A fibre cable has already been laid in the village, so enabling the service only requires installation of a superfast cabinet at Tower Hill. Register your interest at [www.superfast-openreach.co.uk/expression-gen.aspx](http://www.superfast-openreach.co.uk/expression-gen.aspx)

### **Planning applications: awaiting decision**

Erection of 1.89 metre high brick and flint boundary wall at 1 Porters Close; request for opinion under environmental impact regulations in relation to outline planning permission for residential development on Land at Kennel Farm, Winchester Road; retrospective application for the erection of dwelling and double garage at Rose Cottage, Down Street; erection of 96 dwellings with

associated access, parking and landscaping at Area N, Beggarwood Lane.

### **Planning applications: decided (since mid 2014)**

Erection of single-storey side and rear extensions at 1 Porters Close; variation of conditions 1, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of BDB/72568 to allow changes to the conversion of Barn 1 and Barn 2 into residential dwellings, repair of stables and Barn 3 for private use as stables and hay store, and change of land to private equestrian use (part retrospective) at Kennel Farm; Certificate of Lawfulness for erection of a garden studio/store at Plum Tree Cottage, Down Street; erection of two-storey extension to northwest elevation and additional car parking at Southern Communications Ltd, Down Street; change of use of unit to MOT station and repair garage (sui-generis) (part retrospective) at Unit 18, Dummer Down Farm; erection of replacement porch and guttering to front elevation at Ivy Cottage; erection of first floor rear extension and conversion of garage to living accommodation and installation of roof lights to south east elevation at 4 Olivers Cottages, Post Office Lane; erection of home office in rear garden at Plum Tree Cottage, Down Street (withdrawn); alteration to driveway entrance, also internal renovation at Kingsey Cottage, Down Street; render to front & side elevation at Hunters Moon, Dummer Down Lane; erection of single-storey building to form games room and store at Mulberry House, Farleigh Lane; installation of replacement windows at Foundry House, Up Street; replacement of existing wooden post and rail fence and five-bar gateway with brick wall, brick piers and solid wooden gates at Kennel Farm House, Kennel Farm (refused); erection of single-storey side extension, various internal alterations and alterations to fenestrations, infilling of courtyard to create a garden room and partial demolition of annexe (amendments to that previously approved under 13/00811/LBC), Dummer Down House.

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