

COMMUNITY FORUM

Alton and surrounding villages



Bulletin

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October's topic is:

CRIME

Country Watch

Find out how the Police are targeting rural crime.

Tell us your concerns, so that the Council, Police and Hampshire Fire and Rescue can work with you in the best way.

Also learn about:

www.crimereports.com

This recently launched website allows you to monitor and report incidents in your area.

The next meeting of the Community Forum (Alton and Surrounding Villages) will take place at **6.30pm** on **Tuesday 25th October**, in the Alton Maltings Centre, Maltings Close, Alton, GU34 1DT.

Local residents are invited to come along and join in the discussions

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Community Project Fund Applications

Kingsley Organisation - £1,000 towards the creation of a Friendship Group for people with learning difficulties.

Chawton Cricket Club - £1,000 towards renovating the cricket pavilion.

Community Initiative Fund Application

Wield Village Hall - £5,000 towards renovation works to the Village Hall.

Heritage Grant

Hay Place, Binsted - £709 towards tree planting.

Use of Developer Contributions: Alton

£21,150 to undertake improvements at Chawton Park Indoor Bowls Club;

£34,700 to enable phase two of the play area refurbishment at the Public Gardens, Alton.

If you have a community project and would like to apply for funding from the Community Forum, please contact Jude Simpson, Community Project Worker on 01730 234396 or email: jude.simpson@easthants.gov.uk

To view agendas, minutes and reports in advance of the meeting please go to www.easthants.gov.uk/meetings

July '11 Round up



Workshop on the New Format of Community Forums

Far from being redundant, Parish Plans would come to the fore and be a key evidence base.

Whilst an exact definition of Localism was not yet known, its ideals centred on devolving control from central Government to local Government and communities. Communities would be given more power, something which the revised Community Forums sought to facilitate; and

A new database for the Community Forums was being developed and a miniweb had been established on the EHDC website. From this miniweb people would be able to see the main priorities for their area, analyse successful bids to share best practice and be signposted to other useful information that already exists on other websites

The following grants were awarded:

Heritage Grant

Newton Valence Parish Council: £333 towards the cost of an environmental enhancement scheme at the war memorial.

Historic Building Grant

£731 towards repairs to the lychgate at the Church of the Holy Rood, Holybourne; and

£500 towards the costs of re-thatching Vincents Cottage, Winchester Road, Chawton.

Use of Developer Contributions

Up to £6,467 towards works to the Sports Pavilion in Ropley;

Up to £2,667 towards improvements to Beech Village Hall;

Up to £5,844 for fencing and play equipment in Binsted and a contribution to the Forestry Commission's Easy Access Trail in Alice Holt Forest.

For a detailed account of all meetings of the Council, please see the minutes and presentations at:

www.easthants.gov.uk/meetings

Butserfest 2011

Around 1,300 young people, some from as far away as Scotland and the south of France, came to Butser Hill in spite of heavy rain to rock at Butserfest 2011 on Saturday 17 September.

The alcohol and drug free festival's fifth year saw Funeral For A Friend headline a day of great bands and free activities with a set mixing new tracks with old favourites from earlier in their career.

The two stages featured the best local talent, some playing to their biggest crowd yet, as well as nationally recognised up-and-coming bands.



Large print copies of agendas, minutes and the bulletin are available on request from the Committee Services Team on 01730 234073.

All meetings are wheelchair friendly and a hearing loop system is available.

Forward Plan

The January 2012 meeting of the Community Forum (Alton and surrounding villages) will take place at **6.30pm on Tuesday 24th January 2012**, at the Alton Maltings Centre, Maltings Close, Alton, GU34 1DT.