

HALE PARISH PLAN

Dear Resident of Hale,

It is time to update and make relevant for today, the Parish Plan, first put together in 2001, updated in 2008 and again in 2011.

As a working party of volunteers, operating with the authority of the Hale Parish Council and under their umbrella, we are Georgina Babey, Wayne Eagles, Annabel Harding, Sloan Hickman (Chair), Gaby Lucas and Susan Witt.

Since the first publication, the Parish Plan has, overall, had positive results. Now it needs updating with new input and new ideas for the future of Hale - this is where we need you! To this end, we have put together a survey asking questions about village life, your part in it, and ideas you have about how life in Hale can be improved for all in the future.

The survey which contributes to the parish plan can be completed on line through a link on the Hale Parish Council website: www.haleparishcouncil/parishquestionnaire—or you can complete the paper copy which you will receive. If you would like help completing the paper survey we are happy to do that too. We are holding a Q & A session at the Annual Parish Assembly 25th April so would like to hear your opinions by then please.

As part of updating the Parish Plan we would like to keep you informed of progress and up to date on a variety of Village issues such as entertainment, events, travel issues (e.g. road closures) or cycle/running events plus anything else that may be of interest. For that reason we invite you to provide an email address where we can contact you.

If you give us your e-mail we will only use it for village communications from the Parish Council or Parish Plan working party; it will not be passed to any third parties. You can choose only to be asked your opinion or to receive village notifications in the future. Your name and address will only be used to help us gauge the level of response.

email address:

Ask my opinion

Yes

No

Send me Village notifications / information

Name:

Address:

We are also holding a public drop-in event in the village hall as part of the Annual Parish Assembly being held by Hale Parish Council on 25th April where we will display ideas and progress so far. If you don't use a computer or would like help completing the survey we can also arrange a home visit (telephone 512217 or 513781 or 514480 to arrange). There will also be notices in the parish magazine.

Your responses will shape our village and we hope you will join us: there are many possibilities for the future of Hale and we will be stronger and more prepared together.

Please return this paper as soon as possible to the School (8:30-4:00 only); through the village hall letter box; by post or in person to Hale Park, SP6 2RF; e-mail your details to gaby@halerectory.com; we can collect it if you contact us on one of the numbers above to say when and where, or bring it along to the Parish Assembly on 25th April.

Summary of Parish Plan and Hale Village successes:

Traffic Management

Reduction of speed limit from 40 mph to 30 mph on Forest Road and Tethering Drove.

Hale Village Hall – the improvements include

Fully fitted new kitchen - a new lobby area - new flooring - improved/replacement toilets improved lighting - wi-fi installation - a new projector.

Village Hall Social Committee events such as the Queen's Jubilee and 90th birthday events, regular film evenings, talks, fund-raising events and many other social occasions. There is also a range of regular activities.

For information please contact halevillagehall@btinternet.com

School

Massive rebuild providing three state of the art new classrooms with an outside covered decking area—2006.

Since 2001 the School has had two new Headteachers—Mrs Mac (retired) and Mrs Clark who now manages the Federation of Hale and Breamore schools.

For more information about our School please see the website www.hale.hants.sch.uk

Church

The Community of Local Churches provide regular services, children's holiday clubs, charity events, community coffee mornings and many support and other community services.

Contact Rev'd Nicky Davies at the Church office 01425 653163 for more information.

Hale Parish Council

Six Councillors—listed on the parish website.

We manage the cemetery, the green and immediate environs and the £12,000 pa that the area receives from the New Forest District Council to be spent for the benefit of the whole community.

For further information please see the Parish website:
www.haleparishcouncil.newforest.gov.uk