

## SALEHURST & ROBERTSBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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## June 2015

## Dates for your diary 2015

Summer Event Fathers Day Pirate Picnic Recreation Ground	21st June
Robertsbridge Community	27th
College Summer Fete	June
Planning Committee	2nd
Youth Centre	July
Public Display of Pro- posed Development Sites Youth Centre	4th July
Salehurst Primary School	4th
Summer Fete	July
Parish Council Meeting Robertsbridge Hall	20th July
Planning Committee	6th
Youth Centre	Aug
Planning Committee	3rd
Youth Centre	Sept
Parish Council Meeting Robertsbridge Hall	21st Sept

Full Parish Council Meetings take place on the 3rd Monday of alternate months. Planning Committee meetings are held monthly, generally on the first Thursday, if applications have been received.

All meetings start at 7.30 pm and a period of up to 15 minutes is allowed at the start of the meeting for public comment or questions if required.

Agendas for meetings are posted on the parish notice boards and website at least 3 days before the meeting planning applications are on the Rother District Council web site www.rother.gov.uk and comments on planning applications can be submitted on-line.

## A NEW TERM BEGINS...

May saw the election of a brand new Parish Council and details can be found on later pages. Four Councillors decided not to offer themselves for re-election this time – Dicky Clymo, who served as both Vice Chairman and Chairman during his term, Neil Barden, Nigel Lockwood and Keith Marden and we thank them for their time and work for the village over the years.

As only seven people put themselves forward for the nine places, they were automatically elected (without a poll), leaving two vacancies. Four excellent candidates subsequently came forward and two were chosen by the Councillors to join the team. Our thanks go to the two who were not successful this time, for offering their services; perhaps there will be an opportunity for them in the future.

We also had District Council elections, and Sue Prochak and Graham Browne were re-elected. We congratulate them and look forward to continuing our close working relationship.

## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: update



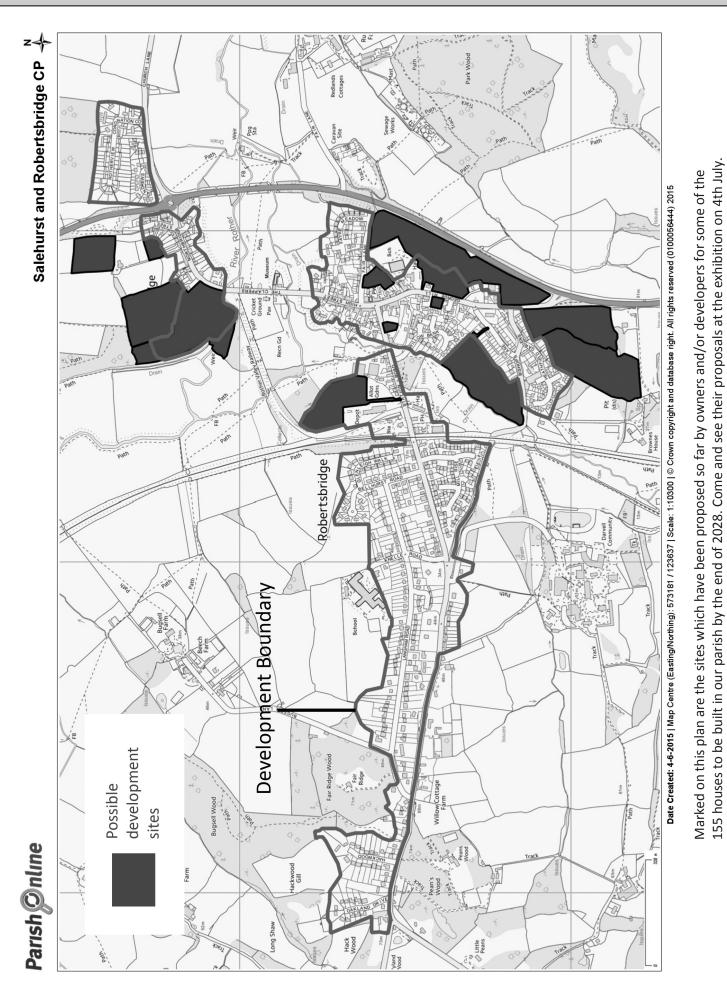
Things have really started to happen in the big consultation process for the Neighbourhood Plan. Each of the six theme groups, Housing, Economy, Environment, Leisure, Infrastructure and Education, have been working hard to formulate their ideas for the Big Questionnaire which we are hoping to deliver to every household during September. Then it will be over to you to tell us what you think. And what you think will form the basis of the Neighbourhood Plan. *Contd. on rear page...* 

EXHIBITION

Public Display of Site Proposals by prospective Developers

Saturday 4th July 2015 at Robertsbridge Youth Centre: 10 am to 4 pm

Everyone welcome



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## SALEHURST & ROBERTSBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL 2015/16

Chairman: Nick Greenfield

Vice Chairman: Sean O'Hara

Clerk/RFO: Karen Ripley

Councillors:

Ruth Augarde Cherry Michell Nick Brown Gillian Smith Stephen Hardy Anne Wells Ross McNay

## **COMMITTEES (DELEGATED POWERS)**

Cemetery: Chairman or Vice Chairman; Gillian Smith; Cherry Michell

Planning: Ruth Augarde; Sean O'Hara; Gillian Smith; Stephen Hardy; Ross McNay

# WORKING GROUPS (NO DELEGATED POWERS)Finance Working Group:RFO; Chairman; Sean O'Hara; Nick Brown; Ross McNayAmenities Working Group:Anne Wells; Nick Greenfield; Nick Brown; Ross McNayGeneral Purposes:Chairman; Vice Chairman; Cherry MichellLocal Action Plan Project:Clerk; Anne Wells; Stephen HardyCar Park Working Group:Clerk; Chairman; Ruth Augarde; Anne Wells; Stephen<br/>HardyNeighbourhood Plan Steering Group:Chairman; Vice Chairman; Ruth Augarde; Gillian Smith;<br/>Stephen Hardy

LEAD COUNCILLORS	
Bishops Meadow:	Ruth Augarde; Anne Wells (+Tree Warden)
Crime & Disorder:	Ruth Augarde; Anne Wells
Footpaths & Bridleways:	Anne Wells; Cherry Michell
Jubilee Gardens / Pipers Field:	Ross McNay
Lighting:	Sean O'Hara; Gillian Smith
Pocket Park:	Sean O'Hara; Anne Wells (+Tree Warden)
Recreation Ground & Pavilion:	Nick Greenfield; Anne Wells

REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES	
Robertsbridge Arts Partnership	Anne Wells
Robertsbridge Enterprise Group	Stephen Hardy
Rother Association of Local Councils	Clerk; Nick Brown
Salehurst Charities	Clerk; Gillian Smith
Tree Wardens	Gillian Smith (& Mrs Jill Woodgate)
East Sussex Association of Local Councils	Nick Greenfield; Nick Brown

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The Parish Office is open to the public at the following times:

Tuesday	2pm to 4pm
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## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: continued from front page...

As a result of our request for all possible housing sites in the village to be declared to us, all the already known developers have confirmed they wish to have their sites considered (Croudace at Grove Farm, Devine Homes on Bishops Lane, Westridge Country Crafts site on George Hill and developers for the Mill Site).

But our request has brought forward other possible development sites. The Steering Group and the Housing Group have already interviewed owners and developers over two evenings and have a third set of interviews in the middle of June. You will have an opportunity to see their proposals on 4<sup>th</sup> July; full details are shown in the box on the front cover.

We genuinely believe that where the 155 new homes are to be built within the village is the most critical element in the Neighbourhood Plan, and your views are vital.

We are liaising with Rother District Council, and will be talking to all the adjoining parishes and to the High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Unit, because we want to hear what they say about our plans as well.

Keep in touch with us via our website at www.robertsbridgeneighbourhoodplan.org.uk

## Check out our logo.

Why did we choose the exact time on the clock?



A huge thank you to all who helped on the litter-picking day in April —the village always looks so lovely after its annual spring-clean.

AGE CONCERN: Robertsbridge Age Concern Lunch Club would like to thank the volunteers who responded to their call for additional help with setting up the tables and chairs in the Hall on Mondays. Your help and time is most appreciated.

The Age Concern membership continues to remain very low and they are urgently in need of new members. The Lunch Club is for the benefit of residents who are on their own, and provides the opportunity for a two course hot cooked meal, as well as morning and afternoon refreshments. An added bonus is to become part of a congenial group in a warm and friendly atmosphere. Potential members, or those who know of a relative, neighbour or friend who might like an enjoyable day out at Robertsbridge Hall, are invited to drop in between 10.30 and 2.15 on Mondays, (except Bank Holidays) to talk to one of the volunteers over a cuppa. Alternatively, for further information, please call 880511 or 880254.

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