

Hartley Parish Council

SEPTEMBER
2023

Serving the residents of Hartley

Remembrance Sunday Service

This year's Remembrance Sunday Service will take place on **Sunday 12th November** commencing at **3.00p.m.** at **Hartley War Memorial**, Ash Road. Following the Service, refreshments will be served in Fawkham & Hartley Church Centre.

Please join us to remember those who died for their country in the two World Wars and in more recent conflicts.

Hartley Burial Grounds

Hartley Parish Council manages Hartley Burial Ground, Manor Field Burial Ground and the Closed Church Yard.

As such, the Parish Council has a duty of care to assess and manage the risks imposed by memorials in these areas.

The inspection and testing of all memorials has now been completed and grave owners will be contacted if any memorials are highlighted in the report.

Kent Police Annual Survey

Kent Police have launched their annual consultation about the performance of Kent Police and crime levels in local areas. It is an anonymous survey and will take about 5 minutes to complete. The data from this survey will then be used to challenge the Chief Constable.

The survey can be accessed via <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/KentPolicingSurvey2023/>



Do you trust
Kent Police?

Take part in our
Annual Policing
Survey



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Kent County Council Highways Reporting Portal

Did you know that Kent County Council operates a Highways Portal service to report problems on the highways such as potholes, fly tipping, overhanging tree branches etc?

This system allows residents to report any problems on the highways or pavements directly with KCC and track and monitor the faults themselves.

For more information visit

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem>



Woodland Avenue Recreation Ground Vandalism

Woodland Avenue Recreation Ground has suffered two recent attacks of vandalism.

If you have any information regarding these or if you witness vandalism taking place, please report it to the police on 101 or online ; www.kent.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/



Traffic Survey

In response to concerns regarding the speed of traffic on the Ash Road, a Traffic Survey will be conducted in September.

This will enable Kent Highways to ascertain whether any additional measures are required.



Quiz Night Friday 13th October

To thank the Hartley Village Hall Trust for purchasing tiered staging for audience seating at productions in the hall, Hartley Players and HGS Productions are raising funds for the roof repairs needed in the hall by holding a quiz night.

**Friday 13 October 2023 at 8pm
at Hartley Village Hall**

£5 per person

Teams of up to 8 people,

BYO drinks and nibbles, Raffle.

To book individual places or a whole table please call/text
07810 882433



Parish Office Opening Hours

The Parish Office will be closed on **MONDAYS** for a trial period. The office will be open as usual from Tuesday to Friday.

When the office is closed, the Clerk can be contacted by email at

enquiries@hartleyparishcouncil.gov.uk



Defibrillators

There are **FOUR** defibrillators in Hartley;

One is positioned outside the Village Hall, Ash Road and there is another unit complete with paediatric pads positioned at The Pavilion, Manor Field, Church Road.

There is a third unit located in Hartley Country Club and a fourth in Fawkham & Hartley Church Centre, Ash Road.

**THESE UNITS CAN BE USED
WITHOUT TRAINING**

Activities in Hartley

Are you looking to join a new class or activity ?

The following classes are currently offered at either the Village Hall or at Manor Field Pavilion, Church Road;

Pilates, Yoga, Keep Fit, Line Dancing and Tai Chi.

In addition, dance classes and karate lessons for children are also offered.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office.



Kent Community Warden Service Review

The financial challenges faced by Kent County Council mean that they are having to consider savings across a whole range of services. Their wardens work with communities and partners in lots of different ways - from supporting scam victims, helping communities affected by flooding, reducing social isolation and loneliness and helping residents to navigate care and support services.

To make savings, they are proposing to:

- Redesign the service, ensuring there is a core Community Warden presence across the county, with teams covering two districts
- Retain the remit and community-based way the service currently works but cover fewer communities
- Use data and information to identify where to place wardens for most impact.

Visit kent.gov.uk/communitywardenreview and have your say by **3rd October**.

(Paper copies are available in Hartley library)



District & County Councillors

Do you know who your local District and County Councillors are and how to contact them? Their contact details can be found below;

Sevenoaks District Councillors:

Cllr Larry Abraham -

01474 706690

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Cllr Penny Cole - 0754 066 8751

cllr.penny.cole@sevenoaks.gov.uk

Cllr Perry Cole - 0783 476 8315

cllr.perry.cole@sevenoaks.gov.uk

Kent County Councillor:

Cllr David Brazier - 03000 415879

david.brazier@kent.gov.uk

ADVICE, MEDIATION & USEFUL NUMBERS

Kent County Council	03000 418181
Sevenoaks District Council.....	01732 227000
Kent Police - Emergency Calls.....	999
Kent Police - Non Emergency Calls	101
KCC Community Warden	07811 271259
Hartley Library	03000 413131
Doctors Surgery	01474 702127
Citizens Advice	03003 309001
Arriva Northfleet.....	01474 535138
West Kent Mediation.....	01732 469696
Samaritans	116 123 (free)
Childline	0800 1111
Community Cupboard.....	07526 823122
Kent Integrated Domestic Abuse Service	08081 689111
Papyrus Suicide Prevention Under 35s.....	0800 0684141 (free)
Young Minds	www.youngminds.org.uk
KCC website	www.kent.gov.uk



Manor Field Pavilion

The Pavilion at Manor Field, Church Road is an ideal venue for family gatherings, regular or "one off" hiring, or as a venue for children's birthday parties.



Hartley Village Hall

The Village Hall, located on Ash Road, is also available to hire.

For further information and details of availability at either venue, please contact the Clerk at the Parish Office on 01474 709441

Email: enquiries@hartleyparishcouncil.gov.uk



Development of Hartley's Neighbourhood Plan

On behalf of the Parish Council, the Neighbourhood Plan is being developed by a Steering Group consisting of some Councillors and local residents who want to support and defend the Parish for the future.

Early consultation with residents has shown a desire to keep the Green Belt intact to preserve access to the countryside for walking and pleasure, the need for a mix of housing and preservation of historic buildings.

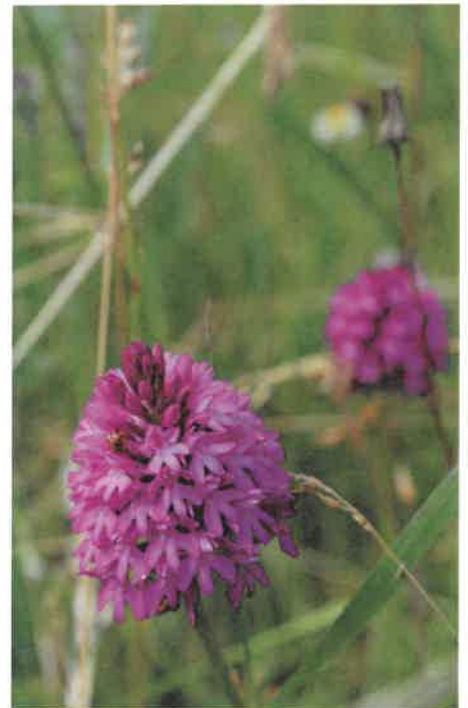
With these in mind the Steering Group has been securing evidence to underpin policies which, if supported and approved by residents, will provide a legal basis for future planning in our Village. This evidence has largely been produced by professional consultants and the costs have been met by Government Funds made available for Neighbourhood Plans. All the support work undertaken by Members of the Steering Group has been entirely voluntary.

A further consultation will be undertaken in the Autumn with a questionnaire being delivered, by hand, to every household in the Parish.

It is vital that everyone who loves living in Hartley and wants it to remain unspoilt, completes the questionnaire and returns it to the Parish Office in the Library.

For up to date information about the Neighbourhood Plan visit

www.hartleypnp.org.uk



Your Parish Councillors are: Larry Abraham, Penny Cole, Perry Cole, Jim Colwell, David Conroy, Lesley Driscoll, Laurence Glander, David Graeme, Mally Malham, Anne Oxtoby, Brian Ramsay, Ian Ross & Vincent Sewell.

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