



The Parish Council wishes all the residents of Cranleigh a peaceful New Year.

THE PARISH PRECEPT

At the December meeting a precept of £203,263 was agreed by Cranleigh Parish Council for the 2007/8 financial period. This represents an increase of less than 1.5% on the 2006/7 precept and equates to a payment of just over 75 pence per week for Band D Council Tax payers.

Your contribution of 75 pence per week is spent on providing and maintaining certain assets and services within Cranleigh. These include, the Village Hall, the Recreation Grounds at Snoxhall, some of the flowerbeds on the High Street, the Cemetery grounds on Dewlands Lane, Allotments and the Parish Council Offices. The Parish Council has six full time staff and one part time member of staff.

Recreation facilities at Snoxhall, including the tennis courts, football and cricket pitches, the Pavilion, the children's playground and the newly installed Youth Shelter are all provided and maintained by the Parish Council. This year lighting around the grounds was upgraded and this will continue in the forthcoming year. Signage, litter bins, dog bins and fencing has been purchased for Snoxhall and this will be installed over the coming months.

Money has been earmarked for disabled facilities to be installed at Snoxhall Pavilion and for alterations to improve the usage of space within the building.

Money for replacing the existing Playground equipment has been set aside. A Playground Steering Group has been formed to work with the community to review the existing equipment and put forward recommendations for the possible future development of the site.

Modest new machinery is being purchased for use at the Cemetery and Snoxhall Fields and investigations are being made with neighbouring parishes into the economic benefits of sharing expertise and resources in order to improve the services we provide.

As the electric heating in the Parish Council Offices is now showing signs of aging, it will be replaced with a more efficient and cost effective system.

Your payment of 75 pence per week also covers provision for the Village Hall, and during the coming year improvements to the fire alarm monitoring system will be made and the final consignment of chairs will be purchased for the balcony.

In 2007/8 £4,000 has been set aside for capital grants, which are available to local organisations where a prompt and tangible benefit for the community will be gained.

The Parish Council's commitment to the Health Check continues with a contribution of £7,500 for 2007/8 for the opportunity to continue development of local community projects.

For the last four years the Parish Council has been able to keep the precept increase to below 1.5%, and despite the small increase, investments are still being achieved for Parish Council owned assets on behalf of the community.

Operation costs on all of the Council's assets are reviewed regularly and every effort is made to reduce outgoings wherever possible. Increased investment in training and technology has enhanced the effectiveness of running the Parish Council and enables more efficient ways of delivering services.

Cranleigh Cares...about its environment

The Parish Council has embraced the concept of sustainability in its own buildings and is urging the community to follow in its 'carbon' footprint.

Cranleigh Parish Council was the first parish in Waverley to request the receipt of all government reports and agendas on line in order to reduce paper usage.

Councillors and staff also promote:-

- Use of energy saving light bulbs where ever possible,
- Use of timer facilities to control heating.
- Recycle as many materials as possible.
- Use electronic copies to reduce paper.

The Parish Council have agreed to continue working towards increased sustainability both in house and within community projects where ever appropriate.

Village Hall



The Chairman of the Village Hall Committee, Cllr Mrs Jean Dodd, is pictured showing the refurbished floor and some of the new chairs funded by the Parish Council.

The stage curtains were cleaned and fireproofed. Next year there are plans to redecorate the interior and exterior of the Hall.

Good financial management by the Parish Council has enabled replacement equipment to be purchased without increasing the precept.

Litter Pick

In November 2006 the Autumn Litter Pick occurred, a small band of volunteers collected 25 bags of rubbish, most of which could be recycled. New litter pickers have been purchased using a grant of £200 from Surrey County Councillor Cyril Baily's allocation. The next Litter Pick will take place in Spring 2007 and is hoped to target new areas of Cranleigh.

If you would like to nominate an area which would benefit from a 'Spring Clean' contact the Parish Council.

Useful contacts

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Waverley Borough Council Locality Office

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Surrey County Council,

General Enquiries, Telephone - 08456 009009

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Graffiti Hotline

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Cranleigh Parish Councillors

NAME	TELEPHONE	WARD
Cllr Cyril Baily FCA	01483 278471	West
Cllr John Bainbridge	01483 275949	West
Cllr Brian Cheesman (Vice Chairman)	01483 273293	East
Cllr Leslie G A Clarke	01483 268627	Rural
Cllr Mrs Jean E Dodd	01483 278184	East
Cllr Mrs Patricia Ellis	01483 272929	West
Cllr Brian A Ellis (Chairman)	01483 272929	West
Cllr John A Emerson	01483 274631	East
Cllr David Gallacher	01483 275328	Elmbridge
Cllr Mrs Rosemary Hurtley	01483 272052	East
Cllr Ken T Reed	01483 271896	East

Councillor resignation:-A vacancy which arose due to the resignation of Miss J Brewis , for personal reasons, will not be filled as the new elections will be due in May 2007.

Meet more of the Councillors

Ken Reed	Rosemary Hurtley	John Emerson
 <p>Ken lives with his wife in Cranleigh and they have 3 grown up children.</p> <p>In July 2004 Ken was elected to both Cranleigh Parish Council and Waverley Borough Council. At Waverley he is a member of the Executive with responsibilities for Housing, Procurement & E-Government and represents the Parish at the Cranleigh Youth Centre.</p>	 <p>Rosemary has lived in Cranleigh for 23 years and is married with a son and daughter.</p> <p>Rosemary is interested in promoting the health and well being of local communities and encouraging activities. Rosemary works as a consultant Occupational Therapist, she is also an author. Rosemary is a member of several local clubs including the Tortoise and Hare running Club.</p>	 <p>John has lived in Cranleigh for 35 years and has two grown up children.</p> <p>Before retiring he worked in the Insurance business as an IT director. Since retiring John has been studying for degrees in English Literature.</p> <p>His interests include bridge, cricket and the theatre.</p>

Parish Council Meetings are held in the Council Offices, in Village Way on the third Thursday of every month with the exception of August. Meetings start promptly at 7.00pm with the first fifteen minutes available for members of the public with a legitimate interest in the Parish to pose questions to the councillors.

The next Parish Council meetings are scheduled for: **Thu 18th January 2007 and Thu 15th February 2007**

The next Planning meetings are scheduled for ; **Tues 30th January and Mon 19th February 2007**

Agendas and minutes are available on our website at : **www.cranleighpc.org**

For Advanced notice of all meetings check the Parish Notice Board behind the Village Hall or contact the Parish Council office on 01483 272311.

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