



#### Parish Councillors:

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Stephen Hand (Chairman)  
Richard Barker  
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#### Mid Sussex District Councillors:

Colin Trumble  
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#### West Sussex County Councillor:

Peter Griffiths

#### PARISH OFFICE:

Clerk to the Council – Stephen Hoyles  
Assistant Clerk – Roberta Taylor  
Assistant Clerk – Charlotte Kempson  
Assistant Clerk – Paul Mayne  
Maintenance Officer – Cliff Everest  
Cemetery Manager – Richard Lechmere

#### COUNCIL MEETINGS

All meetings are at 8.00 pm at the Village Centre, Trinity Road, Hurstpierpoint, unless otherwise stated. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

#### COUNCIL:

18 May 2017 AGM  
29 June 2017  
27 July 2017  
28 September 2017

#### COMMITTEES:

##### Planning:

4 May 2017  
1 June 2017  
6 July 2017  
3 August 2017  
7 September 2017

##### Community Affairs:

25 May 2017  
20 July 2017  
21 September 2017

##### Finance + General Purposes:

11 May 2017  
8 June 2017  
13 July 2017  
10 August 2017  
14 September 2017

##### Parkland management:

17 August 2017

#### Website:

Please go to our website for the Council's published information and latest updates:

[www.hurstpierpoint-pc.org.uk](http://www.hurstpierpoint-pc.org.uk)

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We have finally removed the Swamp Cypress trees from the South Avenue Cemetery, which has opened up the views towards Wolstonbury Hill



New owls in the St Georges Millennium Garden – cleverly carved from an old tree stump.  
(More wildlife inside ....)

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:

7.30pm Tuesday 23 May 2017

Village Centre, Trinity Road, Hurstpierpoint

*All are welcome*

*See inside for details*

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## Key topics for discussion.....

- **District Plan issues**
- **Hurstpierpoint Parkland**

This is an opportunity for all local residents in the Parish to come and meet their Parish, District and County Councillors. Residents are given the opportunity to ask questions and discuss matters of local interest.

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### AGENDA

1. Introduction by the Chairman
2. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 24 May 2016
3. Annual Report of the Council - presented by the Chairman
4. Financial Report of the Council - presented by the Clerk
5. Discussion topics and open forum for the public
6. Closing remarks by the Chairman



Rabbits in the Millenium Garden

## New bus shelter

We have replaced the shelter in Willow Way, which has been welcomed by local residents.



We have now replaced all our seats in South Avenue Recreation Ground with more attractive (and comfortable) items. We are continuing to place new seats around Hurstpierpoint and Sayers Common.



## New Councillors welcomed....

We are delighted to welcome two Hurstpierpoint residents onto the Council.

Richard Barker has a strong interest in community projects, and brings his past experience in setting up community companies.

Malcolm Llewellyn (CBE), after a career in the British Army, is keen to be involved in protecting our heritage and rural environment.

## Budget and Council Tax for 2017/18

The Parish Council has set its Budget for the new financial year. In doing so we have decided to:

- start to set up the new parkland areas
- continue to upgrade public seats and playground equipment –
- support local groups and organisations through small grants
- keep in place all our current services (maintaining our recreation grounds, playgrounds, the cemetery, public toilets, village garden, our maintenance service and help-point at the Parish Office in the Village Centre)
- work strongly to protect our environment through the planning process.

We do not receive any grants from central government or District or County Councils for our day to day operations, and all money has to be raised locally. To meet our plans we have raised the parish part of council tax by 2% for a typical 'Band D' household. (Our annual precept has increased by 5.1% to £193,736.)

**The total cost of all the Parish Council's services is now about £1.29 per week for a typical household.**

## Bits and pieces....

We were all sorry to see the **St Lawrence School tree** in Cuckfield Road cut down, as it has left an empty space. We are asking West Sussex County Council about replacing it.

The **Pitt Lane toilet** (ladies) has been closed for structural repairs – we hope to restore it shortly.

By the time you read this the **BBC Radio 4 Any Questions?** Should have visited Hurstpierpoint on 5 May 2017. We were looking forward to an interesting debate on national issues of the day.



## New Streetlights..

Work has continued in both Sayers Common and Hurstpierpoint in replacing the 120 or so streetlights owned and operated by the Parish Council. The replacement work has taken longer than we would have hoped but the finished lights are a huge improvement on the old units, and are also low-energy LED type, which use about 30% of the electricity.