

Did you know that.....

As a resident of this Parish, you can visit Nymans as often as you like, even if you aren't a member of the National Trust.

Nymans offers a free annual membership card to anyone who lives in the Parish. You will need to take a passport-sized photo and two documents with proof of address, to the visitor reception. The photo is returned, along with the card, by post, within a couple of weeks.

We are lucky to have two wonderful gardens – Nymans and The High Beeches – open to the public within a few minutes of Handcross. If we have a good Autumn to make up for the wash-out Summer, both good places to visit.



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Slaugham Parish Council

Handcross, Pease Pottage,
Warninglid and Slaugham

Welcome to Slaugham Parish Council Autumn Newsletter!

Firstly a Thank you.....

Geoff Coe, a Parish Councillor from Warninglid, stepped down from SPC at the beginning of September. We are very grateful for all Geoff has done during his years on the Council, and in particular his involvement with Neighbourhood Watch and other police matters. We are very pleased that he will continue to be involved in the Community Resilience Group.

There is therefore one vacancy on the Parish Council at present, in the Slaugham and Warninglid ward. If you would be interested in joining, contact the Clerk, Sally McLean, or come along to one of the Council meetings and meet the other Councillors.

Your Council

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Neighbourhood Plan Update

Thank you for taking time to complete and return the Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire sent to all Parish households in September. These are now with AirS who are analysing the results (last date for return 25th September).

The information you provided, together with feedback from earlier exhibitions, village focus groups, surveys such as the Parish Plan and Housing Needs survey, will feed your views to a "State of the Parish" report. This will set out base facts and form part of the evidence on which the NP draft document will be based. In case you were wondering, the number on the top is to ensure we do not receive multiple responses which would skew the data.

For the prize draw we will select a randomly selected household on the Parish which has completed the survey.

Thank you for your participation.

Handcross and District Community Bus

An article from the Handcross Community Bus Committee.

When are we getting a new bus? This is the questions many of our drivers are being asked by regular passengers. It is hard to believe that our existing bus (pictured) is less than 4 years old and yet it is true that the Committee have been looking to see whether we can sell it and buy a newer version. Why? Well this is a brilliant vehicle, really easy to drive and so much better than its predecessor in terms of reliability, but most of the warranties have now run out and we'd love to replace it while it is still relatively "young". Will we succeed? Who knows, but we are trying hard!



Every passenger journey made on the bus, whether paid for in cash or by using a bus pass, helps towards the financial viability of the service, so please use it whenever you can. Timetables and details of special "outings" are available at the Hardware Store in Handcross. The roadwork's on the A23 are going to mean some route variations in the coming months and we ask you to bear with us if it is hard to keep to the exact schedule at times.

The permanent changes to local bus services through the parish which took effect on 1st September may well have an impact on many people and we shall watch and listen to see what effect they have. In due course we may well respond to there by tweaking our own routes and times to fill any gaps or resolve any timetable clashes. But not before we have sought the views of those who use the bus right now!

None of these things happen without a great deal of work by a number of people, all of whom do it on a voluntary basis. The most visible of course are the drivers, but Christina at the Hardware Store is the "hub" of all our activities and there are others who contribute by filling specific or general roles on the Committee. New volunteers are always welcomed, whether it is to drive the bus (even if you can only spare one day a month this would be useful) or get stuck in behind the scenes. It truly is a case of "many hands make light work"!

To volunteer or for any other information call Christina on 01444 400212.

Slaugham Archives

We have been lucky enough to have been contacted by Barry Ray, a well known family name in the Parish of Slaugham.

He has been working hard on an excellent website hosting photos and documents from around the Parish so access can be given to all. The images so far uploaded represent about 46% of those in the archives within the period 1870 to 1950, and are uniformly spread over the four villages, (and Staplefield) generally by geographical areas. The remaining pictures will be uploaded on a weekly basis, and these will be followed by more-modern photographs, videos, audios, and newspaper cuttings. As an example below is a picture of Handcross celebrating the coronation of King George VI which took place on 12th May 1937.



Below the former Grapes Public House in Pease Pottage, 1910.



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