



# HAVENSTREET AND ASHEY PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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## USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

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### A date for your diary

**Saturday 18th  
November**

**11am-3pm**

Visit Havenstreet  
Community Centre  
to view and give  
your comments on  
the concept  
drawings for the  
Sans Souci site.

Welcome to Havenstreet and Ashley Parish Council's second newsletter. Since the first newsletter was sent out, the parish council has been extremely busy. It has set up a steering group, consisting of local residents and parish councillors to help to create a parish plan. This will identify future projects for the parish.

The parish council received £1000 from the IWC's Parish Award Scheme. This money is to contribute towards the cost of newsletters and towards a notice board in the parish. One notice board, donated by the Footprint Trust has already been installed in the grounds of the Ponda Rosa and another will soon be installed in Havenstreet. These will keep you up to date with all the activities in the parish.

The parish council now has its very own website, which again will keep you up to date with the council's activities and enable you to communicate with council members and other residents, in ways such as the public forum.

Visit **[www.havenstreetandasheypc.co.uk](http://www.havenstreetandasheypc.co.uk)**

The parish council has liaised with the IWC in order to resolve health and safety problems in Havenstreet recreation ground. The side gate on to Church Road will soon be blocked off, as the current gate is in a poor condition and poses a threat to children as they are led directly into the path of traffic. It is anticipated that when this is blocked off, improvements to the surface of the other entrance will be carried out and a post will be installed to prevent vehicles parking across the entrance and blocking the access. The parish council will also be installing a dog bag dispenser - so there will be no excuses for people leaving dog mess in the recreation ground!

A huge achievement for the parish council has been communicating with the developers of the land adjacent to Sans Souci to encourage them to draw up concept plans for the whole site, as requested by residents during a public meeting. The current planning application was deferred at a recent Development Control Committee Meeting to enable the developers to engage with the community to gain their views on the future of the site.

Concept Plans for the site will be on display on the **18th November** in Havenstreet Community Centre from **11am - 3pm**. Please do come along and make your views on the plans heard.

Don't forget Havenstreet and Ashley parish council meets monthly on the first Thursday of the month at 7pm in Havenstreet Community Centre. Members of the public are always welcome to attend and are allocated 30 minutes before the agenda commences to share their views and ask questions of the Parish Councillors and County Councillors.

**The parish council meeting in January however, will take place in the Ponda Rosa Inn, on Ashley Road on January 11th at 7pm.  
Please come along.**

# A vision for the future

## Havenstreet and Asheby Parish Plan

### What is a Parish Plan?

In short, a Parish Plan is a document, which outlines the present community. It creates a template for the future of the Parish, which can be used as Supplementary Planning Guidance by the Isle of Wight Council Planning Department. It lays out the opinions, hopes and aspirations of the whole community. Once the plan has been completed, it will highlight a number of projects that can be undertaken in the parish.

The initial consultation for the parish plan has come through your door with this newsletter. A group of local people have devised the questionnaire to engage with you, members of the community, to determine what is important to you about the place in which you live and how you would like to see the parish develop in the future.

This questionnaire is your chance to influence the decision makers and to have a real say about what is happening in – and what is going to happen in your local community.

So please ask yourself, how do you want **your** part of the parish to shape up in the future?

### Why complete the questionnaire?

Change is inevitable, but we need to be able to influence the type of development and changes that take place. What do you want to preserve? What do you want to change? What would you like to introduce? What would you like to get rid of? What problems do you currently experience?

Think about it, then please complete the questionnaire. At the end of each section, there is a space for you to add any additional comments that the questions have not addressed.

We apologise for the questionnaire being so long, but it is vital that we get in depth views to feed into the parish plan. Once we have all this information, a '**Vision Day**' will be held to follow on from the questionnaire. It is envisaged that this will be on the 20th January in Havenstreet Community Centre.

The Parish of Havenstreet and Asheby is so diverse that some of the questions may not apply to you. Please leave blank those that you do not think apply to you.

We cannot stress enough the importance of the return of these questionnaires. Your views really will make a difference and help us to improve your quality of life in the parish. The results of the consultation will also place the parish council in a good position when applying for grants as it will show that local projects have community support.

You will each get a raffle ticket with your questionnaire. Please retain one of the tickets and return the other with your completed questionnaire. All tickets will be placed in a prize draw and winning tickets will be placed in our next newsletter and on the parish council website. If you send your winning ticket to the Parish Clerk, your prize will be sent straight to you.

### Collection of the questionnaires

Volunteers will be working with the parish council to collect the questionnaires, or alternatively you can return the questionnaires to your local councillors (see slip attached to the questionnaire) or return it to: Asheby Road Garage, Havenstreet Post Office, Winters Garage or bring it along to Havenstreet Community Centre on the **18th November**.

Please complete the questionnaires by the **30th November**.

**THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO INFLUENCE THE FUTURE OF THE PARISH—  
PLEASE GIVE US YOUR VIEWS!**