



## Give village a facelift

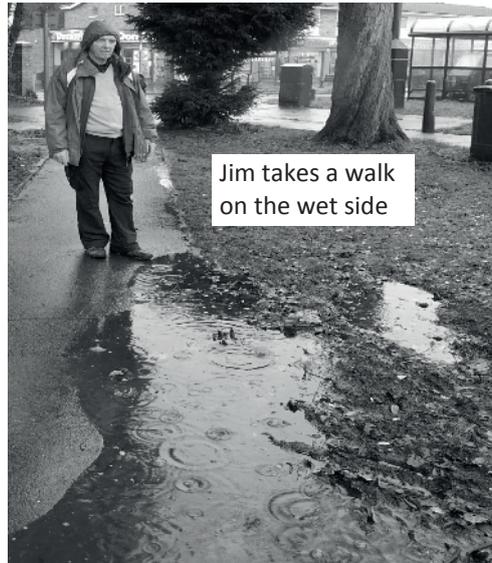
**M**any residents complain to us about puddles on the footways behind the Stubbington Green bus stop.

The paved area has been extended over the years, but vans and lorries are often parked on the grass, churning it up.

Jim Forrest has asked the Council if they will:

- Replenish the sunken surface on the informal path from the bus shelter to the toilets
- Reseed and raise the grassed areas close to the paths
- Resurface the asphalt where needed and ensure that council and contractors' vehicles keep to the paved area.

*But it's also up to all of us to protect grass verges on our streets - do try to make sure your and your visitors' cars aren't churning the grass.*



Jim takes a walk on the wet side

MEANWHILE, the Informal noticeboards beside the car park and the library path are in need of replacement.

It's been suggested that they should be replaced by glass-fronted cases, with keys held at local shops.

However this could make it difficult for people who work during the day to post notices.

The notice-boards were provided in the 1990s using funds allocated by Lib Dem Cllr Dorrine Burton-Jenkins.

They were replaced in 2002 after vandalism to the original ones. Tell us whether you'd prefer them replaced by closed or open-fronted boards.

### 2002:

Jim and Dorrine unveil the new notice-boards



### 2018:

The boards are showing the effects of 16 years of service



## Hill Head beach alert



**D**on't be tempted to try this, says Hill Head Lib Dem campaigner Alex Brims. You could put yourself at risk of a soaking or worse.

Walkers have fallen while trying to clamber over groynes or along privately-owned walls as they attempt to walk along parts of Hill Head beach which have become impassable at high tide.

To avoid damage to beach defences or injury to yourself, best advice is to time your walks for when the tide is lower.

See @LibDems4Crofton on Facebook for a link to tide tables.

The beach is altering swiftly just now and the East Solent Coastal Partnership is monitoring the changes. We'll keep you posted.

## A needless hazard to cyclists?

The gates across the “country lane” section of Old Street give residents a welcome defence against through traffic.

But the kerbs on either side make them awkward for cyclists, and some cyclists have fallen

while trying to steer round them.

Should access be improved to give a safer cycling route from Stubbington to Hill Head?

Do the kerbs pose problems for horse riders too?

Tell us what you think.



## Old St decision soon

Bargate Homes’ proposal to build 160 houses at Old Street is likely to come to Fareham’s Planning Committee in March.

Fareham planners have good grounds for rejecting it, because the Local Plan designates the site as part of the Countryside Gap separating Stubbington and Hill Head from Fareham.

Many residents were worried because planners recently agreed larger developments in Warsash.

However, those were on sites where proposed revisions to the

Local Plan indicate that building would be allowed.

In contrast, a scheme at Titchfield on the other side of the Meon Valley was rejected because it also lies in the Countryside Gap.

We should emphasise though, that the Revised Local Plan is still under discussion and could be altered before it is put to the Government for approval.

The Old Street plans - and comments from public bodies - are on [www.fareham.gov.uk](http://www.fareham.gov.uk) Look for P/17/1451/OA.



*What goes in the blue bin?*

A number of residents have asked us about Fareham’s policy on recycling various types of waste. Guidance leaflets are issued from time to time, but if you don’t have one, you’ll find the information on [www.fareham.gov.uk](http://www.fareham.gov.uk) - follow the links to Waste Collection, then Recycling.

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