**Badger Farm Parish Council** 

The BADGER BUGLE



#### Welcome

Welcome to our new Badger Farm Parish Council magazine.

We intend publishing twice a year to keep residents up to date with news from the parish council.

The aim is to make it an interesting read that you can all contribute to if you wish.

This will be in addition to our regular contribution to the Community News.

It is hoped that a separate newsletter will give us wider scope to engage on a range of topics.





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#### **New Team**

Following the local elections on 6 May 2021, we have a new team of eight parish councillors, elected to run the parish council in your best interests. Here's the new Bager Farm Parich Council team.



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## Moving on from Covid-19

As we get ready to publish our first edition, we are very much hoping that the government is due to lift the remaining Covid-19 restrictions.

It has been a difficult time for us all, but we are encouraged by the efforts of the community to help one another through the pandemic.

Your councillors kept the parish running by conducting the monthly parish meetings online via Zoom.

As we move out of restrictions, we are planning a combination of in person meetings at the Community Centre and online meetings.

We are waiting for guidance from Hampshire Association of Local Councils on a way forward.

Our playgrounds had to close during the first national lockdown, but we are pleased that we were able to keep the re-furbished playgrounds open once the government restrictions on playgrounds were lifted.

Please do take note of the Covid-19 safety signs on both playgrounds.

They are there to try and protect us all.

If you spot any maintenance problems, please contact the Clerk.

#### **Land Auction**

As we are sure you will have heard, we were unsuccessful in our bid at the auction to buy the land adjoining our Davis Playground.

The Parish Council put forward £50k of parish council money and added it to the £33k crowdfunding money raised by local residents to put in a joint bid. Unfortunately our joint bid could not compete with the eventual winner who bid £110k.

However, we are extremely grateful for the enthusiasm residents have shown for joint action to safeguard the land.

A lot of residents have said they were dismayed that the parish council didn't appear to have taken much action.

This is very far from the truth. In the initial stages, we were strongly advised not to make any mention of the auction, or our work on trying to secure the land.

It was believed that any publicity would mean the auction would attract the attention of developers and hamper our attempts to secure the land.

The parish council has already done a lot of work towards trying to get the land designated as a Village Green.

An application was submitted to Hampshire County Council in February 2021.

Thank you to all the residents who contributed declaration forms that went towards our application. HCC have acknowledged receipt of our application and are currently working through the many stages of consideration and we await their decision.

In the meantime, the parish council is looking to ring-fence the £50k we were going to spend on buying the land towards any legal costs of fighting any future development bids.

We will be forming a working party to look into the status of open spaces on Badger Farm and to fight any proposals to develop the land sold at auction.



If you are interested in joining the working party, please contact our Clerk, Christine Howe on **07463 760 801** or <a href="mailto:email:clerk@badgerfarm-pc.gov.uk">email: clerk@badgerfarm-pc.gov.uk</a>

Look out in future editions of our magazines for updates on our work to protect the green spaces in Badger Farm.

#### **Community Projects**

Please bear in mind that if you have any community activities or projects in mind, the parish council has funds available to award as grants for projects of benefit to the whole parish.

If you are interested in applying for a grant, please get in touch with our clerk.

In the past we have supported the Keep Badger Farm Tidy Group with kit for their litter picking.

The Wildflower Project is well underway.

A team of volunteers have already planted around 200 native wildflower plug plants in the designated wildflower areas.

If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Sarah McColl via our Clerk, Christine Howe on 07463 760 801



### **Badger Farm Photo Compertition 2021**

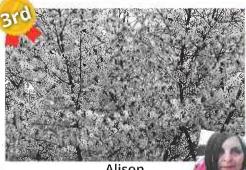
We are pleased to announce the results of our first photography competition.



Will Sinclair



Kelly O'Connell



Alison Freeland-Searle



Laura Clifton (age 11)

## FACE

Has their face fallen on one side? Can they smile?

Can they raise both arms and keep them there?



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# Nearly £1million in grants available to support vulnerable people in Hampshire, post COVID-19

Hampshire County Council's Executive Member for Adult Services and Public Health, Councillor Liz Fairhurst, has approved funding for innovative local projects across the county which aim to support people specifically anyone deemed to be clinically vulnerable or clinically extremely vulnerable, to recover from the past year and focus on the future

Councillor Fairhurst said: "The pandemic has had a major impact on many aspects of our lives, but for some, getting going again and back to a semblance of normality is proving very difficult.

"This grants programme is designed to assist local organisations – be they community groups or local councils – in their work to support vulnerable people, to help them recover from the impacts of the pandemic and return to more normal ways of life, in a way that is safe."

The Getting Going Again Fund of £950,000 is divided into 11 lots, aligned to the county's 11 district and borough councils, with the amount of money available dependent on the number of clinically extremely vulnerable residents living in each area.

To help fund this particular set of grants, Hampshire County Council will use a proportion of the wider £4 million funding from Government to support people in Hampshire who are clinically extremely vulnerable or clinically vulnerable.

Organisations interested in applying for grants can find further information on the County Council's website https://www.hants.gov.uk/community/grants/grants-list/getgoing-again



