



# Monxton Matters

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**Is This Fly Tipping in Monxton or a Historical Waste Disposal Area Garden for Locals (see article inside)**



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# Please ensure that Fly Tipping is Stopped in the Monxton Garden Waste Disposal Area

## A note from the Chairman of Monxton Parish Council

Ever since I have lived in Monxton a small dump for garden waste has existed at the bottom of the gallops which has been used by the village.

Unfortunately this year many more people are using this facility, which possibly are from outside the village and it presently looks an absolute mess. Apples are strewn all over the footpath and garden waste has been dumped outside the designated area.

I am of the opinion that this will collapse during the winter months and nettles and grass will grow back. However next summer we will have to exercise great care how this useful amenity is used.

When taking a barrow or bag please walk to the back of the dump on the narrow path and no-one for the next six months should dump in front of this line.

There is a question as to who owns the land, it may have been given to the parish council by Mr Harrison of Manor farm as a village amenity, however until the ownership question can be established, the parish council will be taking control and will be forced to close the dump if villagers can not work together.

If Villagers see anyone from outside the immediate village dumping waste there, please speak to them and explain the situation and make sure they at least go to the back of the area. It would be very sad to have to close the dump but the present situation is totally unacceptable as is causing a nuisance to locals.

## Fly Tipping

Generally speaking fly tipping is 'the illegal deposit of any waste onto land i.e. waste dumped or tipped on a site with no license to accept waste'. If the fly tipping is on a "highway maintained at the public expense" (a road or right of way), it is the responsibility (duty) of the waste collection authority (District or Borough Council / Unitary Authority) to remove it.

Public Rights of Way are public highways maintainable at public expense and are recorded on the Definitive Map and Statement (a legal record of Public Rights of Way). If it is on any other land, it is the landowners' responsibility to remove it although local authorities have the **power** to remove it. Landowners can ask the Local Authority to remove and dispose of the waste. Local Authorities do not need to be registered as carriers of waste. They can collect and remove any form of fly tipped waste on request. A fee will be charged.

An offence is committed if a person has deposited/knowingly caused/knowingly permitted the deposit of controlled waste. '**Controlled waste**' means household, industrial or commercial waste. If the waste was carried in and deposited from a motor vehicle, the person controlling the use of the vehicle, or who is in a position to do so, is treated as knowingly causing the waste to be deposited, whether or not any instructions were given to that effect. **Section 33 Environmental Protection Act 1990 (EPA)**

# Monxton & Aport Village Hall

## Forthcoming Events

### Village Hall Weekly Programme

<b>Mon. Evening</b>	<b>7.30pm - 9.30 pm</b>	<b>Jujitsu</b>
<b>Afternoon</b>	<b>2.00pm - 3.00 pm</b>	<b>Badminton</b> (contact Warren Palmer on 01264 710962)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:30am - 1:30pm</b>	<b>Baby Sensory Classes: if interested and you want to know more please contact Lin Day on 01722 320779 (new term starts 20th September 2006)</b> <b>Available for social events</b> <b>RAGS Arts Group</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>2:-00 -4.00 pm</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:00am - 9:15pm</b>	<b>Tap and Modern classes: Call Louise Ray 01264 365243, newcomers welcome!</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>10:30am -12:30pm</b>	<b>NCT Mothers and Babies coffee morning</b>
<b>Saturday. Afternoons and Evenings</b>		<b>Available for children's parties and social events</b>
<b>Sunday: Mornings</b>		<b>Monthly Church coffee mornings</b>

### Diary Dates

<b>25th November 10.00 - 1.00</b>	<b>Christmas bazaar</b>
<b>26th November 10.00</b>	<b>Church coffee morning</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> December 10.00am -4.00pm</b>	<b>Aport Christmas tree festival</b>
<b>9th December starts 7.30pm</b>	<b>Christmas meal at Monxton village hall : Please contact Carol Pratt 710305 or Ann Callis 710982</b>
<b>15th December 7.00pm</b>	<b>Bingo evening: Contact Len Lock</b>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Film night: Carol Unwin</b>
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> January 8.00pm-10.00pm</b>	<b>Parish Council meeting</b>

## EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF

### The Monxton Parish Council

TUESDAY 7TH November 2006 AT 8.00 pm

*Full edition available on the Monxton Website or from the Parish Clerk*

## MATTERS ARISING (Abridged version)

### **MATTERS ARISING** **(From previous minutes)**

Item 37, regarding the 'set aside' at Sunnybank. The clerk read out an e-mail received from Mr John Chaffey of 15 Sunnybank. His concern being that the article, which appeared in the September minutes and consequently in Monxton Matters was directed at Sunnybank residents only. The Clerk advised the council that she had responded to this e-mail. The Council stressed that this was not the case and that the article referred to all walkers using this piece of land.

Item 38.1 regarding the state of the roads by Sunnybank. The clerk told the council that she has spoken with John Clark of Hampshire Highways who happened to have travelled through Monxton on a very wet day and experienced the 'flooding' himself. He confirmed that this area has been added to a list of areas to be looked at but was unable to confirm how long it would take.

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

Mrs Brandwood was not present at the meeting but had told the clerk prior to the meeting that there was nothing to report.

However, the chairman advised the meeting of the recent burglary on Broad Road where a quad bike was stolen.

### **TRAFFIC CALMING**

The clerk has been advised that the new 'Monxton' name plate signs/speed limit signs are with Hampshire Highways and will be put up shortly. The original sign will be relocated to Sunnybank.

### **FINANCE**

Mr Eaglesham circulated the accounts to date and the recommended Precept amount for 2007/2008. The precept shows an increase of 2.4%, which equates to an increase of £130 to £5,490 for the year. This was passed by the council and will be adopted.

As there will be local elections in May of 2007, Mr Eaglesham asked the clerk to find out the costs.

He also stated that the Parish Council have not been charged for the hire of the village hall over the past year. The clerk will speak with Mrs Karen Simon regarding this matter.

Mr Eaglesham confirmed that the council has received an invoice from HCC for £2,504, which is the contribution of 50 % towards the traffic calming measures put in place so far. This had previously been agreed upon for payment. A smaller invoice will be received shortly for the new name plate signs to be put in place of the existing one, and for the existing one to be re-sited at Sunnybank.

The Parish Clerk has posted the Notice of Audit on the village hall notice board and it will remain there for 14 days. The original copy is with the Chairman and can be viewed by appointment.

### **BROAD ROAD**

Although the Parish Council empathises with Mrs Smith regarding the recent break in on her property on Broad Road, the Council remains concerned about the number of old vehicles still present on this site. The Clerk has been requested to contact TVBC.

## PLANNING MATTERS

Item	REF/DESCRIPTIONS	Parish Council	TVBC	Comments
1	06/02344/FULLN The Old Farm House, Abbots Ann Road	No objection	Refused by TVBC	
2	06/02343/LBWN As above	No objection	Refused by TVBC	
3	06/02537/FULLN Corner Cottage, Monxton	Objection by MPC	Refused by TVBC	
4	06/02700/TREEN Field House	No objection	No objection	
5	06/02704/TREEN Springfield, Chalkpit Lane	No objection	No objection	
6	06/02386/TREEN Hutchens cottage	No objection	No objection	
7	06/02919/FULLN Beechhurst, Green Lane	No objection	Pending consideration	
8	06/02982/FULLN Burnside, Chalkpit Lane	No objection	Pending consideration	
9	06/03011/TREEN Millcroft, Chalkpit Lane	No objection	Pending consideration	
10	06/03060/FULLN Lilac cottage			See comments below
11	06/03117/TREEN The Chesters, Green Lane			See comments below
12	06/03120/TREEN Brewery House			See comments below

Planning applications 06/03060/FULLN, 06/03117/TREEN and 06/03120/TREEN were received by Monxton Parish Council shortly before the meeting so would be circulated shortly amongst the councillors.

### The Next Monxton Parish Council Meeting

Will be held at the Village Hall on the Tuesday evening on the  
23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2007 at 8.00pm

**All parishioners are welcome to attend.**

## **Matters Arising from Monxton Parish Council**

### **MATTERS BROUGHT BEFORE THE MEETING BY PARISH COUNCILLORS**

- (1) The Chairman told the meeting that she had been advised by Abbots Ann Parish Council that Manor Farm, Abbott's Ann Road have resubmitted a planning application number 06/03185/FULLN. This is for a change of use to office class B1A. The clerk will contact TVBC for a copy of this application as the Council believes this will result in an increase in traffic through the village.
- (2) Mr Colbourne mentioned the 'Abbots Ann' sign (as you come from Sunnybank down towards the village) on the right hand side, as being too high. He also mentioned the sign (highlighting the weight restriction on red post bridge) at the top of Cattle Lane. He believes this is at the wrong side of the exit. Currently the sign is on the main road before you reach this T-junction and therefore lorries coming up Cattle Lane do not see it. Mr Colbourne wants the sign moved to the top of the T junction so at least the lorries can turn around and avoid the weak bridge. The Clerk will contact Hampshire highways to see if these alterations can be done.
- (3) Mr Colbourne also requests the clerk contacts the Water Board to see if new signs can be erected on the village Green to replace the ones which are currently broken.
- (4) Mr Hopkins of Manor Farm expressed his concern over the 'fly tipping' which seems to be happening on the piece of land, off the track between 'Little Cottage' and the 'Monxton Mill'. This area has in the past been used by residents to dump small quantities of garden waste but recently several large trees have been dumped there, along with many rotten apples and the area is looking very unsightly. The Chairman will look into this matter.

### **Future Monxton Parish Council Meetings**

**New dates for MOC meetings – please note that there have been a couple of changes.**

**The new dates are as follows:**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2007,**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2007.**

**The AGM will take place on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2007 at 7.30pm (this may be subject to change depending on the local elections).**

# A Visit to Le Bec Hellouin, Normandy

In September of this year Paul & Jennifer Richards decided to spend a week in Normandy exploring the countryside and experiencing the local food. So it was with some surprise that they ended up staying in the picturesque village of Le Bec Hellouin, between Caen and Rouen, one of the prettiest villages in Normandy, (The name Le Bec seemed familiar!) Settled into l'Auberge de l'Abbaye, a delightful half timbered Inn on the main street, they could see a 15th Century church tower from their bedroom. It was surrounded by other stone clad monastic buildings so they set out to explore.

In its peaceful pastoral setting, they discovered the Abbey was founded in 1034 and was a major centre of religious life during the Norman period. It produced two Archbishops of Canterbury, three Bishops of Rochester and has the added distinction of having given its name to Tooting Bec. Later that evening, it suddenly struck them that the Abbey had also given its name to Bec House and Little Bec, two houses in the village, which they had read about it in Diana Coldicott's book 'Monxton - A Hampshire Village History'.

Most of the Abbey buildings date from the 17th and 18<sup>th</sup> century, the bell tower being all that is left of the Church of St. Nicholas minus its spire. They later discovered from Diana's book that Hugh de Grandmesnil came over to England with William the Conqueror in 1066, after three years he was made Governor of Hampshire. Some time later, he donated the royal grant of the manor of Monxton, the manor at Quarley, land known as 'Golhord', (Gollard's Farm) and the manor of Combe in Berkshire to the Abbey of Bec Hallouin. Later with the continuing wars between France and England, the Abbots of Bec gradually lost touch with their English estates. By 1404 all these estates were back in the hands of the king, Henry IV. Eventually, Henry VI gave the manors of Monxton and Combe to Kings College, Cambridge.

During the French Revolution the Abbey was abandoned, then occupied by the army until a community of Benedictine monks moved there in 1948. They restored the buildings and today they make very attractive modern ceramics, which they sell in a shop in the grounds.

The two villages Le Bec-Hellouin and Monxton have similarities, thatched roofs, timber framed houses, their own pubs and are set in beautiful countryside, both once owned by the same person. It's a small world; is there an opportunity, may be, to be linked? - through the children in the village, through school, exchange visits, twinning, - an idea worth pursuing?

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# Le Bec Hellouin, Normandy

