

Chorleywood Parish Council: Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting of the Parish Council -

**Notes by GH (in attendance as a member of the public)
of matters of possible interest to members of the Friends of Chorleywood Common
raised at the meetings on 3rd May 2016**

Annual Report 2015-16: <http://www.chorleywood-pc.gov.uk/pdf/agendas/CWPC-Annual-Parish-Meeting-Agenda-Committee-Reports-2016-05-03.pdf> (at pages 4-16)

The Chair and Vice-Chair for 2016-17 will be Cllrs White and Watkins respectively (both elected unopposed).

Vacancies on the Council: Cllrs Copley, Davies and Green have recently resigned from the Council, creating three vacancies, all in South Ward. The Clerk, having consulted the Returning Officer at Three Rivers, advised that

- the existence of the vacancies will be given publicity;
- a by-election to fill them will take place if within 14 days of 4 May at least 10 electors in South Ward so require;
- if no more than three candidates are nominated, they will be elected unopposed; if there are four or more nominations, the election will have to take place within 60 days of 4 May (probably after the EU Referendum - the law forbids any other vote taking place on the same day as the Referendum);
- if there is no requisition for an election by at least 10 electors, or if only one or two candidates are nominated for election, the Council will co-opt a new member or members to fill the vacancies or the remaining vacancy/vacancies.

Council Committees: because the Council is at present three members below complement, it was resolved that the Committees should be constituted provisionally for the time being, and their membership reviewed when the three vacancies have been filled.

Open Spaces Committee: subject to review (above), the Open Spaces Committee for 2016-17 will be Cllr Edwards (Chair), Cllr Dickens (Vice-Chair), Cllrs White and Watkins (ex officio), and Cllrs Clark, Khiroya, Leeming, Preedy and Trevett.

Cricket Club Advisory Committee: Cllrs White, Watkins, Edwards, Khiroya, Kipps, Leeming and Wood. The coming year is likely to be a busy one: the Club's lease is due for renewal, and they have asked for a new 99-year lease (the longest the Council is allowed by law to grant), because they will wish to borrow part of the cost of the new Pavilion. So the negotiations are expected to be lengthy and detailed.

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