



Valley Park
Parish Council

**VALLEY PARK PARISH COUNCIL
NEWSLETTER**

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Valley Park in Bloom



In the picture the Chairman of the Parish Council, Councillor Alan Dowden, with Joe Murphy who helped with the launch. Joe Murphy is a pupil of North Baddesley Junior School and he recently won the Generation Green competition organised by British Gas. He visited former Lib Dem MP Sandra Gidley in Westminster to explain the School's policies. Joe also helped design and plant the school's garden and appeared on the BBC TV Blue Peter programme.

As in previous years pupils from Knightwood and St Francis Primary Schools also assisted with the launch.



**New Bus Shelters for
Valley Park**



The Parish Council has been successful in obtaining funding to provide three new bus shelters. Two have been installed on Templars Way and one on Knightwood Road. The Chairman, Councillor Alan Dowden is pictured sitting in one of the shelters.



**Parish/Hampshire County
Council Partnership Scheme**



The Parish Council entered into a Parish Partnership Scheme with Hampshire County Council to provide a new footway at Templars Way. County Councillor Alan Dowden secured 50% of the costs involved from Hampshire County Council and the Parish Council funded the remaining 50%.



**New HCC Accredited Community Support Officers
for Valley Park**

Residents are asked to note that Valley Park Parish has two new accredited community support officers (ASCO's) who assist the police in patrolling Valley Park and their contact details are as follows:-

Doug Gould Tel: 07793759024 Email: doug.gould@hants.gov.uk
Jason Sahota Tel: 07872827354 Email: jaskaran.sahota@hants.gov.uk

Knightwood Leisure Youth Club

The Christmas Parish Council newsletter introduced an initiative by ACSO Clive Fortune and Cllr Alan Dowden to establish a youth club at Knightwood Leisure Centre.

Since then a lot has happened to turn this idea in to a reality. The Knightwood leisure centre has donated a room for club use. The Parish Council has agreed funding to get the club going. Hampshire County Council youth services and local police are involved in the project team, together with a County youth leader, plus a number of volunteers who have offered their help.

Most important though has been the enthusiastic response received from a survey to find out what our young people thought of the idea. We received 50 responses, 45 of which were keen on the idea. They told us that the preferred evening to meet would be Friday and that the preferred activities would be simply having a place to go to meet friends, play football, table tennis and pool, plus TV, DVD, and Wii games.

4th June saw the first successful taster event of the new Youth Club. 85 young people aged 13 – 17 from the area enjoyed music played by the Andover Music Project (AMP), many young people demonstrated their creative skills in a spray can art activity and the free food and drink available on the night was also very popular. Overall the evening proved to be an informative experience and has helped shape plans for the new youth club, which is scheduled to open its doors from September.

Finally, this project cannot succeed without the active support of local residents. If you would like to talk to us about becoming involved in any way to support our project team and help turn this idea in to a reality, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact Alan Stevens on 02380 253390 for more information.



Allotment Update

Valley Park Parish Council Consultation

Dear Resident

Provision of Allotments in Valley Park

Residents will no doubt be aware that the Parish Council has been trying to secure land for allotment use for some time now. A site has been identified at Glendowan Road Open Space, Valley Park (as shown on the plan below) which is subject to a covenant restricting the use of the land as "Public Open Space Only". The Parish Council is undertaking a consultation exercise with residents of Valley Park on the proposed use of a small part of the Public Open Space for allotment purposes.

Residents are therefore asked to submit their views, **no later than 31st July 2010**, for or against the proposal either by email to

clerk@valleyparkparish.org

or by letter to

The Clerk, Valley Park Parish Council,
6 West Horton Lane Bishopstoke,
Eastleigh SO50 8LR.

