



## Hawley Fayre - Hawley Green Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2011

Come along and support this Annual Event  
 To Benefit Local Causes

For Further Details, Contact Fr. Martyn Neale on 01276 35287  
 email [enquiries@hawleygreen.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@hawleygreen.org.uk)

### £25 OFF

A Saturday Function Hall Hire Booking  
 The Hawley Leisure Centre or The  
 Hawley Memorial Hall  
 Both Halls Fully Licensed  
**Call 01276 35411 for details**  
 (Offer ends 31<sup>st</sup> July 2011)  
[www.blackwaterandhawleytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.blackwaterandhawleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

### Neighbourhood Watch

Blackwater and Hawley Neighbourhood  
 Watch now has a new website  
[www.blackwaternw.org.uk](http://www.blackwaternw.org.uk)  
 If your street is not yet covered by  
 Neighbourhood Watch and you would like to  
 join the scheme, email  
[blackwaterhawley.nhw@gmail.com](mailto:blackwaterhawley.nhw@gmail.com)  
 Or contact Dawn Hayward on 07740 449 594

### Do You Have a Spare Room?

Can you offer support to a young person?  
 You could become a 'Host' for Supported  
 Lodgings. For further details call 07725 958 288  
 Or email [penny.diver@homegroup.org.uk](mailto:penny.diver@homegroup.org.uk)

### School Governor Recruitment

Thinking of becoming a school governor?  
 Interested in your community?  
 Enjoy working in a team?  
 For further information, or to learn more about  
 the role call 01252 814 799 or visit  
[www.hants.gov.uk/education/governors](http://www.hants.gov.uk/education/governors)

### To Report Dog Fouling

email [dog.warden@hart.gov.uk](mailto:dog.warden@hart.gov.uk)  
 Or Call 01252 774 421

### The Hawley Almshouse and Relief in Need Charity. And The Yateley and Hawley Welfare Trust

Are two local charities to help parishioners in  
 need. For further details about either charity  
 please contact Fr. Martyn Neale on 01276  
 35287 or by email on [frmartyn@aol.com](mailto:frmartyn@aol.com)

### New Council

Following the local elections in May, eight ward  
 seats were filled for the Town Council. See  
 below for councillor contact details

### How To Contact Your Parish Councillors

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Contact No.</u>	<u>email</u>
Blackwater Ward	Mr K Clarke	01276 34224	<a href="mailto:keith@hawksley42.co.uk">keith@hawksley42.co.uk</a>
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	Mr G Keene	07833 383 992	<a href="mailto:grippacus@yahoo.co.uk">grippacus@yahoo.co.uk</a>
Hawley / Minley Ward	Mr A Collett	01252 873 786	<a href="mailto:acollett@cix.co.uk">acollett@cix.co.uk</a>
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	Ms D Hayward	07740 449 594	<a href="mailto:hayward2020@gmail.com">hayward2020@gmail.com</a>
	Mr J Smith	01252 614 518	<a href="mailto:jeffrey.smith21@ntlworld.com">jeffrey.smith21@ntlworld.com</a>

### The 2010-11 Annual Report

The following is a synopsis of the Annual Report presented by Cllr Collett, Chair of the Council in March 2011. A full version is available from the office or by going to our website

[www.blackwaterandhawleytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.blackwaterandhawleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

### Boundary Change

The year started with the loss of Ancells ward following the creation of four new parish councils in Hart.

### Budget – No Council Tax Increase Again

The Council continues to work hard to reduce costs in every way we reasonably can, whilst increasing income by getting more people to use our facilities. As a result of this work, there is no increase in the council tax once again this year for the fourth year running, following a very low increase of just 0.3% the year before that.

### Street Lighting

Street lighting is normally provided by the Highway Authority, in our case Hampshire county Council. In Blackwater & Hawley, however, the Town Council owns and is responsible for over 60 streetlights, with all the cost of their maintenance, electricity supply and eventual replacement. This has to be paid for from the council tax raised by the Town Council. All of the street lighting in this area is reaching the end of its life and the County Council has taken advantage of a Private Finance Initiative deal to replace all its 120,000 lights over the next few years. The Town Council has negotiated a deal with Hampshire that by providing 31 additional lights in specific locations, the County Council will then adopt all but five of our lights, taking over all of the costs involved. So following a one-off cost, this double-taxation will be removed forever.

### Quality Parish

This has been the second full year that Blackwater and Hawley Town Council has been a Quality Parish after being awarded this status in February 2009. This recognises a great deal of work done by our staff to improve the performance of the Council.

### Children's Play Area

The new children's play area on Hawley Green continues to prove very popular. The play area was funded from developer contributions from the Toad Lane development of the old Entecon site. In recent months we have added an extra piece of play equipment for younger children.

### Planning Applications

The Town Council is consulted by Hart District Council on every planning application within the parish. Most of these are for minor extensions to people's houses, although there are sometimes major issues as well. Our Planning & Payments Committee meets fortnightly to consider any new applications and make comment on behalf of our community.

### New Council Website

This went live last April. See link at the top of the page.

### Newsletters

In the past twelve months we have produced four newsletters, two of which were distributed throughout the parish. The Newsletters are designed to keep people informed about what's going on in Blackwater and Hawley and all of them can be found on our website.

### Your Councillors

While we lost one councillor from Ancells following the boundary review, the number of councillors representing Hawley & Minley increased from three to five, with Blackwater remaining at three to reflect the differing populations.

### Councillor Surgeries

Eight times a year the Council holds a Saturday morning Councillor's Surgery at 10 am, where all our residents can come along to talk to us about local issues or concerns.

### Our Staff

We would like to place on record our appreciation of the tremendous work done by all our staff.

### Financial Summary

A summary of the audited accounts for 2009-10. Income £395,202 and Expenditure £329,433