

## Planning applications

This is a list of planning applications sent to East Hampshire District Council. Comments on any new applications must be received in writing by March 22, 2002.

The address to send comments to is: The Planning Manager, East Hampshire District Council, Penns Place, Petersfield.

### ALTON

F28174/001/FUL Flat roofed single storey extension to provide service area, Plot 5, Omega Park, Wilson Road; Travelbag Plc.

F34274/001/FUL Single storey front extension (amended description), 16 Dowden Grove; Mr & Mrs C Harber.

F35286/005/FUL Single storey side extension to replace car port, 5 Dukes Close; Mr & Mrs P Francis.

F36633/002/FUL Disabled access ramp to front and single storey rear extension, Alton Sports, 110 High Street; Alton Sports.

### BEECH

F34394/005/FUL Change of use of agricultural land to garden for proposed tennis court (amended scheme), Old Park Farm, Kings Hill; Mr & Mrs E D Neish.

### BINSTED

F28293/003/FUL Conservatory to rear, 17 Clements Close; Mr D T Westwood.

### BRAMSHOTT/LIPHOOK

F37059/001/CAT Fell one beech, four silver birch, two goat willow and one hawthorn tree, prune six beech and one oak tree, Land W of Brambles, Hammer Lane, Haslemere; Mr R Hall.

### FOURMARKS

F30065/017/ADV Sign board, Ranch Farm Industrial Park, Willis Lane; Tenants Association.

F37045/001/FUL Alteration to shop front, installation of automatic teller machine and access ramp, One Stop Community Stores Ltd, 53-55 Winchester Road; T & S Stores Plc.

F37067/001/FUL Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension, 2 Lymington Rise; Mr O Thomas & Mrs A Chadwick.

F37068/001/FUL Single storey rear extension, 40 Kingswood Rise; Winchester Diocesan Board of Finance.

### FROYLE

F26100/006/FUL Detached double garage, 2 Mill Court Cottages, Upper Froyle; Mr C Watts.

F34334/001/CAT To prune or fell one silver birch tree, Hodges Farm, Lower Froyle; Mr J R Thursfield.

### HEADLEY

F21965/003/FUL Two storey rear extension, detached double garage and alteration to existing access, The Old Bakery, Arford Road; Mr & Mrs Peter Hunt.

F27877/010/FUL Retention of replacement agricultural building for the purpose of mushroom cultivation, Sandhill Farm, Picketts Hill; Peter Mushrooms.

### MEDSTEAD

F37073/001/FUL Detached two storey dwelling, Redwood, Redwood Lane; Mr & Mrs Evans.

### NEWTON VALANCE

F31108/003/FUL Conversion of outbuilding to dwelling, Newton Valance Place, Newton Valance; G R Lewis Esq.

### ROPLEY

F38094/001/FUL Conversion of barns to two dwellings with detached garages and associated

Common, Passfield; Mr E J & Mr Bather.

F23181/002/FUL Porch, first floor side extension and detached double garage, 85 Headley Road; Mr & Mrs T Russell.

F27296/014/FUL First floor rear extension, Malthouse Cottage, Haslemere Road; Mr M Green.

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F36671/001/TPO Pruning of cedrus atlantica, cypress, eucalyptus, katsura, may and beech trees, 63 Shepherds Way; Mr A A Symes.

### CLANFIELD

F36998/001/FUL Raised roof with dormers to rear and single storey side extension, 36 Maple Crescent; Mr & Mrs Hazelden.

### EASTMEON

F29341/005/FUL Detached outbuilding, Drayton House, East Meon; Mr & Mrs Spooner.

### FROXFIELD

F26016/004/CAC Felling of ten leylandii cypress trees, Brooms Farm, Hemplands Lane, Privett; Major J R Crockett.

### HAWKLEY

F28255/005/FUL Detached double garage and store, Bulls Brook Cottage, Snailing Lane, Greatham; Mr & Mrs J Shapiro.

F29722/019/LBC Internal alterations and provision of rooflights, Tubbs Farm; Mr & Mrs Jackson.

F35538/002/FUL Detached double garage and new access, Lower Green House; Mr & Mrs M Offin.

### HORNDEAN

F37035/001/FUL First floor extension to provide bedroom and bathroom, garage converted to utility room and breakfast room, new bay window to front, 18 The Vale, Waterlooville; Mr A Griffiths.

F37056/001/FUL Pitched roofed single storey extension to rear, 7 St Michaels Way, Waterlooville; Mr I G Couzens.

### LANGRISH

F22328/003/FUL Conversion of outbuilding to two offices with sleeping area above and alterations, Harroway Cottage, Ramsdean; Mr & Mrs R Cornwell.

F27304/007/FUL Change of use from residential nursing home and staff dwelling to two private dwellings, Ramsdean House Residential Retirement Home, Ramsdean; Mrs Trenchard.

### LISS

F33442/002/FUL Single storey rear extension, 60 Andlers Ash Road; Mr A B Gauntlett.

F33514/007/FUL 2.75 metre high chain link fence around tennis court, Lyss Place House, Hawkley Road; Mr A N Williams.

F37052/001/FUL Two storey side extension, 7 Chase Road; Mr & Mrs Stacey.

### NEWTON VALANCE

F37058/001/FUL Treatment house to accommodate filtration plant, Pumping Station, Hawkley Watercress Beds; South East Water.

### PETERSFIELD

F26201/002/FUL Conservatory to rear, 9 Tilmore Gardens; Mr & Mrs M Gardiner.

F35594/002/FUL Replacement boundary wall, 26 College Street; Mr R McGill.

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F36641/001/FUL Pitched roofed



The High Street sign for Buriton Post Office. Sales no: 020617-4



Resurrected by the efforts of residents - Buriton Stores and Post Office. Sales no: 020617-7

PHYLLIDA ACWORTH reports on the continuing struggle faced by villagers to keep

# Saving local shops for local

**MANY UK village shops and post offices are closing because they cannot compete with large chains and supermarkets, but in two East Hampshire villages, residents are going to new lengths to keep their local shops and services open.**

Last year Buriton lost its post office but gained another, thanks to local initiative. Buriton residents were invited to become shareholders and invest in a new shop and post office in a building outside the Five Bells Pub.

The Buriton Village Shop Association Ltd (BVSA) was formed and organisers raced to get the shop open before Tesco opened a new supermarket in Petersfield.

Now the shop is being promoted in the village and shareholders were invited to a cheese and wine evening at The Five Bells pub last Thursday, enjoying a glass of wine and sampling a variety of cheeses on sale at Buriton's new village shop.

BVSA secretary Tim Mitford said the event was aimed at thanking shareholders for their support.

"Over 230 people have become shareholders and their backing has been terrific," he said.

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The event also reinforced the link between the pub and the shop/post office, Mr Mitford explained.

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"I think we were quite fortunate that we opened just before Tesco did. Some of the shop's customers are elderly people who do not have a car or cannot drive," she added.

Meanwhile, locals are trying to save East Meon post office, which is due to close at the end of next month, with plans to relocate it to the village hall.

Present owners Frank and Jenny Wheeler have resigned and the post office and shop at Riverside in the High

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"We have worked quite hard over that period of time and we have subsidised East Meon with a post office. This year we have had to subsidise them even more and we can't afford to keep doing that."

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