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MAYORS ROSEBOWL GARDENS COMPETITION 1976

This competition is to find the Council tenant with the best individual garden. Judging normally takes place towards the end of July and an independant judging panel is set up for this purpose.

The Parish Council would like to give its full support to the idea this year and would like to know from any Borough Council tenant who would like their garden entered for the competition.

Our Parish Clerk, Henry Plant, 16 The Coppice, Tel.3459, must know by Monday 19th July at the latest. Why not give it a try?

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At the first meeting of the new Council, Mr. A.G.Penn was elected CHAIRMAN and Mr. D. Hawes Richards was elected VICE-CHAIRMAN.

All meetings are held in public at the Dower House and anyone in the village is entitled and welcome to attend. If you have a problem then talk to one of your parish councillors — they have been elected to look after your interests.

STOP PRESS

An immediate vacancy has unfortunately occurred on the Parish Council due to Mr.Lloyd Williams moving from the village. Three interested people have put their names forward. As it could cost the village over £300 to hold a bye-election all three have agreed to the Council taking a vote at its next meeting on July 13th, to avoid this large expense.

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ORGANISATIONS IN PEMBURY

Pembury Lawn Tennis Club -Mrs.Balderstone/25 Lower Green Road/3035

Pembury Bowls Club - Mr.A.R. Ward/20 Romford Road/2948

Pembury Football Club -2648.

Mr. J. Goulder/17 Maidstone Rd. Mr.M. Meopham/16 The Paddock/ /3187.

Blackhorse Rovers Football Club - Mr. S. Moxon/13 The Paddock

Girl Covenantors - Mrs. Davies Pembury Women's Institut: -/9 The Coppice/2026.

Pembury Ladies Netball -Mrs.M.Walker/65 Belfield Road/ 3439

Pembury Cricket Club -Mr. Chandler/149 Sherwood Rd. Tunbridge Wells/T.W.33886.

Pembury Society - Mrs.C.Cowan/ Wives Fellowship - Mrs.J. Brackendale, Maidstone Rd./ 2902.

Conservative Party - Mrs.S. Galwey/5 Lower Green Rd./ 2866.

Labour Party - Mr.R.Bigg, 9 Heskett Park/2875.

Liberal Party - Mrs.L. Young/ 22 Herons Way/3818.

Pembury Cub Scouts - Mr.J. Douglas/The Bungalow/ Fletchers Farm/3985.

Brownie Guider - Mrs. Millinger 9 Petersfield/2830.

Brownie Guider - Mrs.J.Sands/ 2 Middlefield/3738.

Pembury Council House Tenants Assoc.-Mr.J.Goodsell/63 Belfield Road

Pembury Darby & Joan Club -Mr. Coppard/25 Sandhurst Ave./ Mr.J.H.Johnson/25 Heskett Park /2108.

Pembury Junior Football Club - Pembury Horticultural Society-2703.

> Pembury Music Group - Mr.J. Hill/Castle Hill Farm/Torbridge 3498.

Afternoon - Mrs. Edmonson/ 77 Henwood Green Road/2873.

Pembury Women's Institute -Evening - Mrs. P.Monk/30 Church Road/3201.

Pembury British Legion -Mr.J. Young/13 Bulls Place.

Mitchell/9 Knights Close/2654.

W.R.V.S .- Mrs. Rutland -Redfern, Lower Green Road/ 2140.

W.R.V.S. - Mrs. K.E.Jury -3 Canterbury Rd./2678

PEMBURY 2000

The exhibition illustrating the village appraisal was visited by some 700 people, and our thanks are due to the School for the excellent setting they provided. The booklet describing the proposals and a separate large scale map of the village are both on sale from any Councillor or the Clerk to the Council. The booklet is priced at 50p and the map at 35p and both are excellent value for money.

Your newly elected Parish Council has set up a PEMBURY 2000 ACTION COMMITTEE composed of councillors and villagers to carry on the efforts of last year's Working Party.

PART 1 - THE ENVIRONMENT OF PEMBURY

- A. ROADS all members of Committee
- B. HOMES all members of Committee
- C. TREES Robert Saunders
- D. LISTED BUILDINGS Derek Hawes Richards
- E. FOOTPATHS Highways Committee of the Parish Council
- F. SURROUNDING AREA The Clerk to the Council is writing to the Countryside Commission to enquire as to the present position with the proposed 'High Weald' Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.
- G. CONSERVATION AREA no immediate further action required.

PART 2 - THE PEOPLE OF PEMBURY

- A. EDUCATION G. Simmons
- B. HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES Brian Walsh
- C. CHURCHES Hazel Hawes Richards
- D. LEISURE no immediate action required
- E. PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND STATUTORY SERVICES John Nankivell.
- F. EMPLOYMENT Brian Delves.

Anyone who is interested in helping with getting action on the appraisal recommendations will be warmly welcomed onto the Committee.

BY-PASS DEMONSTRATIONS

By general agreement our main efforts must be concentrated on the building of the two by-passes. Our first march was held on Saturday May 1st. Allowing for it being a trial it was well supported and although traffic was light it made all who took part more determined than ever. Unfortunately the next one planned for May 29th had to be cancelled at short notice due to changed circumstances.

As a result of this a village meeting was called and a request went to the Parish Council for financial backing to form an Action Group. The Council agreed to a sum of £100 being put aside for the groups use.

The ten member action group is now at work dealing with publicity, petitions, and representations to leading political and business figures and organisations.

The next <u>DEMONSTRATION</u> is on Saturday July 17th. Four traffic counts are planned in July and August and in September/October <u>petition forms</u> will be taken to every house in the village. The success of the Action Groups plans relies on your support. HOW ABOUT IT?

CONSERVATION AREA

The proposals to make the Village Green and High Street a special area as set down in "Pembury 2000" have been welcomed by the Borough Council. At a recent meeting at the Dower House they approved the Parish Council ideas with only minor amendments. The proposal now goes to the County Planning Officer for final approval.

This action has already enabled your Council to twice recommend refusal of an application to turn the Camden Service Station into a self service petrol only building. Twice the Borough Council have confirmed this decision. The proposals for a floodlit monstrosity completely out of character with our village green are to be regretted. Hopefully the petrol company will come forward with greatly changed proposals.

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SPORT

"Both cricket and football have had their ups and downs. Of the two, cricket is more constant, chiefly I think because the players are able to carry on longer and so the teams do not change so often. In the early days of this century the local club produced a well-known county player, a member of a real cricketing family who kept the standard very high for a village club. Of recent years it has been gradually building up to this standard again.

The cricket ground is owned by the Lord of the Manor and is now only used for cricket. In days before the village boasted a recreation ground, some of the big public functions took place on it, notably the Coronation festivities for King George V, and the Peace Celebrations in 1919. A few years later saw a big spectacle one Sunday when the local branch of the British Legion was presented with its banner.

It was a sad day for the ground and club when the army took it over in 1940, for it has a good pavilion, which housed the men who looked after the search light planted right in the middle of the pitch, which is over four hundred feet above sea level. It was there only for a short time when the Battle of Britain started, for the Church with its ninety foot spire stands in the next field and when the lamp was swung round, lighting up the steeple, what a wonderful guide this was for enemy planes.

All signs of this unpleasant sight have gone and the green level turf welcomes the running feet and the crack of the willow once more."

Grateful acknowledgement is made to Miss M.Standen for permission to publish this extract from her father's book. It is on sale in the village for £1.00.

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REPORTS

- AMENITIES our new putting green is now open at the Recreation Ground, together with the bowling green and hard and soft tennis courts.
- HIGHWAYS Your Parish Council are still not satisfied with the "roundabout" at Lower Green Road and further representations are being made to the Kent County Council.
- PLANNING A careful watch is being kept on applications, and strong views, if necessary, are being put to the Borough Council.

FOR YOUR DIARY

JULY	5	_	Highways, Planning & Finance Committees
	10		VILLAGE FETE
	13		FULL COUNCIL
	17		DEMONSTRATION FOR BY-PASS
	17	_	Junior Church Outing
	19	-	Allotments, Planning & Amenities Committees
AUGUST	2	-	Highways, Planning & Finance Committees
	10		FULL COUNCIL
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SEPTEMBER	6	-	Highways, Planning & Finance Committees
	14	-	FULL COUNCIL
	20		Allotments, Planning & Amenities Committees

what's on in our village?

The Editor would like to include in this diary as much information as possible about forthcoming events run by all our local organisations.

It is planned to be 3 monthly in span and as comprehensive as possible. Would you please let me know details of jumble sales discos, sports fixtures and any other events of interest in the village.