

# Upper Beeding Parish Council News

The magazine for the Parish of Upper Beeding, Small Dole and Edburton



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## Steining Area Dial-A-Ride

In partnership with Horsham District Council, West Sussex County Council and the British Red Cross, Steining Area Dial-a-Ride is a local transport service for anyone with a disability, and covers the parishes of Ashurst, Bramber, Upper Beeding, Steining, Washington and Wiston.

Dial-a-ride operates from 10am to 4pm on Tuesdays, and costs £1 per single journey. Return fares are £2.

The pick up is from your home. You will be taken to wherever you wish to go within this area, and returned home later that day.

To book your journey please call 01403 754 206 between 12 noon and 1pm on the day before you wish to travel.

## Small Dole Village Hall AGM

The Small Dole Village Hall AGM will be held on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30pm, and will be followed by entertainment.

## Speeding Cure

Campaign body Transport 2000 has produced a 'Streets for People' toolkit to help communities which are fed up with speeding motorists.

Posters and leaflets are included in the kit along with information sheets telling, for example, how to buy speed detecting devices.

Visit [www.transport2000.org.uk](http://www.transport2000.org.uk) to view more about the Streets for People toolkit.

## Small Dole WI forthcoming events

Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> October – Annual General Meeting;

Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> November – 'Christmas is coming';

Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Party.

For more information please phone 01273 494 947



## Purple Bus

The Purple Buss will visit Upper Beeding on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> January and then every Wednesday until Easter.

More details will follow in the January Newsletter and on Parish notice boards nearer the time.

**The Parish Council Emergency Committee is** looking for qualified First Aiders who could be called upon in case of an emergency.

For further details please contact Keith Bryant on 01903 813 742.

## Will you join a Steering Committee?

The Parish Council is looking for young and mature adults who are willing to join a Steering Committee to help run a Youth Club in Upper Beeding.

For more information please call Carole Aspden on 01243 777 772, or e-mail [carole.aspden@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:carole.aspden@westsussex.gov.uk)

## Friends of Upper Beeding Primary School

Planned events are

FUBS Film Show 3:40pm on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> October;

FUBS Winter Fair on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November

Village Santa on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> December.

Please call the School office on 01903 812028 for more information.

## Items for the Newsletter

If YOU have any item of interest for the newsletter, please phone or e-mail the Editor or the Clerk.

## **Beeding & Bramber Horticultural Society**

The Annual General Meeting will take place in the Beeding & Bramber Village Hall on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30pm.

For more information please contact the Hon Secretary – A Lezell on 01903 814 897.

## **South East in Bloom Judging Day**

This year was most encouraging, and particular credit must go to the many residents who made such an effort to tidy their roads or lanes single-handedly or in small groups, even if it meant just cutting their front lawns.

Some, of course, went much further like Liz Purches and her team of adults and several young people from Hyde Lane who put an enormous amount of work into cutting and tidying verges and kerbsides in Hyde Lane and Hyde Square.

The District Council's road sweeper visited on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings to support the village efforts.

It was most heartening for the Beeding in Bloom committee to see so many residents behind them. So win or lose, Upper Beeding did look attractive – even the car park had been swept and received favourable comments from the judges.

Also, our thanks to the Youth Team who continue to tackle overgrown and other not so pretty spots in the village.

## **Upper Beeding Thursday Club**

The Thursday Club meets in the Beeding & Bramber Village Hall every other Thursday to enjoy speakers, slides, creative activities and some outings. There is an informal atmosphere and we would welcome any women to join us.

Our meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> October will be to create a picture on wood from pulses, then on 21<sup>st</sup> October there is a talk on hearing dogs for the deaf. On 4<sup>th</sup> November we will be given a tour of the Truffles factory (and hopefully a few samples).

For more information please phone Daphne on 01903 814 178.

## **Beeding & Bramber with Botolphs Churches Trust**

The Trust has now been established for 3 years and the Trustees thought that it would be a good time to report on the progress to-date.

The Trust was initially set up with a number of donations and during the first year of operation, 2001, the trustees concentrated on publicising the Trust and establishing the basis of the Trusts activity. It was decided that the Trust would concentrate on collecting legacies and donations which were intended primarily to support the structure, fittings and grounds of the three churches.

In 2002, the trustees gave a presentation on the history of the 3 churches to an open meeting to try to encourage support donations and legacies. The Trust also received a significant donation. The Trustees are also grateful to Bramber Parish Council which has permitted the Trust to produce and sell copies of the Bramber Map and also copies of the original artwork to provide income for the Trust.

2003 saw the start of the long term income generation of the Bramber Map with direct sales at the Summer Fete, and through outlets in Beeding, Bramber and Steyning. The Trustees hope that this will generate a steady income over the years. In 2003, the Trust received a further donation and was also able to make a donation to complete the funding of the new gate between St Botolphs and the burial ground. Available funds now stand at £3,150.

The Trustees recognise that there may be future income to the Trust which has been committed through legacies. We are extremely grateful to these people and to the generosity of donors, supporting its work to try to help secure the future of these historic buildings.

With the completion of the quinquennial reports for St Nicholas and St Peters, the Trust will be helping to identify a plan of works to be undertaken by providing a member of the proposed Fabric Committee and supporting funds where appropriate and available.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the outgoing general Trustee, Ron Balaam, and to thank June Kennard, Stuart Stevens and Michael Anderson-Upcott, Trustees appointed by the PCC for their help and support in getting the Trust off the ground. I would also like to welcome Bill Vine, the new general Trustee and James Maguire, June Kennard and Michael Anderson-Upcott as PCC appointed Trustees.

Peter Firth, Chairman

## Pond Warden Scheme

Southern Water, in conjunction with British Trust of Conservation Volunteers, is sponsoring the Pond Warden Scheme in the Southern Water area working for a better environment.

Are you interested in wildlife; working with the community; improving your local environment – why not join the Pond Warden Scheme?

Ponds are one of the most important habitats for wildlife in the British landscape but, despite this, thousands are lost each year.

No previous experience is needed and training will be given.

If you would like more information about the scheme, please contact the BTCV Pond Warden Co-ordinator on 01243 814 481.



### Bogus callers

There have been two incidents of bogus callers in Henfield during September. A white dark haired man in his forties asked a woman who was alone in her house if she had any books for sale. Later, in a separate incident, an elderly man was asked the same question.

**Please remember not to let anyone into your house that you are not expecting. Whatever their tale refuse entry to anyone unknown to you.**

## Beeding in Bloom and Upper Beeding Primary School Poster Competition 2004

### List of winners

Reception	First	Charlie Townsend
Year 1	First	Sam Tombs
	Second	Blaise Cottingham
Year 2	First	Eilish Bowman
	Second	Charlotte Mulvaney
Year 3	First	Leanne Ashdown
	Second	Annie Barter
Year 4	First	Helen J Trott
	Second	Pippa Laker
Year 5	First	Tom Aiton
	Second	Jacinta Dawe
Year 6	First	Ellen Norman
	Second	Vicky Mulvaney



## Upper Beeding has done it again !

At an award ceremony held by South-East in Bloom in Tunbridge Wells early September, the Beeding-in-Bloom Committee were delighted to accept a Silver Gilt certificate for "Overall Winners of the large village category of the in-Bloom competition". Judging standards were very high; the efforts of the committee and helpers have been rewarded. We all have a village to be proud of. Many thanks to the villagers who contributed, and the Parish and District Councils for their contributions. The judges remarked on the general cleanliness of the whole village, and the quality of some gardens.

**Section A Floral Displays:** most impressed with \*welcome and village entrance blooms; \*judges were able to meet with organisers and volunteers; \*some really colourful residential gardens; \*BP Garage had good hanging baskets. Areas which could be improved: \*continue to involve the Community.

**Section B Permanent landscaping, including shrubs:** most impressed with: \*the improvement to shopping square, Hyde Square, an ongoing project; \*good community spirit in cleaning up streets. Areas which could be improved: \*plant containers looked a little past their best and were not making an impact due to where they were sited.

**Section C Local agenda 21 and sustainable development:** most impressed with: \*Saltings Field and the information boards; \*school poster competition which depicted most of village life; \*Re-cycling scheme by Horsham District Council; Areas which could be improved: \*Greater involvement of schools – more evidence of use of Saltings Field.

**Section D Local environment quality:** \*cleanliness of whole village; \*particularly community involvement by certain volunteers who 'chivvy' their neighbours

**Section E Public Awareness:** Most impressed with \*school posters; \*Sponsorship in village; \*Enthusiasm of Committee; \*Media coverage.

**Overall impression of itinerary, portfolio, organisation, transport, media coverage etc**

\*Portfolio was good \*Itinerary well timed \*Organisation was professional and media coverage good

## Beeding in Bloom - Winners of 2004 Garden Competitions

### Paved & Practical

First

E J Attree, Dawn Crescent

Highly Commended:

Joan Beach, Church Lane

### Year Round Interest

First

Tony & Elaine Ellmer, 'Fletchlings'

Highly Commended:

C Symons, The Florets

Highly Commended:

D Laycock, Countryside Farm Park

Commended:

M Briant, Dawn Close

### Summer Blooming

First

Michael White, Newland Road

Highly Commended:

Doddy Fortune, Countryside Farm Park

Commended:

H Comlidge, St Peters Green

Commended:

Mr & Mrs Cullen, Countryside Farm Park

### Hanging Baskets

First

Mr Hornsby, Dawn Crescent

### Jim Heritage Challenge Cup

#### for Best Overall Garden

Michael White, Newland Road

#### Shield for Best Decorated Commercial Property

BP Garage

Highly Commended:

Beeding News

Highly Commended

Village Hall

### Recommendations for certificates of excellence

Beeding & Bramber Village Hall; Mrs M Briant - Dawn Close; Mr Hornsby - Dawn Crescent; Mrs A Leazell - Dawn Crescent; Mr M White - Newland Road; The Florets (as a whole); Mr & Mrs Fowler - Church Lane; St Peter's Green Housing (as a whole); Countryside Farm Park (as a whole – but especially noted numbers 5 and 18); Liz Purches - for her hard work and organising a team of volunteers for BiB Working Party.

Congratulations to the winners! And a big thank you to the many entrants to the garden competitions.



Paul Thayre  
07734 387888

### Come and meet your Neighbourhood Wardens

Paul Thayre and Jason Pumfrey, our neighbourhood wardens, will be at the Beeding & Bramber Village Hall at 7:00pm on the 21<sup>st</sup> October 2004. They welcome your views and comments, and will answer your queries and questions.



Jason Pumfrey  
07734 387889

## Anti-social behaviour in Small Dole

Sadly, Small Dole has started to experience a number of problems with petty vandalism. Windows and signs have been broken, litter bins have been overturned and there was an attempted arson attack on the furniture trade centre. Although it is not in the same league as in other parts of Sussex, it is a real nuisance for villagers, in particular, older residents.

The Parish Council take this issue very seriously indeed, and urge villagers to report any disturbance, however small, in the first instance to our Neighbourhood Wardens. Our Wardens are working very closely with the Police and have made it clear that anyone caught will be dealt with severely. The Wardens and the local Police will be stepping up their patrols in the village throughout the day and night.

Wardens: Paul 0773 438 7888; Jason 0773 438 7889; office 01903 813 236

Police: 0845 60 70 999 e-mail: [contactcentre@sussex.police.uk](mailto:contactcentre@sussex.police.uk)

Please report any sighting of a dark coloured Jaguar XJ6 registration number F810 MAA to the police immediately on 0845 60 70 999 quoting the serial number 641 of 8<sup>th</sup> September 2004. The occupants of this vehicle have been touting for building work.

## Volunteer for a fulfilling retirement

Someone was recently talking about the changes in his life since he had retired. He was only in his mid-fifties and was very pleased to get out of the rat race quite early. The only regret he had was the lack of companionship, which he had enjoyed so much during his working years. Although he had plenty of things to do he had still missed seeing his ex-colleagues on a regular basis. The answer he had found to his problem was volunteering. He now works for two voluntary organisations for just a few hours each week and has recaptured the enthusiasm, team spirit and sense of achievement that he'd missed since stopping full-time work.

If you're feeling a bit unfulfilled and you've got just a little time to spare – a couple of hours a week can be enough – and you'd like to meet new people, develop new interests, take on a challenge, have some fun and make a real difference to your own and other peoples lives, why not get in touch? It could be the best thing you ever do.

To find out more, call into the Horsham Volunteer Bureau office in the Octagon on Chart Way in Horsham on Monday or Wednesday between 11am and 6pm or, if you live outside Horsham, call us on 01403 232 100 or, alternatively, email [horshamvb@care4free.net](mailto:horshamvb@care4free.net) to arrange a convenient local appointment

### Village Facilities

Charges for the Tennis Court are –

£4 per hour for up to four adults and £2 for under 16s per hour for up to 4 juniors.

Charges for the Sports Hall including lounge and kitchen are –

Monday - Friday 9:00am to 6:00pm £5 per hour

Monday - Friday 7:00pm – 10:00pm £7 per hour

Weekends (Sat + Sun) 9:00am – 10:00pm £8 per hour

Please contact the Booking Clerk, Julie Bakter, on 01903 816 790

### Tottington Woodlanders

The winter work programme including coppicing will start in October. For more details please contact Chris on 01273 495 026.

If you are able to help out with delivering 'The Woodlander', the newsletter of Tottington Woodlanders, we would be grateful to hear from you. It currently costs the group a considerable amount of money to post newsletters in some areas.

Some newsletters are delivered by hand in Small Dole and Henfield. However, if you live in Steyning, Bramber or Upper Beeding, do you think that you would be able to spare a bit of time now and again to distribute the newsletter in your area? Or can you deliver to, for example, to one or two roads in Small Dole to help ease the burden on our current helpers?

Please call Malcolm on 01273 493316 or Jo on 01273 495026 if you can help out in Small Dole, or if you think that you could do some deliveries elsewhere.

### Useful numbers

**Neighbourhood Watch:** if you would like to know 'how it works' and 'who is doing it' in Beeding, Edburton or Small Dole, please contact Pauline Kentell on 01903 812 022.

**Tree Warden:** our Tree Warden for Small Dole, Edburton and Upper Beeding is Judith Steadman who can be contacted on 01903 814 923.

**Footpath Warden:** David Nightingale is a South Downs Conservation Board appointed Footpath Warden who looks after Edburton, Small Dole and Upper Beeding footpaths. He can be contacted on 01903 812 847

**Street Lighting:** please report any lighting which needs attention to West Sussex County Council Street Lighting on 01243 777 540 during office hours.

**Neighbourhood Wardens:** Paul 07734 387 888, Jason 07734 387 889; office 01903 813 236.

## Meetings of the Parish Council in the last quarter of 2004

**Council Meetings** – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December, at 7:30pm in the Beeding & Bramber Village Hall

**Planning** - Tuesdays 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 16<sup>th</sup> November and 21<sup>st</sup> December, starting at 7:00pm in the Beeding & Bramber Village Hall

**Amenities, Finance & General Purposes and Sports & Leisure:** 19<sup>th</sup> October, 16<sup>th</sup> November and 21<sup>st</sup> December following the Planning meetings.

## Small Dole Summer Show

Once again the sun shone on Small Dole village on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> August, and another village summer show proved a great success. It was really pleasing to see so many villagers and visitors attend this annual event and both the car park and surrounding roads were full.

The show centres around the horticultural marquee, which houses all the exhibits and competitions. The standard of entries is always high and again this year there were a number of superb exhibits ranging from vegetables, hanging baskets, cut and dried flowers, cakes, jams as well as a number of hobby related items such as photography, models, sculpture and children's entries. It must be a very difficult job judging all those on show and congratulations to all those who won prizes and the magnificent silver cups generously donated by individuals.

Outside the marquee there was plenty on show for all ages, including the ubiquitous coconut shy, plant stalls, bric-a-brac, book tents and the cake shop which saw very lively business throughout the afternoon. One of the high lights is the exhibition of old photographs and press cuttings of the village from days gone by and judging by the number of people trying to get a look in showed how popular the old days are.

Tottington Woodlanders were on show demonstrating their craft and showing the enormous amount of work they carry out in looking after the local ancient woodland. We must not forget these are all volunteers.

The dog show again proved to be one of the best attended and was in full swing during the afternoon.

Perhaps the most popular show of the day went to the Patcham Silver Brass Band who again had their audience enraptured with their music. For those in the older generation it reminded one of the pleasures in sitting in the local park gathered around the bandstand on a lazy hot afternoon listening to the music.

Apart from a lovely day out, one comment that I heard many times from so many people and which was so pleasing was the change in the village for the better. The village is so much tidier, the new cottages in the centre of the village are a great improvement. We have a fantastic Pub and restaurant in the Fox, which on most nights is heaving mainly with locals. The Post Office and General Store - always open and always service with a smile. The village green is neat and tidy and the introduction of the hanging baskets has introduced some much needed colour. There is still much to do to but the annual summer show just seems to get better each year.

## Beeding Elephant Hawkmoth

One vigilant Beeding resident found an unusual caterpillar in his garden which was identified as an elephant hawkmoth caterpillar. The caterpillar has a strongly tapered dark grey-brown head (the trunk-like snout of the larva gives the insect its name) and is usually pale green or brown with a heavily freckled brownish-black pattern. It grows up to 80 mm in length, and feeds on the leaves of willowherbs, bedstraws, evening primrose and species of *Hypericum* from July to September; it may also be found feeding on fuchsia in gardens.



The adult moths are medium to large sized with a wingspan of 45 – 60mm and are found throughout Britain and Europe. They are powerful fliers, hence the name hawkmoth. The adult is predominantly pink and green with distinctive streamlined wing shapes – narrow, pointed forewings – that are commonly held flat and swept back like arrow-heads when at rest. The Elephant Hawkmoth is nocturnal and found in lowland areas. It is often seen feeding on honeysuckle and other plants in gardens, hedges and waste ground around dusk.

## Beeding & Bramber Local History Society

Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> October 'The dig at Ropetackle'

Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 'Village Life in West Sussex'

December - Christmas Social: date to be confirmed, please contact Pat Nightingale on 01903 812 847

Meetings are held in the Beeding & Bramber Village Hall and start at 7:45pm.

## Your Council – roles & responsibilities

The Local Government Act of 1894 created civil parish councils, effectively excluding the church from local government. Local government was further reformed in 1974 (Local Government Act 1972) with the result that parish councils had more freedom to operate without consents from central government.

A parish council is a body corporate which means that it is an 'it' in law and that the decisions it takes are the responsibility of the council as a whole. The council represents and serves the whole community.

The council is responsible for the services it provides. It establishes policies for action and decides how money will be raised and spent on behalf of the community. It is responsible for spending public money lawfully and achieving the best value for money. Except in certain circumstances council meetings are open to the public.

The council as a body decides whether to work in partnership with other organisations and it often serves, through representatives, on other bodies. An individual councillor (including the chairman) cannot make a decision on behalf of the council. When working in partnership, councillors represent the council as a corporate body.

## New fireworks laws to ban air bombs

Air bombs will be banned under new strict controls on mini-rockets to be introduced in the latest government move to crack down on fireworks jobs. The new laws aim to cut stress, noise and nuisance fireworks. Under 18's will be excluded from obtaining fireworks.

The laws will prohibit the supply of air bombs, tighten the definition of mini-rockets and strengthen retailers obligations to check if a customer is over 18. Retailers who break the rules could receive a fine of up to £5000 or six months imprisonment. The 2003 Firework Injury Statistics showed that the total number of people treated in hospital casualty departments in the UK in 2003 was 1136 as compared to 1017 in 2002.



## Independent living through smart sensors -The Community Link Alarm System

Horsham District Council Link Alarm service has been available to people in the district for over 17 years and currently has over 1200 clients. The service is always under review to keep abreast of all innovations and improvements in the products themselves so that clients can be sure of the best service.

There have been enormous advances in 'smart technology' that can be operated from our normal alarm system. All the smart sensors can be programmed into the alarm and they do not have to be hard wired.

These sensors include flood, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and carbon monoxide (CO) detectors, extreme temperature monitors, PIRs and wandering client alerts. The smart technology helps people to remain in their own homes, assist with early discharge from hospital and protects people's property.

For further help or information regarding Community Link, please contact Sheila Peever on 01403 215 230.

## Saltings Field Conservation Group

This summer has seen steady if not dramatic progress in maintaining Saltings Field. We are very fortunate in having the services of the volunteer group Green Gym, whose 10 strong team have given us five mornings throughout the year, keeping some of the undergrowth in check and replanting part of the hedge. Our Salterns are being professionally cut on a regular basis when the weather allows.

We were concerned during the summer that the site might be too open to travellers – a problem which has been experienced by a number of small towns and villages further up country. We have a locked gate, and as a further deterrent we have installed three security posts. Householders near the entrance are asked to keep an eye open for anything suspicious. We have noticed that our wardens have been paying regular visits to see all is well.

Earlier this year we held our AGM in the Village Hall. This was well supported. Refreshments were served and a speaker on Sussex Coastal villages rounded off the evening. We also enjoyed our ever popular Early Morning Bird Walk led by Keith Noble of the RSPB. In fine tradition we finished with a breakfast at the Castle Hotel. Brienne Reeve led a small group round the Field on one of her Butterfly Walks. The Field was also included in 'Beeding in Bloom'. Judges were impressed by the opportunity for wildlife this area offered.

The Primary School children have again paid us their annual visit to study 'creepy crawlies'. This autumn will see further visits by the Green Gym and our regular Committee meetings will, no doubt, produce further events which we hope the public will support.

## **Disaster Relief Framework for Upper Beeding Village and Surrounding Area**

Upper Beeding Parish Council introduced an Emergency Committee (EMC) in about 1960, during the 'cold war' era. The remit of the EMC was to deal with any major (or minor) incidents and accidents which would threaten the villages.

In an emergency, the Parish Council, will take charge until the National Emergency Services arrive. The Parish Council, using their local knowledge, will then help and advise the National Emergency Services with evacuation and other tasks it will be asked to carry out.

The EMC is in regular contact with Horsham District Council rehearsing Citizen's Band contact every month on various channels.

The following disaster relief framework is published in the Parish Council Newsletter, which is distributed to every household in Upper Beeding, Small Dole, Edburton and Truleigh Hill, at regular intervals.

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When the Emergency Committee was formed it was mainly concerned with the aftermath of nuclear attack and the resulting nuclear fallout. Members were drawn from the Parish Council, the Police and local volunteers. The 'war' committee was disbanded about 10 years ago, but the Parish Council retained the Citizen's Band radio and the 4 minute alarm. The EMC still exists, but with fewer members and on a lower key.

Today the purpose of the EMC is to deal with local disasters in the period between the accident and the arrival of units of the national emergency services. Accidents are not always isolated incidents, and if the village is cut off from the outside (flood, snow, ice, fallen trees) it may be necessary to provide support to distressed residents by evacuation from their homes to other local safe areas.

The events the EMC is most likely to encounter and deal with are a major aircraft crash – we live below a flight path and an aircraft holding area, but there is also the possible danger of a tanker delivering fuel to the filling station and catching fire. The risk of flooding is always with us: a nuclear attack is probably the most remote incident.

Residents involved in any disaster may need to be evacuated from their homes to the Village Hall, Sports Hall or The Towers school. If undamaged, the Village Hall is the first choice. An EMC member will need to staff the door of the chosen centre recording the name of each person entering the centre. This list will be available to relatives, friends and services searching for survivors. It will also be necessary to post volunteers in affected areas to prevent looting. The EMC has a full list of the electoral role and census returns.

## **Flooding:**

Sandbags and sand are available to villagers, under EMC supervision, at two locations:

1) at the top of Pound Lane – 200 sandbags and two tons of sand

2) at Riverside – 200 sandbags and one ton of sand

A petrol driven water pump is available, plus fuel, to pump out flooded properties – priority will be assessed by the EMC.

## **Nuclear attack:**

A nuclear attack is unlikely in an armed conflict, but remember several nuclear power stations are sited on the north coast of France. Any one of those, in an accident, may release 'fallout'. We are only 70 to 80 miles downwind from these (prevailing winds are from the south west).

If a warning is given, residents are advised to draw a store of fresh water and stay indoors blocking off all chimneys and any other places fallout may enter.

Wait for Government instructions via television and radio.

## **Alerting the EMC:**

There are several ways of alerting the EMC –

1) by telephone through Horsham District Council or the Environment Agency

2) by mobile phone 07790 706 703

3) Citizen's Band radio on channel 35 or 37 (our call sign is HM8 = Hotel Mike Eight)

4) by visual reports from residents

## **Assembly:**

EMC members plus any available, able bodied, Councillors are requested to assemble, in the first instance, at the Beeding & Bramber Village Hall or alternatively at the Sports Hall or the Towers School.

## **Water supplies:**

If the Government requires us to guard our water supplies, the EMC will set up a watch on the reservoir at the Bostal and wells at 'Waterworks corner' on a 24 hour basis.

Inner cities' supplies are the obvious choice of terrorists but these may be well guarded and so rural water would be an easy target.

Everyone must be vigilant towards strangers in the community after warnings.