

## **NEWS ROUND-UP ~ NOVEMBER 2003**

### **ROAD REPAIRS.**

We understand from the County Highways Department that instructions have been issued to their contractors for some road maintenance/drainage clearing works to be carried out in the village – but we have been informed that the Contractor has a considerable amount of outstanding work to complete.

**It is hoped that some action will happen before Christmas!**

**Should you see any vehicle undertaking work in the village please notify Geoff Last on 841757**

### **LLOYD HALL CAR PARK**

Your Parish Council has heard from a reliable source that the Appeal Date for the Lloyd Hall Car Park Appeal will be THURSDAY, 5<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2004. Venue not known, but probably at the Council Offices at Oxted. Tandridge District Council has informed us that the Parish Council will be allowed to speak at this enquiry. It is hoped that the village residents and hall users will give their full support to the Hall Management Committee in their efforts to overturn what many will see as a decision taken contrary to the wishes of the majority of local residents.

### **VILLAGE SPEED LIMITS.**

Some years ago, various residents, including our then local District Councillor Patrick MacIntosh, were involved in trying to have the speed limits, which were about to be implemented in the village, reduced to more suitable levels to meet villagers' wishes. Unfortunately these efforts were not successful. In 2002 the Parish Council obtained some concessions from the "South Tandridge Speed Limits Scheme", which unfortunately were not implemented due to the abandonment of the project by the County Council.

*We have received comments from some residents about this problem, and we will be taking the matter up with the appropriate organisations. If you have any views please send them to our Parish Clerk, David West. (See opposite page for address).*

### **DITCH CLEARING**

We would remind landowners, including private residents, that they have a responsibility to ensure that any ditches on their property do not overflow, so as to call a hazard on the public highway. We are fully aware that the County Highways Department have also a responsibility to ensure water can flow away freely on the drainage system they provide, and have a duty to maintain it (see under Road Repairs). It would help your Council in their efforts to monitor the Highways Dept if they were supported by the efforts and contribution made by the residents concerned.

**GRL**