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Vacancy

Are you interested in being part of the community of Chilton? If so, there is a vacancy for a Parish Councillor following the resignation of Bob Girling. If you are interested, please contact Chris Broad on broadcj@yahoo.com for more information. The Council meets 11 times a year on a Wednesday evening and the meetings alternate between the Village Hall and the Community Room.

Chilton Parish Council

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Poppy Appeal 2024

We will be calling House to House in the village during the annual Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal again this year. The dates for collection are between Saturday 26th October and Remembrance Sunday 10th November 2024.

Unfortunately, we do not have enough collectors to cover all the roads in both parts of the village. If you would be interested in helping with this worthy cause and could spare a few hours calling at some houses, please contact me. Any help is gratefully appreciated. We particularly need collectors in Chilton Field.

Hazel Benton

Chilton Poppy Appeal Organiser

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News from the Rose and Crown

LUNCHTIME SPECIALS, PLUS EVENING BETWEEN 5PM AND 7PM

Hot Dog £3, Burger £5, when you purchase a drink.

Available: Tuesdays to Saturdays

SUNDAY LUNCH CARVERY

Roast Pork, Lamb, Chicken or Gammon and a selection of fresh vegetables.

Served 12.30 to 2.30 pm: £14.95 (£7.95 for under 10 year olds, free for under 5 year olds – one per adult).

Please book on 01235 862992.

FUN QUIZ EACH MONTH

Next quiz **Tuesday 22 October**

Starts at 8 pm. Teams of 2 to 6 people, £2 per head to enter, drinks voucher for winning team.

October Charity Market

The next charity market will be held on Saturday 12th of October from 9:00 AM to midday on Crafts End Green. We will be raising funds for Bridewell Gardens-mental health recovery. The walled garden and vineyard provide a vital sanctuary for people recovering from mental ill-health. Therapeutic horticulture can support better mental health by bringing people together, learning new skills, providing physical exercise while working outdoors, and providing a sense of purpose and achievement working in a supportive community. A typical day at Bridewell involves working as a team, caring for the garden site and vineyard, woodwork, blacksmithing, willow weaving, and cooking using home-grown produce.

Come and buy Liz's delicious hot pasties, chicken pies, beef pies and goats cheese tarts. There will be a great selection of tempting cakes, millionaire's shortbread, brownies and other sweet treats. There will be pots of homemade jam, marmalade and chutneys and a large number of jigsaws and books.

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September Charity Market

We were delighted that the September charity market raise the great total of £870.00 for the Oxfordshire branch of Crohn's and Colitis UK. Thank you to all our bakers and contributors unto everyone who came and supported the market.

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Chilton Churchyard working party Saturday 16th November

You are invited to help with tidying up All Saints' churchyard on Saturday 16th November any time between 9 am and 12 noon.

The main jobs are: weeding the borders in the Garden of Remembrance, trimming and tidying round gravestones, removing ivy, removing side shoots from the lime trees and, of course, raking leaves.

For those looking for a heartier workout there is some clearing of the French drains around the church to be done.

Please bring tools, e.g. forks, secateurs, rakes, bags for garden waste etc.

Refreshments will be provided.

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Cryptic Quiz Sheets No 77

Copies of the latest cryptic quiz on the theme of games, puzzles, and Children's Games raising money for the very local charity "Be free young carers". Copies are available from "Atomic Hair", Audrey Slater, 9 Latton Close and Judy Goodall 43 Crafts End.

The closing date is Friday 1st of November.

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All Saint's Group

We will be meeting on Tuesday **8th of October** at 7:45 PM in All Saints Church. Our speaker will be Stephen Luney and the topic "Doctoring in the 21st century". Visitors are always welcome. Any inquiries please contact Judy on 01235 834 503.

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Chilton WI

The October meeting will be on Thursday **17th October** at 7.45pm in the Village Hall. This is our birthday meeting and we will be celebrating with a Cheese and Wine Party.

We are a very friendly group and look forward to seeing everyone at these meetings and welcoming new members and visitors. Please just turn up or for more information, contact Liz Robbins 834501 or Shona Sugden 831723.

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Oasis Cafe

Oasis Cafe is an opportunity for villagers to gather once a month for a coffee (or tea!) and a convivial chat in relaxed surroundings. The event is held in All Saints' Church on the 3rd Saturday morning of each month, between 10.00 and 12.00, and is free to all comers. See you on **19th October**.

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Warm Welcome Café

The Warm Welcome Café is held every Tuesday in the Morris room in the village hall from 11:00 AM until 2:00 PM everyone is most welcome. Call in for a chat over a cup of coffee or tea, a slice of cake and biscuits. Cheese scones and a mug of soup are served over lunch. There is no charge, however donations are gratefully received to help cover the hire of the hall. If getting to the hall is

a problem, then we may be able to provide a lift. Any enquiries please contact Judy on 01235 834503.

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CHILTON SCARECROW TRAIL

Sunday 27 Oct - 3rd Nov '24

This years theme is:

FAMOUS FICTIONAL SCHOOL PUPILS

Think Matilda, Harry Potter, Clueless, Wednesday, St Trinians, Saved by the Bell etc..

Maps will be available to purchase from Chilton School Office or available to download at chiltonscarecrows.org

PLEASE ENTER YOUR SCARECROW HERE:

chiltonscarecrows@gmail.com

Money raised will go towards the Chilton Primary School PTA



SAVE THE DATE



CHILTON SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS FAIR

FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

3:30-6PM

FATHER CHRISTMAS * CRAFTS * GAMES
MULLED WINE * FESTIVE SNACKS * RAFFLE
BAKING COMPETITION * STALLS * CHOIR
CHRISTMAS JUMPER SECOND HAND SALE

We are looking for:
crafts, stall holders, volunteers
and RAFFLE PRIZES

To book a stand or offer a raffle prize, please contact:
CHILTONOXONPTA@GMAIL.COM

Stands will be £10 per table which will go towards the Chilton Primary School PTA fundraising.

Linda's Quiz

- 1 Who is the host of Saturday Kitchen on BBC1?
- 2 Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boo is a song from which 1950 Disney film?
- 3 Which consumer goods retailer went into administration in 2012 and closed over 200 stores?
- 4 Which French company founded in 1945 in Clichy is known for pens, razors & lighters?
- 5 The Faroe Isles are a self-governing territory of which European country?
- 6 Which French singer was known as Little Sparrow?
- 7 In which modern country was the city of Troy located?
- 8 In the animated film The Wrong Trousers, the villain is called Feathers McGraw; what kind of creature was he?
- 9 Which Sinatra song mentions The Wrigley Building & the Union Stockyard?
- 10 If you are driving your car at 75 km/hr in a 40-mph zone, are you breaking the law?

Answers on back page

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Parish Council Notices

Neighbourhood Police Team – Now covered by

Wantage.

wantageneighbourhoodpoliceteam@thamesvalley.police.uk phone 101

Defibrillators

Chilton has three defibrillators, one is on the wall outside the Village Hall, one is on the wall outside the Community Room on Chilton Field and there is also a defibrillator at Chilton Primary School, which is accessible whenever the school is open.

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Vale of White Horse District Councillors

Cllr Hayleigh Gascoigne and Cllr Debra Dewhurst

We hope everyone had a lovely summer, whether travelling, taking part in activities in the local area (perhaps at Cornerstone's Didcot Garden Party!) or hiding indoors from some of the more inclement weather. We find that the summer is a good time to recharge, as many of the parish council meetings we attend also have a break in August and it gives us all a chance to be ready for what Autumn will bring. For example – the Joint Local Plan (see later in the report). Residents continue to write to us about planning matters, works that Taylor Wimpey are (or not!) carrying out on GWP and parking issues. In August, the Vale of White Horse District council submitted its response to the public consultation <https://thames-wrmp.co.uk/projects/sesro/> on

Thames Water's proposed reservoir for the district. Plans for the controversial reservoir near Abingdon have been criticised by local communities, with Vale of White Horse District Council urging water providers to consider alternative solutions more seriously. The reservoir is now even bigger than originally planned – at around 6.5 km² – almost as big as Gatwick Airport and unprecedented in scale. The council also reaffirmed its objections to the reservoir in a formal letter to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on 25 July. The letter set out the council's concerns around the proposed reservoir and requested a meeting to discuss the matter further.

Both the council's consultation response and the formal letter can be found on the website:

<https://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/vale-of-white-horse-district-council/about-the-council/official-correspondence>.

At the start of September, the Secretary of State, Rt Hon Steve Reed MP signed off Thames Water's Water Resources Management Plan.

<https://www.thameswater.co.uk/news/thames-water-secures-government-approval-on-plans-to-protect-future-water-resources>, which supports the case for the reservoir. Obviously, we as councillors are disappointed at the decision as we feel there should be more scrutiny applied. This is a case of significant public interest and so should warrant a public inquiry. Ultimately, this won't be a local authority decision and so all we can do as a council is let national government know how we feel. We urge you as residents and parish councils to engage with future consultations, inquiries and also write to your MP if you feel strongly about this topic.

As always, if you have any questions or suggestions for us as councillors, please do email us. As a reminder, council meetings are held in public and if you wish to address council or committee, you can contact Democratic Services ahead of time. If you need more guidance on this, please let us know!

CEAC – Climate Emergency Advisory Committee

At the most recent CEAC, Cllr Hayleigh Gascoigne chaired the meeting where the net zero and interim targets for Vale of White Horse were reviewed and discussed. The full agenda pack can be found on the Vale website and a recording of the meeting is on the YouTube channel.

New safer cycling map

Cycling. UK Oxfordshire has recently launched the Oxfordshire Cycling Map - showing the best routes for new or inexperienced cyclists.

<https://cyclingukoxfordshire.org/oxmap/>

The map was created by campaign groups and experienced cyclists including South Oxfordshire's cycling champion, Cllr Andrea Powell, aiming to encourage less confident, novice, and young cyclists to understand how they can cycle safely around their towns, villages, and communities, and to give more experienced cyclists new routes to try.

Council News

The next steps for Councils' Joint Local Plan -

<https://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/vale-of-white-horse-district-council/councils-plan-moves-a-step-forward/>.

Following two hugely successful public consultations, which saw South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District councils receive a Highly Commended award at the Planning Resource Awards 2024, the councils have now set out the next steps for their Joint Local Plan (JLP). The consultation will open on 1st October and will remain open for 6 weeks. We encourage all residents to take a read and respond. This document will hold a lot of weight on future planning decisions.

Councils purchase 45 homes for those in need -

<https://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/housing-2/councils-purchase-45-homes-for-those-in-need/>.

A new era for genuinely affordable, high-quality, council-owned housing has begun in South Oxfordshire and the Vale of White Horse.

It is over 20 years since the last council houses were sold in the districts and house prices and rents have spiralled. Now South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils are tackling the problem head-on. The first of 45 homes being purchased and refurbished for those in the highest level of housing need are now ready for people to move in as phase one of the councils' drive to become long-term social landlords for local residents.

We use these monthly updates to keep you updated on our activities and general council news. We also post on our councillor Facebook Pages:

www.facebook.com/CllrHayleigh &
www.facebook.com/Debra4BlewburyAndHarwell

Please get in touch if you have any issues or concerns, via email:

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and debra.dewhurst@whitehorsedc.gov.uk.

Oxfordshire County Councillor - Councillor Sally Povolotsky (Hendreds & Harwell Division)

Hello Residents,

Please find Latest News and Information online here.

<https://hendredsandharwell.mycouncillor.org.uk>

Find Daily updates / news and events on Facebook here - @sally4hendredsandharwell

Share your community news on our new Group on Facebook - Search - Hendreds & Harwell Community Official - where we can share events / news and ideas together.

You can WhatsApp / call me on - 07939 912997.

You can email me on

sally.povolotsky@oxfordshire.gov.uk

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The next Parish Council Meeting will be on **Wednesday 30th October 2024 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall. The agenda will be published on the Council website.** Members of the public are invited to attend.

The Parish Council website can be found at <https://www.parish-council.com/chilton> where you will be able to find out details of all the Parish Council meetings, who your Councillors are and other useful information.

Items to be included in the next Chronicle should be sent to the Clerk (preferably by email) by Wednesday 30th October. **Clerk: Jacquie Berry**

Email: parishclkchilton@btinternet.com

Parish Council Chairman

Mr Chris Broad
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Please Note: The Parish Council does not accept any responsibility for the adverts placed in the Chilton Chronicle

Answers

- 1 *Matt Tebbutt*
- 2 *Cinderella*
- 3 *Comet*
- 4 *Bic*
- 5 *Denmark*
- 6 *Edith Piaf*
- 7 *Turkey*
- 8 *Penguin*
- 9 *My Kind Of Town*
- 10 *Yes (47 mph)*

The newsletter from St Matthew's Harwell and All Saints' Chilton is attached to the back.



A Reflection from Jeremy

Warning Bells

On 7th October 1754, William Davis was heading for home when he heard the church bells coming from an unexpected direction. Realising he was about to ride his horse straight over the side of a local quarry, he pulled up. The bells had saved his life.

Do you ever sense there's something wrong? Sometimes warning bells inside us give us a moment to reflect, reconsider and respond. There's a favourite passage from St Paul's letter to the church in Phillipis that reads:

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

I love Paul's confidence in finding God's peace at work through prayer: peace that guards my heart and mind from being overwhelmed by worry. That's been my experience. Judging from the number of people who drop into All Saints and St Matthew's for a moment of quiet reflection, I don't think I'm alone.

When the church bells saved his life, William Davis was so grateful that he gave money for an annual peal of the bells followed by a feast for the bellringers. I'd love to hear about your experiences. Whether it's part of your daily life, or if it's been a while, why not try praying?

Rev Jeremy Parsons
Rector of Harwell & Chilton

What's coming up during October and November 2024

1st Thursday of the month –10.30am-midday Community Café at St Matthew's Harwell - please come along, bring friends and family for good free coffee and home-made cake.

Thursday midweek Communion (BCP) 11.00am 11th October All Saints' Chilton and 24th October St Matthew's Harwell. 14th November All Saints' Chilton and 28th November St Matthew's Harwell. Everyone is welcome.

3rd Saturday of the month –10.00am-midday Oasis Café at All Saints' Chilton – Everyone is welcome to come along to enjoy free coffee and a chat (always delicious biscuits too).

Monday morning 9.30am-11.30am – Fledgelings held in St Matthew's Church - a free playtime with refreshments for grown-ups and a snack for children. Singing songs and a short Christian focused story reminding us of God's amazing love for us and the world. Both mornings run within term time only.



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Sunday Services (please check our website harwellandchiltonchurches.org.uk for any updates)

6th October 9.30am Holy Communion, All Saints' Chilton
10.30am Morning Worship, St Matthew's Harwell
6.00pm Evening Worship, St Matthew's Harwell

13th October 9.30am Morning Worship (BCP) All Saints' Chilton
10.30am Chilton Interactive, Chilton Village Hall
10.30am Holy Communion St Matthew's Harwell
6.00pm Evening Worship (BCP), St Matthew's Harwell

20th October 9.30am Holy Communion, All Saints' Chilton
10.30am Morning Worship, St Matthew's Harwell
6.00pm Evening Worship, St Matthew's Harwell

27th October 9.30am Intergenerational Worship, All Saints' Chilton
10.30am Intergenerational Worship, St Matthew's Harwell
6.00pm Evening Communion, St Matthew's Harwell

3rd November 9.30am Holy Communion, All Saints' Chilton
10.30am Morning Worship, St Matthew's Harwell
6.00pm Evening Worship, St Matthew's Harwell

10th November 9.30am Morning Worship, All Saints' Chilton
10.45am Act of Remembrance Harwell War Memorial
11.00am Act of Remembrance All Saints' Chilton
11.15am Remembrance Sunday St Matthew's Harwell
6.00pm Holy Communion St Matthew's Harwell

17th November 9.30am Holy Communion, All Saints' Chilton
10.30am Morning Worship, St Matthew's Harwell
6.00pm Evening Worship, St Matthew's Harwell

24th November 9.30am Harvest Festival Intergenerational Worship, All Saints' Chilton
10.30am Harvest Festival Intergenerational Worship, St Matthew's Harwell
6.00pm Evening Communion, St Matthew's Harwell

Everyone is welcome.