

Chilton Chronicle

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Chestnut Trees in the Churchyard

The two large chestnut trees at the front of the churchyard have become seriously diseased with blight and honey fungus. Sadly this means that they will have to be felled quite soon, probably sometime in February.

Judith Russell

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Community Room Improvement

Thanks to a £1000 grant from Magnox SocioEconomic Scheme and further gifts from users (the Choral Group, Fledglings/All Saints' PCC, Leanne Parry and her Pilates group) the Parish Council has been able to significantly improve the acoustics of our Community Room on Horsa Lane. Their donations met 85% of the £1576 cost, with the Parish Council providing the balance. Our thanks to Magnox and our other donors for helping make this happen.

The funding allowed volunteer councillors and village hall committee members in December to install acoustic panels on the Room's ceiling. The resultant acoustic improvement has replaced the previous harsh echoey reverberation with a much warmer and softer sound. Our volunteers not only kept the cost down but also allowed the work to be fitted in around existing hall bookings so no users or regular hirers were inconvenienced.

A big thank-you to Stephen Druce, Jon Lewis, Brian Morris and Pete Oliver who blitzed the installation one December weekend and to Mike Mann-Gladwin and Andrew Coate who organised the transport of the access tower and ladder across from the VH so the work could be done safely.

The number of users of our excellent Community Room is steadily rising and this improvement together with its convenient Chilton Field location makes it well-placed to host more family parties and get-togethers. To book this venue contact the Bookings Clerk on bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk and see the website www.chiltonvillagehall.co.uk for facilities, rates and availability

The Parish Council.

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News from the Rose and Crown

Fun Quiz Tuesdays

Join in the fun quiz every Tuesday evening. Questions set by Adrian the Aussie quizmaster. Teams of up to six players, entry £1 per person, prize of drinks vouchers for winning team and complimentary refreshments.

Six Nations Rugby

Watch all the matches with your friends on the big screen TV in the convivial atmosphere of the Rose and Crown. Complimentary refreshments during each game. Match weekends are Saturday 11, Sunday 12 February; Saturday 25 Sunday 26 February; Friday 10, Saturday 11 March; and marathon finalé with three matches on Saturday 18 March.

Paddy's Day

Shea, our Irish landlord, is planning a St Patrick's Day party on Friday 17 March. Put the date in your diary – more details in the next Chronicle!

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All Saints' Women's Group

Come and join us for a musical evening with Peter Selby and his flute on **Tuesday 14th February** in All Saints' Church at 7:45 pm.

EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Any enquiries to Judy Goodall on 834503.

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Chilton WI

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 16th February** and the meeting will be held at the Vale and Downland Museum when we will have an evening of historic fun.

Advance Notice

There will be a Spring Clean round the Village on weekend of 4/5th March. More details at the WI Meeting.

We are a friendly group; visitors and new members are always very welcome. Just come along to a meeting, or phone Liz Morris on 834233 for more details.

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Table Top Sale

Table Top Sale in aid of the National Animal Welfare Trust on **Sunday 19th February 11.00 – 1.30pm** at the Community Room, Chilton Field. Sellers £8.00 per

pitch, set up from 10.00am. For more information please contact Dawn Sexton 07447 925 282 or dawn.treats@yahoo.com

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Grand Charity Quiz Night

A fun evening for teams of six on Saturday 18th March in the Village Hall at 7:15 for a prompt 7:30 start. Tickets are £10 each which includes a hot main dish and a tasty pudding . The evening is organised by All Saints' Women's Group. Please let us know if you have any dietary requirements and we will try to meet your needs.

The overseas charity we will be supporting is Hamlin Fistula UK who support the incredible work in Ethiopia for women who suffer from obstetric fistula after a prolonged labour. The "at home" charity has yet to be decided upon.

Tickets are available from Judy Goodall on 834503/43 Crafts End. It is advisable to book early as tickets usually sell quickly. If paying by cheque please make it payable to All Saints' Women's Group.

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Saturday Charity Market Stall

9am-12 Noon in Rose & Crown Car Park Second Saturday each Month

At the January market we raised £303.50 for the Chilton Lunch Club.

The February market on the 11th February will be for Young Dementia UK who provide a wide range of invaluable support for people with early onset dementia and their families.

On the 11th March the Charity will be the local branch of the Parkinson's Society.

On the 8th April it will be Against Breast Cancer and on the 13th May it will be the annual Grand Plant Sale and Coffee Morning.

We are always grateful for small items for the white elephant stall, books and home produce.

Other stalls at the market include the Olde Farm Shop selling meat, eggs, fruit and vegetables, Manshed with their Crafts End Smokery producing bacon, salmon, pickle and other delights and the new local craft stall Toodle and Pip.

Breakfasts or breakfast baps are available in the pub until 10.15.

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Cryptic Quiz Sheets

The Christmas Quiz on the theme of shops and businesses was won by Mary Napper of East Hagbourne with 50 out of 50. Second was Ivory Lucas from Stanford in the Vale with 48.5 and third were Peter and Hilary Groves from Limetrees with 48. The next Quiz will be out on the 11th February and will be available at the market and also from Atomic Hair,

Shea at the pub, Audrey Slater at 9 Latton Close, Daphne Boddy in Harwell and Judy Goodall at 43 Crafts End.

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Help Wanted

The Rose and Crown needs part-time bar staff, lunch times and evenings. If you're interested please phone Shea on 01235 862992 or call in at the pub.

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Additions to the Chilton Business Directory

Edmonds Window Cleaning

Friendly experienced window cleaner based in Chilton. Happy to use both traditional tools and water fed pole.

Offering fair prices for great quality window cleaning including sills, frames and doors.

Contact Matt Edmonds on 07910 737940 to arrange a quote.

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Vibrant Life Force —Free the Power Within **Sue Southern, Kinesiologist, Cert. ASK**

An advanced natural health care professional, I can help with many concerns including:

- Stress, anxiety or sleep problems
- Digestive issues and IBS
- Food sensitivity testing
- Neck, back, joint or general pain
- Migraines/headaches, difficulty with memory or concentration
- Tired all the time
- Frequent infections
- Hormonal issues in men and women
- Sports performance and injuries
- Skeletal misalignments

Using gentle muscle testing to determine what specific action is required to correct the root cause of problems, this method is described as the fastest, most direct, effective and side-effect free approach to natural well-being.

Individual treatment fees : 1.5 hour initial session £70; 1 hour follow-up session £55;

For more information:

Website: www.vibrantlifeforce.co.uk

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

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Want to know what classes are on at the Village Hall or the Community Room?

Then go to the Village Hall website <http://www.chiltonvillagehall.co.uk> and check out the Regular Hirers section.

To book either venue contact the **Bookings Clerk** on bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk 01235 861253

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Wednesday 22nd February at 8.00pm in the Village Hall**. Members of the public are invited to attend.

The Parish Council website can be found at <http://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 8th March**.

Clerk: **Liz Morris, 6 Latton Close, 01235 834233**
Email: parishclkchilton@btinternet.com

Parish Council Chairman

Mr Chris Broad
14 Latton Close
01235 834347

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VH and CR hiring rates

Please see table for Village Hall and Community Room hiring rates as from 1st April 2017. The VH Management Committee's annual review decided again not to raise the standard rates for either premises for 2017-18, just to terminate the introductory offer whole building rates set back in April 2015.

Chilton VH/CR hire charges from 1/04/2017 (All rates are per hour, fractions of hours will be charged at the full hour rate)	Main Hall (per hour)	Small Hall (per hour)	Meeting Room (per hour)	Whole Building (per hour)	Community Room (per hour)
Regular Village Hirers	£10.00	£10.00	£8.00	£20.00	£8.00
Casual Village Hirers	£12.00	£12.00	£9.00	£23.00	£10.00
Regular Non-Village Hirers	£14.00	£14.00	£9.00	£25.00	£12.00
Casual Non-Village Hirers	£17.00	£17.00	£10.00	£30.00	£15.00
DAILY RATE [Non Commercial] (9am to 12 midnight)	N/A	N/A	N/A	£150.00 Per day	£125.00
DAILY RATE [Commercial] (9am to 12 midnight)	N/A	N/A	N/A	£250.00 Per day	£225.00
Wedding Rate - Friday evening to Sunday morning (Subject to Availability) Village Hirer				£250.00 Per period	
NEW Wedding Rate - Friday evening to Sunday morning (Subject to Availability) Non-Village Hirer				£300.00 Per period	