

# Chilton Chronicle

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## **No.456 April 2019**

### **Parish Council Elections**

Five candidates were nominated for the eight places on the Parish Council, so the new Councillors will be

#### **John Berry**

I have lived in Chilton with my wife Jacquie since 1990, bringing up our two children here. I spent most of my working life at the Harwell site, engaged in radiochemistry, with over 15 years spent managing large projects involving nuclear waste management. In Chilton, I was a member of All Saints' church PCC for 13 years, a Church Warden for 6 years and Chairman of the Church Fabric Committee for 12 years. I am currently Chair of the 'Lydia Thomas Chilton Gift Fund'. I care very much about keeping the rural nature of the village intact, and I am very supportive of public transport and I use the local buses frequently. I would like to see changes to road signs, as currently they direct travellers only to the 'old' part of the village. My other interests include steam railways and photography. I'm most visible in the Village either walking our black Labrador Ralph, or waiting at the bus-stop in Main Street!

#### **Chris Broad**

I am pleased to be able to represent parishioners as a Parish Councillor for another term. It is a role I have undertaken for several years. Scrutinising and commenting on Planning Applications has been and will continue to be an important activity. It is important that the views of residents are understood and properly represented to the planners at the Vale of White Horse District Council. If anyone is unsure what the Parish Council actually does or has an issue they think the Parish Council could help with I would encourage them to come along to one of the monthly meetings which always have an item on the Agenda that gives members of the public the chance to raise issues.

Meetings of the Parish Council are advertised on the Parish Council website which I established. The Agenda for the meeting is published a few days before the meeting so you can see what is due to be discussed in advance of the meeting. The website also has a facility allowing questions to be emailed to the Council. These questions currently go to me as the current Chair of the Council and I ensure they are answered.

#### **Stephen Druce**

I have lived in Chilton village with my wife for over 40 years. In that time our two children both attended

Chilton primary school and then state secondary schools in Didcot and Compton. We have seen many changes in and around our village and continue to be active supporters of the village community. This will be my second term on Chilton Parish Council where I am keen to complete the coordination of the Chilton Neighbourhood Development Plan.

#### **Frank Dumbleton**

I have lived in Chilton since 1981, owning one of the older properties in the village. A few years ago I had the render which covered the house removed to expose the timber frame. I am happy that the 400-year-old timbers are now able to breathe, and the house's appearance once again makes a valuable contribution to the street scene. My career was in marketing, 25 years with British Rail, ending at InterCity headquarters in London, followed by 13 years at Oxford Brookes University. I retired nine years ago but haven't been forgotten and occasionally do freelance photography for the University. I also volunteer in various roles at Didcot Railway Centre, which has its origins in 1961 after four friends of mine decided to buy a steam locomotive, when we were all 16-year-old trainspotters at Southall! It is now the most popular tourist attraction in South Oxfordshire, so a hugely satisfying achievement for all the volunteers. I have served on the Parish Council since 2004, and am the Parish Transport representative, Parish Council representative on the Village Hall Management Committee, and liaison with the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The importance of Chilton's location in the protected landscape of the AONB cannot be over emphasised.

#### **Bob Girling**

I moved into Chilton in 2013 with my wife Gwyneth prior to retiring from the Royal Air Force and starting a new career in the local area. Taking a keen interest in my new community I was asked to join the Parish Council later in the year, being the first Chilton Field resident to do so, and I have served ever since. As a keen amateur photographer, I can often be seen taken advantage of our beautiful location; exploring the local footpaths and byways looking for that ever-elusive perfect picture. I continue to enjoy being part of the vibrant, friendly local community that is Chilton and contributing as a member of your Parish Council.

The remaining three places will be filled by co-option.

## **Salvation Army Clothing Bank**

The Salvation Army clothing bank has now been installed in the Village Hall car park. Please use it to donate unwanted clothes.

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## **News from the Rose and Crown**

### **Steak Night Saturday**

Two steaks and a bottle of wine £25 on Saturday evenings. Please book on 01235 862992.

### **Sunday carvery**

Freshly prepared with a selection of three roasts and choice of vegetables, served from 12.30pm to 3pm each Sunday. £9.95, children under 10 £5.95, under 5s free (one per family). Please book on 01235 862992.

### **Tuesday fun quiz**

Exercise your brain cells every Tuesday evening, starts 8pm. Teams of up to six players, entry £1 per person. Complimentary refreshments, prize of drinks voucher for winning team.

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## **Oxfordshire Artweeks**

Lin Kerr from Chilton, will be showing her contemporary landscapes in oils at Ardington School of Crafts on 11, 12, 18, 19 May 11.00am – 3pm. There will be demonstrations all day by Lin and the other five other artists: Textile art, weaving, lino cuts, pastels and text art.

[www.artweeks.org](http://www.artweeks.org)

[www.ardingtonschool.com](http://www.ardingtonschool.com)

[www.linkerrdesign.co.uk](http://www.linkerrdesign.co.uk)

### **Artweeks 2019 in Aston Tirrold**

Six Exhibitors in Three Studios over Two Weekends

11am - 6pm May 11,12 and 18,19

All open at the same time - free to everyone with no pressure to buy.

Anna Dillon: landscape paintings in oils, originals, prints - Hathersage, Aston Street (site 250)

Susanna Brunskill & Lucy Burtleton: paintings, cards, ceramics - Twitten, Aston Street (245 246)

Helen J Young, Peter Lancaster & Victoria

Goddard: paintings, prints, jewellery, cards - Springfield House, Baker Street (247 248 249)

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## **Grand Plant Sale and Coffee Morning**

This fine annual event will take place on Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup> at Chilton Village Hall from 10 am till 12 noon.

This is your opportunity to buy your bedding plants, vegetable plants, shrubs, herbs, and everything else for your garden. Enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and a chat with friends. The monthly market will form part

of this event. Donations of plants will be greatly appreciated.

Judy Goodall

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## **Business Networking in Chilton**

Join us for monthly business networking with The Oxfordshire Project at The Horticultural House in Chilton. The next dates are 15<sup>th</sup> May and 12<sup>th</sup> June from 10 am until 12 pm. Tickets cost £20 and include breakfast and a business related talk. Please book your tickets through our website:

[www.oxfordshireproject.co.uk](http://www.oxfordshireproject.co.uk).

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## **Chilton WI**

The next meeting of Chilton WI will be on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 7.45pm. in the Village Hall. We will be discussing the two resolutions that are to be debated at the National Annual Meeting in June. After the discussion we will be able to enjoy a flower arranging demonstration from Hilary Alner.

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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## **Astons Online**

**Free IT advice** for Chilton computer users is available on Tuesday 21 May 2019 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon in Aston Tirrold and Aston Upton Village Hall (OX11 9EQ). At about 10:30 there will be a short presentation “**Shopping and banking online; how to do without cheques and cash**”.

Astons Online helps people be confident, effective and safe users of email and the Internet. Our free-of-charge events cater for all types of computer and user issues in a friendly and informal atmosphere, see [www.astonsonline.uk](http://www.astonsonline.uk) for more information.

Tell us that you're coming if you can, especially if you want one-to-one help. ([theastonsonline@gmail.com](mailto:theastonsonline@gmail.com) or phone 07780 958249)"

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## **Full STEAM Ahead Family Fun Day - Volunteers needed!**

The 5th Annual Full STEAM Ahead Family Fun Day will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at Harwell Science Campus' Sports Field and we need volunteers to help make the event a success!

Full STEAM Ahead is a science, technology, engineering, arts and maths themed family fun day that celebrates local community links whilst inspiring our next generation to get involved with STEAM.

It's a chance to bring Chilton Village and the wider community together whilst providing an exciting opportunity for families to get hands-on with science and explore STEAM related organisations. Alongside the STEAM workshops there will be activities for the whole family to enjoy including a climbing wall, inflatable slide and obstacle course, a bungee run and electric go karts, as well as a variety of market stalls and delicious street food trucks. Full STEAM Ahead is a not-for-profit event with all proceeds going to Helen & Douglas House and Be Free YC, a local charity that supports young carers in Oxfordshire.

**Get Involved!**

Full STEAM Ahead Fun Day is able to happen because of the amazing and generous support we receive from the local community and businesses.

We now need volunteers to help make the 2019 Fun Day run smoothly! There are lots of small but important tasks including:

- supervising an activity
- car park stewarding
- entrance duties
- setting up tables and chairs
- keeping the site safe and tidy

**Contact Us Today!**

If you'd like to help us to make Full STEAM Ahead 2019 a resounding success, we'd love to hear from you!

If you are over 18 and would like to volunteer or have any questions about the Fun Day, please call us on 01235 567350, or email [sarah@bluestreamrecruitment.co.uk](mailto:sarah@bluestreamrecruitment.co.uk)



**The D Day Service at the RAF Harwell Memorial Stone**

On the Saturday nearest to the anniversary of D-Day, an annual parade and service is held at the RAF Harwell Memorial Stone at the Harwell Campus. The stone marks the departure point for Servicemen who were amongst the first to land on D-Day. This is organised by the Royal British Legion (Harwell Branch) and supported by the various local companies on the Harwell Campus.

This years' Service recognizes the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and will take place on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June**, assembly at the stone from 5pm. Legion Standards, Service Standards and Cadet Forces will be present for the start of the service at 5:30pm. Attendees should note there are no facilities at the stone.

For those wanting to know more details of the Parade or Service can contact the Harwell Branch Ceremonial Officer Peter Davies, or those wishing to organize a wreath to lay during the service can contact the Branch Poppy Appeal Organiser Peter Cox (orders to

be placed by 10<sup>th</sup> May) both via [Harwell.committee1@rbl.community](mailto:Harwell.committee1@rbl.community)  
Peter Davies  
Ceremonial Officer  
Harwell Branch RBL



**Overhanging Hedges and parked cars**

Can householders be aware that overhanging hedges, shrubs, bushes cause problems if they encroach onto the pavement. Now that everything is starting to grow please check that pedestrians, cars and **particularly buses** can use the pavements and the roads safely.



**Fly-tipping – it's not just rubbish, it's criminal – Let's put a stop to it**

Did you know that you can report fly-tipping online using the Vale's [online form](#), or telephone **03000 610 610** or email [admin.vale@biffa.co.uk](mailto:admin.vale@biffa.co.uk) or contact your local District Councillor.

**What information does the Vale need?**

To help the Vale investigate the complaint they need as much detail as possible, including:

- the date, time and the place where the tipping is taking place, or has occurred
- what the waste is and how much of it there is
- a description of any vehicles involved and the registration number if possible

**Removing fly-tipping**

The Vale is responsible for removing fly-tipped waste from the public highway and highway verges. For information about how fly-tipped waste is dealt with see the Vale's website page on [street cleaning](#).



**Lights Out, Potholes, Fly Tipping?**

These can all be reported on Fix-My-Street by going to <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk>

Follow the link above and then enter an Oxfordshire postcode, or **street** name and area; Locate the problem on a map of the area; Enter details of the problem



**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](mailto:bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk) **01235 861253**



The next Parish Council Meeting will be on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 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**

**8<sup>th</sup> May Clerk:** Liz Morris, 6 Latton Close, 01235 834233

Email: [parishclkchilton@btinternet.com](mailto:parishclkchilton@btinternet.com)

**Parish Council Chairman**

Mr Chris Broad  
14 Latton Close  
834347

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



WE DISCOVER, WE GROW  
**Girlguiding**  
Ridgeway Division

**Rainbows: 5 - 7**  
**Brownies: 7 - 10**  
Guides: 10 - 14  
Rangers: 14 - 18

## Come and join the fun!



**At Guides you can plan your own meetings and explore new places, go on camps, holidays and trips. Guides helps you to make a difference in your community and speak out about the issues that matter. You could get involved in our youth leadership programme and learn a huge range of new skills.**

Chilton Guides meet from 7.30 - 9.00pm on Fridays at the village hall and we have spaces available

Contact [lynn.nickerson.holywell@gmail.com](mailto:lynn.nickerson.holywell@gmail.com)

or

[rachelyj@aol.com](mailto:rachelyj@aol.com) for more info on Chilton Guides and other local units

Visit [www.girlguiding.org.uk/guides](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/guides) to find out more about joining a worldwide community of girls who have fun, learn new skills and make their voices heard.