

SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

It has been noticed that cars are still parking on the pavement opposite the church and surrounding areas. This causes problems with pedestrians, and parents with buggies especially on dustbin days.

Would dog owners please refrain from using the litter bin by the bus shelter. A suitable container is sited on the Millennium Green.

CHURCH NEWS

The Priest-in-charge of All saints and the PCC have been lucky enough to receive an acceptance for their request for a Grant from English heritage. This is very good news. It is a lengthy and complicated process. It was undertaken because the Church is in need of expensive and extensive repairs. It is a beautiful ancient building which dominates the village in a spectacular way and like all old buildings in requires constant maintenance, care and repair. Even though many people in the village do not worship there regularly, the Church seems to be recognized and appreciated as part of the history and core of village life, and most people feel strongly that it is worth fighting to preserve our heritage. The basic financial facts are that English Heritage have estimated that we need to spend in excess of £200,000; the Grant will cover approximately £109,000 of that amount.

So there is a lot of work to be done, and a huge challenge to raise the difference. If anybody in the village would like to get involved in any way, no matter how small or insignificant it may seem, that help would be accepted with delight and gratitude... Please get in touch with any members of the PCC or Churchwardens whose names are on the board outside the Church.

The Parochial Church Council is holding its Annual General Meeting in the church on Wednesday April 1st at 6.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you have suggestions or comments you would like to make about the proposed building repairs or any other views you would like to express about the life of the Church, do come along.

On Good Friday there will be a United Service at Stewkley at 10am and a Story of The Cross Service at 2pm at St James Church in Aston Abbots.

THANKYOU

Terry and Lesley Mead would like to thank everyone who has sent cards, messages and flowers, and who have called personally and on the telephone since Terry's recent operation. We would also like to thank all those who have helped in so many other ways during these weeks.

MILLENNIUM GREEN NEWS

Saturday April 25th in the Club Room at 7.30pm for a prompt start at 8.00pm. The tickets are £10.00 each and are available from Elizabeth Caplan, Secretary, on 270838 or Christine on 270377. Teams are made up of tables of four people but if you haven't got a foursome, we will fit you in with other people, so do come along and support this fund-raising event for the Millennium Green. Bring your own drink and glasses.

We are desperately needing volunteers to help tidy, trim, weed, plough, cut long grass, weed the playground and do other jobs. If you feel that you could help out on an occasional basis, please phone Christine on 270377 who is hoping to make up a list of helpers to contact when work is to be done.

W.I. NEWS

The April meeting on Tuesday 14th April will be an OPEN meeting. All welcome, including non-members and gents. There will be a small charge for admission of £2 for non-members. The title is Local Crime: Community Sentence. The meeting is to be run by Thames Valley Police and a Magistrate and the Probation service will be there to run a mock court session. 8:00 pm in the Clubroom.

CRICKET FIXTURES

The first cricket matches take place in April (subject to weather!).

Sunday 19th April, friendly match vs Great Brickhill, away

Saturday 25th April, league match vs Studham, away

Sunday 26th April, friendly match vs Stoke Hammond, away

CHRISTEL KEMPSTER

We extend our sympathy to David, Grant and Sonya on the death of Christel on 28th February. Christel fought bravely against cancer. A celebration of her life was held on 17th March at Crownhill Crematorium, Milton Keynes.

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EVENT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WINSLOW –SATURDAY 25TH APRIL

One of the issues causing concern for the community of Buckingham South was the anti-social behaviour of youths in the area. It was therefore taken on as a priority task for the Neighbourhood Action Group. One of the actions considered was increased engagement with these very youths.

To this end PCSO Wendy Taylor considered putting on an event that would show the opportunities available for the young people of today, to include career opportunities, things to do in spare/free time which include the volunteering sector. Also included, and equally important, will be the ways to access of the activities presented. Wendy put this suggestion to **the NAG, who agreed it would be an excellent idea. Freda Ackroyd, the ‘Getting Closer to Communities’ representative** on the Buckingham South East NAG, contacted her colleagues at Aylesbury Vale District Council and Bucks County Council who also agreed the idea was excellent.

We now have a huge event for which we have been given the entire site at the Winslow Centre, Park Road, Winslow for the day

- 70 groups/clubs/companies have all pledged their support for the day
- local people with a huge array of expertise have offered their support
- young people of the area are involved with the organisation.

The following careers will be represented:

All rural trades including agricultural engineering, thatching, hedgelaying, farriery, building, carpentry, hospitality, catering, butchery. Army, Navy and Air Force, Fire, Paramedic, Police. Hair, make-up, nails. Childcare.

Connexions will be present to advise on careers, HR personnel will be present to offer advice on presentation of CVs and making a good impression at interviews.

Things to do include:

Rugby, tag rugby, football, tennis, cricket, martial arts, Sports 2012, Pottery, arts, drama, music, bell-ringing

Youth Café, youth clubs, Young Farmers, Duke of Edinburgh awards, Volunteering to include Red Cross, St John, McMillan, Royal British Legion, SSAFA.

Activity equipment includes:

i-van, mobile skate park, mobile climbing wall, mobile peel of bells, mobile assault course

Events

Accident re-enactments by Fire, Police, Para, Hog Roast, Tombolas, Drop-in crèche, Practical DJing, Local Band

Local band – 45 min slot at end of the day

The event is to be named by the young people at which the event is aimed via a competition for a poster to advertise the event. This is being run through schools and youth clubs.

The young people will be collected and returned to their villages by Youth Bus who will co-ordinate the journeys required. However, Winslow and Furze Down Schools have supported the event by allowing their car parking area to be used on a ‘park and walk’ basis. **This is to reduce the traffic using the narrow roads to the Winslow Centre as there will no parking on site that day, except for those holding Disabled badges.**

Those involved with the organisation are working towards this becoming an annual event.

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Sunday	5th April	11:30am	FAMILY SERVICE (Palm Sunday)
Thursday	9th April	7:00pm	Stripping of the Altar
Friday	10th April	11:30am	Good Friday Service
Sunday	12th April	11:30am	Holy Communion (Easter Sunday)
Sunday	19th April	11:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday	26th April	11:30am	Holy Communion

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesdays			Lollipops Toddler Group	Clubroom
Wednesdays	1st, 15th, 29th	11:15am-11:35am	Mobile Library - Stewkley Road Bus Stop	
Thursdays	9th & 23rd		Youth Club	Clubroom
Thursday	9th April		AVDC Collection for Recycling & Glass	
Tuesday	14th April	8:00pm	WI - Local Crime : Community Sentence	Clubroom
Monday	20th April	7:30pm	Parish Council Meeting	Clubroom
Thursday	23rd April		AVDC Collection for Recycling	
Saturday	25th April		Millennium Green Quiz & Hot Supper - Tickets £10	Clubroom

Full details of Refuse Collection dates can be found on the AVDC Website : www.aylesburyvale.gov.uk

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If you would like to sponsor an issue, or submit items for publication by 26th April please contact:

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