



## SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

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### PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

At the recent meeting on 19th June a new councillor was welcomed. Mr Don Haines from Stewkley Road was co-opted on to the Council.

Mrs Miller reported that the Green Sacks for garden refuse had been popular with the senior citizens of the village and the Council agreed to purchase more. They are 40p each but free to older members of the Parish. The Clerk reported that he had written a letter of complaint to Mr Peter Moppett the Contracts Manager for Aylesbury Vale refuse collections, particularly concerning the collection after the May Day holiday. In reply Mr Moppett was "extremely sorry" for the problem we experienced, there was a vehicle breakdown and other labour matters which unfortunately were outside the contractors control. He also said:-

"May I take this opportunity to remind your Parish Council (or advise those members who are unaware of this Council's policy in the matter) that AVDC's policy in providing a refuse collection service is one of provision of a "back door collection". Householders are not expected to put their refuse out onto the streets for collecting; albeit many do as they apparently prefer that to having the collectors enter their property for the purpose.

I can assure you that the contractor will collect on the advised day unless he encounters emergency situations which present him with insurmountable circumstances. In the face of such difficulties he will collect as soon as possible and will clean any spillage which may occur as a result of the delay".

The Council was pleased to see the Church wall taking shape. The few volunteers who worked so hard in the rain to demolish it and prepare the bricks were warmly thanked.

There was general dismay at the continued use of the Playing field and children's playground by a dog who should not be in there at all. The Parish Council would like to remind the owner that it is an offence to allow a dog in the area and there is a considerable fine. In the interests of the children who use the playground the Council would have no choice but to prosecute.

Regarding the Leighton Road sign, it was noted that 'Liscombe' had been added in brackets. This was to provide clearer identification of the area only and did not mean that

anyone's address had officially altered. It would help newcomers to the area distinguish between the Leighton Road at Chelmscote and the Leighton Road at Liscombe, both of which come into Soulbury.

W.P.C. Sue Furber then gave a brief resume of the Neighbourhood Watch meeting last month and reported that there was plenty of interest from the village and that more detailed information of the new Ringmaster system would be coming shortly.

District Councillor Mrs Maureen Payne reported she had been appointed Aylesbury Vale Council representative on the Leighton Linslade Transport Users Association.

A long and heated discussion took place about the Soulbury By-Pass. County Councillor Mrs Brenda Jennings brought the most recent information from the County. The Commission for New Towns has given all its support to back the Stoke Hammond and Linslade Western By-Passes except that it has removed the finance! However, they together with the County Council and maybe our M.P. George Walden, will be pressing the Ministers in the Departments of Transport and the Environment to release the £7 million required to enable both roads to be built. The County Council has kept up a high level of development on the project and of course has spent an enormous amount of our money already in the preparation work for the roads, so they are very committed to getting the finance from Government sources.

However, the Chairman of the Parish Council and some other members questioned the combining of these two by-passes as one project, as the money needed was always going to be too great. It was felt that there was no reason why the Soulbury/Linslade Western By-Pass could not be started. The Commission for New Towns had removed its finance for the Stoke Hammond By-Pass, but the money for our By-Pass ought to be available already.

Councillors Mrs Payne and Jennings both felt that this was not the best approach as the Stoke Hammond Road was so dangerous and all the villages who are so badly affected would benefit from a combined project and would put more pressure on those in a position of power. It was finally agreed that the Council would write to Sir Nicholas Bonsor to encourage him to meet several members of the Parish Council and village with a view to making a deputation to the Departments of Transport and the Environment.

The Parish Council would urge the County Council to press the case for the Linslade Western By-Pass most urgently and as Bedfordshire is proposing to put more local weight limits in Leighton Buzzard, we would demand a 7.5 tonne gross vehicle weight limit for the Green.

Addresses which may be useful to readers are:-

The Secretary of State for the Environment  
The Secretary of State for Transport  
George Walden M.P.

ALL C/o The House of Commons, Westminster, London S.W.1.

#### **A MESSAGE FROM YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

"I am sure you are all aware that the local By-Pass Schemes which we had hoped would start construction in 1997-98 are now under threat due to almost certain loss of financial support from the Commission for New Towns. The Commission has told Bucks County Council that the Government has not given it sufficient money to fund the schemes.

Bucks County Council is pressing the Government for help to rescue the By-Pass.

Can I request that all of you who feel you will be affected by the decision (I presume all the village) write to George Walden, your M.P., The Department of Transport and the Department of the Environment, expressing your concern and how the lack of a By-Pass will affect you and the village. Keep the letters going, continued effort from us all could affect final decisions.

If you wish to speak to me on this or any other local issue, please phone me on 01296 681065, BRENDA JENNINGS".

### **AYLESBURY VALE HEALTH INFORMATION SERVICE**

Have you ever wondered who could help with enquiries like these?

'I need to find a dentist, but can't afford to go privately. Are there any NHS dentists in the area?'

'I've read somewhere about different treatments for varicose veins and would like to know what the the options are.'

'Do you know how long I'll have to wait for my hip operation?'

'I've just moved to the area and want to find a surgery with a lady doctor.'

**AYLESBURY VALE HEALTH INFORMATION SERVICE CAN HELP!**

Most questions can be answered immediately, and even those requiring detailed research have always been completed satisfactorily within ten working days.

The Service is run by information specialists, not doctors and they do not give diagnoses or advice, but are here to help with all health related matters. If you have been told what is wrong with you and want to know more about it but don't want to trouble the doctor, or want to know if there is a group for people with your condition, then telephone the Service.

The Service is absolutely free and entirely confidential. You can get in touch by phone (01296) 397647, fax (01296) 397762 or by coming to the office at 9 Temple Square, Aylesbury during working hours. Those with hearing difficulties can use a minicom while the office is open and an answerphone operates at other times.

### **FRIENDS OF SOULBURY CHURCH**

**SUMMER CONCERT** This will be held on Sunday the 9th July in the Church at 6pm to 8pm. and will feature 'The Soulbury Trio' playing Baroque to Jazz and the Heathville Singers from Wing. Tickets are £5. to include wine and savouries and may be obtained from Rev. Norman Cotton (240287), Jan Birdsall (270204) and Jane Luxton (270493).

Future events include a Jazz night and Barbecue, a Car Treasure Hunt and a Golf Tournament. In relation to this last event, golfers are wanted, of any handicap, to play in this fund-raising match against Great Brickhill at the Three Locks Golf Course on Wednesday 6th September. It will be all day and will include a dinner. At the end of the day there will be a Challenge "Pull across the river" for the cup which Soulbury still holds. Full details and names to David Kempster, 270190 or Jan Birdsall 270204.

A great many thanks are expressed to all who have supported the fund-raising for the Church to date. The organisers hope to keep you entertained throughout the year.

### **FARMING IN AFRICA**

What has farming in Africa got to do with us? Well, for a start they helped prepare our breakfast. Coffee from Kenya. Orange juice from South Africa. We are part of a large global community and we depend for our livelihood on many other countries and the people who live and work in those countries to produce and sell food and other items to us. If you would like to find out more come and listen to a talk and slides and discussion from David Campbell at Elmhurst Middle School, Dunsham Lane, Aylesbury on Tuesday July 11th at 8pm. For further information tel. (01296) 395185.

**WELCOME** to Sue and Joe Pemberton who have come to live on the Green.

**BEST WISHES** to Harry and Iris Ayris who have moved to Wing after 32 years in Rock Lane.

**MRS PAM MURPHY.** We are sorry to report the death of Pam Murphy, inventor of Cowpat, the Compact Cowpat, in Hollingdon, Mrs Murphy worked tirelessly for the Royal British Legion and always supported village causes. We extend our sympathy to her daughters and their families.

**CRICKET FIXTURES**

Sat July 1st Great Brickhill - Away	Sun July 2nd Mentmore - Away
Sat July 8th Drayton Parslow - Away	Sun July 9th Great Horwood - Home
Sat July 15th Milton Bryan - Home	Sun July 16th Cublington - Away
Sat July 22nd Wing - Home	Sun July 23rd Brooklands - Away
Sat July 29th Leighton Foresters -Home	Sun July 30th New Bradwell - Home

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH** Vicar.Rev.Norman Cotton, The Vicarage, Stewkley 240287  
Sunday Services.

July 9,16,23 11.30am Sung Communion Service  
July 30. 11.30 am Sung Communion. Preacher Rev. Tony Whalley.

Church Questionnaire. Thank you for the completed ones. If you have not had yours yet, it will come shortly.

**METHODIST CHURCH** Minister: Rev. J. Hustler.The Manse, Stewkley. 240251.

July 9th	6pm	Rev. R. Austin
July 16th	6pm	Miss A. Macho
July 23rd	6pm	Mrs M. Morris
July 30th	6pm	Mr C. Fountain

Youth Group - Every Sunday after 6pm Service, except 1st Sunday in month.  
Mother & Toddlers every Tuesday 10.30am - 11.45am.

**AROMATHERAPY & MASSAGE THERAPY** - Help yourself to better health. Fully trained and qualified therapist Annette Gesoff S.P. Cert A., MISPA,ITEC,AIPTI. Please phone for further details Stewkley (01525) 240135.

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**FORTHCOMING EVENTS** - Meetings in the clubroom unless otherwise stated.

Thurs July 6/13/20/27	Bowls evening 7.30pm
Wed July 5/12/19/26	Keep Fit 8.15pm - 9.15pm
Wed July 12th	Social Circle 2.30pm
Wed July 12th/ 26th	Mobile Library
Mon July 17th	Parish Council Meeting 8pm
Wed July 19th	Womens Fellowship - Barbecue 7pm (not the clubroom)
Sat July 22nd	Pig Roast, Stapleford Mill Farm.

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Items for next issue by 19th July to Mrs Miller 270545. Mrs Bunyan 270461. Mrs Norman 270483. Mrs Fairbairn 270674.

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