

SOULBURY NEWSLETTER



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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Parish News

As this meeting was the first for the new council the Chairman was elected for the year. Mr A. Peacock was re-elected in the chair and Mr M. Cross was elected vice Chairman. The new members were welcomed: councillors Mr A. Stevens, Mrs V. Redbart and Mrs B. Young.

There was general discontent registered at the poor signing that had accompanied the railway bridge closure over the last weeks. Hope was expressed that the damaged road surface would be made good after the works were completed. Comments were passed by all present on the pleasant quietness of the village during the closure.

Aylesbury Vale announced the date for the children's entertainer to come to the village this summer - 11.am Tuesday 12 August in the Clubroom.

The council also agreed to join in the A.V.D.C. draw for a chance to host the perfect village Sunday, this summer.

The next council meeting will be Monday 16th June 8pm.

The Annual Parish meeting followed on from this meeting. The chairman in his report expressed his disappointment in the lack of achievement over this year; especially he was keen to see more done for the youth

of Soulbury. Having said this he was pleased to see the tarmac area completed in the playground for the basketball and netball and possibly football, and hoped many youngsters would make use of it. He also congratulated the Jubilee Committee for the excellent celebrations organised last summer. He concluded by expressing a hope that the Clubroom might be used more frequently with entertainments or activities laid on, at least some of which might be designed to appeal to youngsters. In her report our County Councillor Mrs B. Jennings reported that the decision to run the new canal from Milton Keynes to Bedford meant that there would be little disruption in this area. The matters that have caused most unrest have been the Shanks incinerator proposals, and Luton Airport. Milton Keynes Council have made a decision on the Shanks applications, but Mrs Jennings felt that there would almost certainly be more to come. She is still fighting on our behalf over the Western expansion of the flight paths at Luton, but the other worry is Luton Boroughs and the Airport Authorities desire for another runway. The County Council is very much against this without the infra structure being put in place first, and this also applies to any expansion of housing in

Milton Keynes. She was pleased to say that the by-pass was progressing well, and that an officer had been appointed to over-see and be responsible for its completion. A public enquiry would be held probably in July or August over the compulsory purchase of land. The date and venue will be announced shortly.

The meeting closed at 9pm.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

The Bells rang out, the church was bedecked with beautiful flowers and the porch adorned with a flowered arch. The church was full this Saturday afternoon May 17th with family members and guests for the wedding of Gwyneth Gauntlett and Maurice Hawkins of Dean Farm Lane, Soulbury.

The bride looked lovely in a simple white satin outfit, and the groom looked smart and dashing in his outfit.

Gwyneth was given away by her brother Tom James and was attended by the matron of honour Megan Cooper. There were four bridesmaids all dressed in long blue satin dresses. It was a splendid, happy occasion, with very good singing by the Drayton Parslow Singers, organist Michael Gooch and a solo song of Ave Maria sung by Maureen Sarjeant. The Rev Peter Lymbery conducted the ceremony and the bride and

groom drove off in a vintage white Rolls Royce and a dark red Bentley to the reception at Tring. As a guest I was particularly attracted by the order of service booklets, beautifully presented. The whole congregation of All Saints Church would like to thank Gwyneth and Maurice for their kind invitations, not only for the wedding reception in Tring but also to a buffet and drinks on the Sunday following their marriage. The couple held an open house and invited their neighbours from Dean Farm lane as well. What Generosity! The P.C.C. would also like to thank Mr and Mrs Hawkins for their generosity in buying the new dark red carpet for the church. It has transformed the look of the church and with the help of the church warden Mr Chris Bryant who has spent much time and effort cleaning the Victorian tiles it looks like a new church. Many thanks to everyone who has helped with this transformation.

Light classical concert

The friends of Soulbury Church have very kindly organised a concert to take place in All Saints Church on Sunday 15th June from 6pm - 8pm. This will be followed by light refreshments, or weather permitting a Barbecue in the vicarage garden. There will be a string quartet and a wind quintet playing favourite well-known pieces for everyone's enjoyment. Do come along and support this event. Tickets could be reserved from Paul or Sam Mardlin on 270292 or Chris Bryant 270607; cost £7.50

Church Quiz

The P.C.C. would like to thank Sir Nicholas and Lady Bonsor for opening their home Liscombe House, to guest for the Church Quiz. It was very

successful and enjoyable. Many thanks to Mrs Maureen Payne, who will unfortunately soon be leaving the village, for organising the questions and being question master on the night. The sum of £232 was made for the Church funds.

The Church fete will be held on June 21st at the Old Vicarage by kind invitation of DR and Mrs Owen.

MILLENNIUM GREEN

The Trustees are making arrangements for another event on the Millennium Green to take place on Sunday 20th July, when there will be a Ramble, Barbecue, Pet Show and Photo Competition with other attractions. The Ramble will take place in the morning, time to be confirmed. There will be a £2.50 entry fee for the Pet Show but for this price you can enter as many pets in as many categories as you wish - in other words you don't have to pay £2.50 for each animal you bring along. We expect it will mainly be dogs but you can enter any pet you like as long as it is securely housed and well looked after.

The Photo Competition will be on display and there will be prizes for the best entries. A single fee of £1 will be charged to enter the competition with a maximum of four photos for each entrant. The last day for submitting your photos is Monday July 14th a few days before the event, to give the organisers time to set up the display.

The only rules are that the photos must be of the Millennium Green at any time of year, in any weather: they can be general views of the M.Green, close ups of flowers, trees, birds or other animals, or of people enjoying themselves,

working, walking their dogs, children playing, anything as long as it's on the M.Green. The Annual General Meeting of the Millennium Green will be held on Thursday June 19th at 8pm in the Clubroom. All residents of Soulbury and anyone interested in what the Trust do are welcomed to attend. Anyone interested in becoming a trustee would be especially welcome. Don't forget to look at our website! www.soulburymg.org.

VOLUNTEERS

We have received various communications regarding volunteers.

Vale Volunteers

Are looking for an assistant to the gardening co-ordinator to work on a new project in Aylesbury Vale. Gardening enthusiasts should contact 01296 337456 www.valevolunteers.org.uk

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CRICKET FIXTURES

Sunday 1st June	Great Horwood	Home
Saturday 7th June	Stoke Hammond	Home
Sunday 8th June	Westcott	Home
Saturday 14th June	Open University	Away
Sunday 15th June	Drayton Parslow	Away
Saturday 21st June	Caddington	Home
Sunday 22nd June	Alex Bonsor XI	Home
Saturday 28th June	Wing	Away
Sunday 29th June	Milton Bryan	Home

Congratulations to the Soulbury Cricket Team who won The Wicken 6 a-side competition on May Bank Holiday Monday. *Well Done Lads!*

ALL SAINTS CHURCH SERVICES

Vicar : Rev. Norman Cotton, The Vicarage, Stewkley - Tel: 240287

Curate : Rev. Peter Lymbery, 17 Hartwell Crescent, Leighton Buzzard - Tel: 371235

Sunday 1st June	11.30am Sung Eucharist.
Sunday 8th June	11.30am Sung Eucharist.
Sunday 15th June	11.30am Sung Eucharist.
Sunday 22nd June	11.30am Sung Eucharist.
Sunday 29th June	11.30am Sung Eucharist.
Sunday 6 July	Special service to dedicate new kitchen and toilet facilities - Official opening at 10.am

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

(In the clubroom unless otherwise stated)

Monday	9 -23rd June	2.00pm -2.15pm	Mobile Library- Bungalows Lay-by
		2.20pm - 2.35pm	Stewkley Road Bus Stop
Tuesday	10th June	8.00pm	W.I. Betty Page "Let Me Entertain You"
Wednesday	11th June	2.30pm	Social Circle
Monday	16th June	8.00pm	Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday	18th June	7.45pm	Women's Fellowship
Thursday	12th & 26th June		AVDC Waste Paper & Recycling Collection
Thursday	19th June	8.00pm	A.G.M Millennium Green Meeting
Saturday	21st June		Church Fete. The Old Vicarage By Kind Invitation of DR. and Mrs Owen.

DIARY DATES

Tuesday	1st July 2003	Women's Institute outing to The Royal Windsor Show
Friday	4th July	Summer Charity Ball
Saturday	12th July	W.I. Pig Roast Stapleford Mill (Contact Mary Giles 270568)
Sunday	20th July	Millennium Green Ramble and Pet Show.
Monday	14th July	Last date for MG, Photograph Competition Entrees
Tuesday	12 August	Children's Entertainment 11.am

Items for next issue to : Mrs Miller 27054, Mrs Bunyan 270461, Mrs Norman 270483,
Mrs Fairbairn 270674 or Debbie@dbegroup.co.uk

LUTON FLIGHT PATH

Although the Luton Flight Path has been delayed PAVAN (Protect Aylesbury Vale Against Noise) are still campaigning and are still in opposition to this. If you would like more details or to join PAVAN contact Rachel Webb on 01525 240950 or e-mail rachel@pavan.me.uk

SAVE

Save - Support Aylesbury Vale Environment are looking for support at the following events.
Tuesday June 17th -Recycled Clothes Show. 7pm Reg Maxwell Hall, Civic Centre Aylesbury. Proceeds to Stoke Mandeville Hospital Radio.
Tuesday 15th July A.G.M. at the Wendover Room Civic Centre Aylesbury 6.45pm
For further information phone Mr R.Smart 01296 585147

SOULBURY SUMMER

BALL

There is one table left at the Summer Ball which is being held on Friday the 4th July. Cost £45.00 per head. If you would like to reserve this table, ring Paul or Sam Mardlin on 270292.
The cost includes Three course dinner. Live Band, Bar and Disco.

SOFAS FOR SALE

Two sofas, from Next, small two seaters in 'sand' colour. Very good condition. £150 pair
Please call 01525 270499 or 07966130384

PECKISH!

You may or may not be aware that Howe & Co visit Soulbury every Thursday to sell Fish'n Chips etc. The Van visits; Stewkley Rd; approx 5.10pm followed by The Green, Mount Pleasant and Chapel Hill and

the bus stop by the Boot bungalows If you would like more details ring 01296 712226. or get yourself a menu and timetable from the van. I'm sure you will enjoy them.

LOWES LANDSCAPE

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