



## SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

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### PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Regarding the footpath in front of Andrews Close, the Parish Council has received a letter from the Aylesbury Vale District Council Housing Division indicating that they hope to commence the work on the footpath sometime after the 1st April, provided that they can accommodate the cost within their financial budget for this year.

Aylesbury Vale District Council have agreed to carry out the necessary work to clear the outside wall of the "Thatches" of vegetation, along the Great Brickhill Road, so as to clear the verge from obstruction.

The Parish Council has also received a helpful letter from Phil Cozens of the "Thatches" regarding roadwork required in Dean Farm Lane to repair one of the drains for the "Thatches". This work was due to be carried out by the contractors on the 19th February 1996, and a traffic cone has been left on the repair spot until the concrete surrounding the repair has hardened sufficiently. Mr Cozens has also stated in his letter that he is planning to have the necessary work done in the near future to strengthen the whole of the drainage layout for the "Thatches", and that this may result in temporary restrictions on the road access to Dean Farm Lane from time to time.

As regards the problem of footpath obstruction by parked cars along the High Road, Area Constable Furber has the matter in hand, and will be monitoring the extent of this parking in the future.

Aylesbury Vale District Council has decided to levy a payment from all Parish Councils that do not hold an election for Parish Councillors. The Parish Council is requesting further and better information from Aylesbury Vale District Council regarding this charge.

The Parish Council has received a letter from the Bucks County Council indicating that the County Council will inform the Parish Council in advance of any proposal by the County Council to sell any land or property sited within the Parish.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 18th March.

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWS**

Mrs Sydney Barnes will be 90 years old on 17th March (Mothering Sunday). The service on that day will be at 11.00am and after the service everyone is welcome to a glass of sherry and a piece of birthday cake.

**RESTORATION** The completion of the 1995 programme of work has been delayed due to the need to replace the outer wall plate in the roof of the south aisle, a defect that was not readily apparent until the surrounding stone was removed. Not only has this delayed the 1995 programme but it does mean a small residue of work will probably have to be rolled over into the 1996 programme. The Friends of Soulbury Church will be issuing a report on progress to date and future plans in April or May. In the meantime thanks to all who have organised and supported the fund raising events.

**CHURCH FUNDS** The coffee morning in the Clubroom on 17th February raised £215. Thanks to all who helped and supported the event.

**FETE/OPEN AIR SERVICE** This year's Fete will be held at the Cottage Soulbury on 29th June, thanks to Mr and Mrs Pargeter. Offers of help and, in particular, any new ideas will be welcome. Please contact Stan Morris - 270577. The following Sunday 30th June, as in the last two years, there will be an open air service on the Green.

**EVENTS**

All Saints A.G.M. will be held in the Methodist Church Room on Thursday April 28th at 8pm. All welcome.

**LONDON MARATHON**

Liz Miller has been training hard to get fit to run in the London Marathon on 21st April this year. "Fingers crossed" she hopes to be uninjured and able to make the starting line.

Her aim is to raise money for the Aylesbury Vale Hospice, Florence Nightingale House, at Stoke Mandeville. Liz will also share the sponsorship money she raises with an Oxford Charity called "Flexicare" which provides care at home for terminally ill children or those with severe permanent disabilities.

If you would like to sponsor Liz, she would be very pleased to hear from you. Tel. 270545.

**THANKS**

We would like to record our appreciation to Mr Doug Smith and his milk-delivery team and to Mr Christopher Smith and Matthew Miller, the newspaper deliverers, for braving the elements during the recent spell of very bad weather, and ensuring that our much appreciated village deliveries continued uninterrupted.

**CONCESSIONARY TRAVEL**

Bus passes are now due for renewal. Over the past 20 years Mrs M Jones has collected the passes for those people in Soulbury unable to collect in person from either Aylesbury, Winslow or Buckingham. A.V.D.C. are now able to send a representative to issue these passes, so this year all those people eligible (women over 60 and men over 65) will be able to collect in person from the Clubroom on Wednesday March 13th at 2pm - 3pm. The same arrangements apply, please bring the current \Bus Pass, or for a first application a Pension Book or Number or Birth Certificate. There is an increase in price this year, the amount has not yet been decided.

Rail cards are no longer being issued by A.V.D.C. as an alternative to a bus pass.

Please note this will be the only time for collection in person in Soulbury.

**LETS Get Going: Local Exchange Trading System.**

LETS schemes are starting up all over the U.K. and in other countries. The LETS scheme helps put people in touch who need each others skills. People who may not have the cash to pay someone to help them, because they are out of work, may have the time and ability to help someone else and earn "credits" to get help when they need it.

A LETS scheme usually has a directory of all the skills that members can offer and skills or help that they would like to receive. Members can earn and spend credits using special LETS cheques, often making friends into the bargain.

A meeting about LETS is to be held on Tues 19th March at 7.30pm - 9pm at ADEC, Elmhurst Middle School, Dunsham Lane, Aylesbury. For further details, please telephone 01296 395185.

**RESIDENTIAL CARE**

If you are considering residential care for yourself, a friend or relative, you can now read an Inspectors report to help you decide. For further details, contact the inspection unit on 01296 387072.

**LEIGHTON-LINSLADE CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU.**

For confidential, impartial, free advice (on a wide range of subjects) contact Lieghton-Linslade Citizens Advice Bureau (Bossard House, West Street, Leighton Buzzard). Telephone 01525 373878.

**PAM BONNICK & RICHARD GRAHAM**

Pam & Richard are now open for business. They can provide Bed & Breakfast and an evening meal at their Farmhouse, newly renovated for the purpose, in the beautiful Pennine area of Cumbria, near the river Eden. The village of Renwick is about an equal distance from Penrith or Carlisle. Their address is Scalehouse Farm, Scalehouses, Renwick, Penrith, Cumbria, CA10 1JY, telephone 01768 896493.

Peter & Pauline Bibby emigrated to Canada in February after a number of happy years in Soulbury. Welcome to Julie & Len who have moved into their house.

**FOUND** A pair of men's spectacles in the Lay-by (Bus Shelter). Please telephone 270358 or collect from 15, The Green.

Garages Spaces to rent. Tel. 270493.

Orders now being taken for Summer hanging baskets. Contact Margaret Row 270355.

**GARDEN MACHINERY SERVICE.** Repairs and sales by R.G.C. Machinery, Rock Lane Farm. Most leading makes supplied. Free local collection & delivery. Re-conditioned mowers usually available. Also suppliers of A.T.Vs. & farm machinery. Tel 01296 681007 (daytime) 681286 (evenings).

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH**

Vicar. Rev. Norman Cotton, The Vicarage, Stewkley, 240287

March 3rd	Sung Eucharist 11.30am
10th	Sung Eucharist 11.30am with visiting Preacher Rev Vernon Smith, Leighton Buzzard.
17th	Mothering Sunday 11.00am Family Service (Mrs Sydney Barnes is 90 years on the day.
24th	Sung Eucharist 11.30am
31st	Palm Sunday Sung Eucharist 11.30am & Blessing of Palm Crosses.

**METHODIST CHURCH**

Minister: Rev. J Hustler. Tel 240251, The Manse, Stewkley.

March 3rd	10.30am	Mrs A. Guy	
10th	6pm	Rev. J. Hustler	Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
17th	6pm	Mrs M. Morris	Mothering Sunday
24th	6pm	Mr C. Fountain	
31st	6pm	Mr E. Barnet	Palm Sunday

Youth Group every Sunday after 6pm service, except 1st Sunday in the month.

Mother &amp; Toddler Group - every Tuesday 10.45am - 12 noon.

**Forthcoming Events** (In the Clubroom unless otherwise stated)

Wed.	March 6, 20	Mobile Library at the Stone	11.35-11.55am
Wed	March 6, 20	Waste Paper Collection Service	
Thurs	March 7,14,21,28	Bowls Evening	7.30pm
Tues	March 12th	W.I. Speaker Mr C. Parry Story of Inn Signs	8pm
Wed	March 13th	Social Circle	2.30pm
Mon	March 18th	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm
March 20th		W.F. at the home of Miss D. Booth. Talk by Rena Stewart	

**Diary Date**

Sunday April 14th Musical Evening in the Church. More details to follow.

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 Items for next issue by 20th March to: Mrs Miller. 270545. Mrs Bunyan 270461.

Mrs Norman 270483. Mrs Fairbairn 270674.

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