

As readers may see from the number of this issue, we have now completed six years of publication. We know from comments we have received that the Newsletter has a useful part to play in the life of the village, and we hope that it will continue to do so. We thank readers for their support over the years which has made it possible.

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The following is an extract from a letter received recently from Mr. Keith Camp, who, many of you will remember, was for some years a Parish Councillor. We publish it without comment.

" The May newsletter included a report on the Parish AGM, a reference to the poor attendance (7) and the possible frustration of our volunteer Parish Councillors. May I suggest that the poor attendance may be due to despair that action will ever be achieved in respect of issues which have been on the agenda for several years.

We won the most important battle when we changed the minds of the people who represent us at Aylesbury, over the proposed abattoir. This was achieved by a joint effort by the Parish Council and Parishioners, giving up many hours of leisure time to meet with the people who can influence such decisions and attending meetings to ensure that our side of the case was presented fairly and efficiently.

Pat Twyman in particular has applied a great deal of his time to heavy goods vehicle restrictions, but we really need co-ordinated action by all who are concerned. Then and only then will our representatives at Aylesbury realise that we mean business and they will then sit up and take notice.

To the people of Soulbury, I say 'If you want improvements you must pay for them, but you must also be prepared to give up a few hours per week to support the Parish Council'.

The alternative is apathy, destruction of our beautiful village and frustrated Parish Councillors! "

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#### Notes from the Parish Council Meeting.

Copies of a news sheet setting out proposed alternatives to the County Structure Plan may be obtained from the Parish Clerk at 5, The Head (Soulbury 296). Financing and development of the Playing Area awaits AVDC's guarantee of a long-term tenancy. Next meeting on Tuesday 3rd November.

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#### Music Concert and Organ Party

The really delightful concert of music in the church deserved a much larger audience than was present, but the PCC are most grateful to Mr. & Mrs. Watts and Mr. & Mrs. Fairlie for a well selected and executed programme. The collection afterwards added another £20 to the Roof Appeal. There were about 45 people present at the Organ Party and the Roof Appeal benefited by £100. Again the PCC would like to thank all those who helped in any way.

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The Soulbury Lions Tug-of-War team would like to thank everyone who helped to make their Sports Day a great success. Special thanks to the people who donated prizes, and to Mrs. Joyce Kellner who came along at such short notice to present the trophies.

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We extend particularly warm congratulations to Miss Lizzie Turney who achieves the splendid age of 90 on Michaelmas Day (September 29th). Miss Turney has lived all her life in Soulbury.

Congratulations also to Jane Pargeter who was selected, against keen competition, for a three week trip to Sweden under the auspices of the Young Farmers.

We welcome to the village Mr. & Mrs. Peacock and their sons who have come to live on The Green, and Bob and Eileen Gibbins and their daughter who live just off the High Road.

A belated welcome to Sophie Rosalind who was born to Alison and Colin Potter on 22nd July.

We were sorry to learn that Mr. West and Mr. Albert Crawford have been in hospital but are pleased to report that they are both now home again, as is Clive Bunning. We hope that Clive will soon be able to dispense with his crutches.

#### FOR SALE

Eltex Greenhouse Heater, Double Burner; £10. Phone Soulbury 315.

Stretch Covers for two-seater settee and chairs, including 4 cushion covers, Brown and Gold, in good condition; £10. Phone Soulbury 308 or call 10, High Road.

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#### Methodist Church

Sunday 4th October 3.00 pm

Sunday 11th October 6.00 pm

Sunday 18th October 3.00 pm

Sunday 26th October 6.00 pm

Minister: The Rev. Alan Creber.

The Manse, Stewkley, Tel: Stewkley 251

Children's Service - taken by the  
Sunday School scholars and teachers  
All Welcome.

Barnet Team.

The Rev. Alan Creber.

Mr. H. Scott

Sunday School 10.30 am every Sunday except 1st Sunday in month.

Fellowship Meetings Mondays at 2.00 pm.

Young Searchers. Fridays 7-9.00 pm. - Youth Group for ages 10 years and over.

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#### All Saints Church

Vicar: The Rev. Paul Drake.

The Vicarage, Stewkley. Tel: Stewkley 287

Sung Eucharist and Sermon each Sunday at 11.30 am.

Harvest Festival on 11th October.

Sunday School 11.15 am in the Clubroom.

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#### Forthcoming Events

We are sorry that we were given the wrong date for Social Circle last month. We do hope it did not inconvenience many people.

Tuesday 13th October 8.00 pm

WI:- Talk by Rochfords - House Plant Specialists. This is an open meeting  
Non members & husbands welcome.

Comp. Flower of the Month.

Social Circle: Harvest Festival.

Service taken by Mrs. D. Scott. Sale of  
produce.

Wednesday 14th October 2.30 pm

Womens Fellowship: At the home of  
Mrs. Faulkner. Mrs. Edelle Crane -  
Year of the Disabled.

Wednesday 21st October 8.00 pm

Cars leave Stone 7.40 pm.

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#### ADVANCE DATE

Tuesday 3rd November 8.00 pm.

Parish Council Meeting

All meetings in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated.