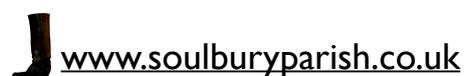


# Soulbury Parish News



Karen and her team who opened The Boot on 6th August



## September 2020

Please note: there will not be a printed version of the parish news for the foreseeable future. There will only be the online version which can be viewed on the new parish website or be sent to you by email should you so wish. Please advise Wendy of your email address if you wish to receive it via this method.

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## **Thames Valley Police**

**Emergency 999**

Non Emergency 101

# Dates for your diary - September 2020

## Dates for your diary September 2020

Brown bin	Weds	9th 23rd
Food bin and general waste (green lid)	Weds	9th 23rd
Food bin and recycling (blue lid)	Weds	16th 30th
<u>For Hollingdon and Dean Farm Lane only</u>		
Brown bin	Tues	8th 22nd
Food bin and general waste (green lid)	Tues	8th 22nd
Food bin and recycling (blue lid)	Tues	15th 29th
Parish Council Meeting	Mon	21st

**Copy date for this magazine will always be 21st of the month. Please diarise this as I will not be chasing anymore.**

As you might imagine, clubs meetings have been postponed for the foreseeable future and events have had to be cancelled. I have left events from September onwards in the list but whether they go ahead depends on the COVID-19 situation which changes daily.

## Soulbury Millennium Green and Parish Events 2020

Family Bingo Night	Sat 19th September
Bonfire Night	Sat 7th November
Christmas Singalong	Sat 5th December

# All Saints Church Services and News



## Church Services

6th September	Family service	11:00 am
13th September	No service	
20th September <i>Rev. Andrew Strauss</i>	Parish Communion	11:30 am
27th September <i>Rev. Andrew Strauss</i>	Parish Communion	11:30 am

*This will be our Harvest Festival and any dry or tinned goods will be most welcome and will be given to a food bank. There will be no Harvest Supper this year.*

## Lockdown Support

Whilst the Soulbury Helpers team has been reduced, support is still available through the Soulbury Helpers on 01525 611070 should you need it.

There is general information provided by the Buckinghamshire Council. Use <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/coronavirus/>

# Letter from our Team Rector



We are drawing near to harvest time and each of the Team churches will be celebrating that. Harvest is where we speak of all we have been given and for the Christian that comes from God's ordering of His Creation.

In our modern 24/7 world, many feel we have lost touch with the cycle of the seasons. Whilst that may well be true, my guess is that our forebears would see it as a small price to pay for no longer having to worry over whether the food stocks would last the winter. But that serves merely to emphasise how important it is to celebrate the harvest; celebrating harvest is the corrective to remind us of our dependency on nature and for the Christian, our

dependency on God's provision. God is not somewhere above the clouds or confined to a theology of sterile control. Rather, God is in the world and we are partners with Him – a practical outworking of what it means for us to be made in God's image.

The fruit of the harvest calls us to reflect on the 'fruit' of our own life. In his letter to the Galatian Church, Paul calls this the fruit of the spirit. God works through his whole Creation which includes you and me and He throws out fruit. The big question is do we want to receive it?

There are many opportunities for the life of church and community to mutually inform, uphold and yes, sometimes challenge one another and thus develop and grow. I hope that this harvest time we can reflect that we are given so much and reflect also on the fruit of our own living.

With every blessing,

Howard.

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# Countryside Etiquette

Sadly, I have to AGAIN remind people who walk along footpaths across fields containing livestock, including mothers and their young, that you must keep their dogs on leads. You must also keep to the paths provided by farmers. As we know, mothers of all youngsters get very protective and dogs loose in fields will, and do, generate very dangerous situations. Once a dog has its eye on a chase no amount of shouting to heel will work. Don't let it get to that point by ensuring you use the lead.



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# Parish Council News

The meeting of Soulbury Parish Council took place on Monday 17 August 2020. There were 9 members of the public present. Apologies received from Cllr Ian Culley. Minutes of Parish Council meeting on Monday 17 July 2020 were approved. There were no matters arising. Various bills were paid. £918 paid for the kissing gate at the top of Church Lane. £2,500 given to the Cricket Club for repairs to the club house, which passed the asbestos check with a couple of recommendations.

## Planning:

- 20/02412: Close, Cottage, Church Lane, Soulbury - link between garage and main dwelling with insulation works.  
No objection.
- 20/02587: Dollar Farm, Leighton Road, Soulbury - erection of detached garage and workshop.  
No objection.
- 20/02513: Rear of The Boot public house, 51 High Road, Soulbury - erection of two detached dwellings together with associated landscaping and parking and the reconfiguration of the public house car park and beer garden.  
Objection: in conservation area, architecturally not in keeping, density too high stress on already dilapidating services. It was also pointed out the place of where junction joins High Road is virtually blind despite Highways not having any objection.
- 20/02347: Rislip Farm, Gt Brickhill Road, Soulbury - erection of steel portal framed grain store.  
No objection.

**Children's Playground:** Frances Andrews chased the Buckinghamshire Council Legal Department which elicited a response saying that Buckinghamshire Council is prepared to grant a 25 year lease with a landlord break at year 10, 15 and 20. The annual rent will be £500. We are currently paying £12.50 and the new rent will commence from the date of the new lease. Cllr Stevens pointed out that one fly in the ointment was reimbursing the £106 monies acquired for equipment on the play area. It was agreed that a new lease be drafted for inspection by our solicitor so we can decide on our final agreement to the heads of terms. We could not agree or otherwise on the contents of an email. Frances was thanked for her efforts as she had got further with this in a few months than the parish council seemed able to achieve in a couple of years.

**Grass cutting:** The village green is looking the best it has done for a long time and Richard Caplan was thanked for good job he is doing. The following still needs to be carried out:

- a) Mark a map with the areas needed to be included in the grass cutting contract and obtain a quote for that.
- b) Go out to three companies to tender for the new contract ensuring quote covers transport, maintenance, insurance and storage.

**County Councillors:** Cllr Ben Everitt attended and gave a report. Lockdown changed a lot of things but the council merger did take place. We now only have unitary councillors. The merger has been a surprising success despite some teething issues. Care Home support has been very good. The Thames Valley area never ran out of PPE and he praised the public sector staff. Local business are being supported with grant funding. The local plan is still an open book.

**Parish Hall:** Redecoration has commenced. Member of public asked if it was possible to have a double sink in the kitchen as he is all too aware of the limitations when washing up for the parish breakfast.

**SMG:** Cllr Stevens reported that the Community Payback teams will commence on the Millennium Green on Wednesdays.

**Public Participation:** The issues in Andrews Close have not settled down. A response to the Parish Council's letter to VAHT has been received which contained all the usual platitudes. Mediation has been offered. Cllr Everitt will discuss with parties involved.

**AOB:**

- 6 months ago we applied to the District Council for a Public Space Protection Order. The District Council wrote describing that the process is not easy and why did we want to continue with it. The Parish Council agreed to press on with the process. Nothing has happened. Cllr Stevens raised this again as it is important to have it place so we can cope with any issues rather than battling with the issue with no protection. Post meeting note: An email from Cllr Everitt showed that PSPOs are in place for 3 years at which time there is a consultation exercise to understand if it still needs to be in place.
- Cllr Wright read out a short report from the Neighbourhood Policing Team about the level of crime in the area: it very low with one burglary from a business and a couple of other minor crimes.
- A member of the public asked if the drains (not foul drains) in the area could be cleared. They are overflowing at times of heavy rains and flooding roads. This will be raised on Fix my Street, the Buckinghamshire Council's portal for reporting such items. It was pointed out that anyone can report such items - it does not have to be left to the parish council or wait for a parish council meeting to get it remedied.

**Next meeting will be held on  
Monday 21 September 2020 at 7:30 pm**

## Marquee for hire



Have you considered using the Soulbury Millennium Green for events and functions? There are many facilities on the SMG to make your event a success which includes a 12m x 6m white marquee. To hire this marquee the cost is £150 per event. So please consider the SMG for parties, children parties, birthdays, barbecues, wedding blessings, etc. Contact Alan Stevens or Wendy Taylor to discuss.

For the hire of marquees for functions at other locations, please call Alan Stevens to discuss the cost and logistics.

Ever hopeful that we will be able to socialise again, this facility can be considered for any future planning.



# Soulbury Millennium Green

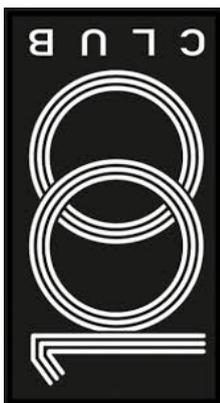


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The Millennium Green gets better by the week. Our Community Payback crews are appearing on a regular basis and doing sterling work. This week the orchard is the object of their efforts, clearing weeds from around the trees.

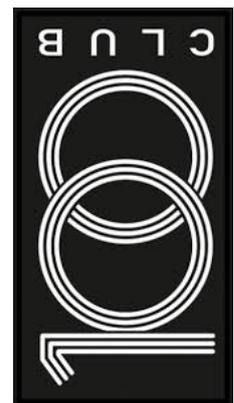
Whilst mentioning the orchard, can I remind everyone that with all the wind we have had recently there is, and will be, a lot of windfalls on the ground. Do feel free to come and pick up for us, as it seems a shame to let it all rot. No-one seems to want to pick the fruit from the trees so why not pick it up off the ground? Finally, just to let you know there is always plenty to do on The Green so if you are bored at any time please do come and visit us.

## 100 Club



### Winners in 2020

January	James Mansfield-Sturgess
February	Tim Collins
March	Daphne Reeves
April	Debbie Olie
May	Mrs Chris Bryant
June	John Stevens
July	Diane Lowes
August	Sonia Woodford



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# Yesteryear

NUMBER 23

SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 1977

## A New Project for Soulbury Methodist Church

In July 1978 Soulbury Methodist Chapel will celebrate the 140th Anniversary of the opening of the present building in Chapel Hill. The members of the church are anxious that they will be able to carry on the work started by so many faithful people one hundred and forty years ago, and in order to do this it was felt that some renovations and alterations to the structure of the building would be necessary. The building has been improved since the day of its opening when it had a brick floor, a Tortoise Stove and no gallery or porch. The gallery was added about eighty years ago and this was used by the choir. During these alterations the meetings were held in the shed of one of the villagers. We hope we will not have to resort to this! However, we hope that on the 140th Anniversary we will be able to have a grand opening of an extension to the schoolroom and a new kitchen and toilets. In order to do this we will be holding a number of fund raising events during the coming year. There are a great many people in the village who have both past and present connections with the Chapel and we would like to ask them for their support during this special effort. Finally we would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would like to attend our services and join with us in our plans for the future of God's work in Soulbury.

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## Jubilee Presentations and Entertainment

The Presentations of the Jubilee Coins by Elizabeth, Lady Bonsor will take place on Saturday 17th September in the Clubroom.

3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Children's Party for 10 years and under.  
6.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. Disco for 11 years and over.

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## Children's Bazaar

A Children's Bazaar in aid of the National Children's Home will be held in the Clubroom on Saturday 10th September at 3.00 p.m. Stalls include Tombola, Raffle, Toys, Books, White Elephant and Refreshments etc. Any contributions for Tombola or any other stall will be gratefully accepted by Karen Giles, 13 Stewkley Road or Jayne Norman, 11 The Green.

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## Produce Show

The Clubroom Committee wish to thank all those who helped to make the Produce Show successful. A special thanks to those who contributed to the Tombola and to those who donated their prize money and their exhibits for auction, resulting in a profit of £63. The Clubroom is for the use of everyone in the village and fund raising efforts are essential to keep it in a good state of repair and for any improvements in the future.

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## Adult Education Classes

The new educational year starts in September at Wing School. There are many classes for those who are interested in the following subjects:- Astronomy, Art, Badminton, Car Care, Conversational French, Conversational German, Cookery, Dressmaking, Fitness for Sport (Youth-Girls & Youth-Boys), Flower Arranging, Ladies Recreation (1&2), Trampoline (Youth Class & Adult Class), Upholstery, Typing & Office Practice, Woodwork and Yoga. Enrolment is by post after 2nd September or at Wing School on Monday 19th September from 7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.: or at the first meeting for remaining vacancies. The registration fee for all courses is 10p and the term begins on Monday 26th September. Fees vary according to course and age.

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We are glad to know that Mr. John Winsor is making a good recovery from his illness and we hope he will be back in Soulbury soon.

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## Outing to Stowe School

There will be an outing to Stowe School on Sunday 11th September. Magnificent trees unforgettable vistas, landscaping in the grand manner, 'Capability' Brown's first big job. The suggestion is we go by car arriving at the School at 2.30 p.m. Will all those interested please contact Ken Scholefield at Soulbury 389 after 6.00 p.m. before 8th September stating whether you can offer a lift in a car or whether you require a lift. Cost 40p per head. It will take around 2 hours, why not come and bring a picnic tea.

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### Coach Trip to Walton-on-the-Naze

There are still some seats available on the coach trip to Walton-on-the-Naze on Saturday 3rd September. Anyone interested please contact Mrs. H. Ashburner at 15 The Green, tel:Soulbury 314.

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### Methodist Chapel

Minister: Rev. N. Burrows, The Manse, Stewkley  
Telephone: Stewkley 251

Sunday 4th September 2.30 p.m.  
6.00 p.m.  
Sunday 11th September 6.00 p.m.  
Sunday 18th September 10.30 a.m.  
Sunday 25th September 10.30 a.m.  
6.00 p.m.  
Monday 26th September 7.00 p.m.

Family Service - Mrs. Heffer  
Circuit Service at Stewkley High Street  
Mrs. Dimmock  
Mr. K. Harris  
Rev. N. Burrows - Harvest Festival  
Mr. F. Pearce of Luton - Harvest Festival  
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Bible Study Mondays at 2.30 p.m.

September 5th & 26th at 27 The Green, 12th at 11 The Green, 19th at 25 The Green.

Sunday School Each Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

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### All Saints Church

Vicar: Rev. P. Drake, The Vicarage, Stewkley  
Telephone: Stewkley 287

Sunday 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th September 11.30 p.m. Sung Eucharist and Sermon

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### Coming Events

Friday 2nd September 7.15 p.m.  
Saturday 3rd September 7.00 a.m.  
Wednesday 7th September 7.00 p.m.  
Saturday 10th September 3.00 p.m.  
Sunday 11th September  
Tuesday 13th September 8.00 p.m.

WF Scrabble Evening. Cars leave the Stone.  
Trip to Walton-on-the-Naze. Coach leaves the Green.  
Coffee Evening & Bring and Buy at 11 The Green.  
Bazaar in aid of the National Children's Home.  
Visit to Stowe School. For details see above.  
Women's Institute. Members' Evening at the home of Mrs. J. Kellner, Upper Hollingdon Farm. Anyone wishing to contribute to this please contact Mrs. F. Smithson at Soulbury 217. For transport contact Mrs. V. Hammond at Soulbury 318.

Wednesday 14th September 2.30 p.m.  
Saturday 17th September 3.30 p.m.  
Monday 19th September 7-9.00 p.m.

Social Circle.  
Jubilee Presentations  
Enrolment Evening at Wing Centre for Evening Classes.

Tuesday 20th September 8.00 p.m.  
Wednesday 21st September 8.00 p.m.

Parish Council Meeting in the Clubroom.  
Women's Fellowship. Business Meeting at the home of Mis D. Booth, 7 Chapel Hill.

Saturday 24th September 2.30 p.m.

Jumble Sale in aid of Youth Club Funds.

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### Advance dates

Saturday 10th December 3.00&6.00p.m. Christmas Fair and Carol Concert  
Sunday 18th December 2.30 p.m. Toy Service



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Soulbury Village CC have finally got their season going in August with big victories over Drayton Parslow and Milton Bryant and a narrow loss to New Bradwell.

The race is on to get as many fixtures in as possible in September!

## The Boot



Karen opened The Boot on 6 August as planned. The event had to be photographed, didn't it? It was good to see the pub busy with customers again. Sadly, on that day food was not being served but the rumourmill on Facebook tells me that pizza is certainly now on the menu and, judging by the picture of empty plates, it was well received. Go on down there to find out what other wonders the menu has and tell everyone.



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