



Soulbury Parish News

September 2025



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Soulbury Community Hub



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Emergency	999
Non Emergency	101

Due to GDPR regulations the Clerk and Parish Councillors should not be using their own personal email addresses for parish council business. Therefore, the following email addresses have been set up for everyone to use when communicating with the parish council.
This information will also appear on the parish website.

Soulbury Village Dates for your diary August 2025 onwards

Tuesday 2nd Sept.	10:00 am	SMG Meeting (Parish Hall).
Sunday 7th Sept.	11:30 am	Parish Communion – harvest Festival (All Saints Church).
Monday 8th Sept.	7:00 pm	Harvest Supper (Parish Hall).
Tuesday 9th Sept.	2:00 pm	WI Meeting (Parish Hall).
Thursday 11th Sept.	2:30 pm	Social Group Meeting (Parish Hall).
Saturday 13th Sept.	9:30 am	Ride & Stride 2025 (All Saints Church Open).
Monday 15th Sept.	7:30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Parish Hall).
Monday 15th Sept.	7:30 pm	Licensing Service for new Cottesloe Team Vicar, Will Lyon Tupman at St Peter & St Paul. Church, Wingrave with Rowsham.
Sunday 21st Sept.	11:30 am	Parish Communion (All Saints Church).
Thursday 25th Sept.	2:30 pm	Social Group Meeting (Parish Hall).
Friday 26th Sept.	10:30am	MacMillian Coffee Morning (Parish Hall)
Sunday 28th Sept.	11:30 am	Brunch Church (All Saints Church).
Sunday 5th October	9:30/12:00	Soulbury Breakfast (Parish Hall).
Sunday 5th October	11:30 am	Parish Communion.
Thursday 9th October	2:30 pm	Social Group Meeting (Parish Hall).
Tuesday 14th October	10:00 am	SMG Meeting (Parish Hall).
Tuesday 14th October	2:00 pm	WI Meeting (Parish Hall).
Sunday 19th October	11:30 am	Parish Communion.
Monday 20th October	7:30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Parish Hall).
Thursday 23rd October	2:30 pm	Social Group Meeting (Parish Hall).
Sunday 26th October	11:30 am	Brunch Church (All Saints Church).
Saturday 8th November	TBC	Fireworks Display.

The next Soulbury Breakfast will be on Oct 5th.

We do hope you can all come for a full English breakfast for £7.50, or a Continental breakfast if you prefer, with as much coffee or tea as you can drink. Come and meet your neighbours.

Should anyone need to contact a vicar our new Team Rector is:

Rev. Dominic Wright

Tel. No: 01296 688593 Mob. No: 07732 554611

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General Information

Please note that if anyone wants to add electric car chargers to their property which is either a listed building or in a conservation area they MUST obtain planning permission.

Soulbury Parish Hall

A great venue for parties, business meetings, fitness classes or rehearsal space.

Fibre broadband connected.

To book, email: soulburyparishhall@gmail.com

T able and chair hire also available.

Buckinghamshire Councillors for our Ward



Cllr Jilly Jordan



Cllr Caroline Cornell

Soulbury WI

Soulbury WI news for August 2025 ?

The was no meeting in August

2025 WI program

Monthly Meetings held at 2.00 pm 2nd Tuesday each month
Soulbury Parish Hall [VISITORS £3.00]

09 September Boudicca – Warrior Queen or
Rebel

14 October A Great Railway Journey

16 October Group Meeting – evening –
Hosted by Wavendon Belles

11 November AGM

02 December Christmas Social

09 December Christmas Lunch



**Celebrating the 50th
Anniversary of the
Soulbury WI**

Soulbury Cricket 2025

We've played 3 games since the last newsletter.

On 27th July we had a good win at Aspley Guise with Alfie Smees and Austin Jones both scoring 50s.

On 10th August we played Leighton Town at home. Leighton won in the final over of a close and exciting game.

We were meant to play Mursley away on 17th August but they couldn't get a full team and called off.
Luckily Simmons CC were looking for a game so we played them at home and won with Pete Wallace taking 4 wickets.

We have these Sunday matches coming up - all start at 1pm

Sun 31 Aug	1pm	Away	Stewkley CC
Sun 7 Sep	1pm	Home	Buckland & Aston Clinton CC
Sun 14 Sep	1pm	Home	Aspley Guise CC
Sun 28 Sep	1pm	home	versus 11 excellent players from The Boot - we plan to do a barbeque for this game and the bar will be open all afternoon.

Players, Scorers, Spectators, Helpers, Families – please come along. We have a great value bar!

If you have any questions or need more info please contact me, Adrian Hunt on 07702 019 553.
SVCC Chairman

Soulbury Parish News Advertising Rates

To advertise in this magazine the rates are as follows:

	Annual	Monthly
Full page (portrait)	£200	£30
Half Page (landscape)	£100	£20
Quarter Page (Portrait)	£50	£10
Small Ads (landscape)	£33	£5

Ads will appear in the newsletter and on the parish website.
sdm@soulburyparish.co.uk

All Saints' Church – Soulbury

The recent wedding of two of our village residents at All Saints Church was very well supported by around 120 friends and family members. Church bells were rung prior and after the marriage service, with live music supplied to accompany the hymns by three string musicians. The Church was decorated with white flower arrangements throughout and supplemented with LED Candle effects adorning along the window alcoves shelves. The joyful wedding service was conducted by Revd Dom Wright and it was so pleasing to see many happy faces welcoming Tanya & Neil into their married life and wish them well for their future lives together.

All Saints Church will be opened on Saturday 13th September for the annual Ride & Stride sponsored fund raising day for the Buckinghamshire Historic Churches Trust. This will enable participants & visitors access to view the interior of the church, providing them with opportunity for rest, refreshments and toilet facility. This is an ideal occasion to come and explore the historic interior of our lovely church whilst open throughout the day.

Harvest Festival & Supper:

Not only for our hard-working farmers, but also All Saints' Church, Soulbury is to celebrate Harvest Festival on Sunday 7th September at 11:30 am. As traditional, this will be followed on Monday 8th September with our Harvest Supper in the Parish Hall, 7:00 pm to eat at 7:30 pm. Please bring your own drinks and glasses etc.

Menu will be homemade Steak Pie with fresh vegetables followed by a selection of desserts. Special dietary requirements can be catered for if we know in advance.

There will be a raffle in aid of the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institute (RABI) which is the leading farming charity. There will also be an auction or sale of Harvest produce.

The supper cost will be £15 each – Please pay in advance by cash or cheque or on the night when a card reader will be available. Ticket bookings through Mrs Chris Bryant – Email: MrsChris@Soulbury.org

New Team Vicar:

Our newly appointed Team Vicar, Will Lyon Tupman's Licensing Service is to be conducted by The Rt Revd Bishop Dave Bull, Bishop of Buckingham, at St Peter & St Paul Church, Wingrave with Rowsham on Monday 15th September at 7:30 pm. We hope that this will be well supported throughout the Cottesloe Benefice and Soulbury play their part also.

Church Finances:

Although recent cost savings have now been undertaken with savings made in cleaning and utility costs, we still need to increase our revenue income to help manage our accounts. If you are able to provide regular giving or increase existing giving arrangements, please consider supporting us with this, as detailed in the Parish Giving file herewith.

Thank You for all your support,

Jane Luxton & Nigel Kemal – Churchwardens



All Saints' Church, Soulbury

The community has been worshipping at All Saint's Church on the High Road for 800 years.

All are welcome to worship on the 1st, 3rd and 4th Sunday of each month, usually at 11.30am

The church also welcomes families at important times in your lives, such as marriage, baptism and funeral services - speak to Rev Dom Wright to find out more.

Your donations, regular or one off are gratefully received to help keep our Church open for this and future generations.

Parish Giving page.

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/soulbury-all-saints-leighton-buzzard/>



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Please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to come. mrschris@soulbury.org

Thank-you! *Chris*

Thoughts of a Soulbury Resident

I feel that only writing in the L B O that I am missing out on a lot of my potential audience.

So, I have come to the conclusion that I should use the newsletter once in a while (space permitting).

Over the last month I have been harping on topics, like why would somebody takes a saw to cut the bottom rail of a stile, possibly to get a dog through, but in fact lets the sheep out.

Why do people move into the country and then ignore country codes?

What would be more useful is that people could harvest some of the fruit which is going to waste in the orchard on the millennium green. Apples and pears in abundance at the moment and it is such a shame.

A great deal of time has been spent in the last month, discussing and planning for the Millennium Green improvements. This was all brought about by a resident suggesting a complete pathway around the Green to gain access for the disabled or wheelchair users. This has prompted the committee to look at various other improvements that we could or should do. One is the resurrection of the pond; another is the creation of a barbeque area with a firepit. This all takes money! Money that we don't have and that we need to raise funds for. To this aim we are looking at charitable fundraising. Turns out this is a complicated business, and there are many hoops to jump through, but we are doing our best and remember "Rome wasn't built in a day"

Coming back closer to home, this year there has been no "Open Gardens" or Village Fete, this obviously created a short fall in general fundraising for the church and other general maintenance. Many of you don't realize that some time ago we launched an appeal for residents to set up standing orders to support the Church and I think we had a massive response of 3 at that time. So next month we might print the form for you to complete if you so wish. Like-wise with the 100 club for the millennium Green, there is no reason why anyone cannot join half way through the year.

Finally I would like to advertise the forthcoming Macmillan Coffee Morning in the Parish Hall on Friday 26th September, offers of help would be most welcome



Soulbury Millennium Green – August Report

As August is traditionally considered a holidays period, in line with the Parish Council, no management meetings are scheduled to happen. However, the Pathway Extension Funding sub-committee is managing to meet to progress work towards this project. Work is progressing to identify a wish list of additional SMG enhancements and their implementation costs to try and improve this community green space together with the pathway extension plan. Three members of the committee recently visited the Liscombe Estate to view and discuss the new pond dug out there. Nadine Bonsor hosted us and introduced us to Richard who guided us around, answering where possible, our numerous questions. The visit was very fruitful, and a lot was learnt on how to proceed with the rectification of our pond. We are very grateful to Nadine and Richard for their time and hospitality extended to us. The community payback team are currently being used to move and condense the compost area by the old chicken coop, as this has recently become too extended and cumbersome. Also, maintaining the orchard requires on going work with weeding beds, pruning and watering during this dry weather.

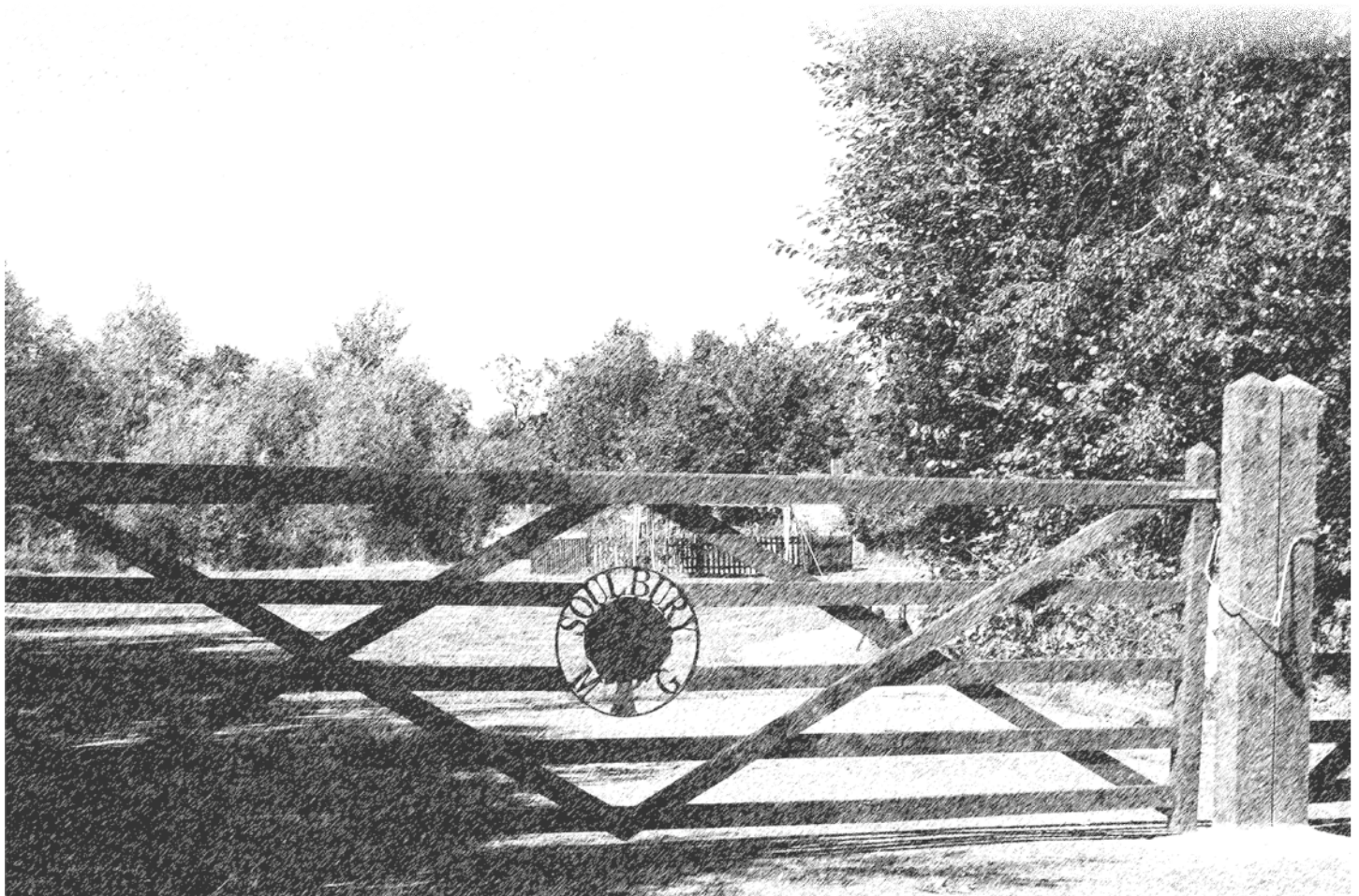
Future Event dates:

08/11/25 – Firework Display

The next SMG Committee meeting is the **AGM on Tuesday 2nd September 2025 at 10am at the Parish Hall.**

Soulbury Millennium Green Trust - 100 Club & Winners in 2025

January:	Wendy Taylor	February:	Tony Crack
March:	Heather Isaacs	April:	Chrissie Dixon
May:	Jean Mason	June:	Richard Caplan
July:	Gilly Beach		



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