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*Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year to
Everyone*

Your Vale – Your Future: consultation on development in this area

Consultation on development during the next 20 years in the Vale of White Horse District Council area will take place during January and February 2009.

The main impact on Chilton will be a proposed development of a further 2,300 new homes to the west of the already agreed Great Western Park site at Didcot. This will effectively fill in the remaining open countryside between Didcot and the A34. The redevelopment and intensification of Harwell Science and Innovation Campus will also be promoted.

The consultation document identifies new road schemes to take the additional traffic between Didcot, Harwell Campus and the A34 southbound. One is a north to south link between the A4130 (the Didcot to Milton link road) and the A417. This would join the A417 east of the A34, close to West Hagbourne village.

How the traffic would then continue to Harwell Campus and the A34 is where it begins to affect Chilton. One possibility is a Rowstock bypass, which would relieve congestion at the existing Rowstock junction, but would direct more traffic on the A417 through the southern part of Harwell village. And no doubt increase use of the road over Hagbourne Hill.

The other option is a Chilton Link from the A417 to the A34 either by a completely new road or by regrading of the existing road over Hagbourne Hill. Both the Chilton links put forward so far would direct more traffic past the village and the school entrance off

the A4185, making it even more difficult for drivers to leave at peak times.

The Parish Council made its views known when the consultation document was discussed at a meeting of the VWHDC Development Control Committee at the beginning of this month. Just as well, because the Keep Harwell Rural campaign urged the Committee to adopt a route which may not be the preferred route of Chilton residents.

The Parish Council urges all Chilton residents to take part in the consultation at the beginning of 2009. The public consultation exhibitions (from 3.00pm to 7.00pm) and discussion groups (from 7.00pm to 9.00pm) will be held on

- 27 January Abingdon Guildhall
- 6 February Harwell Village Hall
- 12 February Wantage Civic Hall
- 14 February Didcot Cornerstone Centre, exhibition only, from 10.00 to 4.00pm
- 16 February Didcot Civic Hall, discussion group, from 7.00pm to 9.00pm

You can also find out more from the VWHDC website www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk



Buy Your Tickets Now

New Year's Eve Disco in the Village Hall.

Dancing to Playinout from 8.00pm to 1.00am.

Tickets £7.00 available from
Margaret Rolls 65 Crafts End 831878

Sally Parsler 07736 429422

Marcia Oliver 07861 658880

No bar, bring your own drinks.

All proceeds to support Willow Farm (RSPCA)

Margaret Rolls.



The Lydia Thomas Chilton Gift Fund

The Trustees of the Lydia Thomas Chilton Gift Fund are planning to visit some of the senior citizens of Chilton on New Year's

Day 2009 to distribute parcels of groceries or baskets of fruit provided by the Fund.

The distribution of these groceries is an annual event and on 1 January this year we were delighted to be able to supply some substantial gifts because of the generous donations from kind parishioners which swelled the Fund.

Again this year, we would welcome donations from parishioners to increase our budget. Donors may specify whether they would like their gift to be spent this year or whether they would prefer the Trustees to invest the gift so as to enhance our spending power in future years.

So if you would like to make a donation to the Lydia Thomas Chilton Gift Fund please contact one of the following Trustees:

John Pigott	18 Latton Close
Brian Morris	6 Latton Close
Audrey Slater	9 Latton Close
Pam Rolls	15 Elderfield Crescent

A little background information: Lydia Thomas was a benefactress of Chilton who died in 1807 and provided in her will the sum of £333-6-8d in 3% Consols for distribution of £10 each New Year's Day for the benefit of the poor. The endowment was administered by the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish and used for a distribution of goods, usually of loaves of bread. It is believed that Lydia lived at the Malt House in Main Street. In 1975 the Fund was amalgamated with the Chilton Aid Fund (set up in 1955) to form the present day Fund. The Chilton Aid Fund arose from the Chilton share of the proceeds of the sale of the Nurse's House administered in connection with the Harwell and Chilton Nursing Association. That charity was comprised in a conveyance dated 1926.



Theatre in Chilton

The Oxfordshire Touring Theatre Company (OTTC) put on a hugely enjoyable performance of Hansel and Gretel on Friday 12th December to a bumper audience of 88. Many thanks to our wonderful ticket sellers, Chris Druce and Ann Shaw and the VHMC helpers on the night.

OTTC are back again on 13th March 2009 with a new cast for the adult production

“River’s Up”, specially written for the company. Make sure you put the date in your diary.

Village Hall Management Committee



All Saints' Evergreens

The members of All Saints' Evergreens would like to thank all those who supported their Annual Bazaar on November 8th. A total of £272 was raised.

The Evergreens is a club for the over 60's. Meetings are held at 2.30 pm on the 1st Tuesday of each month. Details of speakers and events are published monthly in the Ridgeway Broadsheet. The annual subscription is £5. New members and visitors are very welcome.

For further details, please contact Audrey Slater (834558) or Gordon Cowan (831932)



Thank You

Thank you to everyone who supported the Cryptic Quiz on the theme of the London Underground. There was a brilliant response and we raised the superb total of £148 for the new Haematology Unit at the Churchill Hospital. Congratulations to the winner Mrs Julia Gilling of Wallingford with 49.5 out of 50. Thanks to everyone who sold the Quiz Sheets especially Karen and Phil at the Rose and Crown.

New Quiz Sheets on a Christmas theme are now available from the Rose and Crown, Gwen Pearce at 8 Manor Close and from the Goodalls at 43 Crafts End. All money raised will go to Helen and Douglas House.

Thank you and Good Luck

Judy Goodall



Chilton Community Liaison

Meeting

The next meeting is to be held on **Thursday 26th February at 7.45pm** in the Village Hall. The purpose of the meeting is to provide a forum for open discussion of matters of common or mutual interest between owners/occupiers of the Harwell Chilton Campus and the Chilton Parish Community. Members of the community

are welcome to attend the meeting and may ask questions regarding any campus presentations made at the meeting. However, any other questions must be pre-submitted by 5th February to allow Campus organisations time to seek answers to questions and possibly invite other appropriate persons to the meeting.

Questions should be submitted to both: Steve Moss UKAEA – steve.moss@ukaea.org.uk and Ian Thompson ian@motoristshop.wanadoo.co.uk



Chilton W.I.

The next meeting of the W.I will be held on January 15th at 7.45pm in the Village Hall. The speaker will be Mr David Marsh "On Safari with David". The competition is an animal wildlife collage.

Don't forget that the annual subscription is due this month.

Visitors and new members are always very welcome.

For more details phone Gwen Pearce on 831930.



Chilton Bell Ringing In January

This month the joint practices are on 8th and 22nd January between 7.30 and 9.00pm. and possibly on the 29th too. We welcome visitors who would just like to watch to see how it is done, but phone first to confirm the dates. For more details please contact Alec Samler on 834589.

For further information, including the history of the tower, bell restoration and records of peals and quarter peals rung here please look at our website:

<http://fortran.orpheusweb.co.uk/Bells/chbell.htm>

Kate Crennell

Chilton Tower Secretary: 834357



Footpaths

The Council has received complaints of horse riders riding along the footpath behind Crafts End. Will riders please not use it as the footpath is becoming badly churned up which makes it difficult for walkers to use.



Planning

Applications Considered by the Parish Council

Application for change of use of building R73 (nursery) to Class B1 office use.

Erection of new class B1 building and beamline link to Diamond. CHI/17434/2

Application for recladding of existing link corridor and erection of porch. Building R6 RAL CHI/6922/4

Application to erect two storey and single storey front extensions to front of property and internal alterations. 14 Latton Close. CHI/20742

Applications Determined by the Vale

Refusal for two free standing signs 7m x 3m CHI/HAR/14221/67 Land at Harwell Science and Innovation Campus.

Permission to convert integral garage into a habitable room - construction of a upvc conservatory to the north western elevation (Re -submission)

2 Limetrees CHI/19889/2



The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Wednesday 7th January at 8.00pm.**

Members of the public are invited to attend.

Provisional Agenda

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Declaration of Interests
3. Area Beat Officer's Report
4. Open Forum
5. District Council Report
6. County Council Report
7. Planning
8. Minutes of the last PC meeting
9. Matters Arising from the Meeting
10. Finance
 - (i) Budget for 2009/10
11. Your Vale - Your Future
12. Report of Meetings Attended
13. VHMC Report
14. Play Equipment Inspection
15. Correspondence.

Items to be included in the next Chronicle should be sent to the Clerk (preferably by email or on a disk) by **Wednesday 28th**

January

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Do You Want to Book the Village Hall?

If so, please contact Keith Woods, Layton
Cottage, Main Street 01235 831750 for
details.

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You can find it on the Village Hall website
www.chiltonvillagehall.co.uk