

Chilton Chronicle

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Parish Council Elections

In May there will be an election for all the seats on the Parish Council; why don't you think about becoming a Parish Councillor?

All you need to become one is:

- Be aged 18, on the electoral role, be a citizen of UK, Commonwealth, EU or Ireland, resident within 3 miles of the parish or own land or work in the parish
- Be able to attend regular evening meetings
- Be interested in local issues, but not just a single issue
- An understanding and willingness to represent the views of the whole community
- An interest in being a professional and effective councillor

For more information about what is involved please contact Liz Morris, the Parish Clerk, on 834233 or parishclkchilton@btinternet.com. Don't just leave it to others, play a part yourself.

New Year New You?

We now have a great range of rooms on our doorstep: The Community Room as well as Small and Large Village Halls. Let's not leave them empty!

What classes or groups would you like to see there?

Exercise classes, new sports, craft classes, children's activity groups, educational classes, social events? This is your chance to have your say and have the class that you would like to attend right on your doorstep. Drop an email or pick up the phone to the bookings clerk and we will do our best to find qualified leaders and teachers for the most requested classes and groups. Feel free to suggest anything that you would be interested in attending.

Contact the bookings clerk on bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk or 01235 861253

Village Hall Management

Committee Volunteers Needed

Chilton has two fantastic venues available for the community and others to hire and enjoy. The Chilton Village Halls Management Committee is fundamental in keeping these venues open and running. The committee currently consists of 7 members, and it needs at least 10 to ensure that both the Village Hall and Community Room remain viable venues. So if you can spare the time to attend a meeting once every six weeks, and carry out (half hourly) weekly maintenance checks one month in four (per a rota), the **VHMC really needs you.**

Without your support the village is in danger of losing one of these valuable community venues. If you are interested, please contact the VHMC Chair on chair@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk

News from The Rose and Crown

SIX NATIONS RUGBY

Watch every match with your friends on the large screen television in the pub and shout as loud as you like without annoying the rest of the family. Complimentary nibbles during every game.

Forthcoming fixtures:

Saturday 14 Feb	England v Italy 2.30pm Ireland v France 5pm
Sunday 15 Feb	Scotland v Wales 3pm
Saturday 28 Feb	Scotland v Italy 2.30pm France v Wales 5pm
Sunday 1 March	Ireland v England 3pm

Saturday 14 March Wales v Ireland
2.30pm
England v
Scotland 5pm
Sunday 15 March Italy v France 3pm
Saturday 21 March Italy v Wales
12.30pm
Scotland v Ireland
2.30pm
England v France
5pm

Chilton Village Market

Rose and Crown car park

Saturday 14 February 9am – 12noon

Local Fruit, Veg & Meats, Cheeses – from the Old Farm Shop;

Breads, Cakes, Lardy Cakes – from Inglenook;

Smoked bacon and salmon plus gravlax, pickles and apple juice – from Manshed;

Charity Stall;

Chilton Arts & Crafts Group inside the pub

Why not join us for Shea's brilliant Irish

Sizzler Breakfast, including tea or coffee?

Plus free Wi-Fi and log fire.

Local produce needs your support.

Date For Your Diary

Paddy's Day, Tuesday 17 March

Celebrate St Patrick's Day with your Irish landlord.

Tuesday quiz with an Irish flavour

Irish music, Emerald ale £2 per pint

Complimentary Irish Stew

Crubeens (no, that's not a quiz question)

Regulars Every Week

Tuesday Fun Quiz Night, with questions set by Adrian the Aussie quizmaster and complimentary nibbles.

Sunday Carvery £9.50

Neighbourhood Update February 2015 Chilton

Hello and since I have been away from work for a while, may I first take this opportunity to wish you all a happy New Year and I trust you are all well.

So, I start firstly with the ongoing problem of motorcycles being ridden illegally in and around the Chilton area. The number of complaints has decreased and this is probably due to an increase in extra patrols in the area so I hope the message

has got out to those offending that it will not be tolerated and they will be dealt with robustly.

Poaching

I have been informed that 2 men were arrested for poaching at the back of Chilton Fields on the 25th of January following a report by a member of the public. They also had their vehicle seized as it was used in crime.

Tack Theft

A theft of horse equipment took place over night on the 28/29th of January. If you have any information regarding this then please contact Thames Valley Police on the non-emergency number 101 or e mail me

at michael.clayden@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Dogs

I have also been made aware that a number of residents in and around Chilton Field are letting their dogs wander around the area loose. Please can owners make sure their dogs are under control at all times thank you.

Door Numbers

Can residents in Chilton Field please make sure their house numbers are affixed to their houses please. It's worth bearing in mind that in the event of an emergency, the emergency services will find it very difficult to find you should you need them.

Number Plate Theft

I have received a report that there was a theft of number plates from a vehicle in Dene Hollow, Chilton which occurred on the 12th of January between the hours of 05:00 and 06:00. If anyone has any information regarding this crime then please call Thames Valley Police on the non-emergency number 101 or email me at

michael.clayden@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Stay safe PCSO Mike Clayden C9732, Thames Valley Police.

Call for Artists and Craftsmen

If you live in Chilton and make and sell your own work, you may be interested in joining Chilton Artists. We are a small, new, friendly group and envisage having a

group stall with a variety of goods (anything hand-made that is saleable) at the monthly market at the Rose and Crown pub (inside).

Our aim is to establish an artist-maker presence in Chilton, help each other and maybe even make a few sales. There are no fees or commission involved. We will be meeting at 41 Limetrees on **Monday 23rd February** at 8.00pm to chat about this venture. For more info, or to RSVP, email lin@linkerrdesign.co.uk.

Chilton Artwork

We are still creeping ever closer to the development of the Chilton Work of Art on Chilton Fields. We expect work to begin in the early spring and will do our best to keep everyone posted with progress and how to get involved.

For anyone new to the village, this work has been funded from the section 106 from the Chilton Field development. The money was specifically set aside for a work of art under section 106, and Chilton Work of Art Group formed from local residents to make sure that the village was fully consulted on what form this artwork should take. The result was over riding support for an amphitheatre on the open space in Chilton Field, designed and created by artist Tim Norris.

If you want to find out more, have any concerns, or just want to get involved in the project please contact Sue on bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk. If you want to see past examples of Tim Norris' work please see <http://timnorris.co.uk/> This artwork is for all of us so get involved!

Broadband

Superfast Broadband is now available in Chilton Village, however, it does not come automatically, you have to pay for an upgrade.

For more information go to <http://chiltonvillage.wikispaces.com/Broadband>

Alternatively you can go to the BT Openreach site:

www.superfast-openreach.co.uk/where-and-when/ then enter your postcode to check availability. Your postcode will take

you to another page where you can click on your broadband service provider to check deals available.

Date For Your diary



Chilton Festival - Saturday 6 June

After the success of the 2014 Chilton D-Day Commemoration and Village Festival and the subsequent recognition at the Didcot Business and Community Awards, it is proposed to hold another Festival on **Saturday 6 June**.

This year's event will be centred on the newly expanded and refurbished Chilton Village Hall and, as last year, will coincide with the commemoration service at the Harwell Campus Memorial Stone which will be organised by the Royal British Legion.

This is a non-profit event and relies on volunteers, local groups, businesses and individuals to get actively involved. If you wish to:

- ❖ Volunteer to assist in organising the Festival
- ❖ Provide a stall, act or demonstration
- ❖ Provide sponsorship
- ❖ Or have a good idea for making the event enjoyable and fun.

Then please contact or e-mail Bob Girling at gnilrig@gmail.com

This is your Festival so please be part of it!

Didcot CAB is now open on Wednesday mornings

Didcot CAB offers a drop in service 5 days a week. From 4th February we will be open on Wednesday mornings. Our opening hours are as follows:

Monday : 10.00am – 1.00pm 1.30pm – 4.00pm

Tuesday : 10.00am – 1.00pm Closed

Wednesday: 10.00am – 1.00pm Closed
Thursday : 10.00am – 1.00pm 1.30pm – 4.00pm

Friday: 10.00am – 1.00pm 1.30pm – 4.00pm

Didcot Bureau is located in “Dales”, 9-15 High Street.

We can also provide information on most issues over the phone. Our phone number is as follows: 03444 111 444

Monday – Friday 10.00am – 4.00pm
Information and fact sheets are also available on our website

www.adviceguide.org.uk



Order now or find us at the Chilton Produce Market on 14 February for your **Valentine's weekend bacon and**

smoked salmon. If you reeeaaally love them, it has to be a **hamper** ...surely? More info or order now at www.manshed.xyz, info@manshed.xyz or 07990 021199.

Did You Know

Are you eligible to vote for your Parish Councillors? Then you are also eligible to vote for your Churchwardens!

Come to All Saints' Church at **10.30am on Sunday 22nd March**, when 2 Churchwardens will be elected for the year. Churchwardens work closely with the Rector in various areas, are legally responsible for all the property belonging to a parish church, involved in the practicalities of running services, and more besides.

For more info on Churchwardens, see <http://hcchurches.org/churchwardens>

This election will be followed immediately by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, when church members will have an opportunity to discuss matters relating to church life. During the weeks leading up to this meeting, reports on various aspects of church life will have been presented during the 9.30am services, and copies of these reports will be available to download from the church website at <http://www.harwellandchiltonchurches.org.uk>, or in paper form in church.

All Saints' Church

All Saints' Womens Group: Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday the **10th February at 7:45** in Chilton Church. The speaker will be Sadie Gibbons of the Balsam Family Project . New members and Visitors are always welcome; any queries contact Judy Goodall on 834503.

Cryptic Quiz Sheets The next quiz sheet will be out on **Tuesday 10th February** and is to raise money for the Balsam Family Project and Hamlin Fistula UK. Sheets priced at £1.25 will be available from Judy Goodall, 43 Crafts End, Audrey Slater at 9 Latton Close, Shea at the Rose and Crown and Atomic Hair, Curie Avenue .

The winner of the Christmas Quiz which raised £240 for SeeSaw was Gill Riches of West Hagbourne with 60.5 out of 62 . Second was Julia Gilling and third was Margaret Friend and Family . The previous quiz raised £160.50 for the RNLI and was won by Pam Frodsham.

Thank you all for your support .

Judy Goodall

Chilton Baby and Toddler Group

Chilton Baby and Toddler Group is a local parent run group that meets at Chilton Village Hall, every Friday 9:30 - 11:30am during term times. Meet other local carers and parents for a sociable morning with your babies and let the toddlers tire themselves out in these wet, cold and windy months! We have lots of toys, play equipment, crafts and a baby corner. £2 per family includes tea/coffee for carers and a snack and drink for children. If you are new to the group, then your first session is free! Contact us via [facebook.com/chiltonbabyandtoddlergroup](https://www.facebook.com/chiltonbabyandtoddlergroup) or email us at chiltontoddlers@gmail.com

Nearly New Sale

Planning a clear out of baby and kids things? Chilton Baby and Toddler Group is organising a Nearly New Sale on **Saturday 18 April (10am - 12noon).**

Message us via
[facebook.com/chiltonbabyandtoddlergroup](https://www.facebook.com/chiltonbabyandtoddlergroup)
or email us at chilontoddlers@gmail.com
for info about having your own table.

You run your table on the day and keep what you make from your sales, we only need £10 to secure your table. There will be lots of other activities at the same time with our baby cafe stocked with delicious homemade cakes and snacks to eat or take away, a selection of crafts and activities in the cafe and toys/games. £1 admission.

Farmers Produce Market

The next market will be held **on Saturday 14th February between 9 and 12** in the Rose and Crown Car Park. Shea has kindly agreed that if the weather is very wet or windy some stalls may be moved inside. The Charity Stall this month is raising funds for Young Dementia UK. We are always grateful for donations of books, cakes, home produce and small white elephant items. We regret that we are unable to accept items of clothing or shoes as we have limited space. Last month we raised £150.50 for the Chilton Lunch Club and the December market made £288.00 for the Oncology Unit at the Churchill. Thank you to everyone for your support. We hope that you will support us on 14th February - and don't forget Shea's Brilliant Bacon Baps .

Chilton WI

Chilton W.I meets on the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 19th February at 7.45pm** in the Village Hall.

This month the speaker is Simon Read "Experience Chocolate".

Don't forget that subscriptions are due if you haven't already paid.

We are a friendly group and visitors and new members are always very welcome. Please just come along to a meeting, or phone Liz Morris on 834233 for more details.

Grand Charity Quiz Night

Saturday 21st March in Chilton Village Hall at 7:15 for prompt 7:30 start.

Tickets priced at £8 are now available for this fun quiz which includes a tasty hot meal and a delicious pudding. Teams can comprise up to 6 people. Please let us know if you have any particular dietary requirements. The charities we are supporting this year are firstly the very local charity The Balsam Family Project who work alongside local organisations and churches to raise awareness of the needs of families in their communities and to train volunteers to practically support them. Secondly we are supporting Hamlin Fistula UK who treat and support women in Ethiopia with Obstetric Fistula.

The Quiz night is organised by All Saints' Womens Group (formerly Chilton Wives Group). Tickets for this event are available from Audrey Slater, 9 Latton Close Tel 834558 and Judy Goodall, 43 Crafts End Tel 834503 .

Didcot & District University of the Third Age

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 2pm at Didcot Civil Hall. Visitors are welcome to come to a meeting as a taster before joining.

On **Tuesday 17th February** our speaker will be Brian Wood talking about 'A Rustic Copper'.

Advance Notice

16th Abingdon Air and Country Show on **Sunday 3rd May 10.00-5.30pm** at Abingdon Airfield, Dalton Barracks. For more information go to www.abingdonairandcountry.co.uk

Dog Faeces & Litter

On reading the article in the January issue under the heading of 'Dog Faeces' I felt compelled to write concerning the same problem.

Taking a walk through the new Chilton development on to the lane which leads on up to the Ridgeway, I was appalled to see bags containing dog faeces hanging from branches in the hedgerows. Presumably irresponsible dog owners have tried throwing the bags over the wire fencing hoping they'll land hidden in the grass.

Why should our lovely countryside be littered with pooh bags when they can quite easily be disposed of in our household bins which are emptied regularly. We have an appalling amount of rubbish lying around our roadsides spoiling the pleasure of town and countryside alike.

It would be nice to see we could all make a difference in 2015 by taking the litter, whatever nature, home to be disposed of in the proper manner.

Thank you

Dene Hollow

Raymond Brown Waste Solutions are undertaking works at Chilton Site such as tree cutting and earth works in the northern part of our site (named Area 3). This work is in accordance with the approved restoration scheme within the Site's Planning Permission agreed with Oxfordshire County Council.

As there are a number of local footpaths and rights of way in the local area, the local community is advised that access to this area is strictly not permitted due to health and safety reasons. The area is clearly marked out with safety signs.

Raymond Brown Waste Solutions

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Wednesday 25th February 2015 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.**

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
11. Reports of Meetings attended
12. VHMC Report

13. Play Equipment Inspection
14. Correspondence

Items to be included in the next Chronicle should be sent to the Clerk by email by

Wednesday 11th March

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The Parish Council does not accept any responsibility for adverts placed in the Chilton Chronicle

The back page has a list of all the current classes that are running in the Village Hall and the Community Room

To book the Village Hall or Community Room contact the **Bookings Clerk on bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk 01235 8161253**

Current Classes at Chilton Village Halls and Community Room

Get Involved!

Come to one of our regular classes or groups listed below. Or if there is a class you would like to see that is not currently listed, contact the **Bookings Clerk on bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk 01235 8161253**

What's on?	When?		Where?	Interested? All of our classes and groups are happy to have new members. Contact:
Art Group ~ drawing and painting mixed ability	Every Monday in term time.	14:00-16.00	Chilton Village Small Hall	Contact Grant on: 01235 811725 grantsartwork@btinternet.com
Tai Chi	Every Monday	18:00-19.15	Chilton Village Main Hall	Contact Tony on: 01235 813857 tony@taichichuan.org.uk
Bowls Club	Every Monday	19:30 – 21.30	Chilton Village Main Hall	Contact Sonia on: 01235 834224 sonia@internetfusion.co.uk
Pilates	Every Tuesday	18:30 – 19.30	Chilton Village Main Hall	Contact Gemma on: 07919364306 gemmapearce@hotmail.com
Harwell Scottish Country Dance Club	Every Tuesday	20:00 – 22.00	Chilton Village Main Hall	Call 01235 533626 http://www.harwellscdc.mno.org.uk/ secretary@HarwellSCDC.mno.org.uk
2nd Chilton Scout Group:				
Beavers	Every Weds in term time	18.00-19.00	Chilton Village Small Hall	bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk
Cubs	Every Weds in term time	18.00-19.30	Chilton Village Main Hall	bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk
Scouts	Every Weds in term time	19.45-21.15	Chilton Village Main Hall	bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk

Zumba / Zumba Gold	Every Thursday morning	09:30 – 10.30am 10:30 – 11.15am	Chilton Village Main Hall	Contact Gemma on: 07919364306 gemmapearce@hotmail.com
Fitness class	Every Thursday evening	18.30-19.30	Chilton Village Main Hall	Contact Gemma on: 07919364306 gemmapearce@hotmail.com
WI	Monthly, Thursday	19:45, 2 hrs	Chilton Village Main Hall	01235 834503 thegoodalls43@tiscali.co.uk
Pilates	Every Thursday evening	20.00-21.00	Chilton Community Room	Contact Gemma on: 07919364306 gemmapearce@hotmail.com
Toddler Group	Every Friday Morning	09:30-11.30	Chilton Village Main Hall	Contact Sian on chiltontoddlers@googlemail.com
Baby Massage Class	Every Friday Morning	10.00-12.00	Chilton Village Small Hall	Contact Camomile Babies on: 07979592032 camomilebabies@gmail.com
Art Class	Every 4 th Saturday of the month	10:00am – 1.pm	Chilton Village Main Hall	Contact Carol on: 01235 834408 carol.pigott@tesco.net