

Campton & Chicksands

Parish Council Newsletter

July 2019

'TRUGS & TROWELS'

GARDENING CLUB

Monday, 1st July - 7.30pm

Talk by Colin Carpenter

'Managing Trees & Shrubs in your Garden'

Campton Village Hall

CAMPTON & CHICKSANDS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, 3rd July

7.45pm

Campton Village Hall

COFFEE & CHAT

Friday, 5th July

10am - noon

All Saints Church, Campton

FAMILY QUIZ

Friday, 12th July

7.30pm

All Saints Church, Campton

CAMPTON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, 17th July

7.00pm

Campton Village Hall

CAMPTON 'OPEN GARDENS'

Sunday, 14th July

1.30pm start - see page 2
for more information

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the Editor, Angela Baker - details on back page

'TRUGS & TROWELS' Gardening Club

*"It is utterly forbidden to be half-hearted about gardening.
You have got to love your garden whether you like it or not."*

- W.C. Sellar & R.J. Yeatman, Garden Rubbish, 1936



This month's meeting will be on
Monday, 1st July
**'Managing Trees & Shrubs in your
Garden'**
a talk by Colin Carpenter

On **Sunday, 14th July** we will be holding this years
Campton 'Open Gardens'. The walkabout will start with
Campton Manor; meet outside for 1.30pm start, then carrying on to other
gardens within the village afterwards. The afternoon will finish off with a
'Potluck' Buffet and Raffle at 28 Greenway, Campton.

**Monthly meetings start at 7.30pm - approx 9.00pm finish
at Campton Village Hall**

You don't have to be a member to attend, so why not come along with a friend or
neighbour to see what it's all about. We have a 'Free & Swap' table for any
unwanted plants, tools, pots or anything garden related.

You can also browse through our free library of garden books
whilst enjoying a nice cup of tea or coffee and biscuit.

Admission £3 (or annual membership £24)

For more information, please contact... MARYIKA 01462 851729



LAST MONTH'S COFFEE & CHAT

Last month's Coffee & Chat was held as a fundraiser for
THE GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND ASSOCIATION.

An excellent amount of £257.61 was raised.

Malcolm and Jackie would like to thank everyone
who contributed towards this event.



CAMPTON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 100 CLUB DRAW

THE 100 CLUB DRAW WILL BE RELAUNCHED IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS,
WITH THE FIRST DRAW TAKING PLACE IN SEPTEMBER.

For the **new subscription payment of £15**, you will be allocated
a Draw Number to be entered into 12 monthly draws.

A minimum of half of the total proceeds collected will be allocated as prizes
with three prizes each month as before,

BUT NOW WITH AN ADDITIONAL BONUS MONETARY PRIZE TO BE DRAWN
IN DECEMBER, APRIL AND AUGUST.

The 100 Club Draw is a vital part of our fundraising efforts,
contributing to the running costs of keeping your Village Hall open.

A big "THANK YOU" to everyone who has supported us in the past
and to all those who will continue to support us in the future.

During August members of the Committee will be coming around
house to house, inviting you to join.



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OR GROUP?

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or email: **camptonvh@outlook.com**



Campton & Chicksands Parish Council

The Parish Council held their most recent meeting on 5th June 2019, thank you to those residents who attended.

The Central Bedfordshire Council Local Plan examination hearings commenced on Tuesday 21st May 2019, subsequent hearings are planned for June and July. The Campton and Chicksands Councillors have the opportunity to address the inspectors on 19th June 2019. An outline of Parish Council representation has been submitted to the Inspectors already and this will form the basis of Councillor responses to the session queries posted by the Inspectors.

Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) have implemented a new on-line service for residents to keep them updated with what is happening in their community. The service offers information and supporting maps about services from CBC and other community facilities in the area. You can use the service by going into "My Central Bedfordshire" via the CBC website and entering your postcode.

Following recent communications by residents and re-submission of a highways review by the Parish Council, our Ward Councillors have now registered Greenway with CBC Highways as the worst road in the Shefford Ward in terms of its surface and state of repair. Hopefully this will mean that resurfacing and/or repairs will be given a high priority in the Highways schedule of works.

The Greensand Trust will be attending the next Parish Council meeting to discuss both the Green Infrastructure Plan for the Parish (commissioned by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group) and the proposed extension for the Flit Valley Walk, which would run between Clophill and Shefford. All residents are welcome to attend and listen to the talk, as well as ask any questions.

"Link-a-Ride" Community Transport has contacted the Parish Council for a donation and asking for us to advertise and promote the service. ***Does anyone in the Village utilise this service or would you be interested in more information?*** Please do contact me.

The Parish Council, as you are aware, are supporting the on-going work towards the implementation of a Neighbourhood Plan. A full review of the old 2010 Parish Plan was conducted by the Parish Council in 2016 and it was recently suggested that maybe the Parish Council could update residents with regards to the status of outcomes from the Parish Plan?

The following outcomes were identified from the Parish Plan and the 2016 review:-

1. **Volunteers for a Speed Watch team.** The Speed Watch team continues to operate and the Parish Council are very grateful to the volunteers involved.
2. **Review of speed limits in the Village.** There has been a continuous dialogue with Central Bedfordshire Council over recent years concerning this, particularly along Rectory Road outside the School. The Parish Council have once again discussed this concern at this month's meeting.
3. **Explore strategies for parking around the Village Hall.** The Councillors have been looking into this and it remains a future project.
4. **Formalise hire agreements for the Recreation Ground.** The hire agreements have been agreed and are now in use.
5. **Additional hire options for the Recreation Ground to be considered.** The Council have not yet addressed this outcome.
6. **A formal Code of conduct for users of the Recreation Ground to be implemented.** This has now been implemented and is in use.
7. **Parish Council to request a monthly report from the Police and Crime Commissioner.** Updates including crime statistics are now received by the Council.
8. **Parish Council to consider potential provision of a community defibrillator.** This has now been purchased and fitted outside the Village Hall.
9. **Seek views of residents as part of the Community Plan required by Central Bedfordshire Council.** This was completed and the Parish Council has been actively supporting consultation with residents with regards to the Parish's Neighbourhood Plan.
10. **Consider potential for a Conservation Area within Campton.** This has been considered in the survey and consultation sessions for the Neighbourhood Plan.

As you can see the Parish Council have addressed many of the actions identified in the Parish Plan and expect to address others once the Neighbourhood Plan has been finalised and adopted. We will keep you updated.

**The date for the next Parish Council meeting is
Wednesday, 3rd July 2019 at 7.45pm in the Village Hall.**

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Campton and Chicksands Neighbourhood Plan Update

The six workgroups have now finalised their Neighbourhood Plan sections, policies, non-policy actions and supporting references. I would like to thank all involved (they know who they are) for all the hard work so far! All work within the Steering Group is currently focused on the development of the first full draft of the Campton & Chicksands Neighbourhood Plan and completion of all supporting documentation. This is a significant task and will most likely take several weeks. Once complete the Steering Group will be planning a period of formal and wide-ranging consultation on the draft plan, policies and proposals. This will include consultation with a number of statutory bodies, CBC and neighbouring Town & Parish Councils.

The Green Infrastructure (GI) Plan researched and written by the Greensand Trust is nearing completion and provides important supporting evidence for a number of policies and non-policy actions within the final Neighbourhood Plan. The plan also outlines a GI Action Plan which will shortly be shared with the Parish Council and our contacts at Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) for consideration regarding future GI projects for the benefit of the Parish. See the Parish Council Report for further information regarding the GI Plan.

The Neighbourhood Plan banners situated on the railings at the Lower School and at the entrance of Chicksands Private, show the current status of the plan and will be updated as the plan progresses.

Updates will continue to be published in the Parish Council Newsletter and on the Website.

Campton and Chicksands Good Neighbour Group

Volunteers are all insured and DBS (formerly CRB) checked.

Help we can offer includes:-

- Occasional lifts to doctors / shops etc.;
- Befriending / pet care / dog walking; Form filling / letter writing;
- Occasional help with shopping; Small household repairs / practical tasks;
- Collecting prescriptions / pensions.

If you need help from us phone 07971 854472

If your call is not answered, please leave a message and we will return your call on the same day. For all car journeys a contribution of 45p per mile should be paid to the driver.

News From The Tower

Visiting ringers during July 2019

Saturday July 20 - Peal attempt, Society of Royal Cumberland Youths
- 3pm to 6pm approx.

Chris's Corner

In May the ringers from the Biggleswade District (to which we all belong here at Campton) had their annual outing. Clare, Henry, Charlotte and Sue all went along. Unfortunately, it wasn't the best day weather-wise, but we enjoyed ourselves anyway. We visited 5 churches just west of Cambridge, 4 of which had six bells, and one five. A couple of the towers did not have regular ringing, which showed in the sad state of their ringing rooms and the bells being unloved too. Going to other towers really makes you appreciate your own! At the last tower we once again participated in one of the ringers' favourite pastimes, tea and cake, not a bad habit to enjoy.

If you'd like to see what this is all about why not come and meet us?

We're at All Saints every Tuesday from 7.30pm - look forward to seeing you. So, if you fancy trying an activity that involves both physical activity and mental stimulation for all ages come along to All Saints, Campton on a Tuesday 7.30-9pm to check it out or call me (**JOHN LOVELESS** 07803 206161) to find out more. Campton is **THE** place to learn to ring in this area.

Peregrine Recorder Orchestra Concert Review



"Any memories of the pain of school recorder performances were dismissed by the local

Peregrine Recorder Orchestra, which performed to a packed house at All Saints Church on Sunday 19th May. From a symphony composed for the orchestra, a selection from Gershwin's 'Porgy and Bess' to a suite in which each member of the orchestra played a bass recorder of varying sizes, this was an eclectic

programme. The concert also featured Liz Schofield playing euphonium with three piano-accompanied solos, as well as one with the orchestra. We were able to send donations of **£165.50** to both **Emmaus**, who work with homeless people to provide bed and board, employment and dignity, and to **Water Aid** who work with communities in developing countries to provide sources of fresh water."

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, CAMPTON

forthcoming events.....

Friday at All Saints:-

12th July, 7.30pm - Family Quiz

13th September, 7.30pm - Armchair Travellers. Lily Marsh talks about her experiences at the Scout Jamboree

Advance Notices:-

Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th October - Festival for Harvest.
A celebration of Harvest with Flowers, Music, Bells and Crafts.

Saturday 30th November - Rockin the Aisles



2019 EXCURSIONS

- 4th THURSDAY OF MONTH!

Call **0300-123-3023** or e mail: thewanderbus@gmail.com for more info or to book your seat.

We do require a deposit of £5.00 p.p. for any excursion. A cheque to Wanderbus, 5 The Pastures, Upper Stondon, Beds SG16 6QB or a bank transfer to : CAF Bank Ltd, Sort Code 40-52-40, Acc No. 00013118 Name: Wanderbus Ltd (Use you name in Reference)

Thursday, 25th July - Waddesdon Manor, Bucks : £12.00

National Trust House & Gardens - Aviary, Stables Café.

Entry Fee: £11.00 or Free to National Trust Members.

Items for the next Newsletter must be submitted
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