

# Campton & Chicksands Parish Council Newsletter July & August 2017

## CAMPTON COMMUNITY CHOIR CONCERT

Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July  
3pm  
All Saints Church, Campton

## 'TRUGS & TROWELS' GARDENING CLUB

Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July  
'Incredible Edible Dunstable'  
Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> August  
Judi Samuels - Garden Designer  
7.30pm  
Campton Village Hall

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> July  
7.30pm  
Campton Village Hall

## COFFEE & CHAT

Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> July & 4<sup>th</sup> August  
10.00am - noon  
All Saints Church, Campton  
The following Coffee & Chat  
will be on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> Sept  
which will be in aid of  
Macmillan Cancer Support

## VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> August  
7.30pm  
Campton Village Hall

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If you have any news or views you wish to share please contact  
the Editor, Angela Baker - details on back page

# Pew News

I'm writing this Pew News, as newly elected churchwarden, in some trepidation! Sue Hayhurst is going to be an extremely hard act to follow! We are so appreciative of all that she has done for All Saints, not only over the last 9 years as churchwarden, but also the many things not part of the job description that she does behind the scenes, which many of us don't even realise!

Since the last newsletter we've welcomed lots of people to events at All Saints, as well as to our usual Sunday services. In May we taxed our brains with another Quiz Evening, which was lots of fun. Coffee and Chat, held on the first Friday of every month, was as always an enjoyable occasion and an opportunity to meet friends old and new.

We were especially delighted to welcome the friends and family of Samantha Winyard and Jonathan Burton, who were married at All Saints on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The sun shone, the church was filled with flowers and it was a really happy occasion.

On a less happy note, a number of churches in Bedfordshire (including one only a few miles away) have been broken into recently and in each case their safe has been stolen. Please do be vigilant and alert the police if you see any suspicious behaviour. Burglars are one group of people that we certainly don't want to welcome!

Looking forward, on **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, Campton Community Choir** will be holding a concert in All Saints at 3pm. This is a free event, with a retiring collection to support local youth music. Do come along!

If you are new to the village (or even if you're not!), you are always assured of a very warm welcome at All Saints. Services are held every Sunday at 11am (apart from on the 5th Sunday of any month when we have a joint service with our friends in Clophill and Haynes, rotating between the churches). Coffee and Chat from 10-12 noon on the first Friday of every month and other events as advertised.

We look forward to seeing you!

**LINDA GARTON** - Churchwarden

## THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone involved in making the church and grounds look so nice for Sam and Jonny's wedding on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. We would also like to thank June and everyone who helped her with the beautiful floral displays. The whole day was a wonderful occasion, which was made possible thanks to all those involved with the church who contributed.

**Thank you so much**

**PAULA & STUART WINYARD**

## News From The Tower

### Visiting ringers in July & August:

**Monday July 31** - Peal attempt - 'Around' Touring Ringers

- 10am to 1pm approx.

**Sunday August 20** - Peal attempt - Bedfordshire Association

- 2pm to 5pm approx.

Ringling is something **YOU** can do (NOT just something other people do!)  
and Campton is **THE** place to learn to ring in this area.

If you would like to know more, or fix to have a go, come along  
on a Tuesday evening 7.30-9pm or call me on 07803 206161 **JOHN LOVELESS**

## Campton and Chicksands

### Good Neighbour Group

**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.

# Campton & Chicksands Parish Council

The Parish Council held their last Meeting on Wednesday 7th June 2017. Sadly since our last report the Parish Council has learned that our previous Clerk to the Council, Deryck Irons, has passed away. He had been poorly for a while and died peacefully at home. Deryck had been the Clerk to the Parish Council for many years and was well known to many residents within the parish. A representative of the Parish Council attended Deryck's funeral and a donation was made to two charities in line with his wishes. Our thoughts remain with his family at this time.

Speed watch continues to monitor the speed of vehicles passing through the village and recently have been pleased to report a decrease in the speed of traffic. The team would like to recruit another volunteer to the team to assist them. If you have a little spare time and may be able to help, please do get in touch for more information.

The Parish Council welcomed Siobhan Vincent from Central Bedfordshire Council to its last meeting. Siobhan talked the Parish Council through the process of initiating and designing a Neighbourhood Plan for Campton & Chicksands. Siobhan also described the effort involved, the potential benefits and answered questions from councillors & the public. Neighbourhood planning is a community led process and once complete and adopted both by our residents & CBC, it has real legal weight in the assessment of future planning applications locally.

A Neighbourhood Plan is primarily about future development, be that small or large scale, and must be in step with the forthcoming CBC Local Plan & Central Government Policy. The plan will look at areas locally that may be suitable for development and what kind of development and design policies would be welcome. It will also document areas, views & local features which residents feel should be protected. A decision on whether the Parish Council would like to proceed with a plan will be discussed further at their next meeting on Wednesday 5th July at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. If you would like some more information or would like to be part of the decision making process, please do come along and join us.

You will be aware of the on-going development of a new Local Plan by Central Bedfordshire Council. The first draft of the new Local Plan will now be up for approval by the Executive Committee on 20th June 2017. This is slightly later than planned due to the General Election. Assuming approval, it will go

out for public consultation between 4th July and 29th August 2017. Further information and details of the first draft of the new Local Plan are now available on the Central Bedfordshire Website.

<http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/planning/policy/local-plan/local-plan.aspx>

It is also our understanding that the assessment outcomes of the "call for sites" process supporting the development of the local plan will be published on the CBC website on the 4th July.

[www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/callforsites](http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/callforsites)

The role of the Parish Council is to represent the local community, deliver services to meet the local needs and to strive to improve the quality of life and community well-being. Through a range of discretionary powers, the Parish Council provide and maintain a variety of visible services. Campton and Chicksands Parish Council currently have a vacancy for a Councillor to join our existing team of six Councillors. We would really like to fill this position in order to maximise the service offered to residents. The Parish Council currently meet monthly in the Village Hall. If you would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact me or feel free to attend a meeting.

**The date for the next meeting is Wednesday 5th July 2017  
at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.**

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## **APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS**

In future the Church Food Bank donations will be taken once a month to the Shefford Town House by Jane Harrison of Gravenhurst Road. Jane very kindly volunteered in response to my appeal last month - Thank you Jane.

### **TWO MORE APPEALS:**

Could someone please volunteer to take over **the delivery of this Parish Council Newsletter** to the Rectory Road/Priory Road area from me when I move?

And would anyone (over 18) be willing to take on **selling the British Legion Poppies** for me in Mill Lane, Gravenhurst Road, Brookside and the Camptonbury Barns. PLEASE!

Just let me know if you feel able to take on one of these jobs for me.

Thank you..... **SUE HAYHURST (811849)**

# 'TRUGS & TROWELS' Gardening Club

*'A beautiful garden is like a beautiful painting - It does not reveal itself all at once.'*

- Violet Wood

Our next meetings will be on

**Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July & Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> August at Campton Village Hall**

**Everyone Welcome - Meetings start at 7.30pm : Admission £2**



June 5<sup>th</sup> was a very busy day for Trugs & Trowels members, who started their day with a very enjoyable and welcoming visit to Southill Park and House, a real Bedfordshire gem, to meet the Whitbread family. In the evening we welcomed Brenda Marriott for a talk on a variety of approaches to managing your garden. At the end of the meeting we judged our 'up cycle' competition, which was won by Malcolm Willis who put together a fine figure of a 'pot-man' (see photo), complete with plants, trug and trowel, very inventive and now on display in his front garden - brilliant entry.

At our **3<sup>rd</sup> July meeting** we will be joined by a speaker talking about the project in place called "Incredible Edible Dunstable". Also all payments for our Safari Gardens visit on the 16<sup>th</sup> July, need to be paid this evening in full.

On **7<sup>th</sup> August** we will be welcoming Judi Samuels garden designer, check out her website, an informative evening in store. Judi requests you bring in a photograph of your garden in order to talk over innovation ideas, facilitating change etc.

Enjoy your summer and remember every day is an opportunity to create something beautiful, but remember to stop, sit and digest the rewards of your labour.

**For more information, please contact... Maryika 01462 851729**

# WANDERBUS EXCURSIONS

## 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the Month

**27<sup>th</sup> July : Wimpole Hall** - Extensive gardens and Tea Room  
plus House Tour available - **£8.00** per person

**Pick up:** 9.30-10.00am / **approx. Arrival:** 11.00am / **Departure:** 3.00pm

**24<sup>th</sup> August : Woburn Abbey & Town** - Pretty shops and cafes  
including famous Woburn China Shop and Auction Rooms - **£5.50** per person

**Pick up:** 9.30-10.00am / **approx. Arrival:** 11.00am / **Departure:** 3.00pm

(NB. Cash Fares only - sorry Travel Passes cannot be accepted)

Please call 0300-123-3023 or email: [thewanderbus@gmail.com](mailto:thewanderbus@gmail.com)

for more information or to book your seat

## 100 Club Draw

In participating in the 100 Club Draw, you are providing vital support for  
the continuing upkeep of Campton Village Hall..... THANK YOU

Please contact Malcolm Willis 812747 for details.

		June 2017	July 2017
1 <sup>st</sup>	£35	154 L. Tyler	23 L. Bryant
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£20	130 C. Carvell	2 J. Hyde
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£12	25 L. Savoury	99 J. Baldwin

**"Congratulations to our winners"**

Further information about the Parish can be found on the Parish website.

A colour version of this newsletter, together with archived issues  
is also available to view or download; follow the 'Information' link.

[www.camptonandchicksands.org.uk](http://www.camptonandchicksands.org.uk)



Wanderbus, your local Community Bus Service, is looking for

### **Volunteer Drivers**

If you have a spare morning just once a month (or more if you can consider it) we require additional drivers to cover our services.

Generally services start from Meppershall around 08.30/09.00 and finish around 13.00 Mondays to Fridays. There are also a few afternoon services if that would be a more convenient time.

To drive our 16 seater buses you only need a 'D1' category on your licence – standard on older licences.

You will be 'MIDAS' trained and achieve a great sense of satisfaction through helping our volunteer-run Community Bus Service covering the villages around Shefford and providing essential transport to our rural residents.

If you can spare the time please consider speaking with us on 0300-123-3023 or drop us an e mail at [thewanderbus@gmail.com](mailto:thewanderbus@gmail.com) giving you contact info.

Items for the next Newsletter must be submitted to the Editor, Angela Baker by the 15<sup>th</sup> August 2017

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