

# Campton & Chicksands

## Parish Council Newsletter

### June 2018

#### GREENSAND COUNTRY

#### FESTIVAL

26<sup>th</sup> May - 3<sup>rd</sup> June

[www.greensandcountry.com](http://www.greensandcountry.com)

#### COFFEE & CHAT

Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> June

10.00am - noon

All Saints Church, Campton

The following Coffee & Chat  
will be on Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> July



#### 'TRUGS & TROWELS'

#### GARDENING CLUB

Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> June

Chris Watts (Watts Nursery)

Talking 'GRASS'

7.30pm

Campton Village Hall

#### PARISH COUNCIL

#### MEETING

Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June

7.30pm

Campton Village Hall

Welcome to the Campton & Chicksands Newsletter  
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Editor, Angela Baker - details on back page

# Campton & Chicksands Parish Council

The most recent meeting of the Parish Council was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018 in the Village Hall. Ward Councillor, Cllr Tony Brown was able to update residents on the situation with regards to development on the Beadlow Manor site. An application has been submitted for the demolition of the existing hotel and the building of a new 109 bed hotel in its place, this is the limit of any application at this time. Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) are carrying out an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA Screening Opinion) of the site for future potential development, however no application to build has been made and this does not form part of the Local Plan.

The Local Plan has been approved at full Council and has been submitted to the Secretary of State for inspection. The estimated timescale for public enquiry is autumn 2018, with the Inspector's decision likely early in 2019. There have been over 15,000 responses to the recent CBC Waste & Recycling public consultation and recommendations will be put to the Council Executive later this month with a view to the new contract being in place for spring 2019.

A representative from the school governors attended the meeting to discuss the issues surrounding the safety of children in close proximity to the Lower School in Rectory Road. The Parish Council agreed with the governors that it would be appropriate to consider making the vicinity of the school a 20 mph zone to reduce the risk to pedestrians from vehicles travelling too fast. The Parish Council will contact Central Bedfordshire Council to discuss this further and will update you accordingly.

Training in the use of the recently installed community defibrillator took place on 30<sup>th</sup> April at the Village Hall; it was nice to see representatives from the School, Good Neighbour Group and residents from the village attending. The training session was a success and all the attendees felt that it was informative and well presented. The Parish Council will consider running another course in future months if enough residents express an interest. The defibrillator is now fully functional and ready to be used if necessary. You are not required to have training to use the device, but should you be in the unfortunate position to be with someone when they go into cardiac arrest, then you should call 999 and they will supply you with the access code for the cabinet. The handset itself provides spoken step-by-step instructions on how to use it. The emergency services controller will also be able to offer telephone support. The Parish Council sincerely hopes the device will never be required, but are pleased that it is there for peace of mind.

The Parish Council agreed the Audit for the financial year 2017/2018 and the bank reconciliation and variances explanation were available for review. The Parish Council accounts will be available to view between 4<sup>th</sup> June and 13<sup>th</sup> July 2018 in compliance with the exercise of public rights. Please contact me to make an appointment.

Whilst not discussed at the recent meeting the Parish Council and the Village Hall Management Committee are pleased to confirm that the long awaited remedial work on the Village Hall Hearing Loop System will take place during June. New table top microphones will also be available for users of the Village Hall facilities.

**The date for the next meeting of the Parish Council is  
Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.**

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## **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE**

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group held its last meeting on May 10<sup>th</sup>. In attendance were two officers from Central Bedfordshire Council, one of whom was the newly appointed Neighbourhood Plan Officer, Tom Price. He explained how he would be supporting the volunteers to gather evidence and provide guidance on how to write the policies that form the basis of the Plan. He also gave an update on the Council's Local Plan.

The chairs of the working groups gave reports on their progress in producing the Vision and Objectives for each theme of the Plan. Once these are completed the Steering Group will be consulting with residents to obtain feedback before producing draft policies for the parish.

We are pleased that two residents from Chicksands have now joined working groups, but more volunteers are still needed. We would particularly like to hear from parents whose children are still attending school and from residents at JFC Chicksands.

Minutes of meetings can be found on the Campton and Chicksands Parish Council website: <https://www.bedsparishes.gov.uk/campton-and-chicksands-parish-council/neighbourhood-plan/>

If you are able to spare some time to give us your views, please use the Contact form on our website to get in touch using the link below:

<https://www.bedsparishes.gov.uk/campton-and-chicksands-parish-council/forms/contact-the-parish-council/>



## **Automatic External Defibrillator**

Thanks to National Lottery funding, 10 volunteers are now fully trained in CPD and how to use the defibrillator at the Village Hall. The unit provides instructions on what to do, so even if you haven't received the training you can still use it. In the event of an emergency simply dial 999 and the emergency services will guide you through the procedure.

## **COUNCIL DECIDES ON NEW BIN COLLECTIONS**

Over 15,000 people took part in the consultation on possible changes to bin collections and the council has listened to their views. Nearly everyone (94%) said they thought it was important that everyone is helped to recycle more. So, when the new bin collection contract starts in the Autumn next year, the council will introduce these new services to help people recycle as much as possible:

- weekly food waste collections for everyone
- a choice of wheellie bin or reusable bags for fortnightly garden waste collections and
- potential kerbside glass collections for all.

Charging for garden waste was the least popular option for residents so the council has discarded this idea.

After listening to residents' concerns about three-weekly black bin collections, the council is not proposing to introduce this service at this point but may look to introduce this in the longer term when residents have been supported to recycle as much as possible, so reducing waste in their black bin, making three-weekly collection more manageable.



## **Campton Quiz Night**

Thank you to all who attended the Campton Quiz Night on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May raising funds for All Saints' Church and for the 2019 World Scout Jamboree. All the teams did really well, the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams (Bubble and Squeak and Tesco's Finest) had only one point difference!

**Hope to see you all again at our next fundraiser. Lily**

# 'TRUGS & TROWELS' Gardening Club



*"Enjoy your gardens, the friend that always welcomes you"*



Our next meeting is on **Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> June** at **Campton Village Hall**

**A talk by Chris Watts**

**of Watts Nursery (Upper Caldecote)**

Chris is a green keeper and will be giving us a talk on '**Grass and Lawn Care**', so please have your questions ready! He will also be bringing along a selection of plants for sale suitable for baskets, container and garden flower beds.

On **Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> July** we will be visiting 'Open Gardens', including **Campton Manor**. If any members would like to open up their gardens for this event, please contact **Maryika**.

**Meetings start at 7.30pm and finish by 9.00pm**

**Admission £3** (or annual membership £24)

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

## SPECIAL OCCASION TO CELEBRATE?

*Birthday / Wedding Anniversary / Christening*

*In need of a bigger venue?*

*Why not book CAMPTON VILLAGE HALL*

*Capacity 120 standing or 70 sitting : £12 per hour*

*Kitchen, sound system, disabled facilities.*

*For more information visit our webpage at:-*

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



## Greensand Country Festival

26<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Many events for all ages including guided walks, train journeys, guided horse rides, activities, map reading, theatre, mini courses, wildlife sessions and much more!

Many events are free. Full programme on the website:-

[www.greensandcountry.com](http://www.greensandcountry.com)

## News From The Tower

### Visiting ringers in June:

**Friday June 8** - Peal attempt - Bedfordshire Association - 10am to 1pm 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**

## ART EXHIBITIONS AT PRIORY HOUSE

Did you know that there is an exhibition space at Priory House Council Offices, which is called 'Xhibit'. This is a free space available to local people or groups (professional and amateur) interested in art, photography, textiles etc. to exhibit and sell their work with no commission taken. 'Xhibit' is open to the public during Priory House Reception/CBC Offices normal opening times.

The programme runs in a six week cycle:

Currently local artist Cathy Titmus is exhibiting until 27<sup>th</sup> June.

Then the Bedford Cerebral Palsy Society will exhibiting their recent art work including collages. Andrew Marsh, a member of staff and painter, follows on with a display of his miniature paintings (postcard size!) starting on the 11<sup>th</sup> August. Following this will be an exhibition by local schools featuring 'Values' and work by a local art group.

For more information please contact [Julia.Scott@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:Julia.Scott@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk)

# Campton and Chicksands

## Good Neighbour Group

Volunteers offering their time to the group,  
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.

## Village Hall 100 Club Draw

May 2018		
1 <sup>st</sup>	£35	15 J. Hewitt
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£20	96 J. Harrison
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£15	112 C. Strong

The new subscription year  
has now started, but if you  
didn't get around to joining,  
fear not, it is not too late ...

Please contact Malcolm  
Willis 812747 for details

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.

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THE ROYAL BRITISH  
LEGION

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL



# POPPY WALK FOR HONOUR

Walk in Honour of someone who has  
served or is serving in the Armed Forces  
**Bedford Priory Country Park**

## SUNDAY 12TH AUGUST 2018

Register online at  
[bedspoppywalkforhonour.co.uk](http://bedspoppywalkforhonour.co.uk)  
or upon arrival on the day

**2KM Walk**  
Wheelchair and pushchair friendly

**10KM Walk**  
For those that really want to stretch  
their legs

### REGISTRATION

Adult (12+) - £8  
Child - £5  
Family - £20  
(2x Adult + 2x  
Child OR 1x Adult  
+ 3x Child)

free tshirt and medal for  
every registered walker

As well as the walk there will be live music and activities with refreshments available at Cloverdale Retreat - the Parks Cafe. A wonderful day out for the whole family to enjoy while raising funds to help wounded, injured and sick members of our Armed Forces and their families

**Registration – 11:00**  
**Act of Remembrance – 11:30**  
**Walk Starts 12:00**  
**Ends 16:00**

Bedford priory Country Park, Barkers Ln, Bedford, MK41 9SH UK  
Registered Charity No:219279



Items for the next Newsletter must be submitted  
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