

Campton & Chicksands

Parish Council Newsletter

October 2018

**'TRUGS & TROWELS'
GARDENING CLUB**
Monday, 1st October
'Gardening for Wildlife'
Talk by Betty Cooke
7.30pm
Campton Village Hall

**CAMPTON & CHICKSANDS
PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING**
Wednesday, 3rd October
7.30pm
Campton Village Hall

COFFEE & CHAT
Friday, 5th October
10am - noon
All Saint's Church,

FRIDAY MUSIC NIGHT
Friday, 12th October
7.30pm (doors open 7.15pm)
All Saint's Church, Campton

ARMISTICE CENTENARY EVENTS
Various events happening in November
(see pages 5 & 7 for information)
All Saint's Church, Campton

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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

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

During August the Neighbourhood Plan Survey was delivered to households in the parish and made available online through Survey Monkey. We received a fantastic response, with more than 200 households taking part. Many thanks to the dedicated team of Street Co-ordinators who not only delivered and collected the surveys, but made themselves available to help and support residents with any queries.

The Parish Council and Steering Group would also like to express their thanks to all of you who took the time to complete the survey. Your views and suggestions have identified the key issues to be taken forward to formulate the policies in the Plan. These will need to be cross referenced with the policies in the Central Bedfordshire Local Plan, still being scrutinised by the government inspector, and the National Planning Policy Framework, so there is still a significant amount of work to be done.

All of the survey data is currently being analysed so that the first draft of the Neighbourhood Plan can be written. A summary of the analysis will be published in the November Newsletter and a more detailed report will be available on the Parish Council website in due course.

Connecting our Communities in



Greensand
Country

COMING SOON!

A NEW COMMUNITY TRANSPORT OFFERING FOR THE MID-BEDS AREA

ALL VEHICLES ACCESSIBLE FOR THOSE WITH REDUCED MOBILITY

'End to End' journey possibilities

Amphill – Arlesey – Biggleswade – Cranfield – Flitwick – Harlington –

Potton – Sandy - Shefford – Stotfold – Woburn - & into Bedford

STARTING 15th OCTOBER 2018

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION - RING 01234 834933

'Connecting our Communities in Greensand Country' is provided by Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity, supported and working in partnership with Central Bedfordshire Council.

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News From The Tower

'Chris's corner'

This is a new feature.....

Chris is a regular ringer at Campton who has helped us for many years.

She says:- 'There are many different aspects of ringing, and once you have mastered the physical challenge of ringing the bell, there's much, much more! Whilst musicians follow music, bell ringers ring "methods" which they have to perform from memory, an excellent way to keep the "grey cells" active!! These methods vary in difficulty, and at the moment at Campton we are managing to ring a good variety - Henry is learning "Ipswich Surprise Minor" (Minor meaning that 6 bells are ringing together), David is ringing "Cambridge Surprise Minor" and Charlotte is learning the bizarrely named "St Clements College Bob Minor"

Interested in finding out more?

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 evening 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.

Visiting ringers in October:

Sat October 6 - Peal attempt - Lancashire Association - 2.45pm - 6pm approx.

Wed October 17 - Peal attempt - Society of Royal Cumberland Youths

- 9.30am to 1pm approx.

'TRUGS & TROWELS' Gardening Club



*"No two gardens are the same.
No two days are the same in one garden".*

~ Hugh Johnson



Our next meeting will be on **Monday, 1st October**
at **Campton Village Hall**, when we will be having a talk by
Betty Cooke - 'Gardening for Wildlife'

Our competition at this meeting will be
'A Seasonal Arrangement in a Pumpkin'



Village Hall meetings start at 7.30pm and finish by 9.00pm

Admission £3 (or annual membership £24)

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

Campton & Chicksands Parish Council

The most recent meeting of the Parish Council was held on 5th September 2018 in the Village Hall. The meeting was opened with a presentation by Claire Poulton, programme manager for Greensand Country Landscape Partnership. Claire explained a little about the geology & history of the Greensand Ridge and the aims of this new partnership between the Greensand Trust and Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity (BRCC). The Parish Council have recently decided to support this "Greensand Country" initiative, which looks "to create a popular but sustainable area for visitors, businesses and residents, with high levels of interest in and awareness of its landscape, wildlife, history and culture". The Parish Council hope to further this relationship with the Greensand Country Landscape Partnership in the coming months with a view to supporting potential outcomes of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Central Bedfordshire Councillor Brown informed the Parish Council that Campton Road, Shefford will be closed for two days between 5th and 14th November 2018; this may potentially affect the underpass availability particularly for children walking to School.

A Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) consultation is currently taking place online regarding Children's Services, looking at Children's Centres and Youth facilities. For further information please look on the CBC website. Another CBC consultation recently took place on Local Governance. No changes have resulted locally with Campton and Chicksands Parish Council retaining its name, its boundary and the number of Councillors.

CBC Councillor Mark Liddiard informed the meeting that GCSE and A Level grades across the County have been published and were very positive across Central Beds. Technical and vocational results were also very strong.

The target for initial HM Inspector validation of the CBC draft Local Plan remains October 2018. Assuming the plan passes this stage as regards the Council's duty to co-operate with neighbouring unitary authorities the Parish Council will have an opportunity to address the Inspector directly later in the year.

The White Hart have asked the Parish Council to consider a proposal for Sunday League football to be played at the Recreation Ground and some representatives were present at the meeting to answer questions. Clearly this would be in addition to existing Saturday fixtures. The Parish Council are committed to consult widely with residents and all interested parties including the resident team (Shefford Town & Campton FC) before any decision is made.

The Parish Council have been approached by a resident who wishes to set up a Street Watch scheme within the Village. Street Watch is a police-led initiative that trains volunteers to patrol their local area, helping to reduce anti-social behaviour and crime. If you have some spare time and would like to volunteer with the setting up or running of the scheme please contact us via the online Parish Council Contact Form.

Finally, our local Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, Mrs Pat Williams, has recently decided to step down. The Parish Council would like to thank Pat for all her volunteer work in this role over many years.

The date for the next meeting is

Wednesday, 3rd October 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Clerk to the Parish Council - Tammy Medley

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WW1 Commemorative Concert

Sunday 11th November at 3.00pm - All Saints Church, Campton

Free Concert to commemorate those from the village of Campton who gave their lives to the Great War 100 years on. The Concert will include songs of the time, poetry, music and readings, all performed by local artists, together with a Remembrance floral display for the 11 men who died.

Refreshments will be served, any monies donated will go to Military Charities.

Anyone wishing to be involved in this Commemoration Concert, please contact:-

Joy Curtis – Tel: 01462 811798 or email: pianomadjoy@hotmail.co.uk

38th SHEFFORD CRAFT AND PRODUCE SHOW

The Show was held at the beginning of September and the committee would like to thank everybody who entered, or visited during the afternoon and helped to make it a success. Entries were up on last year and it was lovely to see some new faces among the people taking part. Once again, we had some lovely exhibits (from adults and children) and even though we've not had the best growing conditions this year, we still had some very good entries amongst the garden flowers and produce.

Our congratulations go to the 1st Chicksands Rainbows who won one of the Mayor's Fund Shields with a very good display of the recent royal wedding.

The committee itself is small and we would not be able to put the Show on without the help of a number of other people. We would like to thank our judges, the people who help us in varying ways on the day of the show itself and last but not least, the individuals and groups who support us in varying ways during the year.

Pew News

We have now had our full Quinquennial inspection, the necessary 5-year look at all elements of the church building to ensure all is sound, including the roof and the crypt.

We gathered for the funeral of Joan Russell on 6th September. Joan and her family have lived in the village for many years. She had been very involved in Campton life; as a worshipper at All Saints, who helped stitch several church kneelers and as a long-standing member of our Women's Institute, which was founded here the year Joan was born. All Saints was full to say goodbye and hear her family pay tribute to her; we will miss her.

Our Macmillan coffee morning on Friday 7th September raised £350, an increase on last year. Thank you to Malcolm Willis for organising this and all our monthly coffee mornings so well and thank you very much for supporting us by baking or coming along. The church was full and much coffee and cake was consumed - very enjoyable! Our next coffee morning is on 4th October at 10am - please join us. The atmosphere is very welcoming and as much coffee (or tea) as you can drink costs only the princely sum of £1.

On 8th September we opened the church to welcome those cycling or hiking to raise money for the Historic Churches Trust. Our own Christopher Strong took part and we welcomed 10 other groups on the day. One participant was driving and planned to visit 50 churches - a different approach! We hope much money was raised nationwide for this important cause.

We look forward to welcoming you to our Sunday services at 11am - you will be warmly welcomed. Service details are on the church noticeboard or please contact Audrey Brand or me.

We'd very much welcome additional help with regular maintenance tasks, both inside All Saints and outside in the graveyard. If you might be able to help, please contact me - all offers much appreciated..... Thank you

Our next event is a musical evening on Friday 12th October at 7.30pm - please come along.

All best wishes, **DEBORAH MAGGS**, Churchwarden 07778 424408

Christmas Table Decoration Demonstration & Workshop

Saturday 8th December to start at 10am at Campton Village Hall

£20 per person (*& take decoration home*)

To book a place or for more details, please contact

June Martin 01462 816323 or Maggie Marsh 07989 082743

email: marsh.mam@googlemail.com

Fund raising for All Saints'

Village Hall 100 Club Draw

September 2018		
1 st	£35	104 P. Brown
2 nd	£20	70 J. Westgarth
3 rd	£15	12 J. Hanlon

**"Congratulations
to our winners
this month"**

September Coffee & Chat in aid of Macmillan

Wow..... what a busy morning with so many people! A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who contributed to last month's Coffee & Chat, whether you laid out the tables, waited on tables or cleared the tables! Made the coffee and tea, drank the coffee and tea or washed up the empty teacups! Baked a cake, bought a cake, or simply just ate a cake! You all helped to raise a magnificent **£350** for Macmillan Cancer Support (and all this despite the urn packing up!!)

Commemorating the Centenary of the Armistice at All Saints Church Campton



We are planning to mark this important anniversary in a number of different ways, and look forward to welcoming you to All Saints Church to some or all of the following events:

Friday 2ND NOVEMBER : "We Will Remember Them – the Bellringers who Fell in the WWI"

Doors open at **7.30pm**. (Talk starts at 8.00pm)

A talk by Alan Regin; Tickets: Adults £10; Children £5; including a drink.

Saturday 10TH NOVEMBER : "We Will Remember Them – the Young Men of Campton who Fell in the First World War" : 2.30 – 4.30pm

Commemorative floral displays, information and photographs to honour each of the young men from our village who fought in WWI. Free entry; Refreshments on sale.

Sunday 11TH NOVEMBER : Special Service of Remembrance to mark the 100 years Anniversary of the Armistice. Starts promptly at **10.50am**.

12.00-3.00pm, and after the concert until **5.00pm**

Another opportunity to see the commemorative displays.

12.00-1.00pm : "Ringing for Peace" Campton bells will be rung, together with bells all over the country, as a message of peace.

3.00-4.00pm : WW1 Commemorative Concert (See advertisement) : Free entry.



Friday Night is Campton Music Night!
with

The Luton Concert Band

Playing Music from the Stage and Screen

plus

Samuel Whitbread Academy Choir

&

Local Young Musicians

Friday 12th October at 7.30pm

All Saints' Church, Campton

Doors open at 7.15pm / Refreshments available

Tickets £5 on the door under 16-year olds free

**Fund raising for the Bedfordshire Scout Contingent attending the
24th World Scout Jamboree in America 2019 & All Saints' Church**



Campton and Chicksands Good Neighbour Group

Volunteers are all insured and DBS (formerly CRB) checked

If you need help from us phone 07971 854472

If your call is not answered please leave a message

Items for the next Newsletter must be submitted
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