

Campton & Chicksands Parish Council Newsletter September 2017

COFFEE & CHAT

Friday, 1st September
which will be in aid of
Macmillan Cancer Support
10.00am - noon
All Saints Church, Campton
The following Coffee & Chat
will be on Friday, 6th October

'TRUGS & TROWELS' GARDENING CLUB

Monday, 4th September
A talk by Sahira Ward on
'Incredible Edible Dunstable'
Part 2
7.30pm : Campton Village Hall

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Wed, 6th September
7.30pm
Campton Village Hall

COFFEE MORNING

Friday, 29th September
to help raise money for
Macmillan
10.30am onwards
at Chestnut Farm,
2 Priory Road, Campton

Welcome to the Campton & Chicksands Newsletter
published by the Parish Council

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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

Since the last Pew News we hope that many of you have enjoyed relaxing breaks, perhaps away or spent with family. By the time this drops through your door we will probably be looking back on the Summer and forwards to Autumn.

Although the summer tends to be a relatively quiet time in the life of All Saints, we are always delighted to welcome visitors on Sundays and to other events. One such occasion was on 2nd July, when the church was filled for a concert by the Community Choir, who entertained us with a varied and very enjoyable programme of songs, followed by time to mingle and eat lots of cake!

On 8th August, Deborah and I, as Churchwardens, welcomed Archdeacon Paul to All Saints for his annual inspection. After walking around a very wet churchyard, to look around both the outside and inside of the building and a check of the paperwork which we are required to keep, listing property and any maintenance work which has been done, he declared that the church and churchyard were in good order.

To keep maintaining this lovely old building costs a huge amount of money, and we do rely on donations and fundraising to cover essential costs. This is a struggle! Our very small, but active, fundraising committee will be meeting after the school holidays to plan some events between now and the end of the year. Do please come and support these events, or why not volunteer to be on our committee! A definite date for your diaries is Saturday 18th November, when we will be celebrating the 10th birthday of our bells (still very new by bell standards!) and raising money with a "Festival of Bells" with activities for all the family. More details will follow next month, but please make a note of the date in your diary.

One thing that has probably come to your attention over the summer is that part of The Glebe has been identified by Central Bedfordshire Council as "worthy of further assessment for development". This land is "church" land, but we do want to make it very clear that it is owned by the Diocese of St Albans, NOT by All Saints Church, and we have no financial interest in the land. We understand that any plans are at a very early stage with no certainty that matters will progress. However, if the diocese were to consider selling this land (or any part of it) for development, All Saints' would be consulted and would put forward the views of the community in the strongest possible terms.

During the summer the fields around the village have been harvested. We will be celebrating our **Harvest Festival on Sunday 1st October**. All Saints is at its most lovely when decorated for harvest. Do come along!

A reminder that Coffee and Chat takes place from 10-12 noon on the first Friday of every month. Sunday services every week at 11am, informal Prayers for Peace and Justice every Tuesday at 9am, and other events as advertised. For any details of services, forthcoming events or to volunteer to help us to maintain All Saints in any way, do please get in touch.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

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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.

News From The Tower

Visiting ringers in September:

Monday September 18 - 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**

Campton & Chicksands Parish Council

The Parish Council last held a meeting on Wednesday 5th July 2017. This meeting was well attended by local residents with the main interest being council discussion regarding a proposal for the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan for Campton & Chicksands. Neighbourhood planning is a community led process and the plan, once complete and adopted both by residents & Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC), has real legal weight in the assessment of future planning applications locally. The Parish Council concluded that there were sound reasons to prepare a plan; particularly in light of the initial site assessment outcomes of CBC's Local Plan "Call for Sites" process published on 4th July. The Parish Council has since initiated the process of Neighbourhood Plan registration with CBC. If you would like further information on Neighbourhood Planning or would like to be part of the decision making process please do come along and join us at a future meeting of the Parish Council to register your interest.

As reported the initial site assessment outcomes of the "Call for Sites" process supporting the development of the local plan were published on the CBC website on the 4th July.

www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/callforsites

Portions of two sites in Campton village have been shortlisted by CBC to potentially provide housing based upon a set of selection criteria. The sites are ALP287 (The Glebe land) and NLP082 (Land South East of Greenway). Although these sites have been selected for further consideration in the draft Plan, this doesn't necessarily mean that either or both will be included in the final Local Plan. These decisions will be made by CBC after the current consultation period ends.

In July the Parish Council delivered a "Special Bulletin" to every household with further details of these sites and how to have your say on both site assessments and the draft Local Plan.

The Parish Council will shortly publish our considered response to the draft Local Plan and site assessments following submission to the CBC consultation team. Visit our dedicated website page for more information.

<http://www.bedsparishes.gov.uk/campton-and-chicksands-parish-council/local-plan-central-beds/>

**There is still time to have your say before the current consultation ends
on August 29th at 5.00 pm.**

Consultation feedback can be submitted to CBC online at:

www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/localplan

or in writing to CBC at:

Local Plan, Central Bedfordshire Council, Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands,
Shefford, SG17 5TQ.

The Parish Council urges all residents to express their views on the proposals in the draft Local Plan and development sites currently being carried forward for further consideration.

In other news the Parish Council have recently renewed the agreement with Shefford Town & Campton Football Club for the 2017-18 football season with fixtures starting on Saturday, 19th August.

Maintenance work is currently on-going to repair and refresh play equipment at the Recreation Ground and a specialist contractor has been engaged to control mole activity that has been problematic during the summer months.

The date for the next meeting is Wednesday 6th September 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Clerk to the Parish Council tammy.medley@btinternet.com

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'TRUGS & TROWELS' Gardening Club

*"By all these lovely tokens September days are here,
with summer's best of weather and autumn's best of cheer."*

- Helen Hunt Jackson

Our next meeting will be on

Monday, 4th September

at Campton Village Hall

A talk by Sahira Ward on 'Incredible Edible Dunstable' Part 2

Please feel free to bring along any surplus garden related items for our
'Free & Swap' table at the Village Hall meetings.

Doors open at 7pm for setting up, any help would be gratefully received.

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

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

Neighbourhood Watch

The following are crimes in our area that have been recorded this year on the police.co.uk website.

LOCATION	CRIME
January	
Pedestrian Subway, Greenway, Campton	Violence and Sexual offences
Pedestrian Subway, Greenway, Campton	Anti social behaviour
Luffenham Place, Chicksands	Violence and Sexual offences
February	
Pedestrian Subway, Greenway, Campton	Violence and Sexual offences
Trumans Place, Chicksands	Violence and Sexual offences
Trumans Place, Chicksands	Vehicle Crime
Eisenhower Place, Chicksands	Anti social behaviour
Orchards Drive, Chicksands	Public Order
March	
Luffenham Place, Chicksands	Violence and Sexual offences
Trumans Place, Chicksands	Violence and Sexual offences
Orchards Drive, Chicksands	Other theft
April	
Orchards Drive, Chicksands	Violence and Sexual offences
Toft Place, Chicksands	Bicycle Theft
Mercury Place, Chicksands	Violence and Sexual offences
May	
Pedestrian Subway, Greenway, Campton	Violence and Sexual offences
Recreation Ground, Campton	Anti social behaviour
Recreation Ground, Campton	Anti social behaviour
Recreation Ground, Campton	Bicycle Theft
Mill Lane, Campton	Anti social behaviour
Luffenham Place, Chicksands	Vehicle Crime
Trumans Place, Chicksands	Anti social behaviour

Pat Williams
Neighbourhood Watch coordinator, Greenway

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

WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING

Catriona Brown
will be holding a coffee morning to help raise money for
Macmillan on Friday, 29th September
from 10.30am onwards
at
Chestnut Farm, 2 Priory Road

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.

		August 2017
1 st	£35	170 S. Khan
2 nd	£20	221 Lady Odell
3 rd	£12	13 J. Cullip

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

WANDERBUS EXCURSIONS

4th Thursday of the Month

28th September : Anglesey Abbey

National Trust House and extensive gardens. A Watermill can also be visited

£13.50 per person

Pick up: 9.15-9.45am / **approx. Arrival:** 11.00am / **Departure:** 2.30pm

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

Please call 0300-123-3023 or email: thewanderbus@gmail.com

for more information or to book your seat

FESTIVAL OF BELLS

A DAY OF FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY
TO CELEBRATE THE 10TH BIRTHDAY
OF CAMPTON'S CHURCH BELLS

WHEN

Saturday 18 November
10am - 7pm

WHERE

All Saints Church
Campton
Bedfordshire SG17 5BN

ADMISSION FREE*

(*CHARGES APPLY FOR WORKSHOPS, SOME ACTIVITIES
AND HAVE A GO' BELLRINGING SESSIONS)

Further information to follow!
Please save the date!



BELLRINGING
DEMONSTRATIONS
AND
OPPORTUNITIES TO
'HAVE A GO'



**CRAFT
WORKSHOPS**
AND
ACTIVITIES
FOR ALL AGES



**LUNCHES
TEAS AND
HOME MADE
CAKES**

Items for the next Newsletter must be submitted
to the Editor, Angela Baker by the 15th September 2017

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