

Dear Readers

Congratulations to Christine Whild on her Parishioner of the Year 2007 Award, see page 7 and photo on the cover.

Other good news is that the X15 will still be running after 4 June although at a slightly reduced rate, so we will still be able to take BusSpotter's advice for an early summer stroll. My thoughts are turning to summer holidays and so this is advance notice that the deadline for the September issue will be

5pm on 12 August

for both adverts and articles.

I will remind everyone again next month. I'm sorry for any inconvenience but sometimes opportunities come along that you can't pass up!

Until next time



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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

New Council

At the first meeting of the new Council, Mr. William Cumber was elected Chairman and Mr. Ian Charles as Vice-Chairman. Mr. Malcolm Denton will represent the parish on the Hills Aggregates Liaison Committee. This Committee acts as a forum for discussion on the operation of the gravel and sand extraction sites at the northern end of the parish. The Council is also responsible for appointing the parochial charity trustees and has re-appointed the current Trustees, Mr. M. Denton, Mrs. M. Hall, Mrs. J. Myatt, Mrs. J. Smith, and Mrs. S. Walton for a 4 year term. The contact details of the Council members can be found on the Council's noticeboard outside the Institute.

The Anson Trust –

New Community Facilities

The Parish Council, each meeting, has been considering one issue or another to do with the proposed development on the Anson Field and the idea for new facilities elsewhere in the village. The Council has always held the view that it is very difficult at this stage to reach a conclusion and give a view as it believes that it needs a much clearer picture of what is planned before being able to reach a decision. As yet no one has seen any detailed drawings or plans for anything. Normally when a planning application is lodged, the Parish Council has barely 3 weeks in which to comment. It was felt that this timescale would not be sufficient for the Council to seek the village's views on the proposals. The Council has therefore written to the Anson Trust to find out about its timescale for things, and to point out that in order to reflect the village view on any application it would need a substantial amount of time for a proper consultation process. It has therefore asked the Trust, should it proceed with its plans already announced, to consider consulting with the Parish Council long before any application is lodged with the District Council.

Dog Fouling

The Council has received reports that dog owners are not clearing up after their pets. It is an offence under the Dogs Fouling of Land Act not to clear up after your dog in specified public places, this includes recreation grounds and footpaths. The Vale of White Horse District Council can currently impose fixed penalties and can further prosecute those who continue to persist in not clearing dog faeces. New legislation such as the Clean Neighbourhood and Environment Act brings extra powers to deal with litter, nuisance parking offences, illegally parked vehicles, graffiti and defacement, unlawful advertisement and fly posting. The Vale of White Horse District Council has recently

appointed two new enviro-crime wardens whose job will be to deal with offenders on a zero tolerance basis.

Bottle Banks – Howard Cornish Road

The Council will be contacting the District Council to see whether there are any plans to remove the recycling bins now that there is a regular doorstep collection of recyclable materials. Concerns have been raised about the bottle banks being somewhat unsightly, often with broken glass in the area.

Date of Next Council Meeting:

Wednesday 13th June 2007 at 7.30 p.m. in the residents' lounge, Duffield Place.

Clerk to the Council: Mrs. L. Martin,
90 Howard Cornish Rd, Tel: 01865 391833

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Friday 22 June 2007

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OLIVE HOBART

My daughters and I would like to convey our sincere thanks to all our friends in the village, including those from All Saints, Duffield Place, The Café and Senior Citizens Club for their kindness and support during Olive's long stay in hospital and since she passed away in April.

There are many benefits from living in a village, especially if it is named Marcham.

ROY HOBART

LESLIE LUCAS

Thanks you for the lovely cards received and the kindness and support given at this very sad time, at the loss of our dear brother, Les. Thank you for donations from the Ex-Servicemen's Club and friends sent to Ward 1, Marcham Road Hospital, and thank you to all the staff and doctors.

Joyce, Ron and family