

Cholsey Village Voice April 2015

Welcome!

Welcome to the third edition of Cholsey Village Voice (CVV), the new monthly newsletter from the Parish Council. The newsletter is available free from most shops and pubs, The Pavilion foyer, the library and The Great Hall. CVV can also be read on the Parish Council website in the News and Events section. If you have any short, topical articles that we could publish, please forward them to cholseypc.clerk@mediummail.co.uk

Local Plan 2031

Following the Public Consultation sessions on the revised Local Plan 2031 held all over South Oxfordshire - including those held in Cholsey Pavilion in March - the District Council is now processing the responses. Once this is completed they will be available for viewing on the SODC website at www.southoxon.gov.uk/services-and-advice/planning-and-building

SODC will use all the comments that they receive as part of the consultation to help develop and refine their Local Plan 2031 for the next stage of consultations scheduled for the end of this year.

Cycle Path Consultation Results



111 responses have been received to date from the Wallingford Road Cycle Path Public Consultation. The proposal residents were asked to comment on was to maximise the width of the existing Wallingford Road footpath, fully resurface it and make it dual use.

93.7% of returns were in favour of the cycle path with just 4.5% against and 82.8% were in favour of the traffic calming measure proposed with 9.0% against.

Annual Parish Meeting

This year's Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th April at 7:30pm in The Pavilion. Please come along to hear from your County and District Councillor and Parish Council Chair and a representative from the local police. There will also be the opportunity for residents to raise issues and concerns.

Allotments



Are you interesting in growing your own food? There are vacant plots available for rent on Station Road and St Georges Close. The rents are around £9 a year for a larger plot and £5 for a smaller plot. Details of the available plots are posted on the notice boards at the allotments or you can call the Parish Office for more details on 01491 652255. And once you have your allotment you may be interested in.....

Cholsey Hort Soc

The Cholsey HortSoc Store is open every Saturday morning 10 til 12 on the Station Road allotments. They have a wide selection of products-many cheaper than garden centres! Seed potatoes and onion sets still available, plus Dobies seeds, 3-bag deals (at last year's prices) on the excellent Roffey's multi-purpose and peat-free compost, plus a range of reduced-price items.

Membership of Cholsey HortSoc is only £3 per household per year--benefit from good-value products, organized trips, and talks. Join in-store or call Jennie Kent on 01491 652100.

Wellbeing Taster Day

Ever wanted to try Qigong, Tai Chi, Pilates, Yoga or Mindfulness meditation? The Great Hall is running a Taster day in partnership with Cholsey Complementary Health Centre on Saturday 10th April between 10am and 2pm where you can give them a try. Call the Great Hall office on 01491 652339, or email info@cholseycdt.org.uk

Cholsey Youth Events

Club "H", study and homework club for secondary school years 7 and above will now be running on Tuesday and Thursday between 4:15 and 5:45pm (during term time). Come along to the Pavilion and help get your homework done!

Want to try Boxing?



Sign up for Boxing at Cholsey Youth Club

The training course will be at the Pavilion on Station Road on Tuesday 21st & 28th April, from 7-9pm. To take part it's just £1 per session. Open for School Year 9 & 10.

A lot of boxing is about technique, so even if you're little, you can still pack a punch. Learn how to skip, move and defend yourself like a boxer! To register drop into Club H at the Pavilion Tuesday's and Thursday's from 4:15-5:45pm (during term time)

Year 7 & 8 Cholsey Youth Club sessions...an exciting summer term of activities planned. Lots of time outdoors, including bush craft, water sports trip and also creative arts, like our music production session. 7-8:30pm on Thursday during term-time, it's only £1 as well. Please see cholseyyouth.org.uk for further details

Cholsey Neighbourhood Policing – an update from PCSO Sue Harris

The Wallingford Neighbourhood Policing Team consists of four Police Officers and 6 Police Community Support Officers. They are PC Bob McIntyre, PC James Moxey, PC Nicky Beltran, PC Simone O'Dell, PCSO Claire Beale, PCSO Sarah Jones, PCSO Marie Davenport, PCSO Jen Cox, PCSO Louis Page and myself PCSO Sue Harris. We are all based out of Wallingford Police Station and can be contacted via the 101 non emergency number. We are very lucky to work and live on a low crime area, however there are some basic crime reduction tips that can be used to keep it that way. With hopefully a nice summer approaching, please do not leave windows open, including upstairs ones when not at home. Lock garden gates and secure valuable tools and lawn mowers.

Sheds and garages can be targeted. You can help prevent this by using anti-bolt cropper padlocks and investing in a shed alarm which you can purchase over the internet for less than £20.00. Also consider marking your property. Smartwater and CRE marking are both very effective ways of marking your valuables. If going on holiday ask a neighbour to keep an eye on your property, ensuring post does not pile up and drawing/undrawing curtains. A timer light is also a good investment so it looks like there is someone at home. I plan to attend the coffee mornings held on Saturday morning in the Pavilion when my shift pattern allows. I am afraid due to operational commitments the next date I will be able to attend is Saturday 18th July. I will be able to give you crime reduction advice and sign you up to Thames Valley Alert. As part of my role I offer free home crime reduction surveys and also give talks to community groups. If this is of any interest to you please email me on sue.harris@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk.

What's On

Saturdays – Cholsey Tea Shop – Cholsey Pavilion 10am-12:30pm in support of local community groups. The café has recently completed its first year of "trading" and has raised £3,225 for, among others, Youth Club, Hort Soc and WI.

Saturdays – COPA – Cholsey Pavilion 10am -12 – drop in session for advice for older people.

Sundays - Fair Mile Café -Fancy a Sunday Morning cooked breakfast? New Community Cafe (non-profit) at The Great Hall on the Fair Mile 10am-12pm, local produce and Sunday papers too!

Saturday 10th April – Wellbeing Taster Day – Great Hall - Fair Mile 10am – 2pm

Wednesday 15th – Early Years Pre-school places meeting – 2-3pm Cholsey Pavilion.

Tuesday 21st & 28th April – Cholsey Youth Club-Boxing training course. Cholsey Pavilion 7-9pm

Sunday 26th – Tree House School 10K Fun Run – Starts at Cholsey Pavilion

MAY 2nd/3rd – Masons Funfair – The Recreation Ground

Don't Forget!

Fix my Street

If you spot a pot hole or other roads issue that you think needs to be dealt with please go direct to the Fix My Street website.

You can identify the area on an OS map, attach a brief description and send your report straight to County Highways.

Alternatively you can contact the Highways Department direct on 08453 101 111