

Cholsey Village Voice March 2018

The monthly newsletter from the Parish Council. Available free in 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 clerk.cpc@outlook.com

Marina or Gravel Pit?

We have met with the developers for the gravel pit (along with Wallingford Town Council) though they are insisting on calling it a marina!

The County Council are adamant that it is to be dealt with as a gravel pit and not a marina. It is expected that to remove the minerals will take up to 5 years, possibly longer according to market conditions.

The developer has also met with local rowing clubs and we understand they received the same negative response that we gave them.

Cholsey Repair Café



Cholsey's very own Repair Cafe will have its inaugural session on Saturday 17th March, 11am -2pm, in the Pavilion hall on Station Road.

Bring your items for repair, advise on repair or just come along if you have an interest in joining our team of volunteers. Tea, coffee and cake will be available from the community café.

For further details please look for us on Facebook or email cholseyrepaircafe@outlook.com

Village Litter Pick 2018



Calling all litter heroes! As part of Keep Britain Tidy's great spring clean we will be meeting in the Pavilion car park at 9am on Saturday 10th March to carry out a litter pick. Litter grabbers, hi viz vests, bin bags and gloves will be provided.

Cold Weather Help

If you are aware of an older person needing some support in the bad weather please contact the Older Persons Worker Vicky Beardall-Richards 07855 606894

Happy Hub

We are delighted to announce that we have appointed a new team leader for the Happy Hub following Liz Lee's decision to retire.

The new team leader will be Sarah Wilson and she will start work on Monday 5th March. This will allow her a fortnight's handover with Liz.

Liz has been a wonderful and supportive first team leader for the Hub and has set the template for the success it has become.

Liz will be hugely missed and we wish her all success in her new life in Cheshire. She says she is retiring, but we are sure her grandchildren will put pay to that aspiration!

Activities and fun will continue as normal Monday to Saturday 9.15/10 – 11.30 with baby group Wednesday 12.30 -2.30

Open in the school holidays.

All activities free, but donations welcome.

Look for us on Facebook. The Happy Hub at Cholsey

Neighbourhood Plan

The final consultation event for the revised Neighbourhood Plan will take place on Saturday 3rd March at 11am – 3pm in the Great Hall, Cholsey Meadows. The draft plan is available in the Library and online www.cholsey-plan.com the consultation closes on 31st March.

COPA News

Enquiries 01491 652100, 07979 188701 (Jennie Kent) COPA direct line 07526 291088, Cholsey Older Persons Worker Vicky Beardall-Richards 07855 606894, 01491 200291.

We are a community activities/advice/befriending service working alongside Vicky Beardall-Richards, Cholsey's Older Persons Worker, and the Cholsey Day Centre.

See the What's On section for this month's dates for our activities.

COPA are looking for volunteers to speak at the monthly brunch club if you are interested in assisting this important community group please contact Vicky(details above).

News from the Parish Office



The Parish Office staff have all undertaken Safeguarding Training ahead of the Parish Council adopting a Safeguarding Policy.

With the new General Data Protection Regulations coming into force at the end of May the Parish Office is making preparations to ensure the Parish Council is compliant. Therefore, the Parish Office will be closed to the public from 26th – 30th March though we will continue to monitor the phone and email.

We are very happy to see residents during our opening hours (Monday – Thursday 10am -12 noon) at the office window hatch however due to new data protection regulations it is not appropriate for people to come into the office without an appointment though we can come out to see you as necessary.

Go Forward Bus

The 133 Goring to Wallingford via Streatley and Cholsey now operates at consistent timings five days a week (Mondays to Fridays). The bus stops at Papist Way, the Train station and outside Tescos. For more details see <http://www.goingforwardbuses.com/>

March's What's On

Saturdays - The Pavilion Community Tea Shop – 10:00 – 12:00pm

Tuesday 6th March 11-12.30 The Pavilion COPA Monthly Brunch Club. £3 for full English breakfast. Bookings via Jennie Kent 652100

Tuesday 6th March 7.30 – 9.30 The Library Cholsey Creative Club – all welcome

Sunday 11th March 2.30 The Old School Afternoon Tea

Tuesday 20th March 1.30 pm The Old School COPA Monthly Film Club £3 per session (incl. refreshment). No need to book.

Tuesday 20th March 7.30 -9.30 The Library Cholsey Creative Club – all welcome

Monday 19th March 7.30pm The Pavilion Bingo in aid if the Happy Hub

Thursday 22nd March 10am The Library COPA Coffee and Chat Group

Opening Times

Parish Office – Monday to Thursday 10am 12pm
Library Monday to Friday 2- 4.30pm, Friday 6 – 7.30pm and Saturday 9.30am – 12.30pm
Day Centre Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10am – 4pm. Phone 01491 652255

Cholsey Parish Council would like to appoint a
Community Warden

For 12 hours per week

The role will/might include activities such as Installation of smoke alarms and fire training. A watching and befriending brief over younger, disaffected people.

Promoting and supporting Speed Watch.

Supporting schools to deal with issues such as parking, cycle safety/ proficiency training and bullying.

Supporting Parish Councils to deal with dog waste and litter.

Promoting defibrillators/ AED training.

First Responder functions.

To apply ring the Clerk on 652255 or email clerk.cpc@outlook.com