

# THE VILLAGE NEWS

**Siddington**  
**January 2020**

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Editor: Jane Lloyd

## **Happy New Year from Thiba**

I am Peter's successor in the village shop. My wife is called Sukan and we recently had a baby boy who likes to be called Arwin. This is my small family.

I would like to thank the community for your warm welcome to the village. When we heard that Peter intended to sell the village shop we came and had a look at this village; it was really beautiful and quite peaceful. Then we searched in Google and found this newspaper which was very helpful to know everything about the village. From that moment we were very eager to buy this shop because the people who live in Siddington have a very strong community spirit. Everyone who lives here is very friendly and helpful – we experienced this when we faced the power cut last month. We love to help and serve the community better so we will always be supportive as much as we can and we need your support to run this business successfully.

In the near future we have plans to refit the shop and join with the Premier group which will enable you to get more commodities with better deals. Meanwhile, our request to you is that if there is any special stock item or any other services you require please let us know; we are always here to serve better.

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## **PARISH COUNCIL NEWS - MEETING – 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Cllr Hayward congratulated all those involved in the impressive Christmas Tree Festival held at St Peter's Church from 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> December, and which raised £570.02. The Parish Council's tree, provided and decorated by Cllr Turner, would now be planted at the playing field.

### **OUTSTANDING & HIGHWAYS ISSUES LIST**

- The Clerk would chase Highways to replace the missing gully grill and unblock the gullies on Park Way.
- The Clerk would also report the persistent flooding on the bend at the top of Park Way.

### **Planning applications received at Cotswold District Council to 5<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

- **19/02156/FUL CT.2959/2/K**

Applicant: Mrs Jane Heryet, c/o agent Mr Jonathan Rixon, Rixon Architects Ltd, 9 The Common, Siddington, GL7 6EY

Proposal: Erection of single storey rear extension at 27 Cherry Tree Drive, Siddington, GL7 1PJ. New details. As the plot now appeared to be larger than previously thought, the Council raised no further objection.

- **19/03898/LBC CT.0697**

Applicant: Mr Sam Denton, c/o agent Mr Matt Edwards, Cotswold Architects, 5 Downs Way, Baunton, Cirencester, GL7 7DH

Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension at The Garden Apartment, 6 Siddington Hall, Fraziers Folly, Siddington, GL7 6HR. Consultation expiry date: 26<sup>th</sup> December 2019. The Council felt the design was fully in keeping with the existing dwelling and fully supported the application.

### **PLAYING FIELD/FOOTBALL CLUBS/GRASS-CUTTING**

Chesterton AFC had requested financial support for the replacement of the goal posts at the playing field and had secured a grant for 50% of the cost. The Parish Council voted to contribute £300, and the remainder would be financed by Chesterton AFC and Siddington FC.

## **GO-KART ON THE PLAYING FIELD**

It had been noted that a motorised go-kart had been seen operating on the playing field. This contravenes the byelaws, is dangerous, and should cease immediately. Thank you.

## **BUDGET FOR 2020-21**

Suggestions considered included partial replacement of the perimeter fence at the playing field, provision of outdoor fitness equipment and possibly cricket nets, and replenishment of the playing field equipment reserve.

As there was no further business the Chairman thanked members for attending and the meeting closed at 8.45pm. Full draft minutes of the meeting may be viewed on the council website. The next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020 in the Committee Room at the Village Hall.

**Robert Cowley – Parish Clerk**

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## **‘WINTER KIDZ’ Saturday 18<sup>TH</sup> January 2.00 PM – 4.00 PM**

Come along to the Village Hall for an afternoon full of craft and lots of fun activities for the whole family based around the theme of winter. As previously, there will be a story, fun time with musical instruments and singing followed by afternoon tea and refreshments. Please bring a carrier bag with the child’s name on it. This event is free and is suitable for children of all ages.

## **SUMMER VILLAGE FETE MEETING– 8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY**

It has been agreed that a summer village fete will take place on the playing fields on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June. There will be a meeting to discuss it in the committee room at the back of the village hall on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30 pm. If you would like to be involved in any way, please do come along or contact Georgie [georgie@uppersidd.co.uk](mailto:georgie@uppersidd.co.uk) (Tel 07722 652286) for further details.

## **RACE NIGHT – SATURDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> February** (Not as previously advertised)

£10 per ticket (£12 after 19<sup>th</sup> February) to include a chilli supper. Tickets from the village shop or by ‘phone 07407 352025 or by email [siddingtonvillagehallbookings@gmail.com](mailto:siddingtonvillagehallbookings@gmail.com)

## St. Peter's Christmas Tree Festival

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the Christmas Tree Festival such a success. It was certainly a community effort, with the 19 trees on display all provided and decorated by groups within the church, local organisations and businesses.

The Festival was also very well-supported with over 200 people visiting the church over the three days. Thank you also to the Churnside Benefice Choir, which sang for us on the Friday evening, and to the Siddington School Choir who performed on Saturday afternoon.

The Festival closed with a Songs of Praise service at which we sang our favourite Christmas carols.

It was heartening to see the community come together in support of this new venture.



Village News Tree



## Siddington CE Primary School

December was a very hectic month with nativities, and thank you to our local residents who watched and passed on so many thanks, the choir singing in church at the Christmas

Tree Festival, the pantomime in Cheltenham, the school Christmas Fair, held by our wonderful PTA, the Christingle service at St Peter's Church, thank you to Rev. McKenzie and our church members, the Christmas lunch and party day wearing Christmas jumpers and raising money for Save the Children, and of course all the craft with glitter and glue galore! It is always such a special time in school and brings everyone together in true village school / community style.

January has / is going to start with a bang (as this is being written in December). All the children in Kemble and Siddington CE Primary Schools are going on a trip to London Science Museum to add a little sparkle to a grey month. The children will all have a science theatre / workshop and learn about different areas of science – we are hoping to inspire, excite as well as educate and have fun of course! It will be a wonderful start to a week of science.

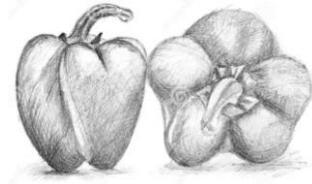
Until next time,  
Mrs Carol Dougill  
Executive Head teacher  
Kemble Primary and  
Siddington C of E Primary  
Schools



If you indulged in plenty of rich, festive food over Christmas you might like to try out a meat-free meal in January. It's good for the planet, easy to put together and won't break the bank - try it when peppers are on special offer!

## Stuffed Peppers

4 red peppers  
Approx 250g new potatoes  
4 tbsps pesto  
200g Feta cheese  
Olive oil or similar, seasoning



- \* Scrub the potatoes, cut into dice and cook in salted water until tender 8 – 12 minutes
- \* Halve peppers lengthways and remove seeds and pith, brush with olive oil
- \* When the potatoes are cooked allow to cool then put in a bowl
- \* Add Feta cut into cubes and bind potatoes and cheese together with the pesto then season with pepper and salt
- \* Fill the peppers, place in an ovenproof dish and bake in the oven for about 40 minutes until they are beginning to look brown and delicious.

This recipe is enough for 4 people. It freezes brilliantly at the stage immediately prior to baking. If you are really well organised you can cook the potatoes the day before to save time.

## SIDDINGTON EVERGREEN CLUB

Our meeting this month will be on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January at 2.30 pm in the Elizabeth Way Community Room.

We shall have a relaxed meeting in which we can share our Christmas and New Year experiences, perhaps from earlier days. There will be a simple Quiz and our usual "Fun Raffle", with a nice cup of tea and a chat with friends.

Our numbers are diminishing, so new members would be very welcome. Please come along, remember, "If you don't use it, you lose it!"

Wishing everyone a very Happy New Year from the Evergreen Club. For more information, please contact Evelyn Mole - 640028

## SIDDINGTON with PRESTON WI

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
David Austin – Erithoka Charity



A talk by David Austin about the Erithoka Charity he is involved with. As usual visitors are welcome. There will be tea, biscuits and a raffle.

**We will be meeting this month at Elizabeth Way Meeting Room, Siddington at 7.30pm.** Please contact Ann on 01285 641469 for more information.

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### Next month's editor

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## News from St Peter's Church

St Peter's Siddington	Services	All Saints Preston
11.15am Family Service	5 <sup>th</sup> January	8.00am BCP Holy Communion
	12 <sup>th</sup> January	9.30am Church and Coffee
11.15am Holy Communion	19 <sup>th</sup> January	
11.15am Morning Praise	26 <sup>th</sup> January	9.30am Holy Communion

Details of other services in the benefice can be found on the Churnside Benefice website. [www.churnsidechurches.org.uk](http://www.churnsidechurches.org.uk)

**A warm welcome** to parents and children to our monthly family service.

**Holy Communion** (Gluten free)

**Coffee** is served between 10:30–11:00am with our morning service at 11:15am.

**Church spire illumination** is only £5 per evening to sponsor, in memory of a loved one, anniversary, birthday or just for yourself.

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