

**THE VILLAGE NEWS**

**Siddington**

**February 2020**

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**SIDDINGTON RACE NIGHT  
SATURDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**



**SIDDINGTON VILLAGE HALL  
DOORS OPEN 7.15 P.M.  
RACING STARTS 7.30 P.M.**

**ADVANCED TICKETS £10  
TO INCLUDE SUPPER  
AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE AT THE VILLAGE SHOP**

**CASH BETTING  
LICENSED BAR  
ENTRY £15 ON THE NIGHT**

**With Grateful thanks to all our local sponsors of the races  
And to Terry Yates from Race Night Services Oxford**

***In aid of Siddington Village Hall***

## **PARISH COUNCIL NEWS - MEETING – 14<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020**

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

- Cllr Parsons (GCC) would contact our local MP with regard to the ongoing flooding issues at the old railway bridge on Ashton Road in an attempt to speed a resolution.
- It was agreed that the Clerk would request a quote for adding a surface where necessary to the new footpath from Spire View to the canal. Bathurst Estate would be asked to contribute to the cost.

### **PLANNING**

#### **Planning applications received at Cotswold District Council to 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

- **19/04398/FUL CT.4695/1/L**  
Applicant: Mr Morton, c/o agent Mr Francis Skeete, FSC, 12 Darcey Close, Grange Park, Swindon, SN5 6DZ  
Proposal: Proposed two storey side/rear extension at 23 The Twenties, Siddington, GL7 6ES. Consultation expiry date: 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
NO OBJECTION

#### **Planning applications permitted at Cotswold District Council to 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

- **19/02156/FUL CT.2959/2/K**  
Erection of single storey rear extension at 27 Cherry Tree Drive, Siddington, GL7 1PJ.

#### **Planning applications withdrawn at Cotswold District Council to 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

- **19/03897/FUL CT.0697**  
Erection of a single storey rear extension at The Garden Apartment, 6 Siddington Hall, Fraziers Folly, Siddington, GL7 6HR.
- **19/03898/LBC CT.0697**  
Erection of a single storey rear extension at The Garden Apartment, 6 Siddington Hall, Fraziers Folly, Siddington, GL7 6HR.

#### **Proposed dwelling at Plummers Farm**

Ridge Design made a presentation to the Council on behalf of the owners of preliminary plans for a new dwelling at the current quarry site to the rear of Dryleaze Farm. Although such a dwelling in open countryside would not normally be permitted, policy guidelines indicate that a dwelling of exceptional design could be permitted. The Council was impressed with the initial design and looked forward to considering the final submitted application in due course.

## **BUS SHELTER & SEATING**

The Clerk and Cllr Anderson would look into the provision of the replacement bus shelter at Elizabeth Way, with seating.

## **PLAYING FIELD/FOOTBALL CLUBS**

A representative of Siddington FC attended the meeting to discuss the new letter of agreement for Siddington FC and Chesterton AFC clubs to use the facilities at the playing field. It was explained that Chesterton had been made the primary user with responsibility for the football facilities, but with equal access for both clubs, as they had the organisation required. It would also allow Siddington FC time to reorganise without having the added responsibility of running the facilities. It was made clear that each club would need to sign the agreement in order to continue to use the facilities at the playing field.

## **BUDGET & PRECEPT FOR 2020-21**

The Parish Council considered the budget prepared by the Clerk. Allowance was made for continued replenishment of the playing field and village hall reserves and village maintenance work. The resulting precept calculation means a Band D dwelling in Siddington would pay £49.16 in 2020-21 (an increase of 2.1% or just £1.01 for the year).

As there was no further business the Chairman thanked members for attending and the meeting closed at 9.45pm. Full draft minutes of the meeting may be viewed on the council website. The next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020 in the Committee Room at the Village Hall.

**Robert Cowley – Parish Clerk**

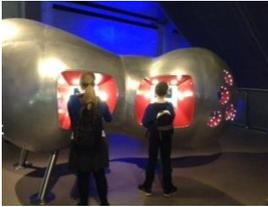
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## **SOUP LUNCHES -12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY AND 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**



St Peter's Church is organising some soup lunches in the Elizabeth Way Community Room. An opportunity to come together for a time of fellowship over lunch and to enjoy some delicious homemade soup, bread, fruit and tea and coffee. There will be a lunch on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March. Donations in aid of St Peter's Church. All welcome to come along.

## Siddington CE Primary School Children Visit London!



Happy New Year everyone! And what a fabulous start to the year it was. We took all the children from both Siddington and Kemble Primary Schools and all the staff to London Science museum. The younger children had exploratory science and discovery sessions and a time to see all the exhibits, and the older children had a theatre session called 'It Takes Guts!' to teach them in an amazing, great fun, interactive way, all about the digestive system from mouth to .... (well you can guess!). They also had an hour in the Wonderlab with interactive displays and experiments in the areas of biology, physics, chemistry and space. They also spent time learning about their bodies and about space. They were amazed at being so close to rockets that had been to the moon. They absolutely loved the day – some children saying it was the best day of their lives! The staff were fabulous and a good day was had by all. At school we make sure that children learn in a fun interactive way in as many ways as we can arrange so that it is memorable for them and therefore hopefully they retain the knowledge. If you think back on your own childhood school experience, what do you remember?

**Mrs Carol Dougill, Executive Head Teacher,  
Kemble Primary and Siddington C of E Primary Schools**

### **NEW EDITOR FOR THE VILLAGE NEWS NEEDED**

We require a further editor of the Village News. If you can type and have access to a computer, then it is not very difficult. Currently the vacancy is only for one month per year which is for the August edition (deadline 15<sup>th</sup> July) but this could be swapped with another editor if that month is not convenient to you. For further details please contact Malcolm Moseley [malcolm4646@talktalk.net](mailto:malcolm4646@talktalk.net) or Tel: 01285 659521

## **SPONSORSHIP OF THE VILLAGE NEWS**

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Donations can also be made in the Village News collecting box on the counter in the shop and we are very grateful to the people who donate money in this way. In 2019 we received just over £45 so if you are in the shop, leaving us some of your change would be much appreciated. Every little bit counts towards our costs. If you would like to support the News or want further information, please contact either David Vernon-Smith tel: 01285 643370 or at [David@Vernon-Smith.co.uk](mailto:David@Vernon-Smith.co.uk) or Georgie Hayward tel: 07722 652886 or at [georgie@uppersidd.co.uk](mailto:georgie@uppersidd.co.uk).

## **SIDDINGTON SUMMER FETE – Saturday 27<sup>TH</sup> June**

A summer fete will be taking place on the playing fields on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June between 1.00 and 4.00 pm when we are planning to have a number of activities, stalls, craft tent, refreshments, raffle, displays and vintage cars and other vehicles. If you would like to be involved in helping to organise this, run a stall, put on a display or bring along a vintage vehicle (or 2) please contact Georgie Hayward [georgie@uppersidd.co.uk](mailto:georgie@uppersidd.co.uk)  
Tel: 07722 652886 or Jen Woods [jenwoods117@gmail.com](mailto:jenwoods117@gmail.com)  
Tel: 07975 653556.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 pm in the Committee room at the back of the Village Hall – all welcome.

## **GARDENING TIPS from Jack Blamey (aged 14)**

Who loves February? The weather is depressing, the nights still draw in quickly, Christmas is over and everyone tries to make resolutions which sadly are predictably going to end soon. But if we wrap up warm and brave the outside, we may be rewarded with some nice weather and perhaps a sign of things to come – e.g. snowdrops.

Gardening in the fresh air is a great way to have a healthy year so here are some jobs you can do to have a great start to the year:

- Chillies and aubergines can be slow to germinate. Now is a great time to sow them
- Order seeds and summer bulbs now for great summer colour or tasty veg
- Continue to plant bare root trees or shrubs
- Cover rhubarb crowns for tender sweet shoots
- Cut large old leaves off hellebores to show off their uplifting flowers
- Prepare for spring by tidying up sheds and sharpening tools or washing modules, trays, or propagator lids
- Start to aerate your lawn
- Sit back and plan for the upcoming year

## **EASTER KIDZ - Village Hall, Saturday 28<sup>TH</sup> March 2-4pm**

St Peter's Church will be organising 'Easter Kidz', an afternoon of activities for the whole family. This will be an afternoon full of creativity, with crafts (some edible), puzzles and much more. There will also be a story and singing time before we enjoy some refreshments together. The event is free and is for children of all ages.

## **SIDDINGTON EVERGREEN CLUB**

Our meeting this month will be on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30 pm in the Elizabeth Way Community Room. This month we shall have a return visit from Pete Wilson, an old friend of the Evergreen Club. We shall have our usual "Fun Raffle" and with a nice cup of tea and a chat with friends, it makes for a good afternoon.

New members would be very welcome. Please come along and join us. For more information please contact Evelyn Mole 640028.

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020**  
**Judith Rayner – Hearing Child in a Deaf Family**

A talk by Judith Rayner on being a hearing child living in a deaf family. 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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**THE SIDDINGTON VILLAGE SHOW COMMITTEE AGM**

The Show committee will be having its AGM on **Wednesday 12th February at 8pm** in The Greyhound. If you would like to volunteer to join the committee and help organise the Village Show this year, please feel free to come along.

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**CAROL SINGING IN AID OF THE CHILDREN’S SOCIETY**

Over 80 people came along to the village hall to sing carols and enjoy the mince pies and mulled wine provided by the Village Hall Trustees. Special thanks to Mr Young, the Chairman, and the Trustees. It was a lovely start to Christmas. £190 was sent to The Children’s Society. Thank you to everyone who came and gave their support. It is very much appreciated.

**Mary and Alister Painter**

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**Next month’s editor**

**Louise Elstow**

Deadline date: Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February

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## News from St Peter's Church

St Peter's Siddington	Services	All Saints Preston
11.15am Family Service	2 <sup>nd</sup> February	8.00am BCP Holy Communion
	9 <sup>th</sup> February	9.30am Church and Coffee
11.15am Holy Communion	16 <sup>th</sup> February	
11.15am Morning Praise	23 <sup>rd</sup> February	9.30am Holy Communion
7.30pm Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes	26 <sup>th</sup> February (Ash Wednesday)	

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 before our morning service at 11:15am.

**Holy Communion service** 10.00 am Elizabeth Way Community Room  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February - all welcome

**Church spire illumination** is only £5 per evening to sponsor, in memory of a loved one, anniversary, birthday or just for yourself. Contact Michael Painter m: 07977 409260 e: spireview25@gmail.com

### **Vicar: Rev'd Jennifer McKenzie**

The Vicarage, Silver Street, South Cerney, GL7 5TP

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The Vicar's day off is on Friday.

### **Church Office:**

Open Tuesday & Thursday 9.00am – 1.00pm

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### **Churchwardens:**

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