

# The Bridge

**February 2019**

*monthly magazine for the villages  
of Corsley and Chapmanslade*



*Get quizzing for the RDA, bring the hammer down at the Auction, it's time for pantomime (oh, yes it is..!) with Cinderella, raise some cash for the Wilts Air Ambulance with the WI, see the 'First Man' at Cinema Corsley, there's lots to do in February...*



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News, reports, updates, thank you's, etc, from individuals or local organisations are free – the more the merrier – keep 'em coming!

## File types

Save your files as .doc – please don't send .docx files – I can't always open them successfully.

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**Small ads** are £1 for each item whether 'For Sale' or 'Wanted'.

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If you are advertising, don't forget to take the fee – cash or cheque in a sealed envelope please, to either of the drop-off points (Barbers Plant Centre or Acres Supply).

**Please note: no cash, no advert!**

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## Deadline

**Deadline for articles  
or adverts for the next  
issue of The Bridge is  
4pm 19th February**

**Please note that no  
items will be accepted  
after this date**

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## February



### Tuesday 5th

Village Coffee Morning 10 am - 12 noon,  
Corsley Reading Room

### Thursday 7th

'Cinderella' – 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

### Friday 8th

Charity Quiz Night in aid of Riding for the Disabled – 7 for 7.30 pm, Royal Oak, Corsley.  
Teams of 4 – £3 a head or £8 with supper

'Cinderella' – 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

### Saturday 9th

'Cinderella' – 2.30 pm and 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

### Monday 11th

Corsley Parish Council Occasional Meeting – 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

### Thursday 14th

Corsley WI - 12 noon - 2 pm, 'Soup & Puds' fundraising Lunch £7.50pp for Wiltshire Air Ambulance, followed by WI meeting at 2 pm, Corsley Reading Room

### Saturday 16th

Snowdrop Walk – 10 am, Corsley Reading Room - please note that this event is to be confirmed; see noticeboards around the parish.

### Thursday 21st

Church and Community Coffee Morning – 10 am - 12 noon, Three Horseshoes  
Chapmanslade

Cinema Corsley - 'First Man' – 7 for 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

### Saturday 23rd

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches - Silent Auction & Auction of Promises – 7 pm,  
Chapmanslade Village Hall

### Wednesday 27th

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches 12.30 pm – 2 pm Light Bites Soup Lunch Corsley  
Reading Room

## March

### Tuesday 5th

Village Coffee Morning 10am - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

# Diary Dates

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## **Wednesday 6th**

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches – Parochial Church Council

## **Thursday 14th**

Corsley WI - Annual Meeting, 'A Woman's Journey Through the Latter Half of the 20th Century', by Lt Col (Ret'd) Maggie Thackway L/RADC – 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

## **Saturday 16th**

Folk Night with Rosie Butler-Hall and Danny Pedler – Corsley Reading Room

## **Thursday 21st**

Church and Community Coffee Morning 10 am – 12 noon Three Horseshoes  
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## **Wednesday 27th**

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches 12.30 pm – 2 pm Light Bites Soup Lunch Corsley Reading Room

## **April**

### **Tuesday 2nd**

Village Coffee Morning 10am - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

### **Wednesday 3rd**

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches. Annual Parochial Church Meeting 7.30 pm Corsley Reading Room

### **Thursday 11th**

Corsley WI - OPEN meeting 'Farming in 2019', a discussion with local farmers – 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

### **Thursday 18th**

Church and Community Coffee Morning 10 am – 12 noon Three Horseshoes  
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### **Wednesday 24th**

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches 12.30 pm – 2 pm Light Bites Soup Lunch Corsley Reading Room

## **May**

### **Tuesday 7th**

Village Coffee Morning 10am - 12noon, Corsley Reading Room

### **Sunday 12th**

Corsley Festival Choir Concert – St Margaret's Church



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**to be held in early March 2019  
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**6.30pm, Corsley Reading Rooms**

## **This YOUR meeting**

### **Bay Tree Close**

**Proposals for more affordable housing**

**Presentations by**

**Andrew Mead – Strategic Assets Team, Wiltshire Council**

**Sean Tye – Project Manager, Wiltshire Council**

### **Longleat Estate**

**Future Plans**

**A presentation by a senior manager  
(name/position to be confirmed)**

### **Parish Council**

#### **Chairman's Report**

*All Parish Councils in England are required by law to hold an Annual Parish Meeting. The meeting allows the council and local community organisations to explain what they have been doing over the last year and electors can have their say on anything which they consider is important to the people of the parish. Please note that this is not a Parish Council meeting, although it is chaired by the PC.*

# Bob's bafflers

- 1 Which popular sport features in the NATO phonetic alphabet?
- 2 Eton School is in which county?
- 3 What type of creature is a skink?
- 4 A Basenji is the only breed of dog which can't do what?
- 5 Which US State is known as the Sunshine State?
- 6 Westminster Abbey is formally titled the Collegiate Church of which Saint?
- 7 The 'Oyster' is a famous model produced by which top Swiss watchmaker?
- 8 Who was the first "celebrity" to be voted out of the jungle in December 2018?
- 9 How many counties border Wiltshire?
- 10 Who was the original question master who gave teams "a starter for ten"?
- 11 How many bones are there in the adult human body?
- 12 Which word can mean a parasitic worm, the hook of an anchor or a lucky chance?

*Answers on page 44*

## Chapmanslade Chicken Chasers

The Chicken Chasers enjoyed a late December walk to break up the days between Christmas and New Year as the effects of the Christmas dinner and all that free range chocolate started to be felt.

The weather was a little overcast but it was dry and the company was warm as always. We had an enjoyable walk along the byways and bridleways to Cley Hill Farm, on to Park Farm, looping round past St Margaret's at Corsley, past Divers Bridge, and back up Gore Lane before taking a right through Green Farm, followed by a swift half back in the pub.

The next walk is on **Saturday 2nd February**, meeting at **2 pm**.  
The walk in **March** is on **Saturday 9th** at the earlier time of **11 am**.  
As normal we meet at the Three Horseshoes.

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**Biology: changing the world**

# What is cancer immunotherapy?

This month sees World Cancer Day and there are reasons to celebrate...



Last October James Allison and Tasuku Honjo were awarded the 2018 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for their work on using the body's immune system to fight cancer. This is known as cancer immunotherapy.

Most people are aware of how unpleasant the traditional treatments of cancer can be, with radiotherapy and chemotherapy often giving considerable side effects. They damage normal cells as well as cancer cells and may lead to hair loss and severe nausea. These treatments are still necessary, as is surgery for solid tumours, and they work well in many cases, but some cancers are very difficult to treat by these methods.

Simply put, a cancer cell is a normal cell that has undergone a genetic change so that it divides more rapidly and forms a solid tumour or a disseminated cancer. Because it is derived from a normal cell, it may not be recognised by the immune system as 'foreign', in the same way an infecting virus or bacterium would be. Even if its surface properties change, and it could be recognised as foreign, some cancers have mechanisms to evade the immune system.

What cancer immunotherapy does is stimulate the immune system to recognise and kill the cancer cells, but not act on normal cells. It may also 'train' the immune

system to recognise cancer cells in future (in a similar way to immunisation), thus providing long-term protection. Last month a scientific paper suggested that the patients most likely to benefit from immunotherapy are those whose cancers have multiple genetic changes and which are therefore more likely to be recognised as foreign.

There are different types of cancer immunotherapy. Specific antibodies can be injected which bind to the cancer cells and mark them for attack by the immune system. Several types of cancer have been treated in this way and about a dozen such antibodies have been approved for clinical use. In another immunotherapy, white blood cells are taken from a patient, modified to recognise cancer cells and put back into the patient to attack the tumours. A third treatment is to use a class of proteins known as cytokines, to stimulate and coordinate the immune system, enhancing the anti-tumour activity of the immune response. This has been successful in treating melanoma, one of the most common types of cancer.

Cancer immunotherapy is a very promising treatment, and there is a large number of different clinical trials being run at present to identify new therapeutic agents. Some of these will be specific to a few individuals with a certain genetic make-up,

but others should work for most people. Many of the trials are combination therapies of two different drugs.

However, there are some risks. The obvious one is that the treatment does not work – but this applies to all cancer treatments. You may also get a bad reaction to the therapeutic agent and there have been side effects, including kidney failure and lung problems.

Immunotherapy is a promising treatment for cancer. Even if only a small proportion of the current clinical trials are successful they will add considerably to the armoury of treatments for the many types of cancer we could experience. The 2018 Nobel Prize was the first ever given for a cancer treatment and is very well-deserved.

Nigel Brown is happy to receive comments, questions and, particularly, suggestions for future articles at [nigelbrown48@gmail.com](mailto:nigelbrown48@gmail.com). He is not medically qualified, and this article is written from a personal viewpoint.

# Campanology News

This last year has been very busy in more ways than one. We have entered Branch and Guild Novice competitions, coming second in both, we have gained six new learners, all of whom are coming along wonderfully, and we have started on the work for the refurbishment. Through everyone's generosity and hard work we now have the money we need for this work to take place. Thank you!

In July, the lightest bell, the treble 0.74m (29") in diameter weighing 249 kg, was removed and sent away to Norfolk for welding. It was found to be more damaged than first believed and almost the whole crown was cut out and rebuilt. From 4th February the remaining five bells of varying sizes and weights up to the largest, the tenor, which is 1.07m (42") in diameter and weighs 614 kg, are being removed and transported to Chilcompton for the refurbishment work required and to be retuned and work to the frame carried out. I anticipate that this will take several days, a sight vary rarely to be seen.

That is the good news. The bad news is that we will be without bells for six to eight weeks whilst the work is being carried out. It will, however, give us the opportunity to thoroughly clean the ringing and bell chambers, paint the frame to give long term protection against rust, etc., brighten up the ringing chamber and reorganise the many photographs and certificates therein.

Once the bells are rehung, a rededication service will be held and we anticipate the bells being easier to ring well and give a much improved sound.

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## Snowdrop Walk

**Saturday 16th February  
10 am, Corsley Reading Rooms**

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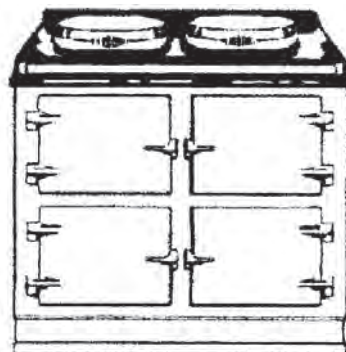


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**Corsley Parish Council**

# Parish Council Briefing

Chairman, Neil Britten, rounds up the PC's activity in January

As normal, January is a quiet month in the PC calendar with no PC meetings. However, there has been dialogue on two subjects, the potential new Bay Tree Close development and, to a lesser degree, the case for Speedwatch. These are reported below, together with the decisions the more significant planning applications from those considered on 3rd December.

## **Planning applications**

### **18/09853/FUL**

Change of use from car sales to B1 offices and light industrial at Cavallino Garage, Corsley Heath

Approved with standard conditions.

### **18/10388/FUL**

Retrospective application for change of use to domestic curtilage with vehicle access at Deerleap, 112 The Hollow.

The application was refused. Wiltshire considered that the development would "...represent an unsustainable form of development that does not accord with the settlement strategy and delivery strategy set out on Core Policies 1 and 2 of the Wiltshire Core Strategy (WCS)". Further, it was "...assessed that no sufficient material considerations have been presented by the agent to merit concluding that this is anything other than an unsustainable form of development, contrary to the objectives

of the WCS and National Planning Policy Framework".

### **18/10870/FUL**

Construction of a detached garage to front of property at Birchwood Lodge, Corsley Heath

Approved with standard conditions.

## **Speedwatch**

I reported last month that the PC had written to the new Deputy Police Commissioner, Jerry Herbert, who had promised, personally, to ensure that our case for a Speedwatch got some attention from the police. The PC has now received his response, by email. Sadly it was not as helpful as it might have been and did not answer the main point of the PC's case. As advised by Wiltshire, this was that the last traffic survey was so close to the trigger point to allow a Speedwatch, i.e. 85th percentile speed of 44.3mph against the requirement of 46.1mph, that the police were very likely to agree to allow a Speedwatch, particularly when the results were taken together with other factors, such as the continuing increase in traffic volumes. The only direct response from Wiltshire Police was that "...the force was planning to look at Community Speedwatch in the New Year, to ensure that they were targeting the areas most in need."



However, the response did remind the PC that, since 12 months had passed since the last traffic survey, we were eligible for a new 'Metro Count' and this was something that the PC could arrange directly with Wiltshire. A suitable response to Wiltshire Police will be agreed at the next PC meeting (see below) pressing, once again, our case for Speedwatch, with a separate approach to Wiltshire on a new traffic survey. Careful consideration will be given to the location of the recording devices for such a count.

### **Bay Tree Close further development**

Representatives of the PC (Chair and Clerk) had a very productive and informative meeting with Wiltshire officers responsible for the new affordable housing initiative in Wiltshire. As is now well known, the Bay Tree site is Wiltshire owned and is classified as a "Rural Exception Site", just outside the Corsley settlement boundary, i.e. the area within which there is a very small planned housing development allocation under Wiltshire's core policies. Planning policy for exception sites allows Wiltshire to build "affordable" housing (Council rented) on such sites, occupancy controlled by the rules of the Housing Register and Homes4Wiltshire. As a result of the recent Government announcements, Wiltshire plan to build 49 such homes spread over their 16 sites in Wiltshire, including Bay Tree. Two key conditions of the associated policy and any plan to build on these sites are that there must be clear support from the local community and that there must be a genuine local need.

To fulfil these requirements two initiatives are planned, subject to PC approval at the next meeting. First, two officers from Wiltshire have agreed to come to the APM to explain the proposals and gauge village support, Second, there will be a new Housing Needs Survey commissioned this

spring. The latter will address the needs for both affordable (Council rented) housing and open market housing.

### **Annual Parish Meeting**

The APM will be held at a date yet to be confirmed, in the first two weeks of March. As indicated above, Project Officers for the Affordable Housing project will attend to present the new Bay Tree proposals and should also be able to field more general questions on planning development in Corsley. In addition, we have invited Longleat to field their new CEO, or at least a Senior Manager, to give us an update on their plans now that the previous CEO has moved on. They have accepted the invitation but, at the time of writing, Viscount Weymouth has not been available to confirm names/dates. As soon as this is known, a notice will be put up on The Bridge website and village noticeboards.

### **Future meetings**

Occasional Meeting	11th February
Annual Parish Meeting	early March - date to be confirmed
Annual Parish Council Meeting	13th May (election of Chair/Vice Chair)
Quarterly Meeting	3rd June
Quarterly Meeting	2nd September
Quarterly Meeting	2nd December
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Dear Friends,

I can't believe I am writing the February letter already!

I spent this last weekend on a wonderful course called 'Guts and Gaia' exploring the healthy connections between the bacteria within our bodies and the bacteria within the earth. I had great fun learning simple fermentation techniques to make foods that promote good gut health and overall wellbeing. It was an incredibly joyous and inspiring time and I now have a jar of sauerkraut and a jar of kimchi fermenting away in my kitchen, two beautiful sour dough loaves in the bread bin, and some very pungent sour dough starter in the fridge. I have to be very careful in opening the sauerkraut jar as you can literally see the contents bubbling as the bacteria do their amazing work of fermentation. I've known for a long while how important it is for our own gut health to eat fermented foods but I've not made them before; I must say nature is so very clever at providing us with the means to nurture our own health with something so mysteriously alive and active

I'm no scientist but we did have some theoretical input about bacteria and how vital it is in maintaining balance within the earth and within our bodies. And this remarkable and mysterious biological process has been happening since the birth of time and still goes on unnoticed and largely unacknowledged; like so much of the working of the natural world we are oblivious to that which we cannot see or quantify. The first miraculous snowdrops are emerging as I write, we marvel at them because it seems almost impossible that in the dead of winter such delicate and beautiful plants can emerge out of the cold dark earth. Of course nature has been doing her work under the soil, life and change and growth have never stopped it's just that we cannot see it.

Looking at hugely magnified slides of bacteria I was humbled and awestruck at the interconnectedness of all things and how the natural world works in harmony for the good of the created order. Tragically, it is we human beings who have come along and broken this harmony with our greed and self-centeredness. But more than this, I felt a deep sense of wonder at the mystery of life and the mystery of the divine presence who is at the heart of all things and who is not disconnected from our world but rather animates every living thing; all time, all life, all the mysterious 'being' of the universe, all the complex patterns in nature are held within the beating heart of God.

So, wrap up warm and go and find some snowdrops and give thanks for the gifts, seen and unseen, that Mother Nature so generously and wonderfully shares with us.

With love and prayers

Pauline



## February Church Diary

### Sunday 3rd February: Candlemas

8am at St Michael the Archangel, Brixton Deverill: 1662 Holy Communion  
10.30am at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Service for Candlemas  
3.30pm at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade: Christingle Messy Church  
4pm at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade: Christingle at Candlemas



### Monday 4th February

Time to Think Home Group

10.30am at 9 Cleyhill Gardens, Chapmanslade



### Sunday 10th February: Fourth Sunday before Lent

9.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade: Family Communion  
10.30am at St Mary the Virgin, Kingston Deverill: Eucharist  
11am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: 1662 BCP Matins



### Tuesday 12th February

After Alpha Home Group

7.30pm at 93 Lyes Green, Corsley



### Sunday 17th February: Third Sunday before Lent

10.30am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: Family Worship  
10.30am at St Michael the Archangel, Brixton Deverill: Eucharist



### Monday 18th February

Time to Think Home Group

10.30am at 9 Cleyhill Gardens, Chapmanslade



### Thursday 21st February

Church & Community Coffee Morning

10am at Three Horseshoes

**Saturday 23rd February**  
**Silent Auction and Sale of Promises**  
**7pm at Chapmanslade Village Hall**



**Sunday 24th February: Second Sunday before Lent**  
**9.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade: Eucharist**  
**10.30am at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Eucharist**



**Tuesday 26th February**  
**After Alpha Home Group**  
**7.30pm at Honeysuckle Cottage, Corsley**



**Wednesday 27th February**  
**12.30pm at Corsley Reading Rooms: Lite Bites Soup Lunch**



**Sunday 3rd March: Sunday next before Lent**  
**8am at St Mary's, Kingston Deverill: 1662 BCP Holy Communion**  
**9.30am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: Eucharist**  
**10.30am at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Morning Worship**

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## **Fundraising**

From this January we shall hold a monthly draw with a single prize of £100 each month, with a £200 single prize in December. Why not join the **50/50 Club**? It costs £24 per year per membership and you can have as many memberships as you wish. As we return 50% of the membership fee as prizes, the more people that join, the bigger the prize pot. Please contact either Neil Britten, Clare Merritt or Keith Muston for a standing order form.

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A date for your diary is our **May Fayre** which will be held on the **18th May**.

## Christingle at Candlemas

On **Sunday 3rd February** we shall be celebrating the 50th Birthday of Christingle. We shall meet at 3.30pm to make the Christingles and this will be followed at 4pm with a Christingle at Candlemas service in St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade. This is always a popular event with families and we look forward to welcoming you along to this year's service. There will be a special birthday tea after the service with a very special 50th birthday cake.

## Activities in Lent

We are currently planning an activity to be carried out during Lent which will put the community at the heart of our church. Further details will be announced next month.

## Parish Giving Scheme

The Parish has to raise a significant amount of money each year to both pay for the upkeep of the churches and the running costs of the Parish. We have many people who already support on a regular basis either by standing order or direct debit but we do need to increase our planned income to ensure that we can continue to run the Parish on a sustainable basis. If you do not already contribute and would consider doing so, please contact either Judith Helliar or Keith Muston who will provide you with the relevant information and answer any questions you may have.

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**Corsley WI**

# January news

Alice Helliard rounds up the December and January meetings and announces some forthcoming events



In December, members and guests enjoyed a fantastic Christmas meal at the Royal Oak. Personally my menu choices of the spicy (it certainly was) parsnip soup and traditional turkey were very tasty and everyone else enjoyed their choices too. Thanks must go to the team at the Royal Oak who did us proud with food, drinks and table service.

Caroline organised a treasure hunt type 'find the cat' activity and I got the ladies' grey matter working to full strength with a very challenging Christmas quiz. Questions ranged from the names of the original eight reindeer, the ingredients of egg nog, the height of the tallest ever recorded snowman, through to how many homes a second would Father Christmas have to visit to deliver the worlds presents on Christmas Eve. All of us left with a Secret Santa present.

The January meeting was a good start to the 2019 WI calendar with a very interesting and light-hearted talk on the Kennet and Avon canal by Gill Redman. Gill concentrated on the route of the canal through Bath, so close to the city centre but probably not visited by many. We heard about the history of the Bath Humane Society Stations where lifebuoys, drag poles and emergency food were stored. The Wash House where the washer women of Bath would have washed laundry in Jane Austen's era. Sydney Wharf where coal, slate and agricultural good were landed. Cleveland House which was built for the Duke of Cleveland as the canal's HQ

and where dues were paid. The 60ft deep lock, the second deepest in the country, and the only lock on the Kennet and Avon canal that still retains a lock keeper. There was a lot of humour about the photos on the way through the presentation and the photo challenge that seemed to have developed between Gill and her friend June. Gill captured the engineering (and a half-naked man with wrinkly skin opening a lock!) and June the flora and fauna of the canal (and a man doing the unmentionable in the outdoors!). Our very own photo competition for a photo to include water was won by Annie with a beautiful picture of New Zealand, and Caroline came second. I'm pleased to say that neither contained any nudity or indecent exposure, much as you would expect from two respectable WI committee members!

The President ran through business, probably the most significant being the soup and puds lunch on 14th February at the Reading Rooms in aid of Wiltshire Air Ambulance. A fantastic chance for everyone to sample the culinary delights of the Corsley WI members.

The Corsley WI also have skittles, scrabble, bridge and lunch clubs which are also open to non-members. There are also a large number of County and National trips, workshops and other activities that members can join in with.

For more information please do contact Judith Helliard on 01373 832803.



**Corsley WI**

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Based on the book by James R Hansen, the film is as much about loss as gain, with Ryan Gosling giving a sensitive portrayal of the reportedly tight-lipped and guarded Armstrong. Alongside him, Claire Foy's strong performance as Armstrong's wife gained her a Golden Globes nomination. And First Man sees Gosling reunited with La La Land director, Damien Chazelle, producing a sincere and bold account of 'one giant leap for mankind'.

Doors open 7pm for a 7.30pm start at Corsley Reading Room. Tickets £6 from Acres Supply or on the door. Refreshments and a licensed bar.

### **Next film:**

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**Chapmanslade Parish Council**

# Parish Council Briefing

Notes from the Parish Council meeting held on 10th January

This meeting transpired to be one of our longest meetings. The meeting was opened to the public for discussions on any matter of concern and the following issues were raised:

## **Planning applications**

The ATT gasification incinerator planning application at Northacre Park in Westbury.

A passionate discussion but the major concern for Chapmanslade residents was that the emissions from the 75m high stack are in a direct line and a similar elevation to housing in Short Street. Other concerns with this project were raised.

## **A36 road safety**

Following the tragic fatal accident at Black Dog Hill there was a discussion about the A36 and safety. The meeting was asked by the Chairman to be cautious in discussing this accident as we are not party to any details as to the cause of this awful accident.

## **Speed control**

Praise was offered for the installation of the Speed Indication Device following the grant from Wiltshire Council for 50% of the cost. It was suggested that the 30mph speed limit should be extended at the west end of the village so that all the housing in Chapmanslade was covered by the 30mph limit.

## **Website**

The new village website is now available but there is development work still to be done.

## **Communication**

There was a question about communication but this was referred to the agenda item on the Parish Plan.

## **Closed session**

The meeting went into the closed session and approved the minutes of the last PC meeting. The PC then discussed the following issues:-

## **Parish Plan**

There was a lengthy presentation and discussion of the draft of the Parish Plan. It was agreed that it was essential to keep up the momentum on this subject and agreed that the PC will agree the draft at the next meeting and then the Parish Plan can be put into the public domain. There will then be a village meeting to present the Parish Plan as soon as can be arranged.

## **Church activity**

It was noted that Ian Buick on behalf of the Parochial Church Council wished to address the PC about the activity of the church within the community. It was agreed that this would now take place at the next PC meeting.

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## PC finance

There was a discussion on the PC finances and it was agreed that there would be an increase in the precept for 2019/20. It was agreed that prior to discussions for the 2020/21 precept we would arrange for a meeting to discuss the financial requirements in more detail. As part of these discussions there was some concern about the regulations for the use of the SID and it was agreed to raise our concerns with our WC councillor.

## Correspondence

In correspondence there were three items. The first was a request to approve the request for double yellow lines in the section of High Street by the two new houses in the Old Orchard. It was pointed out that the PC had objected most strongly to the planning application for the two houses on the basis that the access was quite unsatisfactory. There was no support for double yellow lines as all this would do would move the problem of parked cars to somewhere else in the village. The regulations for yellow lines would sterilise a quite unacceptable length of High Street for parking. It was also pointed out that many other locations in the village experienced serious difficulties with egressing side roads onto the High Street. The council agreed not to proceed with the application for double yellow lines.

The next item was the gasification plant in Westbury. After much discussion it was agreed that the PC would object to plans having been made aware of the many concerns.

Lastly there was discussion about the A36 in the Black Dog Hill area. There are genuine concerns about this section of three lane highway and its poor accident record. It was agreed to await the outcome of the investigation into the latest fatal accident so that any request for review will be an informed request.

There was a discussion on the consultation for the Spatial Plan for Housing. As there are many documents to review it was agreed that councillors would send in their comments to the Clerk for onward submission to WC.

The PC felt unable to discuss planning application 18/11455/FUL as some councillors had been unable to view the documents on the Wiltshire Council website. The Clerk was to seek an extension to the deadline for comment.

## Next meeting

The next meeting of the PC is scheduled for 7th February and will again be held in the church as the village pantomime will be in full swing!!

*Keith Muston, Chair*

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# Church and Community Coffee Mornings

A warm welcome to come along to our church and community coffee mornings held each third Thursday of the month. We meet at The Three Horseshoes in Chapmanslade from 10 until noon.

If you're new to the village, this is the place to come to be warmly welcomed and to say hello. Pauline, our vicar, and Debbie or Candy, our PCSOs, are often able to join us. We look forward to seeing you.

**One Team**

# Community Policing

Warminster Town and Villages combined (Area Board)

## Crime exceptions data

These figures are based on an evaluation of data, over a two year rolling period. Using this data we can predict what figure is the average that should be reported in a specific month, and what are the higher and lower parameters that we may expect. Figures outside of these parameters are classed as 'Crime Exceptions'.

## December 2018 data

December 2018 showed a total of 126 crimes for the whole Warminster Area Board region against the average of 116.6 for this same month over the last 2 years. This is within the parameters we would reasonably expect. There are no exceptions within the data.

## Warminster Rural and Villages Beat

December 2018 showed a total of 39 crimes for the ER12 area against the average of 39 for this same month over the last 2 years. There are no exceptions within the data.

The 5 largest crime groups accounted for 92% of this recorded crime as follows;

- Violence Against the person showed 11 crimes compared to the average of 9.1
- Burglary showed 8 crimes compared to the average of 6.1
- Theft showed 6 crimes compared to the average of 9.2
- Criminal damage showed 4 crimes compared to the average of 4.8
- Vehicle offences showed 3 crimes compared to the average of 6

## Crimes of note

Theft – The Stalls, Corsley

Overnight on the 24th December, a suspect stole 60 litres of oil from an oil tank located in the garden.

## Fraud

Action Fraud deals specifically with fraud issues. To report fraud visit the Action Fraud website [www.actionfraudalert.co.uk](http://www.actionfraudalert.co.uk) or call them on 0300 123 2040 (Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm, Saturday 9am to 5pm).

Below are just some of the ways in which people may be able to defraud you. We've gathered together advice on the latest frauds and scams, the signs to look out for, and what you can do to stop it happening to you.

## Cyber crime

Cyber crime is one of the fastest growing areas of crime, affecting businesses as well as individuals. Any offence where criminals use technology to break the law is classed as online crime. Cyber-crime can be broken down into two categories:

- Cyber-enabled crime - traditional crimes committed using the internet such as theft, harassment, fraud, identity theft, selling stolen goods, drug dealing.
- Cyber-dependent crime - online crimes where a digital system is the target. These include attacks on computer systems to disrupt IT infrastructures, such as unauthorised access (hacking), malicious software programming (malware) or denial of service attacks.

Cyber crime affects all areas of our society and can be very damaging and upsetting for victims. Whether you're a business or an individual, we are all vulnerable to cyber crime. However, it is estimated that 80% of all cyber crime is preventable, which means there are some basic steps that you can take to protect yourself.

You don't need to be a computer expert to avoid becoming a victim of online crime. Using good online habits drastically reduces the chances of becoming a victim of cybercrime and will allow you to reduce your vulnerability and surf the web safely.

### **Online shopping**

The internet has transformed the way in which we shop for the products and services we want. Making purchases and banking online makes our lives easier, although shopping online doesn't come without its dangers.

- Do not enter personal or payment information on a website that has no padlock in the address bar or **https://** at the beginning of the address
- Use reputable companies when shopping online. Research them if you are unsure and establish a physical address and telephone contact details
- Do not pay for items when using an unsecured Wi-Fi connection
- Do not click on links or reply to unsolicited emails from companies you don't recognise.

### **Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust**

The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust provides a team of trained and Police vetted Stay Safe Online volunteers to offer home visits and group talks to the over 60s or 18+ with a registered disability. The advice given includes:

- basic practical skills to ensure you can check and understand privacy settings
- cyber and scam prevention advice

- support and reassurance

For further details visit the Wiltshire Bobby Van online safety website. To book a Stay Safe Online visit or group talk, call: 01380 861191 or email: [bv.onlinesafety@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:bv.onlinesafety@wiltshire.police.uk)

### **Advice for victims**

If you suspect you've been a victim of fraud involving credit or debit cards, online banking or cheques, you should report it to your bank or card company. They are responsible for undertaking further investigation and reporting criminal activity to us where appropriate.

Fraud that doesn't involve your bank or card company should be reported to the business or organisation concerned. Depending on their advice, you may then need to report this to us on 101.

Where an additional crime has been committed with the fraud, for example, you have had your wallet or purse stolen or the card used fraudulently was taken as a result of a burglary, then this should still be reported to us on 101. Some steps you can take to protect yourself:

- Make sure you keep a record of all communications.
- Get a copy of your personal credit report from one of the credit reference agencies - Experian, Equifax and Call Credit. A paper version of your report is available from £2. If applications for credit have been made in your name you can ask to have any incorrect information removed.
- Consider contacting CIFAS - the UK's Fraud Prevention Service, to apply for protective registration. Once you have registered, CIFAS members will carry out extra checks whenever anyone applies for a financial service using your address.
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# Whitbourne Chapel

*The Word became flesh and dwelt among us... John 1:14*

## Preachers for February

- 3rd** Jonathan Brain, street preacher from Chippenham  
**10th** Chris Andrews, from West Lavington Chapel  
**17th** John Hobson, writer of 'One Small Step' (below)  
**24th** Paul Stinchcombe from the 'Open Air Mission'

## One small step...

Fifty years ago, in July 1969, astronaut Neil Armstrong uttered those memorable words as the first man to walk on the moon: "One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." The words spoken by the eighth astronaut to walk on the moon, James Irwin, are even more profound: "God walking on the earth is more important than man walking on the moon."

John's Gospel tells us that God did indeed walk on this earth in the person of His Son. He puts it like this in John, chapter 1 verse 14: "The Word [his special name for Jesus] became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." Throughout His life on earth Jesus spoke the truth about God, us, and life beyond the grave. Jesus is also full of grace and many people's lives are transformed by their encounter with Him. His final act of love and grace was to die on the cross for our sins, making it possible for us

to be reconciled to God.

James Irwin said that the Lord sent him to the moon so that he could return to earth and share God's Son, Jesus Christ, which he did for the remainder of his life. But you don't have to go to the moon to discover who this wonderful person called Jesus is; it takes one small step to open a bible and read about Him in the New Testament.

*John Hobson*

*Visiting preacher at Whitbourne Chapel*

## The promise of new growth

Catkins have been decorating trees since before Christmas this winter, while snowdrops were in flower at Dyrham Park in early January. Wonderful! The 'right' plants grace our world at the 'right' season, but we often forget why this is so – because our gracious creator God made the earth that way. How I wish I was as reliable, without selfish nature delaying duty in favour of pleasure...

## Lastly

Do you have a bible in your home? Dipping into it can disclose amazing truths, such as one Russell Short recently told us about. His sermon was based on Psalm 139, which was written by King David. In it, we learn there's nowhere we can go to hide from God and, Russell added, "nowhere is God-forsaken". Even on the moon, we aren't beyond the reach of God! That's awesome!

## Regular times

**Services** every Sunday morning at 11.00 for about an hour (coffee served at 10.45)

**Chapel Prayer** meeting every Sunday morning from 10.20 - 10.40

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# Cross Keys News

A community Free House



February may be the shortest month, but there is no shortage of reasons to visit the Cross Keys in Corsley. You can be sure of a warm welcome!

## Future Events

- **Friday 1st February – Live Music** all evening, from 7.30 pm. Something for everyone to enjoy.
- **Wednesday 6th February – Curry Night** – a selection of curries to try plus onion bahjis, mushroom pakora and other delicious accompaniments.
- **Thursday 7th February – Thirsty Thursday.** Our 'happy evening' with lots of great drinks promotions. Check Facebook or the website for more details.
- **Thursday 14th February – Valentine's Day Menu.** Four courses for £40 per couple. Enjoy a romantic evening with great food and a special atmosphere. Booking essential.
- **Saturday 16th February – Live Music** - Paul Kirtley, a popular local acoustic guitarist, returns, all money raised goes to a Bone Cancer Research charity.
- **Sunday 24th February – Quiz Night.** Starting at 6.30 pm; a maximum of 6 people per team at a cost of £2 per person, or £5 per person to include a light supper. Book your place by calling the

pub. If you'd like supper, please book by Saturday 23rd February.

The Cross Keys is your go-to venue for get-togethers with family and friends. We have a round table set up in a private part of the pub which seats 10, and the Oak Apple Room is perfect for larger groups. Contact the pub to view and discuss catering options for your spring and summer events.

Please check the website

[www.crosskeyscorsley.co.uk](http://www.crosskeyscorsley.co.uk) or our Facebook page 'Cross Keys Inn Corsley' for details of events and our regular menu changes. Contact the pub on 01373 832406.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

## Opening hours

### Monday

5.30 pm to 10 pm  
(no food served on Monday)

### Tuesday

Closed all day

### Wednesday

5.30 pm to 10 pm  
Food served from 6 pm to 9 pm

### Thursday

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### Friday and Saturday

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# Countryside Matters

When you live and work in the country the early months of the year are all about the weather

If the weather takes a turn for the worse, have you:

- Stocked up on groceries and medicines?
- Arranged alternative heating if the electricity fails?
- Make sure you have working batteries in torches. Candles may not give much light, but can give a little romance to a miserable dark evening.
- Make sure that you have plenty of sand or salt readily available to clear your doorway, path and drive if you really need to go outside if it snows or becomes icy.
- Charge up computers and mobile phones for keeping in touch with the outside world
- If you have a drain or water inlet that is exposed, lag it now before it can freeze
- Keep curtains pulled 24hrs a day in unused rooms to prevent loss of heat
- Make sure your oil tank has sufficient oil to take you through at least until end of March (if you have a tank that will take that much)
- Do check on neighbours to see if they have any needs
- Knowing that only the A roads are to be gritted this winter, make arrangements either to work from home if possible or arrange to stay with colleagues near your place of work.

On the farm, care of livestock is all important so buildings are made secure from wind, driving rain or snow. The milking parlour has overhead heaters to keep water ice-free and available for cattle

to drink, to keep pipelines clean and, for those members of staff milking the cows, an acceptable working temperature. Water in drinking tanks both inside and outside has to be available 24 hours a day – a cow will drink around 30-50 gallons of water a day!

Tractors are used at least 12 hours a day cleaning the yards, walkways and collecting areas for the cattle as well as carrying feedstuffs to feed troughs, mixing wagons and animals in fields away from the farm. Cattle staying out through the winter months need checking daily for any health problems, new grazing is released each day by moving fences on grazing or root crops whilst cutting open the silage bales placed around the fields provides additional food.

From the very first cut of silage in May, all our efforts go into making provision for good home-produced food for the animals in our care. This year, with lighter crops due to the dry weather last summer, we know that our barns will not be full enough to feed the stock we have on the farm this winter. All we can do is manage the situation as best we can, knowing that nearly every farm in the country is in the same situation (but still nowhere near as bad as some other countries around the world).

2019 will bring whatever weather it will and, with each day bringing us nearer to spring, fresh hope will come for a happy and healthy year ahead for all those living in the countryside.

*Judith Helliard*

## Corsley Reading Room

# Your 'village hall'

The first Coffee Morning of 2019 held on New Year's Day was very well attended which made the effort to put it on very worthwhile. We look forward to seeing more of you at the Coffee Mornings on the first Tuesday of each month. It is a great opportunity to catch up on what is happening in the village as well as meet new and old friends.

Cinema Corsley are showing 'First Man' (about Apollo 11) on Thursday 21st February. See the advert in this edition of The Bridge for more details.

Information about buying tickets for the Folk Night on 16th March will be on our website by the time you're reading this!

Full details about the hall and its facilities, including how to hire it are on the website or call Gill Parkinson (01373 832322) to discuss.

See website [www.corsleyreadingroom.org.uk](http://www.corsleyreadingroom.org.uk)

Hugh Deed

Chairman of Management Committee

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### Events run by the Corsley Reading Room Management Committee

Coffee Morning:

First Tuesday of the month 10 am - 12 noon

IT Classes/Club: Wednesday 27th February

Cinema Corsley: 'First Man', Thursday 21st February, 7 pm for 7.30 pm start

## Folk Night Saturday 16th March

*The Reading Room Committee is pleased to announce that it has arranged for ex Corsley Heath resident, Rosie Butler-Hall and her partner Danny Pedler to play in March. Danny plays the Hurdy Gurdy while Rosie sings and plays the fiddle.*

*They play at folk clubs and festivals around the UK and abroad. There is a link on our website to a You Tube video of them in action.*

*Tickets on sale now.*

### IT Club/Sessions

Having restarted in January, the next one is Wednesday 27th February – 10 - 12 noon.

£3 per person – coffee/tea and a biscuit included!

**All welcome!**

### Regular events run by other organisations

Lite Bites Lunches: 4th Wednesday of the month

Yoga: Tuesday and Wednesday evenings

Pilates: Tuesday afternoons

WI: second Thursday of the month (afternoon)

Committee members include: Vanessa Hyde, Jackie Jasper, Sue Kerfoot, Gill Parkinson, Jenny Ruffy, Jill Westgate, David Carruthers.

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- 4 Bark
- 5 Florida (previously it was South  
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- 6 Peter (a late tradition claims that  
Aldrich, a young fisherman on the  
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Peter near the site)
- 7 Rolex
- 8 Noel Edmonds – last in, first out
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Berkshire and Hampshire
- 10 Bamber Gascoigne
- 11 206 distinct bones
- 12 Fluke

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