

The Bridge

November 2017

monthly magazine for the villages
of Corsley and Chapmanslade



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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!

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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).

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Deadline

**Deadline for articles
or adverts for the next
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4pm 19th November**

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

November



Saturday 4th

Fun Quiz – 7 for 7.30 pm start, Chapmanslade Village Hall

Sunday 5th

Bulb planting in Chapmanslade – meet at 11 am at the village hall

Tuesday 7th

Village Coffee Morning – 10 am - 12.00 noon, Corsley Reading Room

Wednesday 8th

Corsley Reading Room AGM – 7.30pm Corsley Reading Room

Thursday 9th

Corsley WI – 2.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room, 'All Wrapped Up For Christmas', a demonstration by Annie Campbell

Corsley Memorial Playing Field AGM – 7.30 pm, Cross Keys (back room)

Corsley Cricket Club AGM – 8 pm, Cross Keys (back room)

Thursday 16th

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

Chapmanslade Parish Council – 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall. Followed at 7.30 pm by a presentation and discussion on the Village Questionnaire

Cinema Corsley - 'Their Finest' – 7 for 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

Saturday 18th

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches - Autumn Coffee Morning – 10 am – noon, 47 High Street, Chapmanslade

Monday 20th

Deadline for ordering heating oil through Community First

Wednesday 22nd

Lite Bites lunch – 12.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

Thursday 23rd

Corsley Show AGM – 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

Ladies' Social Evening – 8 pm onwards at the Royal Oak, Corsley

Saturday 25th

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches Coffee Morning

Diary Dates

Sunday 26th

Pub Quiz – 6 pm, Cross Keys, Corsley

Thursday 30th

Christmas Wreath Making Evening – 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

December

Monday 4th

Corsley Parish Council – quarterly meeting – 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

Tuesday 5th

Village Coffee Morning – 10 am - 12.00 noon, Corsley Reading Room

Wednesday 6th

Lite Bites Christmas Lunch – 12.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

Thursday 7th

Cinema Corsley - Memories of Corsley and Chapmanslade – 7 for 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

DUE TO THE PRINTER'S XMAS BREAK, THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR THE JANUARY EDITION OF THE BRIDGE IS SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER

Sunday 10th

Corsley Festival Choir - A Ceremony of Carols Concert – 7.30 pm, St Margaret's Church

Thursday 14th

Corsley WI – 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room. Members only 'Bring & Share' Christmas Lunch

Monday 18th

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches – Carol Singing in Chapmanslade High Street

Thursday 21st

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

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Sunday 31st

Pub Quiz – 6 pm, Cross Keys, Corsley

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Corsley Show

Centenary Celebrations Ahead

We had a bumper Bank Holiday Show this year. Thank you to all those who helped and came along on a record-breaking day.

We have put money aside for donations but our main focus is to put on a great show for our Centenary in 2018, an opportunity for local groups to have a stall and make money for themselves, as many did this year.

The Corsley Show Charitable Trust has been established which means we do not have to make donations all in one fell swoop once a year. The nitty gritty will be discussed at our **AGM on Thursday 23rd November, 7.30pm at Corsley Reading Room, Main Hall**. Details of how to make applications for donations will be publicised in The Bridge after that.

In the meantime, we have a few items of lost property: 1 bracelet; 3 water bottles; 1 2/3yr-old hoodie; 1 pair sunglasses; 1 sunglasses case, 1 cuddly toy and 1 Pokemon baseball cap. I am happy to say we reunited some car keys, a mobile phone and a rucksack with their owners!

Corsley Show Society

Annual General Meeting

Thursday 23rd November
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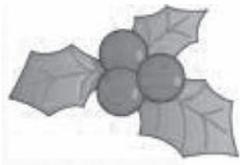
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Bob's bafflers

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- 1 What is the name of the Department Floorwalker in 'Are You Being Served'?
- 2 Which architect, who died in 1723, has the inscription on his tomb 'Reader, if you seek his monument – look around you'?
- 3 Who wrote 'Gulliver's Travels'?
- 4 What was Rene's codename when talking on the radio in the sitcom 'Allo Allo'?
- 5 Which group of islands off the southern coast of Morocco includes La Palma, La Gomera and El Hierro?
- 6 Which American actor/comedian committed suicide in August 2014 aged 63?
- 7 Who was the inventor the hovercraft?
- 8 This diminutive actor's boomerang still hasn't come back!
- 9 The singer David Cassidy was a member of which family group?
- 10 Who played Maximus Decimus Meridius in the film 'Gladiator'?
- 11 Which actor won a posthumous Academy Award for best actor in the 1976 film 'Network'?
- 12 Who was the 44th US Vice-President serving under George Bush (1989 – 93)?
- 13 Jodie Foster played which character in 'Silence of the Lambs'?
- 14 Who was world snooker champion in 1991 beating Jimmy White in the final?
- 15 Where in Grasmere did the poet William Wordsworth live?
- 16 This nurse used to carry an owl in her pocket.
- 17 Fleetwood Mac had a UK No 1 hit with this instrumental in 1969.
- 18 What was the name of Nicholas Lyndhurst's time travelling character in 'Goodnight Sweetheart'?
- 19 Which character was married to Lilith Sternin in the TV programme 'Cheers' and later moved to his own spin-off series?
- 20 This civil rights activist was assassinated by James Earl Ray in Memphis in 1968.

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Biology: changing the world

How do you like your chicken and your eggs?

In mid-October, the Food Standards Agency (FSA) issued advice that it was now safe for pregnant women, babies and elderly people to eat runny eggs, or even raw eggs, provided the shells bore the red lion symbol. For almost 30 years, the advice has been for such potentially vulnerable groups to avoid undercooked and raw eggs due to the possibility that they were contaminated with *Salmonella*. The FSA had revised its advice following a report in 2016 from the Advisory Committee on the Microbiological Safety of Food that UK eggs now had very much reduced risk of contamination with *Salmonella*. This is excellent and long-awaited news.

This coincides with an interesting debate about the impacts of Brexit on the egg and poultry industry. In Europe, eggs are not washed before sale. There are two reasons for this. Washing may remove the very outside layer of the egg (the cuticle) and help transfer any contaminating bacteria, such as *Salmonella*, from the outside to the inside of the egg, as egg shells are slightly porous. Secondly, producing clean eggs at the point of collection encourages a better degree of poultry husbandry. In the United States eggs

cannot be sold in supermarkets unless they have been washed in warm water, treated with a chemical sanitizer and then dried to minimise subsequent bacterial entry. They then need to be stored in a refrigerator. US eggs cannot legally be sold in Europe and European eggs are illegal in the US.



Chicken is also treated differently in the UK and US. In the UK, and other European countries, chicken can only be washed with water after slaughter, but in the US chickens are often washed in chlorine dioxide, a powerful agent for killing contaminating bacteria, such as *Campylobacter*.

Advocates of the EU approach say that omitting an antibacterial treatment after slaughter leads to higher standards of hygiene and animal welfare on chicken farms and reduces the impact on the environment, particularly rivers and wastewater treatment plants. Advocates of the US method state that it reduces farmers costs.

Interestingly, the prospect of a trade deal with the US following Brexit has Government ministers disagreeing about whether we

should allow chlorinated chicken and washed eggs into the UK and whether we are prepared to treat our chicken and eggs in a manner acceptable to the US market. Simply put chicken and egg producers will need to know whether to aim for a US market or an EU market for exports. They cannot do both with the same product.

Nigel Brown is a retired Professor of Microbiology, now living in Chapmanslade. Please send comments, questions and suggestions for future articles to nigelbrown48@gmail.com

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County Hall, Trowbridge – Monday 13th November – 9.30am to 11.30am

Nadder Centre, Tisbury – Monday 13th November – 2pm to 4pm

City Hall, Salisbury – Tuesday 14th November – 10am to 12noon and 1.30pm to 3.30pm

To book an appointment, please contact us on either **01225 713652** or tradingstandards@wiltshire.gov.uk



Help Improve our Community By Bulb Planting

'Voice of the Village' Initiative
Help improve our community by bulb planting for all ages!

Meet at Chapmanslade Village hall on Sunday 5th November at 11 am

If you have a trowel please bring along with garden gloves. We will be providing drinks and bacon sandwiches (veggie option also available).

We have enough bulbs to plant around the memorial playing field (kindly donated by Barbers Plant Centre), around the phone box (kindly donated by Acres Supply) and by the entrances at both ends of the village.

If you have any further donations and/or you feel you would like to plant in an alternative place please feel free. Bacon sandwiches will be provided at 11.30 am. Looking forward to seeing you there!

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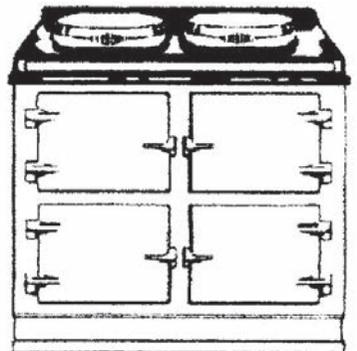
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Corsley Parish Council

Parish Council Briefing

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

The Parish Council met once in October for an occasional meeting solely to consider two planning applications, detailed below together with a brief updates on road safety/streetscene/traffic matters.

Road Safety/Streetscene

Lorry Watch

This initiative was reported in last month's Bridge brief and is now underway, led by Gill Sheppard for the village. She reports that the start has gone well, with volunteers watching at various different times during the day. Over 40 offending lorries have been recorded and their details are now being forwarded to the Trading Standards department at Wiltshire. There has been a noticeable reduction in both the lorries and speeding when the "watchers" are 'on duty' and the need, now, is to maintain and reinforce the presence. Gill now has 17 volunteers on her mailing list and would welcome more to join the campaign as this would help to extend the period of time that can be covered. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Gill on sheppardpxt@aol.com or 07985 562682.

A similar scheme has been running in Chapmanslade for some time and the organisers been contacting companies of the offending lorries directly with, on the whole, positive and constructive responses. It has been agreed that the Corsley team

should also do the same and it has been suggested that representations from the PC might add weight to such contacts. This will be considered by the PC out of committee.

Wooden fingerposts

The wooden fingerpost at Temple has recently collapsed, bringing into focus the replacement cost of this type of sign across the village. A plastic replacement costs the Parish nothing, whereas the wooden alternative costs up to £1000, from which Wiltshire have agreed to subtract the cost of the plastic replacement and position the sign at no cost, should the PC wish to go this way. The result would be a cost of approximately £800 per sign.

The Parish Council have considered the issue and selected the no-cost plastic alternative. This was done with some regret, but it was not seen as appropriate to do otherwise when considered against other Parish priorities funded by the precept. The plastic replacement for Temple has been ordered.

Community Area Transport Group (CATG)

Simon attended the CATG met on 12th October and reported following items of interest to Corsley:

Whitbourne Springs

Prevention of vehicles turning against one way system back onto A362. The

topographical Survey has been completed and the 25% PC contribution of made. The Chief Traffic Officer will now develop plans for PC approval with the aim to have the selected plan authorised for 2018/19 financial year.

Longhedge/Whitbourne Springs

Driver disorientation on approach to Longhedge. Additional two-way traffic sign and road markings have been approved for installation this autumn. The PC has paid its 25% contribution.

SatNav safety issue on Fuzzy Hill and Dertford crossroads

After discussion funding was found by reducing another parish's requirement for cosmetic village gates. The new signing will be put in place this autumn.

Corsley Lorry Watch

The CATG was briefed on the results so far, particularly the number of over 18T traffic in both directions. As a result, the Chief Traffic Officer agreed to support an application for recording equipment to be placed on the A362. This will be a radar based system supplemented by road sensors, which should be capable of establishing the number of 18t vehicles crossing the Parish, in both directions. "Evidence is better than Assertion".

New planning applications

17/08473/FUL – Gloworm Cottage, Heath Close – single storey side extension and new porch

The application is for a single storey extension on the north west side of the house and a new porch on the north east side. The proposals are in keeping with the character, style and scale of the existing building and

no comments had been received from adjacent residents.

The PC recorded no objection.

17/08887/FUL – Land at Whitbourne Springs; change of use to equestrian and erection of timber stable block

The application for change of use relates to land on the north side of the A362, below Cley Hill behind and to the east of "Weir Mead", opposite Whitbourne Springs, approximately three hectares in area. The location of the proposed stable block has been selected to be the least intrusive within this area and comprises four individual stables plus a store cum tack room and a hard standing area. Access to the land is via a field gate from the A362 adjacent to and north of the access to Weir Mead. No comments had been received from adjacent residents.

The PC recorded no objection, qualified with comment that appropriate means of disposal of stable arisings be verified.

Dates of next meetings

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| Quarterly meeting | 4th December 2017 |
| Annual Parish Meeting | March 2018 (exact date to be confirmed) |
| Annual PC Meeting | 7th May 2018 |
| Quarterly Meetings | 4th June 2018 3rd September 2018 3rd December 2018 |

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The producer and director of this short will give a talk about the making of the film and there will be a Q&A session afterwards.

As well as other local short films, there will also be an exhibition of local photographs and documents for everyone to view on the evening. If anyone has any village archives they would be happy to lend, please contact either Clare da Costa – 832825 or Liz Garrett – 839060

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Dear Friends,

I am sitting writing this letter on a glorious autumn day of bright sunshine. The combination of autumnal light and the last vestiges of colour in the gradually fading glory of the late autumn flowers is surely one of nature's most poignant and beautiful gifts to us.

There is also a certain poignancy to the weeks ahead I think as we enter a season of remembrance, not just on the Sunday that bears its name but in the festivals that follow; the deep and wonderful season of Advent that calls us back to consider the darkness of human sin and sorrow but also leads us forward into the mystery of the incarnation, the light of the world coming to share what it means to be human in the person of Jesus.

We have so many wonderful services to look forward to. First of course, our Remembrance services, always so very special. Then to mark the beginning of Advent we have our Christingle and blessing of the Posada on Sunday December 3rd at 10.30am at Longbridge Deverill; do come, it's such a wonderful service. If you live in the Longbridge Deverill area please do be in touch with Vicky Hamilton (01985841204) if you would like to offer Mary and Joseph hospitality during the Advent season. Then on December 10th at 6pm we have our 'From Darkness into Light' service. We are very lucky this year as we have a choir coming to lead us and help us make it a really special occasion, it really is a very moving service and the music promises to be very good.

I could go on and tell you all about the Carol services and Christmas services but you will see those detailed in next month's newsletters.

All the things I have been talking about have something to do with remembering don't they, and they go very deep. We love the stories of Advent and Christmas because they are so evocative, they bring back memories of times past, both joyful and sad, we find a place in them that gives our lives structure and meaning. I am acutely aware though, that the coming weeks are something that many people will be dreading; if you are facing illness or family breakdown then the feverish preparations that seem to engulf us for months beforehand can be particularly difficult, and I know there are a goodly number of people facing the festive season grieving for the loss of a loved one. The church/we/ I am not just here to put on enjoyable services, we are here to love and care for the whole community. If you would like a chat or just someone to share a cup of tea with then please do pick up the phone and we can work something out. I can't promise it will be straight away, but will do our best.

In the meantime, you all remain very much in my prayers.

Love and prayers,
Pauline

November Church Diary

Sunday 5th November: All Saints

8am at St Michael the Archangel, Brixton Deverill: 1662 BCP Communion
9.30am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: Eucharist
10.30am at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Morning Worship



Monday 6th November

10.30am at 5 Brimhill Rise – details from Phil on 832845
Time to Think Home Group – Psalm 84



Tuesday 7th November

7.30pm at the Anchorage, Lyes Green, Corsley
After Alpha Tuesday Night Group – details from Richard on 832594



Sunday 12th November: Remembrance Sunday

9.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade: Remembrance Eucharist
10.50am at St Mary the Virgin, Kingston Deverill: Remembrance Service
10.50am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: Remembrance Service
10.50am at Horningsham War Memorial: Remembrance Service



Thursday 16th November

10am to 12pm at the Three Horseshoes, Chapmanslade
Church & Community Coffee Morning



Saturday 18th November

10am to 12pm at 49 High Street, Chapmanslade
Church Coffee Morning, Bring & Buy, and 50/50 Club Draw



Sunday 19th November: Second Sunday before Advent

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

Monday 20th November

10.30am at 116 High Street – details from Phil on 832845

Time to Think Home Group



Tuesday 21st November

7.30pm at 129d Forest Walk, Chapmanslade

After Alpha Tuesday Night Group – details from Richard on 832594



Wednesday 22nd November

12.30pm to 1.30pm at the Reading Rooms, Corsley

Light Bites Soup Lunch



Sunday 26th November: Christ the King

10.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade: Eucharist

10.30am at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Eucharist



Sunday 3rd December: Advent Sunday

8am at St Mary the Virgin, Kingston Deverill: 1662 BCP Communion

9.30am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: Eucharist

10.30am at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Christingle & Posada

St Mary's Consultation

A productive Consultation meeting was held at St Mary's, Temple on the 18th of October. St Mary's is unusual in that the church is owned and run by the trustees of the Barton Will Trust. Currently there are four trustees and as they are all getting older they wish to hand over the reins to younger people. At the meeting two people volunteered to be trustees.

There was a very useful discussion about the use of the church and the services and the need to attract a more people to worship at this special church. Whilst there was a desire to ensure the continuation of worship at the St Mary's the major obstacle of finding persons to cover the numerous practical jobs which need to be done, to keep the church running, remains for the moment. The new group of trustees will be giving close consideration to this issue.

Operation Shoebox

We shall be collecting the Shoeboxes at our services from Sunday November 5th and 12th. If you wish to participate please collect a shoebox, as many as you wish to fill, and the necessary leaflet and label. We shall then arrange transport to the local distribution centre.

Harvest

Chapmanslade School and our three churches this year collected a bumper amount of food for the Warminster Foodbank. All three Harvest service were well attended and the Messy Church was also noisy and fun!! The School held their own Harvest Service on the 6th and all 120 pupils and many parents squeezed into our little church. A wonderful service enjoyed by all. Our two harvest suppers were both well attended and very enjoyable especially the puddings!

Fundraising

We are holding our Autumn Coffee Morning at 47 High Street, Chapmanslade on 18th November from 10am to mid-day by kind permission of Andrew and Sue Fear. As usual we will be holding a Bring & Buy Stall and the 50/50 Club draw will also be made.

Welcome, Congratulations & Farewell

We welcome into our church family Erin Philips, baptised at Longbridge Deverill on 1st October.

The funeral of Roy Andrews took place on 18th October at Kingston Deverill. We offer our prayers and sympathy to the family.

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Corsley WI

October news



At the October meeting of Corsley WI, Professor Nigel Brown, a member of the Royal Biology Society, joined members and visitors to give a talk entitled "What WILL We Be Eating"? With the climate changing and world population growing at an enormous rate, the vision for the future is for more crops and bigger yields. To achieve this using conventional methods, would take 15 to 20 years, but it could be done much more rapidly using genetic modification. GM foods have been found to need a third less pesticide, the yields are higher by over 20 per cent, whilst organic crops are apparently no healthier than normal crops and the yields are significantly lower. GM has already been used in the production of papayas and golden rice, making a substantial difference to industry and health. Judith Helliar gave the vote of thanks. The competition for a jelly mould was won by Caroline Higham, with Hilary Vallis second and Di Dowling third.

Are you new to the area? Don't know anyone? Come along to one of our meetings and find new friends! At our next meeting on **Thursday 9th November at 2.30pm**, Annie Campbell will be giving a demonstration called "All Wrapped Up For Christmas". We meet in the Reading Room at Corsley on the **second Thursday each month at 2.30pm** until March 2018, then in **April** the time will change to **7.30pm**. We can usually help with travel or arrange for someone to come with you. The competition for members is for a gift wrapped parcel.

A workshop on making Christmas decorations will be held in November and Patchwork Quilting will follow soon; details from Carol. As usual, details of events organised by the Federation are available at our meetings. Through the Federation, we all have access so much more than we can provide in our WI locally and it gives you many great opportunities.

A contingent from Corsley attended the recent Wiltshire Federation Annual Council Meeting. The main speaker was Mandy Hickson, one of only 5 RAF Tornado Pilots, who gave a superb talk on her flying career and she received a standing ovation at the end.

On **Friday 20th April 2018**, we are heading for The Royal Mint Experience. To book a place to the Royal Mint, or want to know about our meetings, please ring Carol Seward on 01373 832446, or email seward@talktalk.net for information.

Can you play skittles or would like to learn? What about scrabble? We are looking for new team members and it is much more sociable to play in a team than playing online and you get to meet members from other WIs. My last skittles score included 3 ducks, so if you could do better, please contact me, we need you!

The Bridge Club, Gardening Club and Lunch Club are run by Pauline Scott, tel. 01985 215760 for details. These events are not just for WI members, everyone is welcome.



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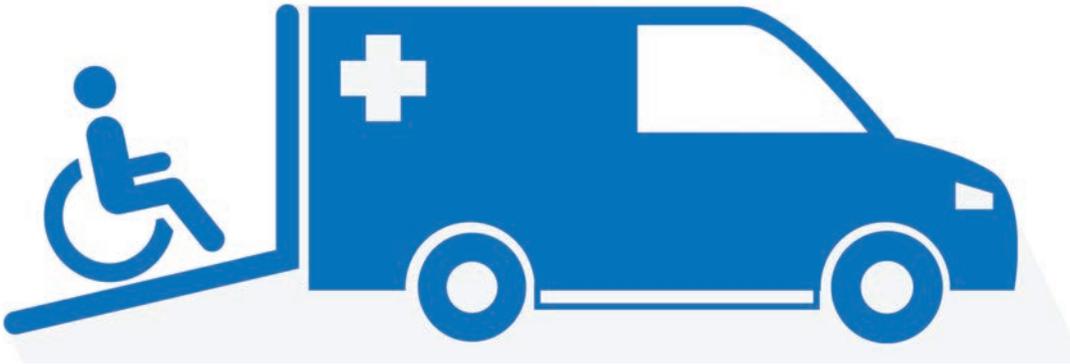
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Chapmanslade Parish Council

Parish Council Briefing

Notes from the Parish Council meetings held on 28th September and 12th October

Weight restriction and associated road signage

28th September

The clerk updated the meeting with the correspondence on this issue. Highways England are awaiting a further proposal from Wiltshire Council.

12th October

The Chairman attended a meeting of Wiltshire Council Community Area Traffic Group and emphasized the safety issue surrounding overweight lorries coming of the A36 towards Chapmanslade. The representatives from WC promised to speak to their colleagues after the meeting. KM put forward that there was surely a simple solution available – using stick-on weight limit signage. Much cheaper than the Highways England solution costing thousands!!

Speeding

Both meetings

There are discussions taking place between villages about the possibility of jointly purchasing a speed indicating device. The cost per unit is c£3,000 and it is proposed that we put forward to the WC Area Board a grant request to purchase a SID.

Drainage and flooding

12th October

This item was revisited as there is concern about the flooding issue in Huntenhull Lane. The question is: are we making proper allowance for surface water drainage when considering planning applications? It was resolved that PH will gather details from Ian Buick appertaining to aquifers in the area and then write to the Planning Department and the Highways Department with our concerns.

Planning applications and issues

28th September

There were three applications discussed at the meeting.

The first was for the erection of a garden shed at the rear of 52 High Street 17/08328/FUL. It was resolved to postpone a decision until the next meeting as further information was to be requested in relation to the conditions previously imposed when the new house was given planning approval.

The second application was for a single storey dwelling on land at 26 Southcroft 17/08031/FUL. Local residents voiced their concerns which mainly relate to drainage and highways issues. These issues had

been raised previously when application 13/06477/OUT had been refused by WC and the residents felt strongly that the same issues remained unresolved. It was agreed that the PC would object to the application on these grounds. It was also agreed that the issue of surface water and flooding issues within Huntenhull Lane would be raised with WC. (Since the meeting a letter has been sent to WC for the attention of both the Highways and Planning Departments.)

The third application was for 43 Clearwood view to be divided into two dwellings. Although no objections were raised there was concern about parking provision.

12th October

Two applications were discussed at this meeting.

The first was the erection of a garden shed at the rear of 52 High Street. 17/08328/FUL which had been held over from the previous PC meeting awaiting clarification. The concerns of local residents were raised. This application is difficult as in the previous planning decision 15/09596/FUL there was a condition that no outbuildings/sheds/greenhouses were permitted as 52 High Street is a listed building. After much discussion it was agreed that the PC would object to the application on two grounds, viz: the height of the proposed shed and its location at the boundary, and the need for Listed Building Consent in respect of the restrictive condition mentioned previously.

The second application to be considered was the extension of a front porch at 59 High Street 17/06027/FUL. Other than a comment that the extension was a very large porch there were no objections.

Roadside Hedges and Safety

Concern was expressed that some roadside

hedges and planting were growing into the highway and resulting in sighting issues for drivers and forcing pedestrians to walk in the road. It was noted that the householder or landowner was responsible for keeping the boundary hedges in a well-maintained condition. It was agreed that if necessary the PC would contact anyone with an overgrown hedge but ultimately if no action taken by the householder the matter would be passed to WC for further action.

Next meeting and Village Plan

The next Parish Council will be on November 16th at 6.30pm. This meeting will be followed at 7.30pm by a presentation and discussion on the Village Questionnaire. There was a remarkable response to the questionnaire, 357 forms returned, and the team has spent much time analysing the responses. Please do come along on the 16th and discover the details of the questionnaire.

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First World War Centenary

Remembering those from Corsley

Next year is the centenary of the end of the First World War in 1918. To mark the occasion, we would like to remember those from Corsley who lost their lives during the Great War.

The PCC is producing a book about those listed on the commemorative plaques in St Margaret's Church, but needs your help. Little is known about some of the men, or if there are others not listed.

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News from the Nest

Welcome to this month's news from
Corsley Cuckoo's PreSchool in Lyes Green, Corsley.

The first half of the autumn term has been full of seasonal fun at Little Cuckoos, with plenty of indoor and outdoor play to help the children learn about this beautiful time of year.

To celebrate the harvest, so many families kindly donated an overwhelming amount of nourishing food which was collected by Little Cuckoos and taken to the Warminster Food Bank to provide support to local individuals and families in need. This was a fantastic way of showing our little ones the importance of sharing and helping others.

The pre-school enjoyed a wonderful afternoon hosting its Macmillan event to raise money for the charity through selling plenty of cakes, biscuits and warming cups of tea. The children contributed to the event by making delicious jam tarts which all helped towards raising a fantastic £142 for Macmillan.

The Little Cuckoos AGM marked the end of the first half of the term. Committee Chair, Anna Slade, presented the many highlights over the past 12 months, which included the pre-school's "Good" Ofsted rating in May, the development of the exciting outdoor learning area called Willow Wonderland, the

installation of a new heating system, and a round-up of all the popular events held at the pre-school to help fund its projects. Anna has now stepped down from the role and has handed over to the pre-school's new Committee Chair, local resident Susie Stafford.

This month, the children will be stepping out of the pre-school for their annual outing to Heaven's Gate, joined by parents, carers and staff to enjoy the many discoveries of



autumn and warm up over hot chocolate and cookie treats! Back in the classroom, a woodland den complete with a make-believe campfire has been created to capture the children's imagination as they learn about autumn and gear up for the start of winter.

The annual Christmas event will take place at Little Cuckoos on Saturday 9th December. Until then, families are always welcome to visit the pre-school every Tuesday

during term-time to enjoy the weekly toddler group from 10am-11:30am, run by Brenda Shelbourne. The session costs £2 and includes a hot drink for parents.

For more information, please visit www.littlecuckoos.co.uk

Term-time opening hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9 am - 3 pm

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November Preachers

- 5th** Richard Wilson, one of the Chapel's own preachers and deliverer of the Good News paper to Corsley.
- 12th** Russell Short, a regular preacher of ours, based at Frome Evangelical Church.
- 19th** Chris Andrews is based at Ebenezer Baptist Church, West Lavington. Our next Chapel News (for Christmas) will be written by him.
- 26th** Rev Peter Atwell, a preacher with Canal Ministries, based locally. He's produced interesting books on his work.

Clearing dead wood

A work party, under the leadership of our Secretary Ray Mead, recently spent a day clearing the Chapel grounds. I hadn't realised how overgrown our Corsley Pippin apple trees were, until I arrived at Chapel one day and found the light through the kitchen window was far brighter than previously! The hedges have also been trimmed and the grounds generally tidied.

'Good News' – a hymn by the Chapel's oldest member, Ron Stone, who will be 98 years old on 6th November (the tune is 'The Church's One Foundation')...

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The coming of our Saviour
Is drawing very near.
We need to tell of Jesus,
To make the message clear,
That Jesus died but lives now
And He will come again;
We only find salvation
In the power of His dear name.

The message of salvation's
The story we repeat,
Christ promises His Word
Is a lamp to guide our feet.
And He will go before us,
To lead us all our days,
And when this life is over,
We'll join in Heaven's praise.

Regular times

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

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Terrible news for Corsley

It is with regret that, due to lack of any volunteers stepping forward to act as contact/organiser for the Corsley Litter Pickers, Cath Aylesbury has decided to hang up her picker and hi-viz jacket after 10 years of sterling service to the village. The Corsley Litter Pickers are therefore no longer meeting for their monthly, hour-long clean-up of our village.

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This last month of October brought mild weather, then high winds, grey skies, what the Cornish call mizzle, and then irregular, or regular, downpours of rain. Try harvesting in this mixture of weather!

With farm machinery getting larger and heavier the ground conditions have to be dry, as does the crop, or the soil will be compacted, as well as causing problems on the roads.

Most of the arable crops have been harvested and, from my journey from Somerset to Hereford today, it is clear that most of the potato and beet crops have lifted, and the cider apples are on their way to being pressed.

The cattle markets are busy at this time of year with selling cattle and sheep to be fattened for slaughter, either indoors or on lower-lying pastures through the winter months. Some sheep for breeding will also move down from the mountains and high moorland to dairy farms, so that by early spring they will be in good condition to move back to their homelands and to give birth to healthy lambs. Meanwhile the dairy grassland will have been grazed short, ready to regrow in the early Spring.

The country sports of pheasant and partridge shoots will be taking place on farmland and woodlands on local estates; please be

aware of this activity in these areas for the next three months. Around November 5th many families will be enjoying fireworks over a number of evenings; please notify neighbours with pets, horse owners and local farmers if you intend letting off fireworks; please check next day that spent rockets are picked up, as these remains can be dangerous to grazing animals.

Our woodlands have looked lovely this Autumn, and now there is a lot of seed left in the fields to feed birds and mammals, helping them to survive the winter. Do look out for our winter visiting birds. The Fieldfares and Redwing that are already migrating into the UK will be the most obvious; many will even come into gardens in search of food. Depending on the temperatures and food supplies in Scandinavia we should also start to see Brambling and even Waxwings. Hidden amongst flocks our more common resident birds such as Blackbirds Song Thrushes, Chaffinches and Robins, there will be plenty of individuals from further north. It is definitely time to be feeding your garden birds, if you haven't already started; gardens are now a key source of food for a whole range of species and, of course, watching them gives us all so much joy.

Judith Helliar

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 - 8 Charlie Drake
 - 9 Partridge Family
 - 10 Russell Crowe
 - 11 Peter Finch
 - 12 Dan Quayle
 - 13 Clarice Starling
 - 14 John Parrot
 - 15 Dove Cottage
 - 16 Florence Nightingale
 - 17 Albatross
 - 18 Gary Sparrow
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