

Village Newsletter

Village Hall News

Four months have passed since we reopened the Hall after the four month COVID-19 lockdown, and we continue to welcome clubs, organisations and villagers back in a safe and socially distanced, COVID Secure manner. And we hope you feel confident in returning.

We have already welcomed back Ballet, Rugbytots, the Yoga group, West Coast Swing and the Film Club. We are expecting the Coffee Morning and Brownies to return soon and are looking forward to seeing many more of our regular groups such as the Art Class, Basingstoke Circle, Horticultural Society, Farleigh Parish Playgroup and the WI returning in due course. Please contact these groups direct for further information.

The Hall Trustees continue to work hard managing and updating our COVID Secure risk assessments, documentation and processes to ensure we can remain open for our groups and users. To assist with this we ask that all Hall users observe the latest Government guidance on social distancing, hand cleaning and the use of face coverings, and follow the one-way systems, entry and exit, etc. that we now have in place.

The lockdown and subsequent reduced operation has obviously taken its toll on many organisations, companies and individuals, and the Hall is no exception. Income from lettings has obviously been impacted heavily and we have missed (both socially and financially) the Cliddesden Players Summer Play and BBQ revenue. Thankfully, the Hall's prudent approach to pre-pandemic finances means that we can draw on our reserves in order to meet all our financial obligations and these will hopefully see us through this period of great uncertainty. But these funds are finite and there is no clear indication on how long this pandemic will run for and what the long term impact will be.

With this in mind the Trustees have been looking at how we can raise additional revenue and one of the ideas is to have some



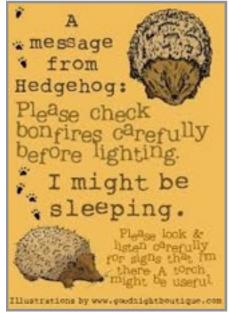
fund raising events in Spring 2021, always assuming that we are allowed to. So a call out for event ideas and volunteers to get involved alongside the Trustees - if you want to suggest an event or can help in any way please send a mail to volunteering@cliddesdenhall.org.uk.

As always, two existing ways that you can help the Hall financially - the 100 Club and Give As You Live. The 100 Club draws have continued despite the lockdown and if you wish to join or increase your 100 Club holding then please contact Rose Beevers on 01256 475944 or via 100club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk. Give As You Live makes donations to the Hall whenever you shop at over 4,000 on-line stores, at no cost to you. So if you have not done so already, please sign up for free at www.giveasyoulive.com/join/cliddesdenhall before you do any more on-line shopping, particularly in the run up to Christmas.

Keep an eye on the Hall's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/CliddesdenVillageHall for up-to-date news, and most of all keep safe and well.

Greg Mendelsohn Village Hall Management Committee <u>chair@cliddesdenhall.org.uk</u>





Hello from Claire!

It's the time of year to cut things back, tidy things up, and pile it all up onto the bonfire – unless you take all your green waste to the recycle.

Please, please, if you are going to have a bonfire in the garden, observe some simple safety and consideration guidelines.

- 1: Check for hedgehogs and toads. All that lovely leaf mould and plant matter makes a snug, cosy place for overwintering. Lift and check underneath before lighting the fire and if possible relocate the bonfire completely
- 2: Be considerate of your neighbours. Will the smoke drift across their garden? If there's washing on the line, people in the garden, or windows open then this can constitute a nuisance and lead to unpleasantness.
- 3: Did you know that having a bonfire where the smoke drifts across the road possibly obscuring visibility can bring you a fine???

And finally – if your bonfire is reluctant to burn......don't make the mistake that I once did and decide to encourage it with some petrol. Big bang, trousers on fire – luckily I remembered to drop and roll, and a few hours of shaking and crying due to shock. Not the best way to spend a Sunday afternoon.

Don't waste the ash either. This information is taken from the RHS website.

(Bonfire ash is) Suitable for...

When mixed with other components in the **compost** heap, the resulting **alkaline compost can be used as a mulch** around most ornamental plants and vegetables unless, like **raspberries**, rhododendrons and roses, they require an acidic soil. Fruit too performs best in slightly acid soil so wood ashes are unsuited for use in the fruit garden.

Vegetables grow best in soil with a pH of 6.5, so **testing** the level before adding the compost is recommended so as not to raise the pH too much (greater than pH7.0). However, **where club root** is **present**, wood ash can be used to raise the pH to as much as 7.5 to inhibit this disease.

Wood ash may contain **useful levels of potassium (about three percent)**, a

major **plant nutrient** associated with flowering and fruiting. However, the levels will vary depending on the age of the wood that was burnt; young wood such as from pruning will have higher potassium content than older, thicker branches.

When to use wood ash

Only add wood ash to the compost heap occasionally (every 15cm/6in of material), as heavier use risks high levels of alkalinity and soluble salts which could damage plants and soil.

If applying wood ash directly to soils, do this in winter and rake or dig it in. This will allow the compounds in the ash which could scorch plants to react with the moist soil and be rendered harmless before spring sowing or planting.

How to use wood ash

Apply wood ash in **small amounts to the compost heap** where, once mixed in, it will blend readily with other materials. As a general guide, you should not be able to identify it after mixing it into the compost.

Wood ash can be **spread directly on soil** in the vegetable garden in late winter at a rate of 50-70g per sq m (1.7-2.40z per sq yd);

- Fork in, rake or rotovate
- It may be useful to sieve the ash before use to remove debris. Avoid breathing in the dust by using a face protection and limit skin exposure by wearing gloves, boots and work clothes
- Where wood ash is applied frequently, it is worthwhile to use a pH test kit to monitor changes in pH and prevent levels rising over pH7.5
- Wood ash may be especially useful in vegetable gardens where <u>club root</u> of brassicas is a problem

- Never leave wood ash in the rain, as the potassium (a useful plant nutrient for flowers and fruit) is in a soluble form and is easily leached out
- Ash produced from young sappy prunings contains a useful proportion of potassium and traces of other nutrients, while older wood tends to contain lower concentrations of nutrients

Problems

Wood ash is a useful by-product of bonfires, but there are a few things to avoid;

- Avoid using too much wood ash because an excess in alkalinity
- Avoid using ash from treated timber as they may contain potentially harmful residues consign such ash to the council refuse collection
- Avoid using wood ash on areas where potatoes are to be grown the following spring, as the alkaline conditions can encourage potato scab

I don't think it will come as a surprise to anyone, however I am sad to announce that, after due consideration, we have taken the decision to cancel our AGM.

We are looking at ways to send the usual reports and information out to members.



Here's looking forward to the New Year and hopefully a return to meetings and shows that we all enjoy.

Happy gardening!

100 CLUB Hello members: The draw for October was called at the Village Hall Committee Meeting on 6th October 2020. Here are the lucky winners:

1st 178 Greg Mendelsohn

2nd 86 Anita Williams

3rd 35 Martin Doel

Congratulations!

Rose Beevers Tel: 475944

Police Report

Dear Residents

I am appealing for any information in relation to two garages being broken into at the rear of Southlea on Sunday October 18th 2020 between 1:30 and 2 PM. A light coloured Transit sized van was seen leaving the area. These crimes took place on a Sunday afternoon in broad day light, as such I ask if anyone saw anything suspicious in the area prior to or saw the van? If you can help please give me a call direct.

In Ellisfield at 3 am on Friday September 25th 2020, two men were seen acting suspiciously in the garden of a house near Furzon Lane. A car was parked in the lane and both made off when the home owner challenged them, so opportunist criminals are out and about in our area.

We are also experiencing poaching at the moment and associated criminal damage to the fields of growing crops. Recently two hares were found shot and left by a gateway in Weston Patrick. I ask if you see any vehicles on the land at night, or lamps being panned across the fields, please give us a call. Those who are lawfully out doing vermin control would have made the Police aware before going out.

As the evenings are now drawing in I urge all residents to make sure homes are secured, lights etc left on. Please make sure your home looks as if it is occupied when you are out. Whilst we have only had two house burglaries across the area during 2020, I would not like to see an increase.



There are still several scams doing the rounds. The latest concerned a cold caller from telephone number 01174433677 offering services. Usually it rings then hangs up when asking for home owner? If you receive any such calls please place the number into Google and check if it is a scam number. Frequently it will show up as such.

And finally a plea: if you are the subject of any crime, I ask that it be reported. I am aware some crimes taking place are not being reported to the Police. it is important that we are aware of any crimes in the area, as an absence of reported crime will impact on police resources. If you are a victim of crime please call 101, report online via Hampshire Constabulary website or call/email me direct.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Andrew Reid Local Beat Officer

Dear Resident

I know I am constantly on about the same thing but it is critical we act as a village to fight unnecessary developments around our village, so:

Have you sent in your response to the local plan consultation yet?

You have until the 9th November to respond to Basingstoke and Deane. You can either write your own response or use the two profoma responses we have sent out. Further copies can be found at http://www.cliddesdenparishcouncil.info/community/cliddesden-parish-council-12590/bdbc-local-plan/ It is important you and your family respond, if not the Upper Swallick proposal could get into the Local Plan and Cliddesden as a village and its beautiful surrounding countryside could be gone.

On a more positive note the petition now has received over 4500 signatures but we still want more so if you can, please spread the word. We are also working closely with groups such as STaNHD (www.stanhd.com) on a range of ways to defeat unnecessary developments.

Alan Tyler
Chair of Cliddesden Parish Council





Please respond to the consultation...

Dear Residents

As Chair of your Parish Council, I wish to seek your support regarding this first and critical consultation from Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council (BDBC).

Two main components of the Consultation in particular require your attention – in order of importance.

- **1. PROMOTED SITES DOCUMENT** which details the sites put forward for development, including Upper Swallick. A 'promoted site' does not necessarily mean it will go ahead; this consultation is an opportunity to register your opinion with BDBC.
- **2. LOCAL PLAN ISSUES & OPTIONS** BDBC has issued a 76-page document containing 109 questions on which they seek feedback on shaping the Local Plan which defines how the borough will develop up to at least 2038.

Key documents can be found on the BDBC Website
Issues and Options Consultation Document (PDF) [14 Mb]
Appendix 5 - Sites identified outside Settlement Policy Boundaries (PDF) [2 Mb], Promoted Sites 2020 (PDF) [646 kb]

We have sought expertise to analyse these documents and questions to short cut this process for you. Simple proformas have been created for you to enter your details and submit, or to use as the basis of your own tailored response before submitting. These documents have already been circulated via email and can be found on the Parish Council website

http://www.cliddesdenparishcouncil.info/community/cliddesdenparish-council-12590/bdbc-local-plan/

So what can you do....

1a. Read through the proforma **Promoted Sites Document Response Form**.

b. Make adjustments and comments as you see fit and add your name and address. Each household member to please make a separate response. (Every response counts.)

c. Email each of your completed forms to local.plan@basingstoke.gov.uk

2a. Read through the proforma *Local Plan Update Response Form*... b & c as above.

Deadline for all responses 4pm Mon 9th November.

If you wish to respond and do not have online access or for any other guery

please contact me or any member of the Parish Council for paper copies and / or any assistance you need. You can call the Parish Clerk Susan Turner on 07515 777 060.

Best wishes

Alan Tyler, Chairman Cliddesden Parish Council

PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

<u>20/02450/HSE</u> (Validated 4 Sept) 2 Coldharbour Cottages, Woods Lane. Demolition of existing leanto porch and construction of single and two storey extensions.

<u>20/02458/HSE</u> (Validated 4 Sept) SunnyVale, Farleigh Road. Erection of front porch.

20/01799/HSE (pending 27 July) 4 Hackwood Lane. Single storey rear extension following removal of existing conservatory, raising of rear part roof to create first floor living space, plus erection of detached garage /annexe.

20/01098/FUL (pending 18 May) Appleyard, Woods Lane. Four new dwellings with parking and access. Recommended for approval – to be decided by Development Control Committee, meeting of 11 November.)

20/01168/FUL (pending 6 May) Greenlands Nursery, 3A Hackwood Lane. Three new bungalows.

PARISH TREE APPLICATIONS

<u>T/00532/20/TCA</u> (Validated 16 Oct) Mentmore, Farleigh Road. Fell 1 Fir.

T/00538/20/TCA (Validated 19 Oct) Sorriso, Farleigh Road. T1-Lime located front of property, Reduce crown by 2m all round leaving an approx finished height of 13m with a crown spread (radius) of 5m.

T/00473/20/TCA (Validated 15 Sept) 1 Church Lane, Cliddesden. T1 Rowan: fell to ground level. T2 Birch: crown lift to 3-4m above ground level.

T/00430/20/TCA (Approved 07 Oct) Church Hill House, Church Lane. T1 Red Oak: fell.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 3rd November 7.30pm Remote meeting via Skype.

Meetings continue to be open to the public, please email <u>alanbtyler19@btinternet.com</u> for a link.



The current Local Plan was adopted in 2016 to run to 2029. In line with Government's new legal requirements to review every five years, BDBC is in the early stages of updating its Local Plan with a new end date of at least 2038.

ISSUES & OPTIONS CONSULTATION

This is the first consultation for the Local Plan Update (LPU), live from 28th September to 4pm on Monday 9th November. Consultation documents are available at

www.basingstoke.gov.uk/Issues-and-Options

Your response can be submitted either...

online at https://basingstoke-consult.objective.co.uk/portal

by e-mail to local.plan@basingstoke.gov.uk

<u>by post to</u> Planning Policy Team, Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, Civic Offices, London Road, Basingstoke RG21 4AH

The purpose of this early consultation is to identify Key Planning Issues facing the borough over the next two decades and consider suitable Options to address them.

In addition to the main Issues & Options consultation, BDBC is inviting comment on the:

PROMOTED SITES DOCUMENT

Over 230 potential development sites were submitted to BDBC via the 2019 'Call for Sites'.

These were published in December 2019 in the Strategic Housing & Employment Land Availability Assessment (SHELAA) at

https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/SHELAA.

A small number of additional sites have been put to the Council since then, including the proposal for 'Upper Swallick'.

The 'Promoted Sites Document' lists all the potential sites and provides maps for those not included in last December's published version.

At this early stage, BDBC (as Local Planning Authority) has not identified or made decisions on any preferred sites for housing or employment uses. The Assessment will continue to be subject to consultation during the next stages of the LPU process.

This is an opportunity for everyone to influence the Plan at an early stage.

HIGHWAY VERGES

Origin and Importance

From 'Highways Verges Information Sheet' © Open Spaces Society (a revised version of 'Roadside Wastes' by



WR Hornby Steer MA LLB first published July 1936)

1. Along many of the highways of England & Wales are to be found strips of land open to the public, running between the metalled road and the fences enclosing the adjoining land. Such strips are often irregular in

www.oss.org.uk/need-to-know-more/information-hub/highway-verges

2. A reason for their origin is to be found in the judgment of Abbot, LCJ in *Steel v Prickett (1819) 2 Stark 463 NP*, where he used these words:

character and sometimes of considerable width.

'In remote and ancient times when roads were frequently made through unenclosed lands, and when the same labour and expense was not employed upon roads, and they were not formed with that exactness which the exigencies of society now require, it was part of the law, that the public, when the road was out of repair, might pass along by the side of the road.

'This right on the part of the public was attended with this consequence that although the parishioners were bound to repair the road, yet, if an owner excluded the public from using the adjoining land, he cast upon himself the onus of repairing the road... hence it followed as a natural consequence that when a person inclosed his land from the road he did not make his fence close to the road, but left an open space at the side of the road to be used by the public when occasion required... the object was to leave a sufficiency of land for passage by the side of the road when it was out of repair.'

- 3. When an owner has left such a strip alongside the road, with the intention that the public should be able to use it for passage, and the public has so used it, there is a presumption that he intended to dedicate the strip as part of the highway, and such strips must in many cases be deemed to have been so dedicated. In that event, the strip alongside the road, is just as much part of the 'highway' as the metalled road itself.
- 4. Sometimes the roadside strips belong, not to the owner of the adjoining property, but to the lord of the manor, and are part of the manorial waste. In such cases they may or may not be subject to rights of common, but in either event they may be held to have been dedicated to public passage, in which case also they are part of the highway. See *East v Berkshire County Council* (1911) 76 JP 35; and Evelyn v Mirrielees (1900), 17 TLR 152, CA; 65 JP 131n).
- 5. These 'roadside strips' are now more commonly referred to as 'roadside verges'. It is important that strips of roadside verge should be safeguarded from any illegal attempts to inclose them.



6. With the loss of most of our traditional meadow land through agricultural change, our largest nature reserve is now represented by roadside verges, an important habitat which extends to perhaps half a million acres. They are a vital reservoir of wildlife, especially of wild flowers (Soil Association 1992).

Cliddesden Primary School

The children have really settled back into school fully frow and have adjusted so well to the 'new normal'. There is some lovely work being completed and lots of smiling faces around the school. Here is an update from each of our school 'bubbles'.



Willow Class

Hello from Willow Class. We are a mixed Foundation Stage and Year 1 class.

We welcomed 17 new children and their families to our class. They have all started brilliantly and quickly learnt how to keep safe at school.

The learning theme in Willow Class for the start of this new term is 'Me and my school'. We have been learning about each other and how we learn and play together to become a great class. We have been exploring our new environment, looking at how we are all different, what we need to grow and be healthy and how we change as we grow.

The Year 1's have been finding out about where we live and our school. They are becoming great map readers, and can plot a route to their favourite place in our school grounds. The children have used lots of different resources to make self-portraits like leaves, plates, shapes and emojis! Every day we enjoy singing nursery rhymes and developing our listening skills. We also like matching, comparing and counting anything we can find!



Beech Class

Beech Class have been brilliant adjusting to a full return to school and have thoroughly enjoyed the sunny outside time we enjoyed in September. We have been reading Traditional Tales and comparing different version and writing our own. Watch out for the Big Bad Wolf, or is it a Good Wolf? Our Scientific studies have been about our

human bodies; keeping healthy, using our senses and understanding our bodies. Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale are our Significant Figures from History that we have been finding out about- which has been very apt during this pandemic- it has been good to discover the different legacies of these pioneers of nursing. There has been so much happening in Beech class, investigating numbers, identifying phonic sounds, learning to join up our writing, throwing and catching with Debs. The list goes on! And our super outdoor play area has been in use for small world play- in the fresh air -the children have loved being able to play together and reconnect with their friends safely.

Chestnut Class



In Chestnut Class we have quickly settled into our new normal routine which involves sitting in rows, facing the front and staying in our seats. We are being careful to keep our distance and have adapted games and activities to allow for social distancing.

This term Chestnut Class is looking at how life changed between the Neolithic, Bronze and Iron Ages. We have examined artefacts and other sources to help us decide which age we would prefer to

live in and why.

In our Art lessons, we are studying Banksy and his art. We have recreated the girl with the balloon picture and are going to design our own which will be inspired by cave paintings to link to our history topic.

During Science, we are investigating forces and magnets. We have carried out several investigations to find out which materials are magnetic, whether you need to touch an object to attract it and whether the size of the magnet affects the strength.



Oak Class

Alongside our regular English and Maths work in Oak Class, we have spent the term thinking about the diversity of life on our planet. We have dissected lilies in our Science lesson to identify the reproductive parts of a flower, we have thought about the different life cycles that animals and plants have and we have found out about the Scientist Carl Linnaeus and his taxonomy of living things. We have also taken the opportunity to explore the school grounds and find evidence of the plants dispersing their seeds.

In History, we have been finding out more about the changing role of the monarch of Great Britain. As well as learning the names of our country's Kings and Queens, we have also debated the influence they had on our society. We've also been marking Black History month by reading stories and researching significant figures in Black History.

We've also really enjoyed our Music lessons. We have been challenged to work as a team to create a performance of body percussion. The children are showing amazing creativity and a fantastic sense of rhythm. We hope to be able to share our finished performance using our school website - so do check at the end of the term to see how we got on!

Paula Lavender



Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall
0 - 4 year olds and their grown-ups.

Friday Marnings 11-12 Term Time

November: 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th.

Due to Covid-19 we are offering a country walk suitable for all ages and following government guidelines. Please phone for more info.

A warm welcome awaits you - we look forward to you joining us.

Cost: £1 donation per family

Contact:

Melanie Previous Pre-school Head (07833-528040)

Claire Qualified teacher (01256-477197)

Church Services for November

(at St Leonard's unless stated otherwise)

Sunday 1st November

9.45am : Holy Communion (Common Worship)

Sunday 8th November 10.55am::

Remembrance Service with the Royal British Legion. All Saints Dummer (outdoors)

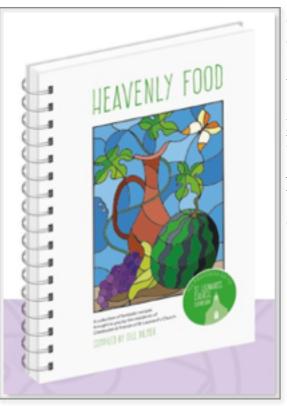
Sunday 15th November 11.15am: Family Service

Saturday 21st November 6.00pm:

Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 6th December 9.45am:

Holy Communion (Common Worship)



Christmas is coming! ... and our book of recipes donated by local people is an ideal stocking filler. During this difficult year, cooking has become a therapeutic pastime for many, so this little book (which first went on sale Christmas 2018) could prove to be a most acceptable gift for a friend or loved one ... or even a treat for yourself!

All proceeds from the sale of these books go towards St Leonard's Church, Cliddesden.

Cost: £6.00 each or 2 books for £10.00

Please contact Gill Palmer on 01256 359413/ 07936 878944





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