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Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall



Yes, we now have table tennis available at Coffee Mornings at Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall.

Please come along to have a natter and make new friends, browse the second-hand book stall, select some pretty stationery from Penny our stallholder, and of course enjoy a good cuppa and a slice of cake!



The 100 club is also drawn here each month.

And, if you fancy, have a turn at table tennis. We have all the equipment you will need.

We meet on the second Monday morning of each month, from 10.30 – 12 noon.

Our next date is February 12th 2024.

Hope to see you there, all ages are welcome.

Gill (01256 359413)

100 Club



Hello members

The draw for January was called at the Coffee Morning held at the Village Hall on 8th January 2024. Here are the lucky winners:

1 st	Claire Dilly	106
2 nd	Tom James	444
3 rd	Rachel Beresford-Davies	170

Congratulations.

If you are not already a member of the 100 Club and fancy being a lucky winner please consider joining. It is an easy way of supporting our Village Hall while at the same time having a flutter. First prize is currently £36. Further details about joining as well as details for renewing subscriptions will appear in next month's newsletter or contact me using the details below.

Next Coffee Morning 12th February – do pop along.

Rose Beever Tel: 475944

100club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk



SERVICE TIMES AT ST. LEONARD'S, CLIDDSDEN

SUN 4TH FEB 9.45AM MORNING PRAYER
 SUN 11TH FEB 11.15AM MORNING SERVICE WITH THE BISHOP OF WESTMINSTER
 TUES 13TH FEB 10AM PANCAKE PARTY
 SUN 18TH FEB 11.15AM FAMILY SERVICE JOIN US FOR REV DAVID'S LAST SERVICE WITH US AT CLIDDSDEN, FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS.



Pancake Party!

Half term, Tuesday 13th February

10-11am

Join us for pancakes, games, crafts and laughs!

Happy New Year From St Leonard's!

A busy, happy place!

St Leonard's had lots of treats in store this Christmas, with a range of services to suit everyone.

Thank you to everyone who helped to organise these services, particularly David and the musicians, for whom Christmas is such a busy time!

Why not try something new this January? There is something for everyone. Come along to a service and find out more.



Crib service



Carols at the pond



Children's singing group

Cliddesden, Farleigh Wallop & Ellisfield Horticultural Society

The three villages Gardening Club

Chairman: Steve Bowcutt, tel: 324707, email: stephen.bowcut@btinternet.com
Secretary: Marilyn Smith, tel: 462584, email: willow.ms@btinternet.com



Hello from Claire!

Happy New Year!

Belated, but never too late to send a good message.

I was listening to Scarborough Fair by Simon & Garfunkel the other day, and the refrain gave me an idea.

'Parsley, Sage, Rosemary & Thyme' Herbs. Tasty, fragrant, healthy, decorative, good for the bees – what's not to love.

So this year I thought we could look at a different herb each month... starting with the Scarborough Fair 4.

Parsley – flat leaf or curly – *Petroselinum crispum*.



Parsley is a hardy biennial, but usually treated as an annual.

Sow the seed where they are to grow in spring, soaking the seeds overnight to hasten germination. Sunny position with moist soil.

Thin to around 20cm/8" apart.

Use flat leaf for flavour in cooking, curly for decoration.

The leaves and stalks are good for flavour in all savoury dishes, in sauces and as a garnish.

Medicinally an infusion of the leaves and stalks is rich in vitamin C, can ease rheumatic pain and relieves piles.

Chewing the leaves will freshen breath.

Something to try: **Potato Cakes with Parsley**

4oz flour 12oz freshly mashed potato
sea salt Fresh ground black pepper
2oz butter 2 tablespoons chopped parsley

Gradually work the flour into the hot mashed potato, add salt and pepper to taste.

Cut softened butter into small pieces and stir in, with the parsley. Beat until smooth.

Roll out on a floured board, using plenty of flour, until about 1/4" thick.

Cut into rounds and cook on a lightly greased hot griddle until golden brown on each side.

Great with bacon and eggs for a yummy breakfast.

What's been happening?

AGM 30th November

A very well attended AGM led to a brilliant evening.

Quiz, good food, wine and socialising was had by all.

We have had some changes on the Committee.

Steve Bowcutt stepped down as Chairman, and has now taken on the role of Treasurer.

We thank him for all his work as chair, and are very happy that he will remain an important member of the committee.

Seumas Foster is our new chairman, his experience and enthusiasm has already brought a wide range of new speakers and visits to the society, and we look forward to supporting him in the years to come.

I have stepped down as Treasurer, however I am remaining on the committee, and will continue to write the newsletters (sorry – you'll just have to put up with my ramblings!)

What's coming up?

March 28th – Cliddesden Millenium Hall 730pm for 745 start:

The Botanic Nursery – Terry's favourites, hardy shrubs

April 7th – Cliddesden Millenium Hall – *SPRING SHOW*

Pinnys on, daffodils at the ready, crafters and painters prepped!

Our annual Spring Show is always well supported, and well worth a visit, even if you haven't entered!

Would you like to join us?

Keen gardeners, new planters, or 'haven't got a clue!' everyone will receive a warm welcome.

Come along and make new friends, get ideas for your own patch of heaven, and have fun.

Email Seumas Foster at Seumas@cropfosters.co.uk

Or come along to one of our meetings as a guest, and you can chat to any of the committee about joining.

See you soon

Happy gardening!

Claire



We would love you to join us!

Who are we? 3CG is the village conservation group, a registered charity formed in 2004, to protect and enhance the natural environment within the parish.

What do we do? We plant trees and hedges; sow wildflowers in verges and field margins; install nestboxes for birds; maintain Cleresden Wildflower Meadow which is a haven for wildlife; organise walks, talks, surveys and litter picks and a whole host of other good things - like a summer tea-party in the meadow and an annual social and buffet in the Hall.

Look at our website www.cliddesdenconservation.org to catch up on our history and join our Facebook group to keep up to date.

A very warm welcome is extended to everyone, whether a village resident or not.

Membership is only £10 pr household, so complete the membership form overleaf, or to find out more please contact:

Alison Mosson on 07721 046146 or alison@abe.co.uk,
or Angie Fewster on 01256 475848 or angie@fewster.me.uk.

Save the Date

Our 20th Birthday Party is on **Tuesday 16th April 7.30pm** at the Village Hall – short AGM, illustrated wildlife talk from a visiting expert, displays, raffle, social + birthday buffet!

And a birthday means CAKE!





3CG MEMBERSHIP FORM

First name Surname

Address.....

..... Post Code

email Phone/mobile.....

Signature Date

I give permission for these details to be held by 3CG and used solely for the purpose of communicating with me regarding 3CG.

Membership is £10 per household annually

Cash to Alison Mosson (Chair & Treasurer): 'Larkrise' 11 Southlea, Cliddesden RG25 2JN
Or, Angie Fewster (Secretary): Ridgewood House, Farleigh Rd, Cliddesden RG25 2JB

Set up a Standing Order via your online banking account:

- £10 BACS transfer for current year's subscription (or £10 cash) +
- Standing Order to debit your account with the sum of £10 (Ten Pounds) on the Second Day of January each year until further notice (details on tear-off strip below).

3CG Standing Order Form required for non-online banking users

3CG Banking details:

- £10 BACS transfer for current year's subscription + Standing Order to debit your account with the sum of £10 (Ten Pounds) on the Second Day of January each year until further notice payable to:

**THE CLIDDSDEN COMMUNITY CONSERVATION GROUP
NATWEST, BASINGSTOKE, OLD MARKET SQUARE BRANCH,
SORT CODE 60 – 02 – 49 ACCOUNT No 71066365**

Village Hall News

cliddesdenhall.org.uk
facebook.com/CliddesdenVillageHall



This year's Hall AGM will be held at **7:30pm, Thursday 21st March.**

As always, this is open to the public – please do come along to hear what is going on at the Hall.



We launched our new **website** in January – go to cliddesdenhall.org.uk and take a look. Still some minor niggles at the time of writing but hopefully in the next month we will see an improved Events

page and a new Gallery page. We are very pleased with the new site which has been designed by our friends at the Theme Group for computer screen as well as phone and tablets, and we have already seen an increase in the number of Hall booking enquiries from it. And, of course, it features our new logo which is one year old this month.

The **100 Club** membership is due for **renewal** by the end of March. The 100 Club provides the Hall with a small but steady income to cover maintenance. With this in mind, now is a very good time to **join** or **increase** your membership. It is only £12 per ticket per year with the monthly first prize currently being in the order of £35-£40. Contact Rose Beevers on 01256 475944 or 100club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk for further details.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with the running of the Hall in general. But with some committee changes coming up, we are looking for one

or more people that could assist or even look after some of the more technical aspects of the Hall which include managing or overseeing:

- Our cloud storage on OneDrive and Dropbox;
 - The Hall's website;
 - The cliddesdenhall.org.uk domain and its mail aliases/forwards;
 - The broadband and wireless infrastructure along with its integration with the CCTV and building alarm.
- ... all tasks for anyone comfortable with IT technology.

If you are interested in this and can help, or are just looking for something to do in the village for the good of the village, then drop us a mail at volunteering@cliddesdenhall.org.uk.

As always, remember to visit the Hall's website at cliddesdenhall.org.uk and Facebook page at www.facebook.com/CliddesdenVillageHall for the latest news.

Greg Mendelsohn

Village Hall Management Committee

chair@cliddesdenhall.org.uk



theWI
INSPIRING WOMEN

CLIDDESSEN

In January we all met up for a quiet morning playing board games so that we could catch up with friends and have a good chat about our Christmas festivities with our families. A team were busy in the kitchen preparing sausages and bacon rolls which went down a treat I have to say.

The WI resolutions for this coming year were discussed and after a vote by members our group voted for Dental Health Matters – 'NFWI calls on government to increase the investment in training and retention of dentists and to review the current inadequate NHS contracts in order to ensure everyone an access to an NHS dentist wherever they live.'

My dentist withdrew from the NHS system last year and we now have to pay a great deal more for this service. Many families are finding it even harder as this service has also been withdrawn for children.

A few of the committee got together to start organising the programme for the coming year starting in May. Ideas were discussed and plans are being made.

Next meeting

Monday 19th February at 10.30am

'Hats off to Millinery'

Speaker Sophie Fryer

If you are interested please join us you will be most welcome.

Diane Rampton

dianelrampton@gmail.com



NOTES FROM JANUARY'S PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Attended by three Parish Councillors, the Clerk, three members of Public. Concern was raised during the public session over the future wellbeing of all the Lime trees along Southlea.

The Parish Council agreed its support for Punch plans for external seating areas at the Jolly Farmer.

Appeals lodged or in progress for all three larger proposals for housing sites in and around Cliddesden. Also a new warehousing proposal for Oakdown Farm J7 following Appeal Inspector's dismissal of previous.

Noted – application for site in Jays Close. Plans should specify exact detail of all outdoor lighting. Also potential for runoff from the site; to raise with Ward Councillors.

The published pre-approval Draft Reg 18 Local Plan Update shows development sites in the main to be as the 2022 Draft Plan (which built on the 2020 Issues and Options Consultation), and which does not include Upper Swallick. No sites are allocated South of the M3.

Noted the Moto MSA application for J6 is still to be decided.

The Draft Local Plan housing allocation for Cliddesden is 20 dwellings (new Policy SPS6) as per the 2021 'baseline' assessment. From the adoption of the new Local Plan (scheduled summer 2025) 'all net new dwellings within the Settlement Policy Boundary (SPB) will qualify towards the housing number' (6.179). 'Outside of but adjacent to SPBs, developments with a net gain of five or more units will also qualify. Also all homes built on self-build single plot exception sites outside settlements will be counted.'

New Landscape Policy ENV1 has an additional paragraph on Valued Landscapes – inserted following the paragraph on AONB at the end of the Policy wording (not present in current Adopted Policy EM1).

Updated National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) published in December: Para 226. Authorities with emerging Local Plans will – for the purposes of decision making – only need to demonstrate a four-year housing land supply where the Draft Plan is sufficiently advanced that it

has either been submitted for examination or has reached Reg 18 or Reg 19 stage, including a Policies Map and proposed allocations towards meeting housing need.

BDBC's *Authority Monitoring Report* (AMR) to 01 April 2023 (published Dec 2023) says 4.27 with 5% buffer. (NPPF no longer requires 5% buffer; Standard Method figure from 2024 recalculated to 830; gives 4.6 years.)

Parish Precept for 2024/2025 agreed at £9,331 unchanged from this year and last. The cost per household will reduce slightly as the tax base increases with new houses occupied.

NATURE NEEDS YOU – HELP INFORM HAMPSHIRE'S LOCAL NATURE RECOVERY STRATEGY HAVE YOUR SAY!

Please take part in a survey asking where you would like to see improvements for nature recovery, and views for nature priorities.

www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/nature-recovery-hampshire/hampshire-strategy

Lengthsman visit 12 January. Jobs list included to clean and clear bus shelter and area around pond; trim back hedge around Southlea post box; clear and clean road signs.

Additional discussion on pond path works, confirmed to be CIL-funded (Community Infrastructure Levy).

Grips on Farleigh Hill – and above the Village Hall at the junction with Hackwood Lane and Northgate Lane. Not yet cleared by HCC Highways. Seeking confirmation they are included in this year's schedule.

To congratulate the Cliddesden Players on a very successful pantomime with excellent reports.

Next Parish Council meeting Tuesday 05 March, 7.30pm, Village Hall

NATIONAL NESTBOX WEEK

14 to 21 February

www.nest-boxweek.com



PLANNING APPLICATIONS

23/03084/FUL (Validated 15 Dec) The Jolly Farmer. New external detached covered seating structure, and alterations to existing garage to form external seating area.

23/03085/LBC (Withdrawn 08 Jan) Jolly Farmer. Description as above.

23/02863/HSE (Granted 15 Jan) Swallick Cottage, Alton Road. Triple garage and hardstanding/extension of drive. (Alternative scheme to approval 23/01794/HSE.)

23/02772/HSE (Granted 10 Jan) Old School House, Farleigh Road. Replacement and erection of new fencing and gates at 1.2m and 1.5m.

23/02733/HSE (31 Oct, pending) 1 Chapel Walk. Loft conversion and insertion of windows.

23/02337/FUL (14 Sept, pending) Change of use of agricultural land to use for exercising dogs including perimeter fence, pathway, shelter, associated parking and access.

23/02326/FUL (13 Sept, pending) Greenlands Nursery 3A, Hackwood Lane. 1x new dwelling to replace redundant Nursery store/workshop.

23/02291/RET (22 Sept, pending) 1A Millars Cottages, Station Road. Variation of condition 1 (plans) and 13 (parking) to match current arrangement; con 4 (landscaping) to reflect change in parking provision and condition 6 (walls, fences, gates and hedges) to remove tarmac area of (erection of 1no dwelling).

23/02207/FUL (12 Sept, pending) Land at rear of 7 Woods Lane. Chalet bungalow (Class C3), associated works. (Revision of 21/02056/FUL.)

22/02233/HSE (Granted 12 Jan ref decision DC Committee of 10 Jan) 27 Southlea. Home workshop, office, playroom; new access, gates.

TREE APPLICATIONS

T/00039/24/TCA (Validated 22 Jan) Church Hill House, Church Lane. T1: Cherry plum, self seeded in hedgerow. Encroaching the road and a BT cable, to reduce to dimensions of hedge.

T/00558/23/TCA (04 Dec, pending) 15 Southlea. Fell 1 Lime.

T/00548/23/TCA (Approved 19 Dec) 20 Southlea. Lime: repollard to previously pollarded points at 4.5m.

T/00484/23/TPO (27 Oct, pending) Church Farm House, Church Lane. Large Horse Chestnut: prune.

NEW APPEAL

24/00004/REF (Lodged 24 Jan) The Jolly Farmer. Retention of public house and erection of 1x 4-bedroom detached dwelling (Use Class C3) utilising the existing access, including associated parking and landscaping, and reconfiguration of the public house car park and beer garden.

BASINGSTOKE & DEANE LOCAL PLAN UPDATE 2021-2040

REGULATION 18 CONSULTATION 22 JAN TO MIDNIGHT 04 MARCH: PLEASE RESPOND



www.basingstoke.gov.uk/lpu

Please take a look at BDBC's website on the Local Plan Update and respond to the consultation.

The 'Have your say' link provides consultation documents, evidence base documents and response forms to complete and return via email. There is also a facility to respond online.

Via this link is a YouTube brief from Cllr Andy Konieczko; plus an invitation to register for a Teams event on Climate Change response, Monday 05 February 6-7pm, with presentation from consultants Introba on the proposed energy standards policy and requirement for net zero homes.

Paper copies of the consultation forms can be collected from the BDBC offices.

NOTES FROM 23 JANUARY LOCAL PLAN UPDATE MEETING

The meeting was hosted by the Parish Council and chaired by Parish Cllr Simon Barker with around 100 attendees including representatives from Ellisfield.

Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning and Infrastructure Cllr Andy Konieczko and Council Leader Cllr Paul Harvey presented their take on the Local Plan Update (LPU), the areas they see as most important and thus the issues around which they feel strong public representation is vital.

HOUSING NUMBERS

The Draft Local Plan Update of summer 2022 was put on hold due to the then widespread opposition to Government's imposed Standard Methodology for calculating housing numbers (incl 'affordability uplift').

Government messaging was then that changes proposed in the National Planning Policy Framework Dec 2022 consultation document would be transformational, would allow much greater flexibility on housing numbers.

The reality did not bear this out. As confirmed to BDBC by two sets of KC planning experts, Local Planning Authorities are required to use the Standard Method which is couched as an 'advisory starting point' [but generally as a minimum figure]. BDBC has no circumstances which a Government Inspector would accept as justifying a lower figure.

While no flexibility to depart from the Standard Method calculation – 850*dpa (dwellings per annum) as per 2022/23 Authority Monitoring Report – there is flexibility to alter the timing of delivery.

The proposal is for 693dpa in the first five years (20% lower). This of course will mean a higher figure for the rest of the Plan period to 2040 (995dpa) but Local Plans must be reviewed every five years. Five years of lower growth 'locked in' will give time to negotiate with the EA and Water companies to improve on water quality issues relating to abstraction and sewage treatment, and to plan major sites infrastructure.

There is a strong case: 693 provides for demographic growth before the Standard Method affordability uplift.

LOCAL PLAN UPDATE (REG 18) DRAFT DOCUMENT

The LPU includes a Spatial Strategy (site allocations) and Policies.

POLICIES

The Draft Plan now published is based on the draft from 2022 and much work has been inherited. It was felt important to strengthen Policies in the following areas.

- 1. Improving energy efficiency standards** and build quality. For residential, this is building to the highest fabric efficiency 'passive house' standard. For commercial looking to BREEAM at least excellent with elements of outstanding.
- 2. Improving the water quality of our rivers** Responsibility lies with the Environment Agency to monitor river quality and to compel Water Companies to meet standards. It is not within the remit of the Local Plan to address failures of the regulatory regime. But looking for Policies to support improvement. River water quality is assessed according to band status. The

Water Framework Directive (UK) does not permit the impacts of development to cause water quality to drop to lower band status. But an effect on rivers which causes water quality to deteriorate from good to poor within band is allowed.

Received advice is against including a Policy which does not permit any deterioration; so not included in this Draft of the Plan. We are looking for community feedback. If you believe that development should not be allowed to cause any deterioration in river water quality, please include your support for such a Policy within your response.

3. Liveability – Raising standards for building design and quality; good ergonomics improve quality of living.

4. Community facilities – protection and provision – from allotments to schools, churches to pubs. The Draft LPU also requires a Transport Plan to be in place before a major planning application is agreed.

THE REG 18 CONSULTATION

Consultation gives local residents the opportunity to have their say. The flip side is the strong input to the Consultation that will come from developers and their planning agents and barristers; all seeking to reduce the strength of Policy requirements for building standards, infrastructure, water quality and environmental protection, claiming these make development unviable.

For strong Policies to succeed with the Inspector, strong support from local residents will carry weight.

Please tell us things you don't like about Policies but please make a point of telling us about measures you support. Maybe concerning build quality, water quality, natural environment, infrastructure and services provision; how these things matter to your community. Also please tell us where you think proposed Policies are not strong enough, don't go far enough, or you believe something has been missed.

SPATIAL STRATEGY

As per the 2022 draft, Upper Swallick is not included in the published Reg 18 draft Spatial Strategy. Developers will present a case for why it should be, so please add your comments.

*The Standard Method projections will vary to a degree; from the new calendar year the figure is 830 dwellings.

Social and Entertainment Club

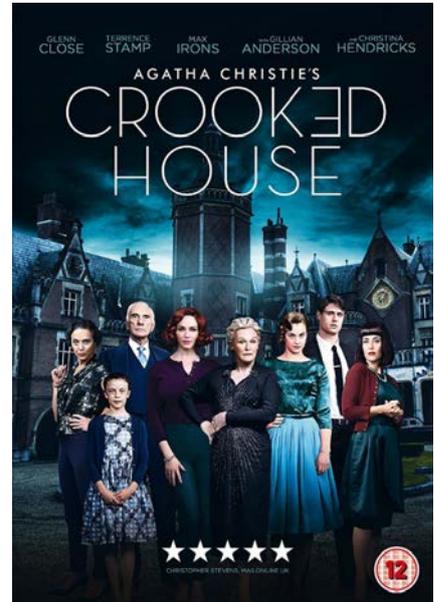
Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall

'You'll be sure of a warm welcome and a great evening'

The bar opens at 7.30pm and we start at 8pm. There is an intermission half way through during which ice creams and the bar are available. Admission is only £2 per person.



Thursday 1st February
The Personal History of David Copperfield
 2019, 115 minutes
 Certificate PG



Thursday 7th March
Crooked House
 2017, 115 minutes
 Certificate 12

The Personal History of David Copperfield is a 2019 comedy-drama film written and directed by Armando Iannucci, based on the 1850 novel by Charles Dickens.

It stars Dev Patel in the title role, along with Aneurin Barnard, Peter Capaldi, Morfydd Clark, Daisy May Cooper, Rosalind Eleazar, Hugh Laurie, Tilda Swinton, Ben Whishaw and Paul Whitehouse.

Crooked house is based on Agatha Christie's 1949 novel,

directed by Gilles Paquet-Brenner.

The film stars Max Irons, Terence Stamp, Glenn Close, Gillian Anderson, and Stefanie Martini.

Please come along no matter where you live, bring as many friends, partners as you like.

Hope to see you there.

Ted Dowson
edward.dowson@btinternet.com



Autumn term is always incredibly busy at school. We took part in the annual Basingstoke Schools Basketball competition at The Vyne Community School.

Our team this year was made up of Year 5s and Years 6s and was their first competition. We performed well beating Bishopswood and drawing against Merton. St John's, who won the competition were very tough opponents and too strong for us. Overall though the children should be proud of the skills and determination that they showed and some of them will be back next year with more experience.



We held our Be Bright Be Seen non-uniform day. The children all looked very colourful on this day organised by our Junior Road Safety Team to raise awareness of the importance of being visible to traffic on these darker evenings. We managed to raise £88 for BBC Children in Need too.



Matt from Bikeability came to school to train us in Bikeability Level 1 and 2.



Level 1 develops excellent cycling handling in traffic free environments in preparation for cycling on the road. Level 2 training develops skills for cycling on single lane roads with simple junctions and moderate traffic.

Despite the cold, sometimes wet conditions, this was an incredible experience teaching the children important life skills such as safety, preparation, communication, observation and priorities. They all gained a great amount of confidence during their training. I wonder if you saw them practising their skills in the village.



We had two bands performing at the end of term Rock 2 the Beat concert. Kentucky Fried Children playing Flowers The Wolverines playing Roar. The children were really excited to play in front of a live audience, and all had big smiles on their faces having achieved so much over the past term.



It was lovely to see so many at our Salvation Army Carols including some of our previous parents of children who are now young adults. We managed to raise £140 for those less fortunate at Christmas. The Salvation Army Band was as brilliant as ever!



Wow what a night! It is safe to say everyone had an amazing time at the autumn disco. There was lots of fun and laughter and it was a huge success.



Willow and Beech Classes performed their Nativity, which featured a traditional storyline, alongside up-beat songs and excellent costumes. The children were amazing and were delighted to perform to their friends, family and wider community, including governors and children from Otters Nursery.



The whole school enjoyed a traditional musical pantomime following the adventures of Dick Whittington and his talented cat. The pantomime was full of comedy, romance, suspense and the children had the opportunity to join in with the songs and some even became part of the cast.

Our Secret Sale event was our greatest so far and we can proudly announce that our grand total raised was £450.

It is an opportunity for the children to do their own Christmas shopping for their families. The older children supported the younger ones with their purchases, choosing carefully and keeping to budget.



To find out more about our school, please visit our website: Cliddesden.hants.sch.uk

Paula Lavender

Farleigh Parish Playgroup



Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall

Friday Mornings 11-12 Term Time

2nd, 9th, (closed on 16th for half term) and 23rd February
1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd March (end of term and Easter party)

0 - 4 year olds and their grown-ups

A warm welcome awaits you - we look forward to you joining us for a fun and happy time

Cost: £2 donation per family



Contact:

Melanie Qualified in early years (07833 528040)
Claire Qualified teacher (07757 498653)

CHILDREN'S SINGING GROUP



Try something new this January!

Come along, meet new friends, and learn new songs.

We meet every Friday during term time starting 12th January.

3.45pm snack, 4-4.30pm singing.

ST LEONARD'S CHURCH, CLIDDESSEN

Camrose, Gilles, Hackwood & Beggarwood Surgery Patient Participation Group

Website: <https://cghppg.weebly.com> **Email:** cghb.surgeryppg@btinternet.com

Happy New Year to all, our readers and patients of CGHB. Just a short update this month due to the Christmas celebrations.

PPG Web Site Development

As per our previous note to you we have been working hard on our new Web Site <https://cghppg.weebly.com/>. Feedback has been positive to the new look but we would welcome any further comments, positive or negative as to how we can further improve our web site. Please use the email address above to respond.

PPG Meetings with the Management of the surgeries

Over the last year and since the merger of Camrose, Gillies, Hackwood and Beggarwood (CGHB) into one, we have been meeting with the surgery's Practice Manager and some of her staff on a monthly basis so that we could better familiarise ourselves and help define best practice for our meetings. It has now been decided, that to allow the surgery more time to assess and implement any actions arising after our meetings, the frequency of the meetings be reduced from monthly to 9 per annum. Hence, our feedback directly from the surgery may be a little more spasmodic but please do continue to contact us via our email address with any feedback or concerns you may have and we will bring those to the attention of CGHB.

Change of Ownership - Operose to HCRG Care Group

By the time you read this we will have had our first 2024 meeting with the surgery. We have invited both the Integrated Care Board (ICB), who is responsible for monitoring the NHS England contract awarded to the practice, and also representatives from HCRG to attend this first meeting. We will report more fully in our next newsletter.

Comments, Feedback & Complaints

For Beggarwood and CGHB complaints, please visit the CGHB web site to register your dissatisfaction. The web address is :- <https://cghpartnership.co.uk/about-us/comments-and-complaints/>. CGHB employ a full time Patient Experience Manager and so you should get a speedy response and certainly an acknowledgement within 3 working days. If you are not satisfied with the way they have dealt with your complaint, you can contact the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman to review your case on 0345 015 4033 or via their website: www.ombudsman.org.uk.

North and Mid Hampshire Safe Haven

Those struggling with Mental Health issues may wish to visit this site which can offer some support. *North and Mid Hampshire Safe Haven - Andover Mind*.



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www.basingstokelions.org.uk

IT'S BACK! FINALLY!

The Basingstoke Lions Club's ever popular

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday, 17th February 2024 – 7pm for 7.30pm

Old Basing Royal British Legion
Crown Lane, Old Basing,
Basingstoke RG24 7DN

Our brain-teasing but oh-such-fun quiz nights have taken place twice a year since 1992 but Covid and the resulting aftermath did its dastardly deeds and caused a hiatus in the continued history – we did manage a few by Zoom but 'the real thing' was sorely missed.

So, as above: it's back!

However, the format will be different from previous in that it's a straight 'general knowledge' quiz of 100 questions, with a couple of picture rounds thrown in for variety.

There is only one significant rule: our answer is correct!

And, on the serious side, we are delighted to say that to date these fun evenings have raised in excess of **£26,000** for local good causes - as ever, the fund-amental aim of fund-raising by the Basingstoke Lions Club.

NOTE: Book your entry early – we have had a loyal following over the years and those 'regulars' will be very pleased 'it's back'!

Cost: £5 per person for teams of up to 6 people

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