



Parish Pages



THRUXTON AIRSHOW



Residents of Amport Parish may wish to be aware that an airshow will be taking place at Thruxton Airfield from **11-13 September**.

In this newsletter you can expect:

The event has been professionally organised, with all necessary approvals granted by the relevant aviation authorities. The main flying display is planned to remain over the airfield and should not directly affect the parish, although some aircraft noise is to be expected.

Evening entertainment will include live music and, subject to weather conditions and fire risk, a fireworks display.

At previous events, some residents living closer to the airfield have raised concerns about noise and disruption, and Test Valley Borough Council (TVBC) is aware of these issues.

Amport Parish Council is working closely with neighbouring parish councils, the event organisers, and TVBC to help ensure that appropriate measures are in place to minimise disruption to residents while the event takes place.

Chalk Streams

Pill Hill Brook Association

Call for Volunteers

Village Hall Update

Whats On!

Thruxton Noise and Hosepipes

Meeting Dates for 2026

Ready for a SUMMMER adventure?



Click on the QR code above to find more information on the Amport Trail that Watercress and Winterbournes have designed with the support of the Pillhill Brook Association and Amport Parish Council. Start your adventure at Amport School or the Hawk Inn.

Have fun!

Fire Safety Advice During Dry Weather

With the current dry conditions, the risk of grass and crop fires is significantly increased. Parishioners are asked to **take extra care** to help reduce the risk of accidental fires.



- **Do not light bonfires** unless necessary, and never leave them unattended.
- **Dispose of cigarettes and matches responsibly** – never throw them from vehicles or onto dry grass.
- **Avoid using disposable barbecues** in the countryside, parks or on dry grass. If using a barbecue at home, ensure it is on a solid, non-flammable surface and is fully extinguished after use.
- **Take all litter home, particularly glass bottles**, which can concentrate sunlight and increase the risk of fire.
- **Be mindful when using machinery** or equipment that could create sparks, especially near dry vegetation.
- **Keep access routes clear** so emergency vehicles can reach properties quickly if required.



Planning Matters

On 22 July, Test Valley Borough Council (TVBC) announced that it will no longer be able to meet its long-standing objective of adopting a new Local Plan by the end of this year. The decision was made for a number of reasons, including changes to the national planning framework introduced by Central Government.

Instead, TVBC will begin preparing a new Local Plan under the revised planning system, with work expected to take place over the next three years. This process will coincide with the planned reorganisation of local government, under which TVBC will cease to exist, and the election of a new regional mayor in 2028, who is expected to play an important role in future strategic planning decisions.

In the meantime, there is a possibility that a number of speculative planning applications may come forward across the borough. Each application will continue to be considered on its own merits, and parish councils will have the opportunity to comment on and, where appropriate, object to proposals where there are sound planning grounds for doing so.

Amport Parish benefits from an adopted Neighbourhood Plan, which forms part of the statutory development plan and will continue to be an important consideration when assessing planning applications within the parish.

Scarecrow Competition Results!



A huge thank you to everyone who took part in this year's scarecrow competition. An amazing 36 scarecrows entered. This was a wonderful community event!

Thank you to The Revered Philli Good who very kindly agreed to judge the competition for us.

- 1st place:** Beckie Courcoux and children - The picnic family
2nd place: Becky-Lane Judd and girls - Pilates mum and Princess Anna
3rd place: Staff at The Hawk Inn - Hawk



Congratulations to the winners and well done to everyone who entered who all helped make the scarecrow event such a memorable success. Thank you to our sponsors Austin Hawk, Abacus Logistics and Tuckers Joinery.

Looking forward to seeing next year's creations.

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH IN AUGUST



Breach Farm Brewing



The Brewery is open Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. There are food vans and events on the following nights in AUGUST. Thursdays are Mug Club and Muddy Runners.

Saturday, 1 Aug, 2 - 9pm - Hulk's Smoked Meat

Thursday, 6 Aug, 4 - 10pm - Field & Furnace

Friday, 7 Aug, 4 - 10pm - Arty-Stan Pizza

Saturday, 8 Aug, 2 - 9pm - LOAF Catering

Thursday, 13 Aug, 4 - 10pm - Quiz Night - The Funky Pickle

Friday, 14 Aug, 4 - 10pm - Live Music w/ Jake Ward & The Hundys - The Hungry Hog

Saturday, 15 Aug, 2 - 9pm - Peppone's Street Food

Thursday, 20 Aug, 4 - 10pm - Son of a Bun

Friday, 21 Aug, 4 - 10pm - The Travelling Thai

Saturday, 22 Aug, 2 - 9pm - FOOD TBA

Thursday, 27 Aug, 3 - 10pm - Georgie's Greek Grill

Friday, 28 Aug, 4 - 10pm - FOOD TBA

Saturday, 29 Aug, 2 - 9pm - FOOD TBA

*Hours and vendors may change without notice.



THE HAWK INN OFFERS!

Kids Eat for a pound - with any main adult meal purchased.
All Summer holidays!

Pizza deal - any 2 pizzas for £20
Monday to Friday 3pm-6pm, Sundays from 7pm



Big Wild Weekend Saturday 8 - Sunday 9 August

Announcing that a special guest and friend of the trust, Megan McCubbin and UK conservation charity guests will be at the trust for both days of this wild weekend. Calling all nature lovers for this bonanza weekend when alongside normal daily activities.

Sunset at the Trust Saturday 22 August | From 5:30pm

The Hawk Conservancy Trust invites you to a special summer's evening with Feathered friends. Step inside the world of these impressive birds to watch them soar, swoop and dive over our Trust at dusk - showing off their skills in two breathtaking flying displays.

Music Bingo in the Garden

8pm Wednesday 5th August and 19th August



The White Horse Texas Hoedown - Saturday, 22 August, 6pm-late

Dust off your cowboy boots and join us at The White Horse Inn for an unforgettable night of country fun! Live country music, line dancing lessons, real Texas BBQ and bucking bronco. You don't want to miss this!

End of Summer Bash at The White Horse - Sunday, 30 August, 6pm-late

Join us for the ultimate summer send-off with live music from Audiotonic and a delicious BBQ on the August bank holiday. Gather your friends and end your summer in style!

Understanding the Hosepipe Ban

During the ban, you must not use a hosepipe to:

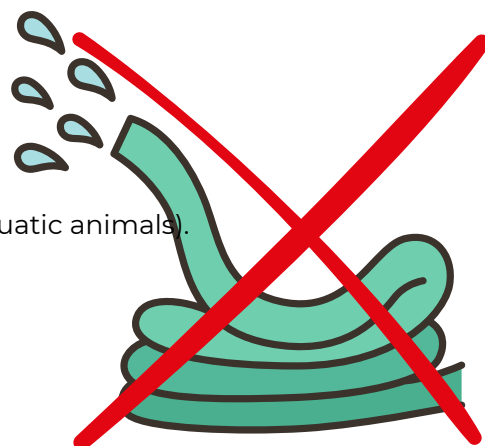
- Water your garden, lawn, flowers or vegetable patch.
- Wash your car, motorbike, caravan or trailer.
- Fill or top up a paddling pool or swimming pool.
- Fill or top up a garden pond (unless it's needed for fish or other aquatic animals).
- Clean patios, paths, driveways or decking.
- Wash the outside of your house or clean windows.
- Fill ornamental fountains

You are still allowed to:

- Water plants with a watering can or bucket.
- Use rainwater collected in a water butt.
- Use grey water (such as cooled bath water) on your garden.
- Water new trees, hedges and shrubs planted within the last three years.
- Continue using approved drip or trickle irrigation systems that meet Southern Water's conditions

Some customers are automatically exempt, including:

- Blue Badge holders.
- Customers on Southern Water's Priority Services Register for medical or mobility reasons.
- Some customers on the WaterSure tariff for medical reasons.



WHO IS WHO ON THE AMPORT PARISH COUNCIL

Chris Harris - Chairman & responsible for the Village Green & The Fen, Southern Water, Highways, Village Hall

Stephen Coke - Vice Chair & responsible for finance, principle & process & Speed Awareness

Sally Baker - School liaison & resilience plan.

Alan Montagu - Solar Farm liaison & Fox Farm Liaison

Tessa Hawkings-Byass - Projects, footpaths & newsletter

Peter Harvey - Projects & children's play area

Diana Stephenson - Neighbourhood planning

Peter Waller - Resilience plan including flood planning

Clare Hemmings - Weyhill representative & Neighbourhood plan

Howard Dix - Dauntsey Lane representative & Local crime & A342 Working Group

Heather Bournier - Our Amazing Clerk!



**Come
join
us!**

MEETING DATES

The Parish Council meets on a **Monday at 07:30pm** at the Monxton and Amport Village Hall. Anyone is welcome to attend our meetings. Nex meetings are:

21st September, 19th October and 16th november

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