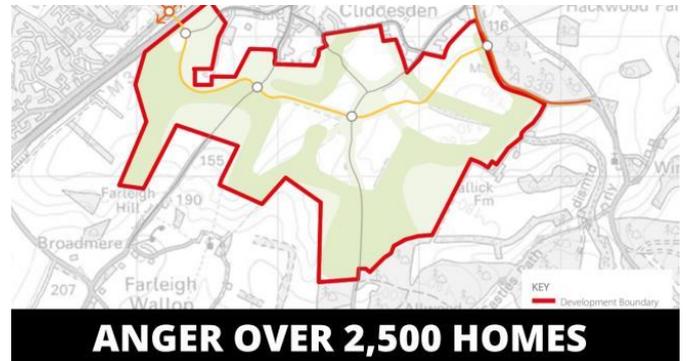




SWALLICK GARDEN COMMUNITY UPDATE

As you will know the Parish Council has been canvassing the thoughts of the village about the Concept Document issued by Portsmouth Estates for 2500 new houses to the south of the village. We can now report that there has been overwhelming support to oppose the proposals and fight the development.

This communication is to bring you up to date with what is happening as there has been a lot of information put out on various media platforms which is not always correct.



Cliddesden has joined an overarching organisation called STaNHd (Stand up for the North Hampshire Downs). This consists at the moment of local Parish Councils (Ellisfield, Winslade, and ourselves, together with Hampshire CPRE). We are represented on the committee by Simon Barker, Alan Tyler and the treasurer Charles Gibbs. Members of this group have a lot of experience of fighting similar developments in other parts of Hampshire.

Here are the links to their website and Facebook page:

<https://www.stanhd.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Stahnd/>

Nearer to home we have set up our own group which will work on behalf of the village and feed information into the main group. Called 'Cliddesden STaNHd' we will use the same logo as the main group (a swallow) but we have also set up our own Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/275952983480350>

CLIDDESSEN STaNHd



Simon Barker, Alison Mosson, Les and Sarina Smith, Michael Large, Darren Capehorn and Alan Tyler have agreed to coordinate the work. They will be assisted by Paul Beevers who will use his links with other groups to keep us up to date, and many other residents who have offered their help and whose skills we will need as we move forward.

You may have seen on the 'Cliddesden Chat' reference to an Issues and Options document related to the Basingstoke Local Plan Review. This first draft went to Borough Councillors a week last Thursday and will be issued for public comment sometime in the autumn (the exact date has not yet been fixed).

We are analysing this document, which is currently 66 pages long, to pick out the key elements that affect the village and will share this information with you in due course. It will be critical for us all to make our comments and objections known to BDBC when this document comes out for consultation.

This will be a long fight; a planning application may not be submitted for some time, but we need to plan now and be ready for whatever comes at us in the future.

Alan Tyler

NOTES FROM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 7TH JULY

Remote meeting via Skype. Thanks to Chairman for hosting. Next scheduled meeting 1st September, tba whether this will be a remote or actual meeting.

Present: all Parish Councillors, Clerk, Ward Councillor Mark Ruffell and five members of the public.

Report from Mark Ruffell

Cliddesden is facing the greatest threat to its existence as a 'free-standing' village since the debate over the route of the M3.

The M3 has in recent years provided 'protection'. There are now three proposed developments which could potentially breach this divide – two significant, one less so.

i The 'Upper Swallick' proposal is a real threat. Great arguments against will be not just be 'countryside, wildlife, biodiversity, rural setting' but – as put forward by STANhD – that Open Space to the south is a 'lung for Basingstoke' – and providing a local countryside setting for all to enjoy.

The Upper Swallick proposal will seek recognition via the Local Plan – alongside other sites promoted via the SHELAA (strategic housing and economic land availability assessment) published last December. There will be opportunity [via the consultation process] for the Parish Council and residents to register their opinion. The Council will consider those representations – and what sites to be included in the Local Plan Update. Cllr Ruffell will be lobbying against 'Upper Swallick' as Ward Councillor and portfolio holder.

ii Moto MSA J6 The second serious threat to Cliddesden is the Moto application for a Motorway Service Area south of J6. The Transport Planning Consultant engaged by Winslade is widely respected – his report suggests that the analysis by Highways England is flawed. However there is little remaining objection in the recent consultation responses from Highways England, HCC or Borough consultees.

iii J7 development Regarding recent proposals for warehouse distribution [largely] north of J7, Cllr Ruffell's advice is that this should not be feared as an inevitable breach of the 'M3 divide' at this location. 'Highways improvements' may be required here in any event. The Borough Council may consider a distribution destination at the edge of Basingstoke as beneficial.

The Borough Council including Cllr Ruffell are fully supporting provision for a new hospital by J7 – this will be a critical treatment and an A&E teaching hospital – doctors are battling for this also. The Borough Council is doing its best to get Government backing. This would be a large open-plan development. There will be mitigation and intention that the 'M3 boundary' remains.

Neighbourhood Plan

To record the Parish's debt of gratitude to Brian Karley and Alison Mosson for their time and work on the Neighbourhood Plan: Brian most recently on the Issues & Options including evidence-base and questionnaire; Alison for her work on Green Spaces and local Gap, Biodiversity and Landscape.

PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

20/01098/FUL (pending - 18 May) Appleyard, Woods Lane.

Four new dwellings with associated parking and access.

20/01168/FUL (pending - 6 May 2020) Greenlands Nursery, 3A Hackwood Lane. Three new detached bungalows.

20/00489/TDC (pending - 20 Feb) Land to rear of The Mount, Farleigh Road. Technical Details Consent for two new dwellings with access, parking, landscaping (re approval of 19/02487/PIP). Scheduled for Development Control meeting 12th August.

20/00390/FUL (pending - 12 Feb) Land Adjoining 1 Millars Cottages, Station Road. One 3-bed dwelling with car parking, cycle shed and rearrangement of parking for 1 - 3 Millars Cottages.

WEEKLY WASTE COLLECTIONS



Weekly grey bin waste collections are to resume from Monday 17th August. The collection days will not change.

New subscriptions to the Garden Waste service will be available from Monday 3rd August though it may take over a month for bins or bags to be delivered and collections to start.

PARISH TREE APPLICATIONS

T/00326/20/TCA (Validated 21 July) The Well House, Farleigh Road. Beech Tree (T1) - Reduction of branches overhanging the building to give a 2m clearance. The west side of the tree has already been heavily cut back enhancing the lean of the tree. A sympathetic reduction of the east side is requested to rebalance its shape and one-sided weight. Yew Tree (T2) - Crown reduction to achieve a size that better fits the planting site and let in more light. Height to be reduced by 1m and diameter from 7m to 5m.

T/00308/20/TCA (Validated 15 July) Sussex House, Farleigh Road. T1 Yew located front of property. Crown reduce by 1-2m, crown raise 5m over main road and 3m on remaining crown leaving an finished height of 14m with a crown spread (radius) of 7m.

T/00301/20/TCA (Validated 08 July) Glentara, Farleigh Road. Conifer: fell. Plum tree: fell.

T/00286/20/TCA (Validated 7 July) Sunnyvale, Farleigh Road, Cliddesden. Cherry Plum (T1) - Reduce height by c5m to leave height at 5m. Reduce width by c.1.5m to leave crown radius of c2m.

T/00212/20/TCA (Approved 13 July) Tamburello, Farleigh Road. T1/T2/T5/T6 Cherries: reduce crown by 1.5m. T3/T4 Silver birch: reduce crown to previous pruning points.

T/00191/20/TCA (Approved 26th June) Manor Farm Cottage Farleigh Road Yew (T1,T2,T3): Crown reduce by c.3m leaving trees c.8m high and c.3m wide.

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The Parish Council and Parish Tree Warden request that no work is undertaken during nesting time as per the provisions of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

NEWSLETTER EDITORS

Thanking all editors, we still hope to hear from more volunteers who would like to help, if only on occasion, with producing the *Newsletter*. Please contact any member of the Parish Council or email clerk.cliddesden@parish.hants.gov.uk

CLIDDESSEN MILLENNIUM VILLAGE HALL



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2020

Welcome to the 2020 Annual General Meeting of the Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall.

I started drafting this report at the beginning of March for the AGM that was supposed to be held at the end of March. Little did any of us realise how events were to overtake us with the COVID-19 lock-down forcing us to cancel the AGM and as a result my draft didn't get finished. But here we are now, more than three months later, holding the rescheduled AGM in very different circumstances and wondering what the remainder of 2020 will hold for us.

Whilst this report is about 2019, I just want to quickly reflect on the belief that many years of good governance and financial control will see us through the current crisis and allow us to reopen safely in order that our community can once again gather and socialise responsibly. There are certainly signs that a reopening is not too far off and there has been a huge amount of work put in by key members of the committee to ensure this can be done safely. This, along with a healthy financial surplus from 2019, will hopefully see the Hall through to 2021 in good shape.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say on behalf of the Trustees that we hope all the Hall users and the community at large have, are and continue to stay safe through the pandemic, and our thoughts are with anyone who has been affected by it in any way.

Now to return to 2019.

Whilst a detailed financial position is reported on separately, again I am pleased to report that we had another year of steady bookings from our regular weekly lets such as Ballet, Zumba, Art, Brownies, the new Parent and Toddler group, and from external lets for a variety of events including birthday parties and wedding celebrations, with funds raised from the performances put on by the Cliddesden Players forming a substantial part of the Hall's income. Overall income was down compared to 2018 but so were expenses, resulting in the Hall still seeing a small surplus in 2019 compared to the small deficit seen in 2018. As a result of this sound financial position the Hall continues to remain in a very good state of repair, something that in part pays testament to the constant care and attention of the caretakers, cleaners, gardeners and Trustees.

So, what happened in 2019? It was a comparatively quiet year after a few years of lots going on culminating in the building of the Storage Annex in 2018. 2019 was a year more characterised by social events such as the grand opening party for the Storage Annex held on 30th March and attended by the Mayor of Basingstoke and Deane along with representatives of the organisations that had given us the grants for the building.

Then there was the Hall's 20th Birthday Party held on a lovely Sunday afternoon in September, attended by the whole village and again the Mayor of Basingstoke and Deane (although a different Mayor) along with quite a few old faces. It was a great afternoon which saw the "launch" of the new village Tea Towel designed and produced by Darren Capehorn, raising more than £500 for the Hall. Ticket money and other money raised during the afternoon was donated to the Dementia Society and Stroke Association.

And of course, there were the now famous Summer Play and Christmas Panto put on by the Cliddesden Players who I have already mentioned and again, my thanks go to the Players for the significant contribution to the Hall, both culturally and financially.

On a sadder note we said farewell to two very long-term supporters of the Hall who passed away in 2019 – Tom Mansbridge and Shirley Maunder. Both Tom and Shirley had served on the Hall's Management Committee for many years, both for the old Hall and new, and they will be missed.

Other than that, the Hall "ticked" over nicely with the only other item worthy of note being that we finally brought broadband internet into the Hall with Wi-Fi capability, something hirers had often asked about.

As always, Halls like ours don't just run themselves so I'd like to finish with a few thanks for the hard work put in by a great many people.

Firstly, I start by thanking Pat and Ken Rampton for their continued hard work throughout the year: Pat managing the regular and one-off lets; Ken for opening and closing the Hall and keeping it clean and tidy, assisted by James Piper. Thanks also to

Annie Houston in assisting with the cleaning of the Hall.

My thanks also go to a number of other people not on the Committee but who nonetheless provide valuable assistance to the Village Hall:

- To Neil Carmichael for maintaining the Halls grounds to such a high standard;
- To John Lurcock, Andy Fewster and Rob James who give up their spare time doing repairs and odd jobs;
- To the organisers and helpers of the Film Club and Coffee Mornings;
- To everyone who helps out at the various Hall functions and helped out at the two celebrations in 2019;
- To Darren Capehorn for the hard work he put into designing and producing the village Tea Towel to raise funds for the Hall;

- And finally, to anyone else I may have inadvertently missed, who put a lot of time into doing lots of jobs around the Hall.

Turning to the Trustees who work so hard behind the scenes: tremendous thanks go to Secretary Jo Capehorn, Treasurer Julie James, Vice-Chair Angie Fewster and 100 Club organiser Rose Beever. And my thanks yet again to all the other members of the Village Hall Management Committee for their help and involvement in 2019. They are nominated by various village organisations and as well as being Committee Members they become Trustees of the Charity known as "The Village Hall at Cliddesden". So, in no specific order, my thanks to Sian Banks, Pat Doel, Marilyn Smith and Hazel Metz.

*Greg Mendelsohn
14th July 2020*

CORONAVIRUS SUPPORT SCHEME

As I am sure you will have been aware the village has been running a support scheme for those shielding or unable to get to the shops or the pharmacy.

We began the scheme in March and in April joined the wider Basingstoke scheme as a local hub.

As the lockdown eases, we felt it was time to reduce the scheme and hand the baton onto Basingstoke Voluntary Action, who will continue to support those who need it.

<https://www.bvaction.org.uk/> 01256 423816
Hantshelp4Vulnerable helpline 0333 370 4000

The Parish Council particularly wishes to thank all those who have volunteered for the time and effort they have given during the Pandemic: Sarina & Les Smith, Sian Banks, Alex Conboy, Katherine Taylor, Louise Brill, Clare & John Downing, Rachel Beresford-Davies, Sarah Lloyd, Charlotte Munro, Nat Mendelsohn, Susan Williams, Carrie O'Herlihy, Julie James, Graham Marshall, Mark Gifford and Tracey Mathias.

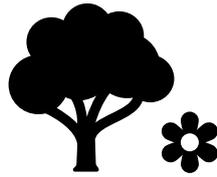


Finally, a big thanks Hazel Metz who took on the task of co-ordinating the effort and ensuring that all the requests for help were met.

'COMMUNITY SIGNPOST' NEEDED!

As part of the legacy of the pandemic Basingstoke Voluntary Action (BVA) is looking to develop the excellent work undertaken by the community Covid-19 Hubs by creating a network of Community Signposts. These would be the first point of call for support from residents in much the same way as the Hubs were. The idea is that there would be one named person in each community who would be the contact, perhaps via a dedicated email or phone number. These contacts would be able to direct callers to appropriate help, either through existing networks within the community, or by referring to BVA where the wider membership of community and voluntary groups might be able to help. **Would you be interested in being the named person for Cliddesden?** For more information and informal discussion contact Hazel Metz on 07866 204 390

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY JULY 2020



Hello from Claire!

It's not as crazy as you think!

No matter how much it rains – there are ALWAYS parts of the garden that don't get wet. Usually things like the hanging baskets, vegetable patches, and the new plants that we're told to 'water well until established'.

At least the water butts have been topped up a bit.

On the subject of watering – a couple of months ago I included an extract from Bridget Boland about putting bracken below fuchsias when planting out.

I can confirm that this does seem to work. A large, well established fuchsia had to be moved and I put bracken in the bottom of the hole, watered it in well, and left it. It was just before the weather turned really hot, yet the plant didn't wilt at all. In fact, I haven't watered it once the initial puddling in, and the fuchsia seems to be thriving.

What's NOT happening?

Well, everything really.....

Of course – after having an amazing Spring display of daffodils and tulips – it's only to be predicted that the roses are fantastic, the show fuchsia has done brilliantly this year, dahlias are looking amazing, and I've got some wonderful vegetables.

Which is a situation I'm sure is reflected throughout everyone's garden.

Sorry folks – Summer Show 2020 has had to be cancelled.

The committee looked long and hard for ways to be able to make it happen safely, however we had to conclude that it would be extremely difficult to successfully keep to the guidelines for social distancing, and so safeguard all of our members and guests.

So you can eat up all your vegetables, pick the flowers, and smile smugly that all your hard work has paid off.

Perhaps we could have a special class next year for 'Lock down photos of last years entries' 😊

What will be happening!

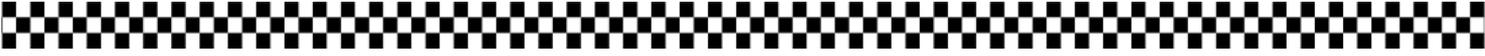
While we haven't got anything happening regarding shows and meetings, we can at least comfort ourselves with one thing...

**It's only 5 months until Christmas!
Jingle bells everyone**

Happy gardening and stay safe.

Claire





POLICE REPORT

LOCAL CONSTABLE ANDREW REID



Dear Residents,

I am pleased to report that there has been no reported crime of note within the area of this magazine, however slightly further afield in Ellisfield we are investigating a burglary to a farm building at about midnight on July 5th in which a quad bike was stolen and abandoned on the A339 upon Police arrival. This is part of a series of similar crimes in north Hampshire involving the theft of quad bikes and similar all-terrain vehicles. If you own such equipment please keep it secured and in an alarmed building, consider a tracking device as these do work and we have successfully managed to recover stolen property using them.

We have however had more than our fair share of unwelcome visitors to the parish, on June 17th 2020 a white man described as bald, slim build, late 50's and wearing a tieless suit was seen calling at doors offering tree work to be carried out. He was seen in a red BMW registration MF62 NRU. I urge that all residents DO NOT employ anyone that cold calls to your door offering such work to be undertaken. History shows that the work usually becomes more expensive as it goes on, the waste is frequently found in gateways afterwards. If you want such work undertaken please check the Hampshire Trading Standards 'Buy With Confidence' scheme where all those listed would have been checked and vetted by the HTS, sadly this man is not recommended by Trading Standards.

And finally and linked to the above, since the easing of the lockdown situation we have experienced an influx of illegal cold callers to homes across the north Hampshire area, these are the young men usually from the north east of the country with large holdalls of household cleaning items such as wipes, cloths etc. To carry out visits to homes they need to have possession of a Police issued Pedlars Certificate, this must be obtained from a Police Station and is only provided if the applicant is of good character and has no previous criminal convictions. If someone calls and produces a 'Hawkers Certificate' it is NOT a lawful document and the caller is carrying out an illegal practice. In the past some have been rude and abusive when told no by residents. I ask if they call at your door please let me know. If available I will come and if I see them calling, I will deal with them. Frequently these people will say they have been released from Prison, ex-Forces, unemployed etc. However, what they are doing is illegal and it is my experience that everyone that I have dealt with has various previous convictions for various offences. The items they are selling can be purchased lawfully considerably cheaper elsewhere.

If they call at your door, please call 101 or give me a call direct.

Many thanks for your support as always,

Andrew Reid



BASINGSTOKE LIONS CLUB

JUNE 2020



We've been joined by Bill Lenihan. He got talking to Ann Vicars at our World Sight Day stall in the Malls and she persuaded him to join us at a dinner meeting at The Hatch. It was the usual rowdy; good-humored affair and he was pretty much sold on us. Ann finished him off with her usual rack and steam hammer approach and he has just volunteered to take on our most important role, Chairman of Fundraising. Whoopee!! But life is full of ups and downs and Barry Morgan (Mr. Fixit) has felt obliged to stand down due to ill health after 23 years as a Lion (The one is not a direct result of the other!!!). At one time or another he has voluntarily taken on nearly every role in the Club, and always delivered. But one of the nice things about our departing members is that they all opt for the umbilical cord of our distribution list. So, when they get the minutes and recognize that we have a problem they often weigh in by helping to organize and take part in activities such as Easter Egg raffles, tin shakes etc. There is an old saying that no good deed goes unpunished. So, it actually pays to recruit masochistic members. On which subject I hope to have further good news next month.

The value of the Fleet Club's IT renovation project cannot be overstated. One of our volunteers had the good fortune to deliver a particularly large screen and keyboard to a family with a disabled child. The reaction was apparently an absolute joy to behold – the sort of outcome that really makes you feel it's all worthwhile.

We also became aware that one of the charities which we have helped in the past was running into a short-term funding shortfall to operate its foodbank. We stepped in with a loan of £1000 to cover 2 days operating costs.

The Basingstoke Voluntary Association (BVA) organized bunches of flowers to be delivered to carers. They needed drivers to deliver them. Quiz question: "Which member of the Club made the deliveries to a village just outside Basingstoke? Hint: a character once played by Doris Day – no! not Calamity Jane, (however appropriate that might be), the other sharpshooter!" But during the deliveries our one was spotted "loitering" on a corner causing several motorists to slow down in a suggestive manner. (Cop speak!).

Stop Press: We just received a very nice thank you letter from the CEO of our local NHS Trust in respect of the additional hand creams we supplied to the hospital. Isn't that nice!

You too can help to make a difference to the lives of others by joining us via www.basingstokelions.org.uk

Philip Wilson

100 CLUB



Hello members,

The draw for July was called at the Annual General Meeting of Cliddesden Village hall Management Committee held at the Hall on 14th July 2020.

Rose Beevers Tel: 475944
(100club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk).

Here are the lucky winners:

1st 376 Ashley Tuberfield

2nd 102 Freya Hardman

3rd 106 Claire Dilly

Congratulations!

Village Guide

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