



### EDDIE RAPLEY (1932–2019): A LIFE WELL-LIVED

Edmund George (“Eddie”) Rapley, a much-loved and respected elder of Cliddesden, who sadly passed away on 18 January, aged 86, was something of an enigma, able to switch seamlessly between being a champion of formality and protocol to his clowning, self-parodying, public alter ego. Friends and acquaintances would be familiar with both in large dollops. A man of many parts, Eddie lived a full and active life in the UK and America.

Born in Bournemouth on 13 March 1932, he attended Holy Cross Grammar School in Boscombe, where he first met Betty. With his sister, Irena, he was sent to the North of England to relatives during the war, while his mother and other sister, Lilian, stayed in London. Eddie was an altar boy, who, despite having “a lapsed Catholic upbringing” (his words), wanted to become a priest ... until he met Betty.

Leaving school at 16, to work for Whites Furniture Company, he later moved to Tiverton to join Marley Tiles Roofing Company. After 2 years’ National Service with (and playing soccer for) the RAF, spent in an observation caravan high in the hills above Dover, Eddie returned to Bournemouth, married Betty in 1956 and they moved back to Devon.



They lived in America for 4 years, helping his family cope with a tragic loss, before returning to England, where they attended Teachers’ Training College in Winchester (having first considered being pub landlords), finally settling in Cliddesden around 1970 and travelling frequently to California and Virginia to visit his sisters and families.

In the 1980s, they were both local teachers – Eddie at



Stratton Park School and Betty at Cranbourne. Disappointingly for the couple, they were childless, but, perhaps as one of life’s compensations, Eddie’s avuncular nature as Deputy Head evoked warm recognition many years later by huge numbers of their young - and old - students.

Eddie was an avid and enthusiastic artist and several of his paintings now provide therapeutic comfort to Betty in the care home where, sadly, she suffers from Alzheimer’s. He was also a magician of sorts, with his nieces, nephews and friends in awe of him and his tricks - it is believed that he was inducted into the Magic Circle.

The couple idolised each other and together were a force to be reckoned with, being pivotal in the late 1990s in raising funds to build the Cliddesden Millennium Hall, which otherwise may well not have been built. Betty, as Hall Secretary for most of that period, took on all the National Lottery paperwork and demonstrated very persuasive techniques on all those she met to assist in some way. (To be honest, it was often wise to be elsewhere when Betty was on a mission!) In recognition of their hard work, Eddie and Betty were invited to a Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace.

Much of Eddie’s mock-acerbic wit fell upon Betty. Witnessing these exchanges lay somewhere between embarrassment and mirth until Betty’s “Oh, Eddie!” attested that all was well at no. 24!

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The formidable Rapley double-act also manifested itself in Eddie's 4 terms, around 16 years, as Clerk to Cliddesden Parish Council (CPC), which he took extremely seriously (along with regularly moving to finish the meetings well before closing time!) and in which Betty acted as his willing, unpaid but dutiful clerical assistant. He also served on the old village hall committee and 5 years as a governor at Cliddesden School, also helping with the children's football practice, school trips and as Santa at the School Christmas Fayre.

Betty's contribution to the fledgling Cliddesden Players was considerable and this high-quality acting fraternity now has a very large and loyal following in this corner of North Hampshire. From 1999 she directed plays and, characteristically, got everyone she needed, willingly or otherwise, for her successful stage events. Eddie was the authoritative radio voice for Sir William Forrest in "Have a Nice Day" in 2004 and he briefly appeared once as a King, giving away his princess daughter in marriage (think Sean Connery in "Robin Hood, Prince of Thieves", but on a local scale). In the words of a Players source, "I think it fair to say that he nailed the brief – but he never declared whether that was through genius or incompetence." The programme for one of these plays, "Housekeeper Wanted", carries a footnote stating, "Thanks to Eddie for producing 'the ugly ornament'"!

Eddie also helped in the hall kitchen and bar (the latter of which, as friends will know, was akin to leaving the cat in charge of the cream ... but a well-disciplined cat), and he was a member of the distinguished, mature drinkers' group, dubbed "The Saga Louts" by the Jolly Farmer bar staff.

As a massive sports fan, he played tennis, table-tennis and football and enjoyed horse-racing, especially "Glorious Goodwood". They both always kept their faith with Bournemouth FC ("The Cherries"), regularly travelling long distances to see them play and it was serendipitous that Eddie lived long enough to see them finally succeed to the Premier League.

But, in later life, it was in his passion for all things golf where Eddie's star shone brightest. A hard-working and committed Secretary, Seniors Captain and Club Captain of the Basingstoke District Hospital Golf Club,

which spawned Weybrook Park Golf Club (WPGC) in the early 1990s, he also served there as a Board member, Director and ultimately as Life President.

His own golf prowess is marked by entries on the Club's Honours Boards. Perhaps the best way of describing his life and times at WPGC, where he and Betty also celebrated their golden wedding, is in Eddie's own words that reflect his well-known dry wit - "I have acted in every capacity at this Club, except that of Lady Captain!!"

Never a devoted gardener, Eddie was, nevertheless, an enthusiastic member of the Cliddesden, Farleigh Wallop and Ellisfield Horticultural Society and did sterling service on the committee, during which time he supported the craft and photography classes in the shows, with some success. At his last show in spring 2016, he won the trophy for best craft exhibit. His support for "The HortSoc" extended to writing bulletins and show reports in the village magazines, although these were invariably a vehicle for him to include the fortunes and misfortunes of his beloved "Cherries"!

They certainly broke the mould when they built Eddie Rapley and, with his beloved Betty, who sadly does not currently enjoy good health, he will be sorely missed around and beyond the patch. He was a good husband, son, brother, uncle, great-uncle ... and a truly good friend to all who knew him. But, even as you read this, I like to think that Eddie, bless him, is already working diligently on his artworks, wine-tasting expertise and golf handicap in some other place. "Watch your heads - FORE!"

Eddie's funeral will take place at St Leonard's Church, Cliddesden, on 6 March at 11.30am. Donations, in lieu of flowers, will be divided equally between The Alzheimers' Society and St. Leonard's Church, Cliddesden.

### **Ross Palmer**

*(With my thanks to those of you who contributed memories for this tribute and apologies that I have been unable to include your many personal anecdotes, but I know we shall all be talking about the Rapleys for many years to come)*

# Village Hall News

The Trustees remember with fondness Eddie Rapley who sadly passed away on 18th January and our thoughts are with Betty and family. Both Eddie and Betty supported the Hall in countless ways, Betty having had a significant role in obtaining the Lottery Fund grant for the new Millennium Hall.

## A call for new groups at our Hall!

Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall is run for the community and our aim is to offer all ages and groups of people the chance to participate in friendly classes, meetings or groups throughout the week. The chance to find something which interests them, to socialise with others, to get fitter, to learn something new or just to have fun!

We have some availability during the daytime at the Hall which could easily be used by new weekly or monthly groups. There are also occasional Saturdays free for a taster or non-regular class.

Is there a particular group or class which you'd love to see at the Hall? Maybe Pilates or another exercise class, a choir, a disability or health support group, baby massage, sensory class or pre-school gym, Scouts or Guides, craft or hobby groups?

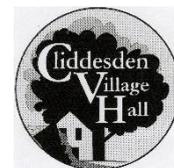
Please let us know so we can try to find someone able to set it up. Better still, if you know someone who could run such a group or class then ask them to get in touch via [events@cliddesdenhall.org.uk](mailto:events@cliddesdenhall.org.uk).

## Did you see the design-a-logo competition in last month's article?

The Hall needs a new logo with the only parameters being that we want the logo to include a tree and building, the tree in particular being a theme that runs through most of the village organisations. Something modern, something fresh, something crisp, a bit of colour, something that says "Cliddesden", something that we can use on-line and off, on our website, Facebook page, ... The current logo is alongside this article.

It is open to all villagers, so we are hoping we get a number of designs which we can review, shortlist and then choose one at the Hall's next AGM. The designer of the winning logo will get **two free 100 Club Tickets for two years** (note that if the winner is under 16 then the tickets will have to be held by a parent or guardian). So please get doodling and submit your design (preferably in JPG format) to [logo@cliddesdenhall.org.uk](mailto:logo@cliddesdenhall.org.uk).

Current logo:



## Dates and reminders:

The **Hall AGM – 7:30pm on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019**. Please join us and help choose the new logo for the Hall.

The **Cliddesden Players' summer play is on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> June**. Be ready to grab your tickets as soon as they are advertised as they always sell quickly.

There is still a little space free for **personalised tiles** in the Hall reception. If you haven't got a tile yet but still want one, then hurry whilst there is still space and contact **Jo Capehorn on 07528 856157** or via [thecapehorns@me.com](mailto:thecapehorns@me.com).

The **100 Club subscriptions** are due by the end of March. Contact **Rose Beevers on 01256 475944** or via [100club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk](mailto:100club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk) to join, renew or increase your holding.

Remember to visit the Hall's website at [www.cliddesdenhall.org.uk](http://www.cliddesdenhall.org.uk) and Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/CliddesdenVillageHall](https://www.facebook.com/CliddesdenVillageHall) for the latest news, photos and events at the Hall.



Greg Mendelsohn  
Village Hall Management Committee  
[chair@cliddesdenhall.org.uk](mailto:chair@cliddesdenhall.org.uk)

Our February meeting has not taken place as I write my report so more on that next time. We will all be bringing along a plate of food to share and catching up on each other's news as we do not have a speaker. Pauline has organised a quiz for us all to make sure the grey matter is still working.

Our craft meeting this month was held at Catherine's home in Beech, it was a lovely sunny morning and we all enjoyed watching the pair of deer in her garden browsing on the fallen apples and anything else they could find. Once they had moved on we settled down to some iris folding and each of us produced a lovely card to add to our collection. We were so engrossed we didn't see the deer return, they were both sitting down soaking up the lovely sunshine.



**Next meeting**  
**March 21<sup>st</sup> Basingstoke Fire Service**

We would welcome new members so please come along and meet us to see what we are about – and meet some handsome firemen!

Diane Rampton  
01256 467533

## **TGI Friday Night at the Village Hall!**

**How does getting together with neighbours and friends to wind down and relax on a Friday night sound?**

**Or would you rather get rid of the frustrations of the week with some exercise or unleashing your competitive streak?**

You are maybe not aware, but at the village hall there is a badminton court and equipment, a Cornilleau competition table tennis table and 2 folding snooker/pool tables. Sadly, they are not used at present and just gathering dust! So let's get them back in use to bring people together which is the whole point of the Village Hall.

Friday nights at the Hall are usually free from 8/8.30pm so how about you get a few friends, neighbours or family members together and start up an informal group where you can socialise or get some exercise? All ages included.

If exercise is not your thing then perhaps board games, cards, chess, play music, get some food in (we know who could oblige!), entice a VH Committee member to run a bar (they are licensed) or just have a laugh and chat together! Maybe find someone to run a taster class occasionally in Pilates, singing, short-mat bowls, line dancing or whatever takes your fancy!

The group can be run under the Village Hall 'hat' (like the original Friday Club), so there would be no hiring charges or insurance worries. The only condition being that all profits from a Bar and a small 'sub' from those taking part go towards covering the maintenance of the Hall.



If a TGI Friday Night Group sounds like something you would like to be involved with, maybe on a monthly or two monthly basis, then please get in touch. Just think - no tidying the house before people come round, no driving anywhere, no fighting over the remote, no pub or sports centre prices!

Contact [fridaynights@cliddesdenhall.org.uk](mailto:fridaynights@cliddesdenhall.org.uk)

**Cliddesden, Farleigh Wallop &  
Ellisfield Horticultural Society**  
The three villages Gardening Club



*News for February 2019*

Hello from Claire!

It is with great sadness that we say our final farewell to Eddie Rapley.

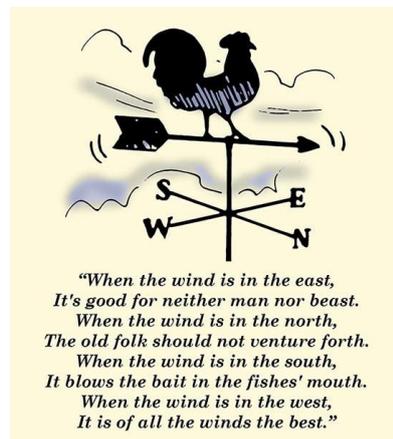
A long-time member of the horticultural society, treasurer, and newsletter writer, Eddie passed away in January. He was my predecessor, in both of the roles I now cover. Everyone on the committee, and all our members, I sure, send our best wishes to his family.

With any luck we have now had the worst of the weather and cleared up the damage caused by the snow at the beginning of February. For anyone who still has an open fire it was a great opportunity to stockpile the wood for a couple of years to season.

It was certainly beautiful, and destructive!

There's only one month to go now before the Spring Show – and with the garden in 'spring-mode' what does the RHS suggest we get done this month.....

- 1: Protect new spring shoots from slugs
- 2: Plant shallots, onion sets and early potatoes
- 3: Plant summer-flowering bulbs
- 4: Lift and divide overgrown clumps of perennials
- 5: Top dress containers with fresh compost
- 6: Mow the lawn on dry days (if needed)
- 7: Cut back *Cornus* (dogwood) and *Salix* (willow) grown for colourful winter stems
- 8: Hoe and mulch weeds to keep them under control early
- 9: Start feeding fish and using the pond fountain; remove pond heaters
- 10: Prune bush and climbing roses



**What's been happening?**

31<sup>st</sup> January 7:45pm at Cliddesden Millennium Hall

*The Roses of Mottisfont Abbey - Thomas Stone*

Thank-you to everyone who braved the threat of snow to attend our first meeting of the year.

I was wonderful to see so many people there, and some new faces too.

Thomas Stone was, as we hoped, informative and interesting. We were treated to a history of the gardens at Mottisfont Abbey, the conception and ideas behind each area, and a plethora of beautiful images from different seasons of the year.

Being one of the only guests in the room who haven't visited the Abbey, it will be on my to-do list this year.

## What's on the agenda?

**28<sup>TH</sup> March 7:45pm at Cliddesden Millennium Hall**

***Corsica Mountains in the Mediterranean - Mike Read***

Our March speaker is freelance nature photographer Mike Read, who comes from Ringwood.

He uses his love of photography and nature to bring the places he visits to life.

I think we are in for a stunning journey through the Corsican mountains.

Our meetings are open to guests as well as members, so please do come along.

**SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> April at Cliddesden Millennium Hall**

***Spring Show***

Showing is open to members only, members of the public are welcome to join us from 2pm to view the entries, sample the cakes, maybe win a prize on the raffle.

Classes are varied across the show, not only stunning displays of our spring flowers, and shrubs, but also our culinary whizzes show off their skills with a delicious variety of dishes.

Children have 2 classes in each of 2 age groups so our budding gardeners of the future also get involved.

We look forward to seeing you there.

## **We have been trained but we don't want to be put to the test, PLEASE!**



On Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February, a group of us took part in CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) training and the use of the AED or defibrillator. The AED in the village is situated in the old red phone box at the pond.

Although none of us would want to use it, it was much simpler than imagined and the clear instructions are easy to follow.

Our trainer, Debra Murr, was brilliant and made it informal, informative and, believe it or not, fun!

A reporter and photographer from the Basingstoke Gazette came along so look out for an article in the near future.

If someone collapses and becomes unconscious:

- ring 999 for an ambulance
- if the person is breathing then put them in the recovery position
- **if they are not breathing, commence CPR and ask someone to fetch the defibrillator**
- give the emergency services the post code location of the defibrillator and its individual code - both are found on the front of the AED box
- the emergency services will then provide the PIN code to open the box (this prevents vandalism)
- there are instructions on how to use the defib in a visual display plus a simple auditory commentary
- attach the pads to the patient as instructed (they have to be against bare skin, so clothes have to be undone or cut away with the scissors provided)
- the defib will then tell you whether its use is needed or not, so you cannot shock someone who does not require it!
- follow the instructions and continue CPR until the ambulance arrives



If you want to host a course in your place of work or your organisation then we would certainly recommend Debra Murr from [www.befirstaidready.com](http://www.befirstaidready.com)

# Cliddesden Primary School

A busy start to the year for us at school...



Amelia in Beech Class decided she wanted to raise some money for charity. Amelia had some of her hair cut off in order to send to Little Princess Trust, which is a charity that provides wigs for children who have lost their hair due to illness.

Alongside this she also did some further fundraising as it costs the charity between £350 and £500 to have the wig made. We are all very impressed with Amelia's actions and to support her we held a non-school uniform Funky Hair day to raise money for this charity.

We asked that the children did something different from the norm to their hair, for example, spike it up, bunch it, use wash out colour or add accessories. All donations received were given directly to the Little Princess Trust and we had a great day too.

The children in Willow and Beech class were very excited as we were expecting a visit from Alex the paramedic. When the ambulance arrived, we met Alex and he told us all about his job and how he helps people. Some children had prepared questions and asked Alex to help us find out the answers.

We looked at all the equipment Alex uses and how it works. We really liked the tail-gate which goes up and down to get patients on and off the ambulance on a stretcher. Alex let us go inside the ambulance and we saw all the seats and carefully stored equipment.



We also tried on some of Alex's special clothes. He wears them to be safe when he's helping people on a road. Alex showed us the flashing lights and we counted 16! He also put on the sirens so we could hear and see how the ambulance lets traffic know that it's coming.



Beech Class were excited to welcome Amelia's granddad Phil to the class. Phil is a postman and he kindly came to tell us about his job as a postman. In Beech class we have been reading 'The Jolly Postman' in our Guided Reading sessions and have made our Role Play area into a Post Office. In our role play times we have been writing and posting letters and measuring and weighing parcels. Phil told us about the journey of a letter from when we post it into a post box. We have also looked closely at stamps, Mrs Houston has kindly given the children a stamp from her stamp album to add to their books and we have designed our own stamps.

On a snowy wet Tuesday afternoon in January, 11 Year 5/6 and one brave Year 4 pupil went to Cranbourne School to take part in an inter-school Sportshall Athletics Competition. There were 8 schools present on our day and 16 schools competing on other days.



The pupils from Cliddesden took part in standing long-jump, chest pass throw, speed bounce, foam javelin throw, and a target throw in the field events.

The running events were competed over three distances (lengths of the hall) with a tricky tight turn around cones at each end. There were also 2 relays. The team learnt a great deal, showed great perseverance and resilience against an extremely strong competition.



On Wednesday 30th January four, very agile gymnasts from Cliddesden Primary School travelled to Winklebury Junior School to participate in a Year 1/2 Gymnastics competition. There were 8 schools participating. The children had to perform a Floor Routine of about 10 moves sequenced together and a Body Management Routine where they had to show agility, control, poise and balance. The children did extremely well and as a team were positioned third by the judges who were school children from Costello School. It should be noted that the scores of the top three schools were separated by tiny margins.

Beech Class had a very busy Science Day at Queen Mary's College.

#### Testing Materials:

The jolly Postman needed a new postbag. It had to be waterproof, durable and strong.

The children tested 6 different bag materials. They dropped water on them to see if they were absorbent or waterproof.



They wore goggles while they tested for how strong the materials were by hanging weights on them. Using sand paper blocks the materials were rubbed to see how durable they were. When the tests were completed they discovered that the nylon fabric was the most suitable for a postbag. Their last task was to see what they needed to attach to the bag so that it showed up in the dark mornings. They did this by dressing up a cardboard cut-out of a postman, putting him in a dark area and then shining a torch on him. The dinosaur reflector showed up brilliantly!

#### Metals:

The metals experiment looked at the properties of metals. Using ice blocks and warm water the children discovered that metal conducts heat. Different metals were tested for conductivity using a circuit and a light bulb. The children had fun testing which metals were magnetic, they made a paper clip whizz across the table by placing a strong magnet under the table! Finally, they looked at how metals can change colour if they are wet, causing rust; and how they can change shape using heat or pressure.

#### Changes:

The first experiment on the changes table allowed the children to observe a candle burning, they noticed how the solid wax changed to a liquid when the wick was lit, and saw the wax solidify when heat was removed. They were amazed at how quickly the flame was extinguished when a jar was placed over the candle depriving the flame of oxygen. Using a pipette water was applied to sugar lumps so that the children could see and feel the difference between the damp lumps and those that hadn't had water added. The final test gave the children a chance to observe steam and bubbles in boiling water, some of the steam was then condensed back into water. A tub of ice provided the children with the opportunity to see water in its three different states.

#### Paper:

The children carried out experiments using 3 different types of paper. Kitchen paper, news print paper and printer paper. The children tried drawing on each of the different types of paper, described how the paper felt and got to use a datalogger to test the transparency of the paper. Finally, we had a race to see which type of paper was the most absorbent with all the children guessing correctly that the kitchen paper would absorb the water the quickest.

Wood:

The children enjoyed looking at how the grain in wood looked different depending on how it had been cut. If chopped down the middle, straight lines were created but if cut across then circles were formed. They were amazed at the variety of colours wood came in and enjoyed feeling the texture before and after they had sanded a piece. We considered the density of wood, having 5 blocks exactly the same size, why did they weigh different amounts? We looked at how our wooden lolly sticks could float but a small metal item couldn't and we were amazed at how quickly a small, dry piece of wood could burn. This made us think about how the wooden houses in The Great Fire of London burnt so quickly during the long, hot summer.



The children in Willow Class celebrated Chinese New Year. Lots of very engaging learning took place that included the home corner as a Chinese restaurant, making Chinese drums and paper chains and learning how to say happy new year in Mandarin. We were treated to a visit in assembly from a Willow Class Chinese dragon!

*Paula Lavender*

**Church Services for March 2019  
(at St. Leonard's unless stated otherwise)**



Sun 3 March	9.45am	Holy Communion (Common Worship)
Wed 6 March	7.30pm	Ash Wednesday Holy Communion at All Saints' Dummer
Sun 10 March	11.15am	Family Communion (Common Worship)
Sun 17 March	11.15am	Family Service
Sat 23 March	6.00pm	Holy Communion (BCP)
Sun 31 March	11.00am	Mothering Sunday at St Andrew's Farleigh Wallop (Common Worship)
Sun 7 April	9.45am	Holy Communion (Common Worship)

**Reminder!**

Concerns have been raised by a Cliddesden resident regarding the safety of motorists and pedestrians, especially on Woods Lane, because of bushes growing out into the road.

Could residents please cut or tie back dangerous hedges/bushes/trees.

Thank you!

**Save the date...**



This year's half marathon (and a 10k race!) will be taking place on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October.



Make-A-Wish grants life-changing wishes to children with critical illnesses. Our wishes are varied, personal and life-changing. We go above and beyond to grant amazing wishes to very amazing children; their One True Wish made a reality at a time when they need it most. Because a child's life shouldn't be about illness, hospitals and diagnosis - it should be about wonder, joy and hope.

We've seen the effects a wish can have on a seriously ill child: from creating incredible memories, building confidence and bringing happiness, to providing respite from the daily struggles that come with a critical illness. We know what wishes can give, and this is the driving force behind why we continue to do what we do.

Last year, we granted life-changing wishes to more than 900 children and young people here in the UK. Every month, hundreds more children turn to us.

In 2017 Make-A-Wish granted 102 wishes in the Hampshire region and I would like the opportunity to come and talk about the work we are doing in the local community.

To arrange a talk please contact me - Ryland Lee on 01256 467315

# 100 Club Winners and Membership Renewal

The draw for February was called at the Coffee Morning at the Village Hall on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019. Here are the lucky winners. Congratulations to:

1<sup>st</sup>: 123 Rosemary Mansbridge

2<sup>nd</sup>: 132 Tom Barnes

3<sup>rd</sup>: 119 Rhona Randall

We are now approaching the start of the 2019/20 membership for the 100 Club and are looking for new members to join and the renewal of existing membership.

There is no easier way to help with fundraising than joining the 100 Club, or increasing your "holding". More tickets sold mean more funds for the Hall and more prize money.

For people who are new to Cliddesden the 100 Club is a way to have a little flutter and help look after our lovely Millennium Village Hall. Each month half of

proceeds are paid out as prize money; 1st prize 30% (currently £39), 2nd prize 15%, 3rd prize 5%. The remaining 50% goes to the Hall fund.

*Membership is only £12.00 per year, per number, no limit per household.*

There are a variety of ways you can make payment - Electronic Funds Transfer, Standing Order, cash or cheque. Cheques should be made payable to 'Cliddesden Village Hall'. The easiest method is Electronic Funds Transfer or Standing Order and the Hall's

bank details are on the form below. You can hand cheques and cash, along with the form, to Angie Fewster at Ridge wood House, Farleigh Road, Julie James at Leaview House, 10 Hackwood Lane, or Rose Beevers, Church Farm Cottage, Church Lane.

If for any reason you are an existing member and do not wish to continue to support the Village Hall via the 100 Club could you let me know and I will withdraw your number, otherwise your number will continue to run for 2019/20.

Rose Beevers, 01256 475944, [100Club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk](mailto:100Club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk)

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Please contact the 100 Club Secretary for a Standing Order Form if on-line set-up is not possible.			

Please return the above form to Rose Beevers, Church Farm Cottage, Church Lane, Cliddesden, RG25 2JQ

## Neighbourhood Plan

The NP has achieved funding for 'Village Design Guides' The funding is provided via 'Locality' (<https://locality.org.uk/>) who commission AECOM.

The Village Design Guides will build on the Village Design Statement but be appended to the Neighbourhood Plan a part of a Design Policy. A Draft is likely to be produced by early April and so the NP Questionnaire is now scheduled for early May so the two can be consulted on together.

## Water Course between the Pond and Southlea Meadow

As many of you will be aware there is a drainage route between the Village Pond and Southlea Meadow which runs behind the houses on Farleigh Road.

Concern has been expressed over the potential for flooding particularly near to the pond and clearly, we do not want to have any property affected by flooding if at all possible.

This is not the first time this issue has been raised and in February 2015 the Parish Council wrote to all residents who have this watercourse running through their gardens noting the response from Basingstoke and Deane as copied below.

*'The BDBC officer responsible for flooding and drainage issues has confirmed that:*

- (i) the Common Law requires landowners to receive water from upstream and discharge it to those lower downstream*
- (ii) that the ditch in question is categorized as an "ordinary water course"*
- (iii) that the responsibility for such watercourses lies with the riparian property owners.*

*'This means that the riparian landowners are responsible for ensuring that the section of the ditch within their land is kept clear of any impediment to the flow of the water, including maintaining the capacity of the ditch. The proviso is that the volume of water should be at a reasonable level.'*

In view of the problems expressed, The Parish Council will be contacting the parties involved, Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, Hampshire County Council and the Environment Agency to see if anything can be done to avoid potential problems in the future.

## 2019 Parish Elections

All Cliddesden Parish Council seats are due for re-election on Thursday 2nd May.

Detailed information (including Nomination Papers) is available from <https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/candidate-or-agent/parish-and-community-council-elections-in-england-and-wales>

Note 1 – Nomination Consent Form can't be signed earlier than 3rd March, ie one calendar month before the deadline for submitting Nomination Papers. Signatures must be witnessed – the witness must sign and give their full name and address. There are no restrictions on who can be a witness to the Consent to Nomination.

Note 2 – Nomination Papers can be submitted from Tues 26th March, closing date 4pm on Wed 3rd April.

Note 3 – Papers must be hand-delivered to the Returning Officer at Basingstoke & Deane Civic Offices.

## Planning appeal

18/03172/FUL Appeal Ref:  
APP/H1705/W/19/3221562

Land At Langdale, Woods Lane, Cliddesden.  
Erection of a detached dwelling and new access (between plots 3 and 4 approved under 18/01162/FUL)

Appeal start date 13 February 2019

Comments can be submitted online at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/ViewCase.aspx?caseid=3221562> or email to [nsi.planning2@pins.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:nsi.planning2@pins.gsi.gov.uk) on or before 20th March 2019 quoting the Appeal reference number. (note different email address to the Southlea Meadow Appeal)

Next Parish Council Meeting  
**Tuesday 5th March 7.30pm**  
Village Hall Meeting Room

## VILLAGE GUIDE

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