

Charlton Village Monthly News



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Charlton Christmas Market 5 Dec

CANCELLED

With regret the Charlton Christmas Market that we were very excited about has been cancelled due to Covid-19.

Bridge from Foxcotte Road to Park – Good News

The access path (aka Heathrow Runway 3) has been completed. There will be some modest tree planting along the edge of the path. Delivery of the bridge is due in the week commencing 26 October.

Village/Community Hall – We Need You to be Involved

The Village/Community Hall committee met for the first time by Zoom on 8 Sep. Ian Carr is the appointed Chairman and the Committee will work closely with the Parish Council.

It was agreed that the committee would produce a Feasibility Study before committing to the project. This will cover options for: location (Salto Car Park or is there a better alternative), requirement (do we need a traditional Village Hall or would a Community Hall such as the one at Hurstbourne Tarrant be appropriate) and some rough estimate of costings for the build and for its management and maintenance. If any of you want to get involved, please contact ian@carrsonline.com or cllrcward@charltonvillage.org.uk

Communications

Charlton Chat Facebook page has growing numbers and continues to be well received. You are encouraged to look at the site regularly and actively engage in village life.

<https://www.facebook.com/charlton.community.chat> If you have views about what you would like to see on the Parish Council website www.charltonvillage.org.uk please send them to cllrcward@charltonvillage.co.uk and I will endeavour to tweak the website to suit our purposes.

Charlton Village Community Day –Street Parties 19 September

It was a great shame that COVID-19 impacted on our Community Day this year. However, despite the restrictions some parties were able to go ahead. The Raffle made about £500 so a big thank you to all those who bought tickets and my apologies if you didn't get chance to buy some – distribution was not as easy as I imagined! Also, a big thank you to Kaz Trinder and Sadie Bryant who organised most of the raffle prizes. The standard of entries was excellent. We have some great talent in the community. Well done to all those who entered and especially to our winners. Please do visit

<https://www.facebook.com/charlton.community.chat> to see all the prize winners.

Charlton Community Support Group

We have wound down the service but we remain available and willing to help those who continue to need assistance. cllrcward@charltonvillage.org.uk 07538596344

Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Clive Ward – Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

The Charlton Neighbourhood Plan submission needs some finessing due to circumstances beyond our control. The Plan remains with the Independent Examiner with a new date for agreement around about Christmas (this year before you ask).and with a fair wind, the Plan should be put to Charlton residents in a referendum when the Government allows (May 2021).

Speed Indicator

A new speed indicator has been installed by the bridge near Tesco. Data can be collected remotely and it is already showing us the amount of traffic and the speeds of cars entering and leaving the village. From what we have seen so far most of the traffic does seem to keep to the limit but there are some worrying trends with a significant number of cars travelling over 40 and 50 mph. Something residents knew

intuitively but the data clearly backs this up. Highest recorded speeds are over 60 mph! We are hoping to use the evidence and get the police to take action at a time most likely to catch the worst offenders.

Defibrillator Outside the Pub

We need a volunteer to monitor and inspect the defibrillator mounted on the front of the pub It's a vital capability to have but it must be checked so that it works when required. It's an easy job and full instruction will be given by the person stepping down in this role. If someone is happy to take this on please contact cllrcward@charltonvillage.org.uk

Feeding the Ducks and Geese

For a trial period duck food will soon be available at the Charlton Lakeside café. No more bread please. Simply put donations of £1 in the charity box - first charity will be SSAFA – The Armed Forces Charity. <https://www.ssafa.org.uk/hampshire>

Library/ Book Exchange

Most of you will know that Charlton has a modest library, housed in the red phone box by the church. It's recently been tidied up and you should find it easy to go in, find something you like, borrow it, read and return it in due course. There are no rules as to how long you keep the book, no signing books out and back in. It's very simple: borrow, read, return.

Because of the shortage of space, we will focus on fiction and biographies only. Feel free to donate books that fit these categories.

If you have any suggestions as to how to improve this simple little amenity please contact Ian Smale on cllrismale@charltonvillage.org.uk

Notices

<p>October 2020</p> <p>The Parish Council will meet by video link on Tue 19 Oct - details of how you can attend will be published in advance.</p>	<p>St Thomas' Church</p> <p>The church is now trying to open up for a more normal pattern of services. There will be three services during October. Two will be Holy Communion at 10am on 11th and 25th Aug and there will be a Morning Prayer at 10am on the 18th. In November there will be a Remembrance service on the 8th at 1030, a Morning Prayer at 10am on the 15th, a Holy Communion at 10 am on the 22nd and a service at 10am on the 29th. A service to remember the departed (All Souls) will be held on the 1 Nov at 1530 but this will be by invite only due to current restrictions. Anyone wishing to attend one of the regular services will have to pre-book a place by calling Jean Milne on 01264 391504. We will continue to use modern technology to provide a range of services both on a Sunday morning and during weekdays. All these are delivered via the internet and can be accessed through the Pastrow Family website at www.pastrowbenefice.org.uk – a simple click on a link will let you access any of the services. Please join us.</p> <p>Revd Alex Randle-Bissell, Rector 01264 512161, Vicar@pastrowfamily.org.uk</p> <p>Judith Appleby, Benefice administrator, 07999 352585 admin@pastrowfamily.org.uk</p>
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