

Charvil Village News

Summer 2019



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New Memorial Bench at the Village Hall....

Photo: Indian Bean Tree, Foxes Walk

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Further information on the work of the Council can be obtained from any Councillor listed on the Parish Notice Boards, from the Clerk or from our website - www.charvil.com

Closing Date for Applications is Monday 9th
September 2019

Editor's introduction

Hopefully you are enjoying what's been (at the time of writing in early August) yet another record-breaking hot summer so far. Whilst not ideal for everyone, the dry weather does mean we can make good use of our outdoor space. Since our last issue of CVN, we have seen Charvil's excellent facilities at East Park Farm being used by a number of community groups, making great use of our Pavilion and playing fields. In May, there was a wonderful late Spring evening for the annual AFC Charvil Awards; on a hot afternoon in early July, the Charvil Village Fete was bigger and better than ever, whilst the Charvil Piggott Primary School were able to hold their Sports Day on the fields. It's great to see these successful events so well-organised and well-attended by the residents of Charvil.

Your parish council continue to improve and refurbish village facilities – in August we have taken the opportunity of our quiet period in the Village Hall (in terms of regular users) to replace flooring and give the rooms some much needed painting and decorating.

Inside this issue we have an update on some of those events, plus information about some new Councillor positions.

Please do continue to share your thoughts and highlight your issues and concerns by contacting the CPC team using e-mail or www.charvil.com (which also has news and information about our council, facilities and village life), as well as following us on Facebook and Twitter. If you are involved in a Charvil-based group, society or charity and would like to highlight your activities in Charvil Village News, please contact me.

Wishing you a warm and sunny remainder of the Summer days – I hope you enjoy this latest issue of Charvil Village News.

Amanda Burton, Assistant Clerk

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Chairman's Foreword

I see that in my last Foreword we were just approaching Spring and looking forward to some warm weather. Well ... be careful what you ask for! This coming week is scheduled to see 35 Degrees in some places! Good weather if you're a sun cream seller! Perhaps not so good for all our lawns. But by the time that this is published we will probably be back to wind and rain.

First let me say a very large 'Thank You' to all the members of the Fete Committee who did a sterling job in all their planning, and then particularly for running it on 7th July. I didn't actually count but it certainly felt like the largest Charvil Village Fete that I have attended. Well done to all the stall holders, to the Parish Councillors who turned-out to man the bar, and particularly another big thank you to 'Nyanma' for generously donating the means to run the bar! A wonderful example of what a local community can achieve when everyone pulls together.

On a similar subject, these who visited the Parish Council gazebo will know that unfortunately the Council is currently under-staffed by three members. My thanks again go to those three Councillors who recently left (for various very valid reasons). These include: Jackie Jeffrey who has been a councillor for many years and who has served in a wide range of roles, James Bell who has Chaired the Finance Committee for four years, and Greg Elphick who was only with us for a shorter time but who contributed very significantly to all debates and who was always ready to help-out at events.

Having said that, those who read the notice boards (and who don't immediately bin any flyer which comes through the door!), will know that the Council is now actively seeking replacement Councillors. If you are a Charvil resident (or have a business in Charvil) and would like to be more involved in the management of village facilities and/or in shaping the way that the Parish Council contributes to village life, then please contact our Parish Clerk on: clerk@charvil.com or by phone for more information on 01189 017719.

On a final point, those of you who have visited the Village Hall recently will have seen the new 'Memorial Bench' in memory of Paul and Margaret Gregory who were both instrumental in founding the Village Society and who contributed so much to village life. They will both be sadly missed. Take a moment to sit on the bench and 'reflect' for a couple of minutes.

So, in conclusion, make the most of this wonderful summer which we're having, it'll be raining again before we know it!

Jim Gillett: Chairman, Charvil Parish Council

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Edited Extracts from the Minutes of Parish Council Meetings

Meeting held on 18th March 2019

Open Forum – Two residents attended who had recently moved to Charvil and were interested in setting up a pre-school in the village and had seen the Council's flyer regarding pre-schools so had come along to express their interest. The Chairman said that at the moment there were no suitable premises but if it looked like there was enough demand then the Council would investigate the possibility of trying to build a suitable building somewhere. He also explained that the Scouts would also like their own headquarters and the Council may try to find some way of building one building for both. Clearly this would take some time. The Chairman thanked the residents for their interest, and they left at the end of Open Forum.

Amenities Committee the Chair of Amenities introduced the motion deciding whether to offer Charvil Community Tennis Club (CCTC) the opportunity to provide an associate membership for an extra fee of £200 per year, rising to £300 in 2020.

He explained that he had had a long conversation with one of their committee, and it was clear they would be too nervous to accept an extra charge of £200 straight away, but would prefer to pay according to how many members took up this offer – so for 0-5, it would be £100, 6-10, it would be £200 and 11-15, it would be £300. They also suggested a different plan entirely, but this was regarded as too administratively difficult, so it was agreed that Council would trial this plan for one year and if it did not work, would take it back in-house.

To discuss the results so far of the CPC Village survey regarding a potential pre-school, and to consider whether additional information is required, and if so, what – So far, there have been 53 responses, or 3.8% of the households in Charvil. Not all were in favour of a pre-school – some would rather have a Scout building, or something that could be used by both – so it may be a new community building is what is required, which could possibly be built in partnership with other interested parties. If Mr Hicks is to be approached, then Council need a business plan – it was suggested that those groups who had expressed an interest should provide Council with one. It was also suggested that Council find out the spare capacity at existing pre-schools in the area and to investigate how much space is needed, bearing in mind the need for storage space by the Scouts.



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Meeting held on 15th April 2019

Planning, Environment and Highways Committee – The minutes of the meeting on 8th April were noted. The Chair of the Committee highlighted the discussion on air pollution and how, on planning issues we could recommend more hedges, and possibly investigate the viability of electric car charging points in the village. There was also a discussion about footpaths and whether Council should re-introduce the annual walk of the rights of way in the village. It was noted that the Committee had objected to the change of use at Newlands Farm and had commented on the retrospective applications for barns at The Homestead.

Meeting held on 20th May 2019

To decide whether evening parties should continue at the hall, and if so, to review the procedures and requirements- After some discussion, it was decided that the assistant clerk should see if there is a cleaning company that would come out at short notice in the event of a mess being left after a party. It was also decided that the time for music to be turned off should be brought forward to 10.30 with parties ending at 11pm. The damage deposit should be raised to £750 unless the hirer has a good track record.

Planning, Environment and Highways Committee – The visit from Thames Water was noted regarding the progress of the Waingels Road sewer, and the road closure at the end of May has been advertised widely to minimise inconvenience. It was reported that a representative of the charity Scope had approached the Parish Council to see if there were anywhere to site a textile bin. Council felt that there were enough other ways of recycling textiles within the area, so this was not needed. The Chair of the Committee ran through the objectives sheet she had developed to keep the wider Council abreast of its progress.

To consider any matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting – Issues that came up at the meeting include a request for a bridge to link Charvil to Twyford, as there used to be one; could agendas be placed on Facebook to keep residents informed; could paths be upgraded for all users; better lighting at the Village Hall; cutting grass behind the hall more often; preventing parking on pavements and village gate signs on the entrances to Charvil.

Meeting held on 17th June 2019

Amenities Committee – There was a long discussion on the Tennis Club and whether they were advertising the associate membership adequately, and it was decided that the Chairman and Cllr. Keward would try to meet with the Chair of the Tennis Club to bring up the concerns of the Council before the end of June.

To consider any matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting – This was a further discussion on the same subject that had been on the May agenda. Not much was added – the assistant clerk is to add a link on Facebook to the Current Agenda page, and there was a long discussion about gateway signs for Charvil. There was no consensus as to whether these were a good idea, and Cllr. Hartley was to look at what signage there is already before there is any further discussion on this. It was agreed that Council should promote Adopt-a-Street. There was a discussion as to whether Parishes can pass byelaws to restrict pavement parking, but short of this, there is little that can be done. *Clerk's note: Parishes cannot pass byelaws on this.*

To consider whether to respond to the Post Office consultation on the closure of Charvil Post Office – the clerk was asked to write to emphasise that this is an important local amenity, and the closure will be a hardship to many of the more vulnerable people in the village. *Clerk's note: in response to the clerk's comments, the post office claim they are committed to re-opening in Charvil.*

To consider how best to publish the results of the Pre-school survey and what conclusions have been reached – The results were inconclusive but should be published on the website. The conclusion was that there was not enough support to spend the money that would be needed for a new building. There was a brief discussion about whether a new building should be built, or the hall extended, and it was agreed that this would be discussed at a later date.

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The Council had no objection to the following applications:

- 190429 Application for the proposed part garage conversion and erection of a single storey rear extension with three roof lights and changes to fenestration following demolition of existing walls to 86 Old Bath Road
- 190111 Application for the proposed erection of 5 no 3-bedroom dwellings and associated works following demolition of existing buildings at Jubilee Hall, Park View Drive North (Revised Plans) -the only difference seemed to be a more detailed planting plan, which, while welcomed, did not materially affect the issues that Council had commented on before, so there were no additional comments
- 190438 Application for the proposed erection of first floor rear extension, single storey front extension to form porch including a new porch structure, plus internal alterations and changes to fenestration at 28, Old Bath Road
- 190647 Application for the proposed erection of single storey front extension to form a conservatory following the demolition of existing front veranda at 7 Milestone Avenue
- 190750 Householder application for the proposed conversion of existing garage to create habitable accommodation, plus changes to fenestration at Acorns, Waingels Road
- 191000 Application for the prior approval of the erection of a single storey rear extension.4.50m Long, 3.00m High and 3.00m to the eaves at Uplands, Park Lane (For Information only)
- 190800 Application for erection of a single storey side extension also raising the roof height and eaves level with new front facing dormer and rooflights to main roof and two-storey rear extension 3m in depth. Demolition of existing outbuilding at 58 Old Bath Road
- 191211 Application for the proposed erection of single storey rear extension following the demolition of existing rear conservatory, plus insertion of 3no. roof lights at Craigalea, Land's End Lane
- 191264 Application for proposed erection of single storey rear extension at 16, The Hawthorns .

Council Comments on the following applications

- 190672 Full application for the change of use of buildings and land from agricultural use to general industrial use (Retrospective) at Newlands Farm, Loddon Drive – the clerk was asked to comment as follows:

Charvil Parish Council would like to object for the following reasons:

The last three approved applications on this site for agricultural buildings have carried the condition that if they cease to be used for agricultural purposes within ten years, then they should be removed, and the site returned to its original state. While one of these applications was a replacement for one of the others destroyed by fire, this still means that two of the buildings should be removed. There is little point in having such conditions if they can be easily over-ridden.

All the approved applications have stated that this site has only been allowed to be developed because they have been for a legitimate rural business, which agriculture clearly is. While Council appreciates the change of circumstance affecting the business model, this is not a legitimate site for other rural business; it is also in the flood plain and would not be suitable for most businesses.

The agricultural enterprise did not lead to excessive traffic accessing the A4 on what is a fast, busy piece of road, with a national cycle route that must be crossed to access the site. This is also a major route to school for 100's of school children each day. Council is concerned that the already changing use is increasing the chance of an accident at this point, and if it is legitimised, then the site will only get busier. Given the rather cavalier attitude of the present owners toward planning regulations (incorrect use of barns etc), it is a concern that, increasingly, businesses unsuitable for such a location will be housed there.

- 190674 Application for the erection of 3no. commercial buildings for storage (Retrospective) at The Homestead, Park lane – The clerk was asked to comment as follows:

The Parish Council has no objection to this application in itself but is concerned that the stated working hours for A Better Service mentioned in that application are not being adhered to, with regular out of hours sightings of the vehicles. Council feels that this flaunting of the regulations is detrimental to the community and environment.

The following applications were approved by Wokingham Borough Council:

- 182547 Application for the proposed conversion of the existing garage into habitable accommodation, plus proposed erection of single storey front extension to create a link between garage and the main dwelling at 15 Thornbers Way
- 190040 Application for the proposed part conversion of existing garage to create habitable accommodation, plus internal alterations and changes to fenestration at 10, Foxes Walk
- 190271 Householder application for the proposed erection of first floor side extension to existing dwelling, plus changes to fenestration at 131 East Park Farm Drive
- 190727 Proposed Lawful Development Certificate for a loft conversion including installation of 3no roof lights on South elevation and 1no roof light on North elevation at 58 East Park Farm Drive
- 190235 Application for a certificate of lawfulness for the proposed erection of single storey rear extension to form an orangery at 67, The Hawthorns
- 190429 Application for the proposed part garage conversion and erection of single storey rear extension with 3no rooflights and changes to fenestration, following demolition of existing conservatory and part side garage wall at 86 Old Bath Road
- 190438 Application for the proposed erection of first floor rear extension, single storey front extension to form porch including a new porch structure, plus internal alterations and changes to fenestration at 28, Old Bath Road
- 190758 Application for the prior approval of the erection of a single storey rear extension, which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 8m, for which the maximum height would be 3m, and the height of the eaves 2.7m at 58 Old Bath Road
- 190647 Application for the proposed erection of single storey front extension to form a conservatory following the demolition of existing front veranda at 7 Milestone Avenue
- 190750 Householder application for the proposed conversion of existing garage to create habitable accommodation, plus changes to fenestration at Acorns, Waingels Road

- 191029 Proposed Lawful Development Certificate for a single storey rear extension, garage conversion and new porch. Hip to gable loft conversion with rear dormer and insertion of 2no roof lights to front elevation at Uplands, Park Lane
- 190111 Full application for the proposed erection of 5 no 3-bedroom dwellings and associated works following demolition of existing buildings on Land of Park View Drive North

The following Applications were refused by Wokingham Borough Council

- 182951 Application for the Proposed single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory. Gabled projection to rear elevation. Single storey front porch and changes to fenestration at Milton, Milestone Avenue
- 190674 Application for the erection of 3no. commercial buildings for storage (Retrospective) at The Homestead, Park Lane

Application Withdrawn

- 190672 Full application for the change of use of buildings and land from agricultural use to general industrial use (Retrospective) at Newlands Farm, Loddon Drive

Appeal

- 182936 Householder application for a two-storey side extension and a single storey rear extension to dwelling at 47 Chiltern Drive

Appeals Dismissed

- 173587 Full planning application for the erection of 1no 5-bedroom dwelling and detached garage with access and parking at Oaklands, Beggars Hill Road
- 180224 Full application for proposed erection of 3no x 4-bed detached dwellings with on-site parking and access off Park View Drive South
- 182936 Householder application for a two-storey side extension and a single storey rear extension to dwelling at 47 Chiltern Drive

FULL DETAILS OF ALL APPLICATIONS REFERRED TO ABOVE CAN BE FOUND ON: www.wokingham.gov.uk

Meetings of Charvil Parish Council 2019	
2 September 2019	Amenities Committee Meeting
9 September 2019	Planning, Environment and Highways Meeting
16 September 2019	Full Council Meeting
7 October 2019	Amenities Committee
14 October 2019	Planning, Environment & Highways
21 October 2019	Full Council Meeting
4 November 2019	Amenities Committee
11 November 2019	Planning, Environment & Highways
18 November 2019	Full Council Meeting
25 November 2019	Staffing Committee
2 December 2019	Amenities Committee
9 December 2019	Planning, Environment & Highways
16 December 2019	Full Council Meeting
<p>MEETINGS COMMENCE <u>AT 8 pm</u> and are held in <u>THE VILLAGE HALL, PARK LANE.</u></p> <p>RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THESE MEETINGS</p>	

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Paul Mundy		934 5258
Claire Andersen	Chair of Staffing	07500 931091
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Borough Councillor's Report

A brief outline of what is happening.

Housing numbers

You should all have received notification from WBC asking you to complete a simple questionnaire regarding the housing numbers in the Borough. I have been made aware that the WBC have received a very good response and I appreciate you doing this as we need a lot of signatures to present to Government. The WBC will keep the residents informed of what happens when discussions have taken place.

Parking

I have received several complaints about people parking on the public footpaths and blocking access for push chairs and disabled people. There are no local by laws etc for parking on pathways and with no yellow lines I too have noted that there are several areas where parking on path ways is causing obstruction. Please park on roads pedestrians have first rights of way for footpaths. It is dangerous for prams, disabled and pedestrians to have to walk or re-route their right of way on to the road.

Pelican Crossing- Park Lane

The bad news is we didn't get the Pedestrian Crossing, but we do now have the flashing lights showing a school. These are activated at the relevant school times. Due to the fact I leave for work earlier than the lights need to be on, could you confirm to me that the lights are flashing during the school time, if you notice them. This would help me by letting me know in the event the school lights are NOT on.

Post Office Charvil Stores

I know the post office has been removed from the Charvil stores, having chatted to the manger in store they just don't have the manpower to undertake this. Also, the post office is very strict on staff attendance within their internal shops or main post offices.

Doctors Surgery

Several people have requested that I ask the council to consider a doctor's surgery within the Charvil area. This is not a decision by the council but by the NHS and NHS trusts. Several years ago, I did try for a surgery but was refused by the NHS and they are the ones who make the final Yes or No.

Anti Social Behaviour

During the Parish Council meeting it was brought to my attention about some youths causing trouble and damage in the village. I have had a long chat with the local police and urged them to increase their presence within the area. I am hoping this will die down, if not please let me know.

Hedges

Please do keep your hedges cut, especially where they back onto the public footpath.

Bottle Bank

Please do not fly tip your rubbish by these bottle bins, this is for bottle recycling and not household waste. If you are caught Fly Tipping and your details are captured the Council will prosecute where possible.

Milestone Avenue-Grass and Garden Waste

I have received a few complaints that Garden Waste is being thrown into the sidings of Milestone Avenue. The University will not clear this and continued garden waste will cause a problem with the water levels. Please place garden waste into brown bins or garden waste bags that can be obtained through the WBC.

Poo Bins

There have been a number of complaints relating to dog bags being dumped in people's gardens. This is very unpleasant and I am sure that the said culprits would not tolerate it if it was in their gardens. Please dispose of your bags in an appropriate manner.

Foster Caring: WBC have a shortfall of Foster Carers if you would be interested in fostering please contact WBC or give me a call and I can direct you to the right people to talk too.

Your MP.

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Neighbourhood Policing Team Update Summer 2019

Courier frauds in Bracknell and Wokingham

Thames Valley Police have been made aware of recent courier frauds targeting elderly victims in the Bracknell and Wokingham areas.

The elderly are being targeted by fraudsters who ring them up pretending to be police officers and asking for their help with a major operation by withdrawing money from their account, and then tell them that a courier, who's working for the police, will come and collect the money.

Residents can reduce the risk of becoming a victim by following our crime prevention advice.

- The police will never ask you to withdraw cash from your bank account, or arrange for a courier to collect valuables from you.
- If you receive a call from someone claiming to be a police officer and asking you to withdraw cash or send valuable items in this way, you should hang up immediately and contact Thames Valley Police on 101. Do not call any other number as you could be speaking to another fraudster.
- When making this call it is important to use a different phone to the one that you have been contacted on. If no other phone is available, you should wait at least five minutes to ensure the phone line has cleared before making the phone call.
- To verify the identity of any police officer, you should ask for their name and shoulder number and then call 101 to speak with the relevant police force. Always make this call from a different telephone, or wait at least five minutes for the line to clear.

More advice about how to protect yourself against fraud is available on the Thames Valley Police website at: <https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/fa/fraud/personal-fraud/>

We would encourage anyone with elderly or vulnerable family, friends or neighbours to make them aware of this type of fraud. Please share our crime prevention advice to help prevent them from becoming a victim.

You can contact your local neighbourhood team via TwyfordNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk – please note this email address cannot be used to report crimes or for any urgent matters.

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You can receive free information updates from Thames Valley Police by registering for Thames Valley Alert at: <https://www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk/>

Bottle Bank



The introduction of the bottle banks in Charvil appears to have been very well received by local residents. For those not aware, the banks are located on Park Lane, Charvil, RG10 9TR in the layby on the left hand side just before the railway bridge.

If you notice the banks are full, please report this directly to Wokingham Council either by telephone: 01189 746000 or online using the link:

<https://selfservice.wokingham.gov.uk/services/litterbin/>

Wokingham Borough Council, Countryside Service

Staff and volunteers have completed the next phase of reed bed creation work on the Heronry Lake, At Charvil Country Park.

After the trees were cleared and stumps removed last winter, the planting of Phragmites reeds has now been completed.



The temporary fencing will be left in place for a year to give the plants a chance to establish without being eaten by bird life at which point it will be removed.

Once established we will begin to clear and establish the next section of reed bed.

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Regular Clubs

For information on any of the following groups, please contact bookings@charvil.com or call 07850 234363.

WHEN	TIME	GROUP	WHERE
Monday	09:45 – 12:45	Hawthorn Quilters	Charvil Village Hall Committee Room
	10:00 – 11:00	Zumba	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	15:30 – 19:45	Wargrave Ballet School	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	17:30 – 19:00	Charvil Beaver Group (2nd Group)	EPF Pavilion Main Hall
	19:00 – 20:30	1st Charvil Guides	EPF Pavilion Main Hall
	20:00 – 21:30	Charvil Music	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
Tuesday	09:30 – 12:00 (Every other Tues)	Ferry Lane Quilters	Charvil Village Hall Committee Room
	09:30 – 13:00	Flower Painting Class	EPF Pavilion Main Hall
	10:45 – 12:15	Tapestry Choir	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	14:00 – 16:00	Short Mat Bowls	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	14:00 – 16:00 (Every other Tues)	Senior Residents Club	Charvil Village Hall Committee Room
	17:45 – 19:15	Charvil Beaver Group	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	18:15 – 20:15	Charvil Cubs Group	EPF Pavilion Main Hall
	19:30 – 22:00 (4 th Tues)	Reading Cigarette & Post Card Club	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	20:00 – 21:00	Pilates	Charvil Village Hall Committee Room
Wednesday	09.45-11.30	Caterpillar Club (Toddler Club)	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	10:00 – 13:00 (Every other Wed)	Berkshire Spinners, Dyers & Weavers	Charvil Village Hall Committee Room
	19:00 – 21:00	Short Mat Bowls	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	19:30 – 21:30	Charvil Art Group	Charvil Village Hall Committee Room

WHEN	TIME	GROUP	WHERE
Thursday	09:00 – 10:00	Pilates	Charvil Village Hall Committee Room
	10:30 – 12:30	Singing for the Brain (Alzheimer's Society)	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	14:00 – 17:00	Charvil Stitchers	Charvil Village Hall Committee Room
	17:30 – 19:00	1st Charvil Brownies	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	10:15 – 13:15 (2 nd & 4 th Thur)	Berkshire Spinners, Weavers & Dyers	Charvil Village Hall Committee Room
	13:00 – 17:00 (2 nd Thur)	Sonning Flower Club	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	19:30 – 22:30 (1 st & 4 th Thur)	David Chambers Dance Band	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	19:30 – 22:30 (2 nd Thur)	Reading Cigarette & Post Card Club	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	19:00 – 23:00 (3 rd Thur)	Hexagon Quilters	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	19:45 – 21:45 (1 st Thur)	Charvil Women's Club	Charvil Village Hall Committee Room
	19:45 – 22:15 (4 th Thur)	Charvil Wine Circle	Charvil Village Hall Committee Room
Friday	09:00 – 10:00	Pilates	EPF Pavilion Main Hall
	10:00 – 11:30	Mini Athletics	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	16:45 – 18:00	1st Charvil Rainbows	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	17:30 – 19:30	Windsor Higashi Karate Club	EPF Pavilion Main Hall
Saturday	09:00 – 10:00	Insanity Hit the Floor	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
	10:30 – 12:00	GKR Karate Reading	EPF Pavilion Main Hall
	10:00 – 17:00 (3 rd Sat)	Berkshire Guild Spinners, Weavers & Dyers	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall
Sunday	18:00 - 19:45	Jewel Tones	Charvil Village Hall Main Hall

Jewel Tones

Charvil based girls' choir, Jewel Tones, have an exciting year ahead as the choir will be celebrating thirty years! We have concerts, festivals and competitions planned as well as some social events. On September 20th we are holding a Family Quiz Evening at Charvil Village Hall at 7.00pm. Teams of up to six people are invited to come along - £5 per person. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. If you would like to bring a team please let me know. Our first target will be Maidenhead Music Festival which is held at Norden Farm Centre for the Arts on October 12th. If any girls are interested in joining the choir, please have a look at our website for more details – www.jeweltones.co.uk

Sapphire

Sapphire is a vocal ensemble for ladies. We meet for rehearsals on Monday evenings at Charvil Hall. The group will also be taking part in Maidenhead Music Festival and then will be sharing a concert with Jewel Tones on November 24th at Norden Farm. The ladies will be working on new songs for 2019/20 including Blue Skies, My Favourite Things, Old King Cole and All My Trials. There are no vacancies in the group at the moment.

Oklahoma

On Saturday, 14th September come and join us for a fun singing afternoon for female voices at Charvil Hall between 2 and 4pm. We will be singing a great medley of songs from the musical 'Oklahoma' by Rodgers and Hammerstein arranged for 2-part choir. The session is £10 which includes a copy of the music to keep and refreshments. This is open to anyone who likes singing! Places need to be booked and paid for in advance.

Suzanne Newman, 0118 9340589, suzanneynewman@btinternet.com

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The Charvil Fete

The current Charvil Village Fete Association Committee has celebrated its second year of running the fete. This year's fete had a beach theme so there was beach volleyball, some fun cut-out boards for children to put their heads in and get a photograph and for the Great Charvil Cake Off baking competition one of the rounds was to decorate cupcakes with a beach theme.

We enjoyed great weather this year compared to the high temperatures of last year and this meant there was a higher attendance. There was positive feedback from the stallholders about the fetes friendly atmosphere.

Piston Broke provided three sets of great music which went down really well. There were some fabulous donations for the raffle including Rewind and Henley Festival tickets which ensured high ticket sales.



Berkshire Reptile Encounters provide interactive fun with a wide range of reptiles for the second year running. We welcomed a very special Disney character this year – Ariel – who complimented the beach theme for the fete. Busy Brushes ran an art competition for children to create a suncatcher which went really well. Nyama Catering provided the bar and BBQ which went down a storm, the burger and hotdogs sold out this year.

There was lots for the children to do including a climbing wall and large inflatable slide. Charvil Parish Council had a presence at the fete this year to talk to people about local topics.



The winners of the Charvil Bake Off went to:

7 Years & Under: Greg Brenton

7—14 Years: Emily Brenton

Adult: Gemma Edwards

The committee would like to thank Johannes Burger for providing the catering, Charvil Parish Council for helping run the fete, Charlotte Yeadon and her fellow pupils at Piggott School for volunteering on the day, our sponsors and cash donors Davis Tate, A Better Service, Hicks Developments & Waitrose, the raffle and tombola donors and everyone who attended and made it such a successful event.

The Chair Sarah Stonhold would like to say a huge thank you to all members of the committee who put in the time and effort to run the event – Victoria Willson-Copland, Rebecca Maddams, Emma Kennett, Gill Holdway, Ruth Cowderly, Jane Hartley, Brenda Cowderly & Mark Donlan.

Thank you to Chris Drew for the amazing photographs, images can be viewed and downloaded via the following link: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/chris-drew/albums/72157709504387542>

Charvil Village Society

On a glorious mid- Summer evening, about 40 Charvil Villagers gathered at the Village Hall on Friday 21st June to do the annual Village Society's 'Mid-Summer Walk'. The 3-mile walk finished at The Heron on the Ford where light refreshments were provided.



Prior to setting off, the Committee unveiled a bench, which has been donated in memory of Paul and Margaret Gregory who were for many years very involved with the Society and who have now sadly passed away.

Thanks were expressed to the Parish Council for allowing the bench to be situated in the grounds of the hall for the benefit and enjoyment of hall users.

Forthcoming events include:

Friday September 27, 2019: Village Quiz - 7:45 pm

Details and bookings through Mark A'Bear - Tel: 9343918

Bring your own drinks and nibbles.

£7.00 per person

Early booking essential

November Event TBC

Ideas and support for a November would be very welcome.

Thursday December 26, 2019: Boxing Day Walk

Free of charge. No booking required.

Meet at the village hall @ 10:00

Mulled wine and nibbles

Details of the Village Society and events can be found at:

<http://www.charvil.com/clubs-and-societies/charvil-village-society/>

Please consider joining the village society committee. It isn't an onerous job, but having lost a couple of committee members recently, some additional help would spread the load. Please get in touch if you would like to join the team?

The new data protection laws mean that we can only send you event information if you 'opt-in' to our communications. Please let me know if you are willing to receive the occasional email from us, as the changes have reduced our email distribution list considerably.

Thank you for your support of the society, and don't forget to contact me and 'opt-in' to our communications.

Mark A'Bear – markabe@btconnect.com
Charvil Village Society

Charvil Flood Warden—Water, Water, everywhere...

We have had a dry summer this year and my role as Flood Warden has been thankfully quiet.

We are fortunate in Charvil to have a good source of water. Part of Charvil's boundary is the River Thames and we have St Patrick's Water which is a tributary off The Thames. Then there are the Charvil Water Meadows, Old River and The River Loddon. We have the Ford to keep an eye on and then there are the lakes.

Charvil has a wealth of lakes which attract a good variety of bird life. Tippings Lake runs alongside Ashenbury Park. Then there are the three lakes in our Country Park, Canberra, Orrell and Haupt.

On 27th January 1953 a Canberra B2 crashed on the Old Bath Road in Charvil. (I wish I knew exactly where). Sadly there were two fatalities, Orrell and Haupt – the pilots. The plane had been on a two hour training flight. The crash destroyed the road causing a crater 25 feet deep and 40 feet wide!

The aircraft was only eleven days old, although Canberras were first introduced in May 1949. An inquest was held on 4th Feb 1953 at the Almshouses in Twyford. A verdict of Accidental death was recorded as insignificant evidence was available to give a more accurate cause.

Canberra Lake in Charvil covers 16 acres and is well known for carp fishing whereas Orrell Lake is much smaller covering 2.87 acres and stocks carp, Tench, Bream, Perch, Pike, Roach, Rudd, Dace and Trout. Haupt is the smallest of the lakes.

Sarah Swatridge (Flood Warden)

AFC Charvil is Charvil's FA Chartered, affordable, community, not for profit, youth football club providing fun footballing opportunity for local boys and girls from the age of 5 through to the age of 18.



We had a fantastic end to our 2018/19 with Coach Paul Z running some very well attended football taster sessions for Foundation age group kids that will hopefully now become our u6 (year 1) development squad for the 2019/20 season getting them ready to enter the EBFA league in September 2020. If your young player is entering year 1 this September and would like to come along and join in the please make contact.



Our 2018/19 u6 development squad has had a great year with Coach James and Coach Marcus and will now enter two u7s 5-a-side teams in the league. We wish them all the very best for the matches and hope that the kids will really get to enjoy their football.

The season was rounded off with a celebratory awards evening held at the Charvil Pavilion at the East Park Farm fields. Over 300 people attended the event in the heart of Charvil and it was a real success. Everyone enjoyed a bbq, tuck shop, football inflatable games, a raffle and each team's awards ceremony. This event is critical to the fundraising for our club and we were thrilled that this year we raised more funds than ever before – funds that we can reinvest in our players and keep our subs low.



GET INVOLVED:

PLAYERS: The club continuously recruits players of all ages for squads that grow as players get older and match formats expand from 5v5 through 7v7, 9v9 up to full 11v11.

Players can come along for trial sessions free of charge throughout the season and training only subscriptions are available for those who would like to get involved but may not yet feel ready (or may not be available) for weekend games.

CLUB STAFF: Our club cannot operate without the fantastic contributions of our club staff. All our FA qualified coaches, managers, referees and committee members are volunteers who give their time to provide the footballing experiences for our players.

AFC Charvil invest in our club staff providing training, support and FA qualifications for all our coaches and referees without whom our games would not happen.

We are particularly interested in recruiting coaches for our youngest age group the u6 development squad. This will be an excellent opportunity to mould and shape a team as it progresses through the age groups.

If you have any interest in contributing to your local community football club, in any fashion, then please do not hesitate to get in contact.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:



AFC Charvil are committed to making football affordable for all our players, providing the lowest possible membership subscription fees and investing all our income back in to the running of our club. We are fortunate to have a number of sponsor organisations who help our teams in return for publicity, involvement with youth football and for contributing to our local community.

Going in to the 2019/20 season we are pleased to announce and welcome new sponsors for teams in the club: Horseman Coaches, Tria (IT recruitment), Christchurch Homes and MSP³ (IT Consultancy). We thank them for their support, interest in youth football and investment in our kids.

If you or your contacts would be interested in sponsoring AFC Charvil then please get in touch to learn about our sponsorship packages for the 2019/20 season.

AFC Charvil can be found on facebook, at our Pitchero website (www.afccharvil.com) or please contact chairman@afccharvil.com.

1st Charvil Scout Group

We are growing from strength to strength, due to demand we are in September about to open a second Cubs troop, This is after a successful launch of a new beaver troop last year, we also have a growing Scout troop. We have been lucky this year to have been able to carry out 2 camps this year for the whole troop, this included our annual summer camp away, this year it was held at the Scout Activity centre at Youlbury. Both Beavers (6-8yrs) and cubs (8-10.5) and Scouts (10.5-14yrs) were pushed to their limits with the activities. These ranged from rifle shooting and Tomahawk throwing to Rock climbing and abseiling. On top of all that we have in our normal sessions been to the Wokingham waterside centre for canoeing and sailing lessons. So all in all a very busy term this year.

We are looking forward to the winter months coming to be able to carry out night walks and outdoor cooking.

If you are interested in helping as a volunteer or if your child would like to join, drop us an email to 1st Charvil Scout Group charvilscout@gmail.com.

www.CharvilCommunityTennis.org.uk

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Caterpillar Club

We have had fun this term, ending this summer term with cake and a moment to say goodbye to those children heading off to pre-school and school. We meet on Wednesdays from 9.45-11.30am at Charvil Village Hall. Next term runs from 11th September -11th December (term time only). The group is for children 0-5 years of age with their parent/carer and costs £2 for a child and £1 for additional children.



We enjoy a snack time while listening to a story and end the session with singing. Parents and carers can chat over tea, coffee and biscuits. Please do come along; it is a great way to meet local families and a chance to sit down for a moment (hopefully) while your children play.



For more information visit our Facebook page www.facebook.com/groups/CharvilCaterpillarClub or call Alison on 07799491576. See you there...



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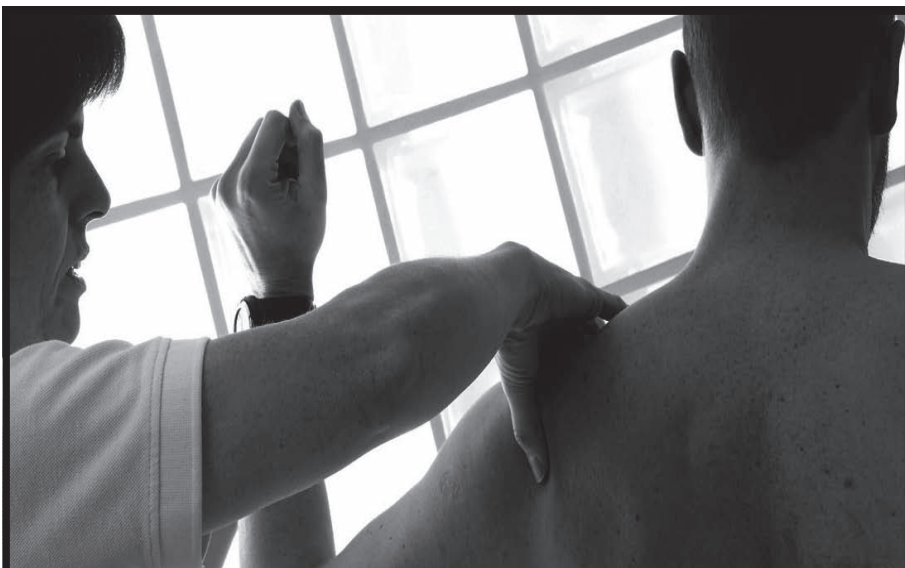
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During pregnancy and birth, a woman's body undergoes tremendous changes in shape, proportion and function which is not equalled at any other point in their lives. As a baby grows inside a woman's body, there are new pressures on her pelvis and hips, and her posture changes to accommodate the change in body shape. Hormones instruct the body to relax ligaments in preparation for childbirth. All of this activity, coupled with a growing baby adding more weight and pressure on the spine, is bound to cause muscle imbalances. Stretching of the abdominal wall affects the stability of the back and pelvis and the increased uterine weight affects the strength of the tissues that support the bladder and uterus. Different movement patterns adopted during pregnancy can become habitual and may lead to back pain, incontinence and prolapse, which are all common in the post partum years.

The human body compensates for this instability by recruiting other muscles to help, such as our large bottom muscles (our glutes), causing many mums to 'butt grip' subconsciously in an attempt to stabilise. The large back muscles can also end up working much too hard, as their counterpart on the front of the body, the stomach muscles, are too weakened to function properly and balance things out.

The lengthened abdominal muscles need time to recover. Initially this is not about regaining strength but more about restoring the function of the muscles and teaching the body to function in its pre pregnancy manner. Naturally, this takes time and practice and only then should women begin a gradual return to abdominal strengthening exercises. It is very tempting for new mothers to start exercising too early, whether through keep fit classes, running, let alone buggy fit! All of these activities may reinforce the imbalance and potentially make things worse.

At Physiocare, we encounter a range of conditions where those imbalances have not been fully corrected by nature. Even years after childbirth, we treat women with weakened core muscles and poor postural strategies that have become habitual and contribute to many back pain conditions. I would argue that all women should see a suitably experienced physiotherapist who can assess and advise her on an appropriate programme of exercises and guidance regarding return to sports rather than waiting for things to go wrong and then try to patch them up.

The Body Recovery Course for Mums is educational and informative, with lots of time for the mum to practice her exercises. For more information please call to speak to reception.

Charvil Women's Club

After our Summer break we commence our monthly meetings on Thursday, 5th September at the Village Hall at 8pm. The speaker will be Malcolm Nelson on 'Forty Years of Catching Smugglers'. We pay an annual subscription of £18 with £1.50 each time you come. If you would prefer to come as a visitor the charge would be £2.50. During the year we arrange outings to places of interest and a local theatre. We would welcome new members. For further information, please contact Shirley Newman on 9340589.

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Home from Home Book Group

Last Tuesday in each month 10.30am to 11.30am

Twyford Tuesday Reading Group

Second Tuesday in each month 2.30pm to 3.30pm

What's On for Children and Young People

Boredom Buster Activity Session - Join us for DK inspired activities with puppets, paper chains and star wars spot the difference. For children aged 4 to 10 years old. £1.50 charge Just drop in!

Tuesday October 29 10am to 10.45am

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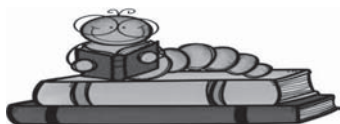
Tuesday October 29 11am to 11.45am

Rhymetime - Rhymes for under 5's and their parents, Just drop in! Free Event

Tuesday September 17 October 15, November 19 and December 17 11am to 11.30am

Storytime - For children aged 7 years old and under. Free, just drop in!

Tuesday September 17 October 15, November 19 and December 17 3.45pm to 4.15pm





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3rd, 10th, 17th, October
7th, 14th, 21st, 28th November
5th, 12th, 19th December

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Charvil Art Group

After a very enjoyable programme last year, we broke for our summer holidays on 26th June. The programme was very varied with new ideas and guidance given by our talented tutors, we all gained much over the year.



However, so as not to stop painting, we took advantage of the fine weather and met up for a series of out-door painting days; this proved to be very successful and much enjoyed.



We return to Charvil Village Hall on Wednesday 4th September to begin our new programme. We are always looking for new members and would give you a warm welcome. If you or your friends would like more information about our club, please contact either Hilary Kaye on 01189343595 or myself Ken Docking on 01189690274. We meet on Wednesday evenings from 7.30 to 9.30pm.

We're proud to announce our new website which is being set up at present. It is: charvilartgroup.godaddysites.com - thanks to Katy and Chris.

Information about our programme for the coming year can be found on this site as well as details of our Annual Exhibition to be held on Sunday 17th November at 10.30 at the hall. We plan too, to have a second exhibition at Dinton Pastures in the early part of 2020 following the success of the one held last year in February.

Best wishes from Ken Docking

Charvil Short Mat Bowling Club

Are you interested in a new hobby and making new friends? Charvil Short Mat Bowling Club is looking for new members to join its Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday evening sessions at Charvil Village Hall.

The new season starts on Tuesday afternoon the 3rd September 1:45 pm till 4pm and Wednesday evening the 4th. 6:45pm until 9pm. Beginners or experienced bowlers are welcome, turn up with flat soled shoes, we can provide the bowls if needed.

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Sonning Floral Arrangement Society

Everyone seems to have enjoyed our June meeting with Carol Bennett's Mid Summer Madness, also Sarah Harper, the florist 'A day in the life of a Flower Girl' - both demonstrations were delightful. This month we are to be entertained by the National Demonstrator, Pam Lewis 'Summer's Bounty'. In September (12th) we will be entertained by Siobhan Pilkington, October (10th) by Jennifer Thompson and November (14th) by Jane Hass - three excellent Area Demonstrators.

The outing to Farley Hill Gardens on Tuesday 16th July proved a worthwhile visit. A short demonstration by Margaret Finch, advice on growing and the garden by her husband Tony. A tour of the greenhouses and a delightful garden. Teas with lovely home-made cakes. We will try to make a garden visit a yearly event. There are some local gardens to visit in the area.

The Society is still doing well and we welcome guests for a very reasonable fee of £5, which includes a welcome cup of tea following the demonstration.

Once again, a thank you to our ladies who run our sales and plant table. If you have anything to donate they are always very grateful.

Reading & District Cigarette Card & Postcard Club.

The outstanding highlight for the club so far this year has been our Annual Fair at Rivermead Leisure Centre, Reading held on Sunday June 23rd with a welcome reversal of declining attendances reported at most similar events and Fairs over recent years. This year we recorded an INCREASE of 5% on last year's figures with 380 members of the public plus another 130 dealers and their helpers in the hall. Everyone seemed well pleased with a very enjoyable day and 120 people took part in judging the Club's Annual Display Competition, the winners



were :

Postcards :	1st Ann Sheppard, "Fantasy Propaganda cards of WW1".
	2nd Coral Print, "Female Aviators".
	3rd Geoff Ashton, "Seeing the bigger picture".
Cigarette/	1st Coral Print, "Victoria Cross Winners (Royal Navy)".
Trade Cards:	2nd John Cahill, "Space".
	3rd Peter Meyer, "Swiss Railways".
Cigarette cards/	1st Coral Print, "Huntley & Palmers" Trade/Postcards.
Postcards:	2nd Derek Lewens, "D-Day, 6 th June 1944".
	3rd Ann Cahill, "WW1".

The Club Fair resulted in 2 Fair visitors attending our July meeting with a view to joining the club.

We welcome any local Charvil/Twyford residents to come along for a free evening of enjoyment, the meetings are varied and are not entirely devoted to card collecting. Please visit our club website : readingpostcards.com for dates/times/ programme events, or call 0118-9695155.

Roy Sheppard (Club Publicity)

Twyford & Ruscombe Horticultural Association

The Twyford & Ruscombe Horticultural Association Autumn Show is to be held on Saturday, 7th September at Loddon Hall, Twyford RG10 9JA.

The autumn is always the time for wonderful displays of flowers and produce. This year TRHA gave local children sunflower seeds so there is a competition for the biggest flower head. Admission is only £1.00 and there will be tea and homemade cakes to enjoy. Doors open to the public at 2.30pm. In addition, this year the annual photographic competition organised by Twyford Together will be judged at the Show. The winning photographs will be printed in the 2020 village calendar. This competition is Open to All so why not have a go? Entry forms can be found on our website www.trha.org.uk or the Twyford Together website.

It is still not too late to join the Horticultural Association, TRHAMembership@gmail.com , for all your horticultural needs.

A brief update to all residents from AFC Reading:

We've now reached the end of this season of football. Our thanks to everyone!! Your support throughout the year is most welcome. *We look forward to seeing you next season.*



We've already started pitch maintenance and as part of this we're delighted that **Dobbies Hare Hatch garden centre** willingly provided the required material to reseed and resurface the pitch. Our thanks to all at Dobbies. We are now resting the field ready for next season.



Our club continues to go from strength to strength. If you'd like to get involved or know of someone who'd like to join a thriving club, we would be delighted for you to join us. Contact Ethan@AFCReading.com for more information.



Our collection of cups, trophies and medals from this season



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