

Bonfire Night

This year's extravaganza falls perfectly on Saturday November 5th – so come along and enjoy the evening at Childrey playing field. Fire lighting at 6:30 pm with the display at 7 pm. Bar and burgers as usual. The gate to the playing field will be open between 12:00 and 4 pm on the three preceding Sundays of October 16th, 23rd and 30th. Again please only drop wood and garden waste. Thank you, the Playing Field Trust.



Childrey & Sparsholt Newsletter

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Please submit articles by the 18th of the month

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Councils Binning Black & Coloured Sacks in Recycling Bins.

From November, South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils will only empty green wheelie bins if the recycling in them is loose or in clear sacks. Despite a recent campaign to raise awareness of the issue, some people are still putting in things like food waste and dirty nappies, contaminating whole truckloads of recycling - when these things are put into recycling bins in black or coloured sacks they're not spotted until it's too late. If there's a sack in a recycling bin and the waste crews can't see what's in it, they'll have to assume it contains contamination and won't empty it. Councillor Tony Harbour, cabinet member for waste at South Oxfordshire District Council, said: "Contaminated recycling has become a real issue that we have to tackle. Insisting on loose recycling or clear sacks is a simple change that will make a big difference – and most people won't be affected. If you do want to use bin-bags in your green bin, you can use clear ones, which are available from most large supermarkets and hardware stores. In most cases, clear sacks work out cheaper than black ones." Councillor Charlotte Dickson, cabinet member for waste at Vale of White Horse District Council, said: "Throughout October we'll leave a note on any bins with the wrong colour sack in it to explain the problem – we'll empty the bin on that occasion, but from November we'll then have to start leaving them unemptied to help us protect everybody else's recycling from getting contaminated." Take a look at the video that shows how bad the problem is when people use black or coloured sacks - <https://youtu.be/ycwHKZ3-3vY> (Debbie Lewis-Pryde. Clerk)

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Diary Dates

	Event / Venue	Notes	Contact
2 nd October 7:30pm	Autumn Quiz Griffin Hall Sparsholt,	Tickets are £5 a head to include supper. Teams not to exceed 6 people, and all funds raised will go towards the Griffin Hall roof repairs.	Angie on 751210 or Barbara on 751617 or 07901 339586.
4 th October 2:30pm	Childrey & District Tuesday Club Childrey Village Hall	Rebecca Dade will give a talk on the 'Marie Curie Charity'	Pat Eglinton 751 663
7 th October 7:30pm	The Tempest West Challow	See newsletter	
8 th October 7:30 pm	Film Night & Bar Childrey village hall	See newsletter	
17 th October 7:30pm	Childrey Parish Council Childrey village hall	All Welcome	clerk.childreypc@aol.co.uk
18 th October 7:30pm	Sparsholt Parish Council Meeting Griffin Hall	All Welcome	clerk.sparsholtpc@aol.co.uk
18 th October 7:30pm	Childrey & Sparsholt WI Childrey Village Hall	"A Potted History" Charlton nursery will talk about the garden centre, discuss various plants & answer your questions.	Pauline Higgs 751 544

Flu Clinics

Drop-in flu clinics for at risk patients of Church Street Practice, Wantage are scheduled for Saturday 1st and Saturday 15th October from 9.00 to 12.30. If you can't make one of these days, then call the Practice on 01235 770245 to book an appointment. Kate Blowfield, Practice Manager

News from St. Mary's..... After last month's very positive Open Meeting, we now have a clear plan for the future. We shall be applying to the Heritage Lottery Fund for a grant to enable us to repair the roof beams and replace the lead with a suitable alternative material. The application process will take some months and we cannot start any repairs during that time as that would invalidate our application, so what we shall do in the meantime is:


- monitor and maintain the temporary plastic roof over the winter
- improve security around the church
- continue our normal fund-raising activities and events

Over the winter, it will be '**business as usual**' with the normal monthly pattern of church services and in December, our special Christmas and Advent services – the Christingle, Carol Services, Christmas Eve Midnight Communion and the Christmas morning Crib Service.

To help improve communications, we're inviting everyone who wishes to sign up for our new, periodical email updates. Simply send your email address to Julian Worth - jkworth@hotmail.com – and Julian will add to your name to the new distribution list.

King Alfred's 'A' level & GCSE Music Results Many of you who made up the audience this year have been asking how successful the students were in their final examinations. We are delighted to report they all passed with excellent grades for their recorded pieces. The 'A' level results were especially good with one candidate

achieving full marks – an outstanding achievement! We send them many congratulations and wish them continued success with their studies and future careers. You will be pleased to know that King Alfred's will be performing again next year - more details in future newsletters.



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Wantage - The October Fair will be visiting on 15 October. The whole of the Market Place will be closed from 4 am on these days.

Gold Star Every year the editors of the Good Pub Guide rate 'Dining Pubs' across Great Britain and this year, The Star Inn, Sparsholt has won their 'Oxfordshire Dining Pub of the year 2017' award.

Community Policing

PCSO Howard Pack C9600

Thames Valley Police

I recently attended an incident of 'Fly Tipping' where a large amount of old turf and soil had been dumped at 3 different locations, each time this was in a field near to a road; the turf looked old and might have been removed from a garden/land where some building work was happening for an extension or conservatory or something similar.

At one of the locations there was evidence of 4x4 vehicles driving over fields on several nights and these could have been Hare Coursing.

Location 1: B4001 Childrey to Lambourn road at junction with turning to Letcombe Bassett, there is a small rough parking area that opens directly onto a very large field which is bounded on the other side by the B4507 road.

This is also the location where 4x4 vehicles have been seen that 'do not' have permission to be there.

Location 2: B4001 from Location 1, go up the hill towards Lambourn, on the left just before the field where the model aeroplanes are flown, there is a small track that leads into a field.

Location 3: B4507 from Childrey crossroads towards Wantage, approx. 300 metres after turning to West Challow, on the left, there is an entrance to a field.

Judging by the amount dumped a Flatbed lorry was possibly used.

Please can I ask residents to be vigilant and report to the Police anything

suspicious, please use the following as a guide;

EXACT DESCRIPTION of WHAT YOU HAVE SEEN

Time and date

The place

DESCRIPTION OF PEOPLE INVOLVED

Male/Female

Age and Height (approx.)

Hair (colour, length etc.)

Clothing

Facial hair/other features

DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLES INVOLVED

Make and model

Colour

Type (4x4, van etc.)

Registration no. (or part of)

Features (damage, signwriting)

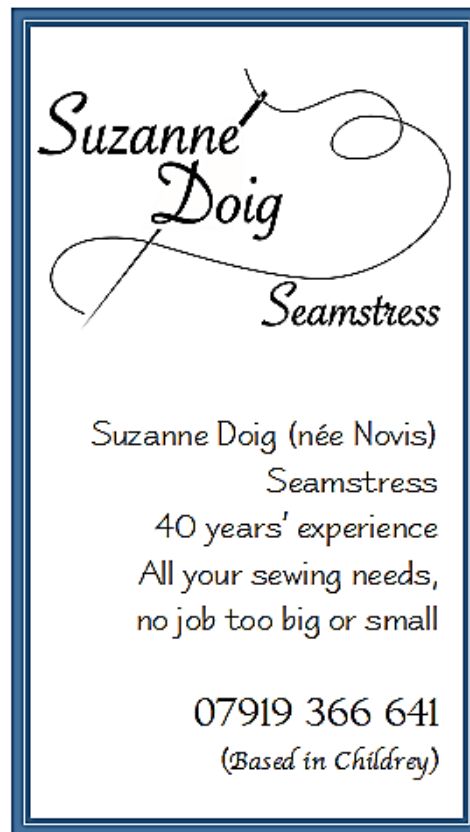
Direction of travel.

If any resident would like a '**No Trick or Treat**' poster to put in their window for Halloween 31st October, please let me know via 101 or email via WantageandGroveNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk.

If you'd like to receive FREE crime alerts and info about where you live by Email, Phone or Text then please contact me on 101 or when you see me on patrol and I will be happy to 'sign you up' alternatively register at www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk and use www.thamesvalley.police.uk to visit our Website. The 24-hour non-emergency number for Thames Valley Police is '**101**' or 999 in emergencies.

Or use email to contact me/Policing team WantageandGroveNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk.

Regards, Howard



The Parish Councils

Next Meeting Dates:

Childrey Parish Council meeting
Monday 17th October 2016 starting
at 7.30pm in Childrey Village Hall.
clerk.childreypc@aol.co.uk

Sparsholt Parish Council meeting
Tuesday 18th October 2016 starting
at 7.30pm in Griffin Memorial Hall,
Sparsholt.

clerk.sparsholtpc@aol.co.uk

Clerk to both parishes: Debbie
Lewis-Pryde 01235 751923.

If you notice any potholes or other Highways issues, please report to the "fixmystreet" website. Highways respond quicker to the problems that have the most logs on their site. Both Parish Councils reserve the right to change the meeting dates, times and venues – please always check the notice board for correct information – Agendas are published three clear working days before each Parish Council meeting. Also Planning meetings will be inserted periodically to allow the Parish Council to discuss and respond before the VOWHDC deadlines and the Agenda will be published on the notice board three clear working days prior to the meeting. Planning applications can be viewed on the VOWHDC planning register.

To All the cooks making Pickles and Chutneys at

the moment,
please consider
putting aside a
couple of jars
for the Produce
Stall at the Fête.
Many thanks,
The Fête
Committee.



St Mary's Fête (10th June 2017)

LITTER & DETRITUS

The verges around Sparsholt & Westcot have been cut (apparently now done just once a year), exposing assorted litter and detritus.

Whilst the rubbish is still visible, could you help with a litter pick the weekend of the 1st & 2nd October?

Just a half hour or so would be great.

Please get in touch on 751155 or nick@ingenium-it.com

Thank you! Nick, Westcot

THE TEMPEST

Untold Theatre + Yellowbelly Theatre, as part of their Autumn Tour 2016, will present The Tempest in West Challow Village Hall on **Friday, 7th October**, starting at 7.30. Suitable for ages 12+.

This production of The Tempest is set during the year 2020 against a backdrop of mass migration and political corruption, fragments of verbatim journalism and striking digital projections punctuate Shakespeare's scenes.

For tickets or further details, please contact Margaret Swadling, mswadling@hotmail.com, 01235 762862



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Film Night & Bar in Childrey

The critically acclaimed film directed
by Steven Spielberg

WAR HORSE

Set against a sweeping canvas of rural England and Europe during the First World War, the film follows the extraordinary journey of Joey the



horse as he moves through the war. **Bar, Hot food & popcorn will be**

available.
Childrey
village hall.

Saturday 8th October. Bar opens at 7pm Film starts at 8pm. Tickets £5 available from 22nd Sept at Childrey shop.

.....Hatchet.....

We are very unhappy about the loss of our village pub. Do you share our concerns? Would you support a campaign to re-instate service?

We hope that you can join us in the village hall to discuss ideas and agree an action plan.

All are welcome – you don't need to have used the pub in the past, in order to be interested in its future!

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A CAMRA area representative will be attending, and we would be especially grateful for input from anyone with legal knowledge or related business experience.

Date: Thursday 13 October

Time: 7pm

Please email-
donthatchetthehatchet@gmail.com

to indicate your likely attendance so that seats and refreshments can be organised.
C. Wensley.