

# Cholsey Village Voice September 2019

The monthly newsletter from the Parish Council. Available free in most shops and pubs, The Pavilion foyer, and the library. CVV can also be read on the Parish Council website in the News and Events section. If you have any short, topical articles that we could publish, please forward them to [clerk.cpc@outlook.com](mailto:clerk.cpc@outlook.com)

## Developer 'Flying a Kite' for 600 houses

Cholsey Parish Council is horrified to learn that a developer, Leavesley, is asking SODC for permission to look into the possibility of building up to 400 houses plus an 80- bed Care Home. The development would be built on the large field between Fair Mile and the village.

The Council opposes this proposal as it is completely contrary to our Neighbourhood Plan. All of the new housing provision within the Neighbourhood Plan has either been built or is at the planning stage.

Council is asking for the developers to undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment, with particular reference to the cumulative effects of all the large amount of development already committed around Wallingford and Cholsey are considered together.

We have also flagged up two Special Areas of Conservation which are within the local area likely to be affected and that SODC could not rule out significant harmful effects for the 200 homes proposed in the Neighbourhood Plan. Other potential impacts are also identified in the Cholsey Neighbourhood Plan Site Assessment, including landscape, roads, health and education services. Although not part of the neighbourhood plan it is also likely that the proposed development will have significant impacts on the historic environment of Wallingford due to congestion at peak hours on the Wallingford bypass, Reading Road and in the town centre. It will be likely to exacerbate issues in the Wallingford Air Quality Management Area.

## Cholsey HortSoc

A MASSIVE THANK YOU to all who supported us with the Cholsey Village Show, both before, on the day, and afterwards. We had a great show despite the weather! For updates visit us online [www.cholseyhortsoc.org.uk](http://www.cholseyhortsoc.org.uk) and on facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Cholsey-HortSoc-1603039706444987/> or call in at the Saturday morning Store on the Station Road allotments. Next event: Day trip to Wisley Sun Oct. 20th. Only £12 members, £15 non-members, contact Jennie Kent 01491 652100.

## John Kirkpatrick at Cholsey Pavilion,

On Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October, *Cholsey Concerts* opens a new series with squeezebox magician John Kirkpatrick in concert, with support by *Three Pressed Men*. Playing concertina, melodeon and button accordion with a style and verve that has made him legendary in the world of folk music, a 'John K' concert is not to be missed. A real ale bar will complement a fabulous evening's music. Doors at the Cholsey Pavilion (OX10 9PT) open at 7.00 for 7.45 start. Call 01491-651350 or email [maggsdh2012@btinternet.com](mailto:maggsdh2012@btinternet.com) for advance tickets at £10 (£12 at the door if available).

## Pavilion Car Park

After several unsuccessful attempts to sort out the drainage on the car park at The Pavilion, Council has decided to go back to first principles and have part of it re-laid with inbuilt drainage. A local contractor has been appointed and we hope to have the new surface available for use before the winter.

## Contact Citizens Advice for rapid help with online scams

Citizens Advice has set up a new Scams Action service to help people who have been scammed or defrauded online, or think they might have been.

Call a Scams Action specialist adviser on 0300 330 3003 if you want to report an online scam. You can also call us if you're acting on behalf of someone else who has been scammed. We'll let you know what to do next and give you support with any problems you might be facing. The Scams Action helpline is open Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed on bank holidays). We don't charge for calls to the helpline but check with your telephone provider for their conditions.

You can also use our "chat" service to talk to an adviser on the web. Chat is available from [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk) Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more guidance telephone Citizens Advice Consumer Service on 03454 040506 or visit Citizens Advice during opening hours. Details of office locations are on [www.citizensadvice.org.uk/local/oxfordshire-south-vale](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/local/oxfordshire-south-vale)

### **Oxfordshire residents that have been affected by suicide are urged to give their feedback to help shape a suicide prevention strategy**

Between 2016 and 2018 there were a total of 155 deaths by suicide in Oxfordshire. Of these, 126 of these were men which means that deaths in men outnumbered those in women by 4:1. The Oxfordshire suicide prevention group is about to revise its action plan and develop a strategy and wants to hear from people in Oxfordshire who have been affected by suicide or who may have had suicidal thoughts themselves.

There is a determination to reduce the numbers of death by suicide therefore we are asking residents to complete the survey [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/suicidepreventionsurvey](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/suicidepreventionsurvey) to help achieve this understanding.

### **COPA–Cholsey Older Persons Activities/Advice/ Befriending Service**

COPA–Cholsey Older Persons Activities/Advice/ Befriending Service Enquiries 01491 652100, 07979 188701 (Jennie Kent), COPA direct line 07526 291088. [Jennifer\\_kent@btinternet.com](mailto:Jennifer_kent@btinternet.com) COPA is a community service for older people, their families and carers, working closely alongside Cholsey's Older Person's Worker Vicky Beardall-Richards. We organise regular social activities, and have a team of volunteer befrienders to support those who are lonely, and would benefit from a "listening ear". Your community can help! Monthly Brunch Club, Film Club and Lunch Club--see our Newsletter (available at the Pavilion, Rowlands and Day Centre)

### **September's What's Ons**

**Saturdays - The Pavilion** Community Tea Shop – 10:00 – 12:00pm (**Closed August 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>**)  
**Wednesdays 10am – 1pm – The Pavilion** Community Support Drop-In for adults with mental health conditions, includes lunch, activities and space to talk. Costs £4

**Tues 17<sup>th</sup> 12.45 Day Centre** COPA Film Club £3.50 including tea/cake and film. No need to book

**Weds 18<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm The Pavilion** Parish Council meeting

**Sat 21<sup>st</sup> 11am the Pavilion** Repair Café

**Tues 24<sup>th</sup> 12pm The Red Lion** COPA Lunch Club £10 for 2 courses Bookings via Jennie Kent 652100

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup> 12 noon The Lawrence Hall** CHOKO Beer Festival

**Sat 28 -Sun 29<sup>th</sup> CWR** 1940s Weekend Trains

Cholsey Parish Council would like to appoint two **Children's Centre Support Workers**

**One 14 hour post and one 6 hour post, both to include one Saturday per month.**

Successful applicants will work in the Happy Hub within our existing team.

Roles will include organising play sessions such as craft, practical play and singing. We also provide parents with practical/emotional support with their children.

Full training will be provided but previous experience would be a bonus.

To apply ring the Clerk on 652255 or email [clerk.cpc@outlook.com](mailto:clerk.cpc@outlook.com)

Cholsey Parish Council would like to appoint a **Environmental Coordinator**

For 4 hours per week

The role will include working with village groups and the Parish Council to devise a response to the ongoing climate emergency.

To apply ring the Clerk on 652255 or email [clerk.cpc@outlook.com](mailto:clerk.cpc@outlook.com)

Closing Date 27<sup>th</sup> September

### **Opening Times**

**Parish Office** – Wednesday 10am-12pm, at other times call us for appointment. Phone 652255

**Library** Monday to Friday 2- 4.30pm, Friday 6 – 8pm and Saturday 9.30am – 12.30pm

**Day Centre** Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10am – 4pm. Phone 652970

**Happy Hub** Mon – Wed and Friday 9.15-11.30am, Thurs 9.45-11.15 at the Great Hall, Sat 10-11.30am. Activities and fun for under 5s.

Baby Group Wed 12.30-2.20pm at the Happy Hub.