

Sulgrave News

July 2012

Regular Events

- BB&C Service 2nd Sunday of the month at Culworth church - 11.00am
Book Club 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Star Inn - 8.00pm
Circle Dancing 3rd Thursday of the month at Culworth - 7.30pm

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Deadline for the July newsletter is 20th July

If you have information, articles or stories for the newsletter telephone Janet on 01295 760397 or e-mail janet_m_smith@btinternet.com.
As always, articles can be left at Sulgrave Village Shop

Church News

Sunday July 1st 10.00 am *Benefice Service - Morton Pinkney*
Sunday July 8th 8.15am *Holy Communion - Sulgrave*
Sunday July 15th 6.00pm *Evensong - Sulgrave*
Sunday July 22nd 10.00am *Mattins - Sulgrave*
Sunday July 29th 10.00 am *Benefice Service - Sulgrave*

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*Please could you all be alert to metal thieves. We are aware that they are in the area and we've seen the devastation that can be done to church roofs - look no further than Culworth and Warkworth. The last thing we want is to suffer lead loss from our church. Keep eyes and ears open. If you're really, really suspicious then ring the police.*

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Our Harvest Supper will take place in the church hall on Saturday, September 29th with our Harvest Festival to be held at 6pm the following day. Our new vicar, Brian Fairbank will be instituted at Moreton Pinkney on Monday, September 17th.

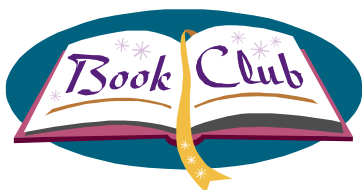
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*Following the Diamond Jubilee celebrations in the Pocket Park, has anyone come across a round, lime green plastic tray? If you know of its whereabouts, please let me know.*

*Shrimp*

## Flower and Cleaning Rota for July

July 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Mrs Kath Miles and Mrs Kate Miles  
July 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Mrs J Taylor and Mrs D Henn



**SULGRAVE BOOK CLUB**  
8.00pm The Star Inn

July 18<sup>th</sup> The Lion & The Unicorn by Tracy Chevalier  
August No Meeting  
September 19<sup>th</sup> The Lady of the Rivers by Philipa Gregory



Janet & Maureen would like to invite you to our

## *Soup Kitchen*

at Sulgrave Church Hall on  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 12.30pm



Pea & Mint Soup (v)

or

Summer Vegetable Soup (v)

Both served with croutons, bread rolls and butter

Strawberries & Cream

Cheese & biscuits, celery & grapes

Cafetieres of freshly brewed coffee

£7.50

Booking is essential

To reserve your place please call

Janet Smith  
01295 760397

Maureen Jeffery  
01295 768268



## Village Shop News Update Telephone – 01295 760066

So the rain continues unabated! The summer sun has to be with us soon!! Things continue to positively develop for us however at our Shop though which is welcome news for us all in the village.

### Shop performance to year date

The news from the major retailers continues to be downbeat so it's great news to report that the Shop takings are still cumulatively 2.1% ahead of the same 22 weeks in 2011. Our takings have been ahead in 2012 of the same respective weeks in 15 out of the 22 weeks to the end of May 2012 which is fantastic news so once again, thank you to everyone for your continued support!

### AGM invitation

Your management Committee would also like to extend an invitation to everyone to join us at our AGM meeting which will be held in the Buttery, Sulgrave Manor on July 4<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm when we will also be joined by James Alcock, Community Retail Manager for the Plunkett Foundation who have been such an inspiration since we established our Shop in helping us develop our strategies & ideas. Please do join us for the meeting & a glass of wine after the formalities of the meeting are over; we've all earned it.

### Community Shop Fortnight Promotion

You should by now have received a leaflet through your door giving details of the 'Community Shops Fortnight'. Between 23<sup>rd</sup> June & 7<sup>th</sup> July you will be able to take advantage of daily discounts on many of the popular items that we have in store (even if these run out, we will still honour the discount ... David will simply raise a special order and let you know when your goods have been delivered). Likewise we are running a marketing slogan competition for both the adults and our younger customers to create a slogan 'I ❤️ Sulgrave Village Shop because ...'. The winners will receive a prize (£20 hamper for the adults & £10 for the juniors to spend on goodies from the Shop) and the winning slogans will be used as part of our increasingly pro-active marketing drive. Angela Leadsom MP has kindly agreed to present the prizes and join in the celebrations for our community shop. So if you'd like to meet her then please join us at 3.30 pm at the shop on 6th July. (NB : The winners of the competition will be informed in advance).

Thanks must also go to members of the management committee (and more importantly their children!) who have so kindly given their time to deliver the leaflets not just within Sulgrave but to Culworth, Moreton Pinkney, Helmdon, Wappenham & Thorpe Mandeville. Regardless of the celebrations this will be a big help in spreading the word about our wonderful shop to lots of potential new customers.

### Linking up Sulgrave businesses

Finally, we have several people within Sulgrave who run businesses from their home. Probably like many of you, I don't have a full grasp on what everybody does & the services



that are on offer so, in an attempt to create an awareness & bring these businesses into our community, if you would like to send me an e-mail with details of what you do, your business name, contact details & a company logo, then I will create a directory of businesses which we will then promote in the soon to be refurbished notice boards outside the Shop & electronically out to our database of villagers e-mail addresses. If you'd like your business to be included, it'll cost you nothing, then do please send me an e-mail ([rmacdonald@grafftonhouse.wanadoo.co.uk](mailto:rmacdonald@grafftonhouse.wanadoo.co.uk)) & we'll do the rest ... who knows, it may just introduce you to new business opportunities!

'Mac' Macdonald  
01295 760470



**ngs** gardens open  
for charity

### **Sulgrave gardens open day. Summer 2013**

In 2011 we raised £1396.00 for the charities supported by the NGS and yes it's that time of year again when I wonder who would like to be included in opening their garden for the National Garden Scheme in 2013? We might be opening May, June or July and will endeavour to avoid half term. The decision will be made when we know who is opening and what suits them best.

Last time we had 8 gardens and it would be good if we could have about the same number in 2013. To have a new garden added to the list is always of great interest to the visitors.

If you think that you would like to join the group of villagers who do open, please contact me. It needs to be of interest and to have been loved but not necessarily weed free, Because we open as a group, visitors rarely spend very long in each garden, it is the variety we offer which is appreciated by visitors - and I gather that the tea is always a great favourite

If you would like to be involved but can't face the garden we always need helpers to park cars, help with teas and possibly help with gate takings.

Do contact me if you would like more information as I will be organising next year's opening soon.

Ingram Lloyd. Home tel: 01295 760 520. Email: [ingram@ingramlloyd.org.uk](mailto:ingram@ingramlloyd.org.uk)



Janet & Kenneth Tattersall on the occasion of their 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary and their congratulatory card from the Queen.



Sulgrave Parish Council would like to congratulate the Diamond Jubilee Committee for their outstanding efforts in organising the village "do" on Bank Holiday Monday and their foresight in choosing the Monday and not the preceding rain laden Sunday to stage the event. After months and months of planning, ordering, organising, re-organising and, more importantly, not losing the plot, Sulgrave villagers and their guests had a fantastic day to remember (see village website for photographs).

Thanks go to Alec Cave (as our oldest resident) for planting the ceremonial oak sapling from one of the Royal Estates.

Many thanks to Susie Blayney, Shrimp Christy, Sally Harding, Chris Ives, Maureen Jeffery, Nina Jones, Jo Powell, Emily Russell, Tom Russell, Lis Stuart and to all their helpers for a memorable day.





**Raise the Roof**  
**Culworth Music Festival**  
**13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> July**

To raise funds for the Church roof, Culworth Village is holding two **concerts in the church** over consecutive nights, with two very different programmes.

On **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July, 7.30pm**, we host **Paul Canning**, a singer and guitarist, playing songs from the 60's to today. Paul has played in the village before, in The Red Lion during the first year of its reopening, to much acclaim. There will be an interval of approximately 20 minutes to stretch your legs and enjoy some refreshments.

**Tickets - £12.00 each**



On **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 6.30pm**, the **Trio de Bauge** will perform a classical concert including music by Beethoven (the Serenade Op 8, a wonderful example of the exuberance of Beethoven's early writing), Schubert Trio (D471, a work of engaging freshness and charm), Dohnanyi (rich romantic Hungarian music), followed by some popular miniatures such as Elgar (Salut d'Amour), Mascagni (Intermezzo from Cavalleria Rusticana) and Entr'Acte from Carmen by Bizet.

There will be a long intermission of approximately 75 minutes for you to enjoy your own picnic in the marquee or outside, weather permitting (bring your own chairs, picnic tables, rugs, food & drink). **Tickets - £14.50 each**

**As a special offer you can purchase a ticket for each concert for £22.00**

**Please send cheques payable to Culworth Church to Mrs J Tinn, The Stable Cottage, Sulgrave Road, Culworth, OX17 2AP**

**All proceeds will go towards the restoration of the church roof.**

For more details contact Sue Razavi on 01295 768804, email [music@culworth.net](mailto:music@culworth.net). For a full agenda see <http://culworth.net/music>.



**Ladies / Lad's Night.**

Come and have a chat and a drink

Ladies night second Friday of the month.

Lad's night third Friday of the month  
(see calendar on reverse).

8pm at The Star, Sulgrave.

All welcome.

Any queries call Lis Stuart 768840





# SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

You are invited to  
THE PARISH COUNCIL  
MEETING

To be held on

THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JULY 2012  
@ 7.45PM

In Sulgrave Church Hall

We look forward to seeing you there



## SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Mr G Roberts  
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### Draft Notes from Parish Council Meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> June 2012

The Parish Council is made up of the following members and they can be contacted as follows:

Chairman - Cllr Andrew Waite (07787 502260)

Vice-Chairman - Cllr Graham Roberts (07778 584108)

Parish Clerk - Mrs Christine Coles (01295 276229)

Cllr Clare Pollak (01295 768224)

Cllr Jo Powell (01295 768243)

Cllr Sally Harding (07711 5564123)

### To approve and sign the minutes of last meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2012

These minutes were all approved and accepted by the council. Proposed by Cllr Roberts and seconded by Cllr Harding.

### Matters Arising

A vote of thanks was passed to the Jubilee Committee on a very enjoyable event.

### To consider the Code of Conduct adopted by South Northants Council and the following resolutions:

- 4a. The Code of Conduct annexed and expected to be adopted by South Northamptonshire Council be adopted as the code for members and co-opted members of the Sulgrave Parish Council with effect from 1 July 2012, or such other date as may be specified in regulations, to replace the current Code of Conduct; and
- 4b. The Clerk be requested to notify the Monitoring Officer of South Northamptonshire Council of the passing of the above resolution

This was accepted by the council, proposed by Cllr Waite and seconded by Cllr Roberts.

### *Siting of new cableway in Pocket Park*

The proposed new cableway will run adjacent to the football pitch and next to the

hedge line of plum suckers and overgrowth. It would be placed on the north side of Pocket Park. John Hicks, who normally carries out the safety inspection, has commented that the cableway runs near to trees which would have to be cut back. There is concern there may be collisions and a suggestion was made to plant silver birch trees to prevent this. However

these types of tree grow fast. Another suggestion made was to plant a low hedge or bushes which would be easier to manage. It was agreed the proposal should go ahead and then assess afterwards if any additional planting is needed. Cllr Waite proposed that the council accept the proposal of the new cableway and this was seconded by Cllr Harding. The cableway will be installed by Tony Patten. The Parish Council to order the zip wire.

*Action: Tony Patten to show his insurance details and a method statement before work commences.*

### **To receive an update on HS2**

Cllr Waite noted he has attended a number of meetings and there is lots of detail, such as the proposed route on the HS2 website. Minutes of community forum meetings are on the website. The next forum meeting is on 19<sup>th</sup> June at Aston Le Walls and he asked councillors to look at their diaries as he is unable to attend that meeting. He feels it is important that Sulgrave is represented at these meetings. There is a small group working together, Culworth, Thorpe Mandeville and Greatworth who are influencing the route at Lower Thorpe. There is a proposed variation in terms of level to lessen the impact.

### **Councillors Reports**

#### **Diamond Jubilee Weekend**

Cllr Powell reported that there are mugs to be delivered from the Diamond Jubilee weekend. Cllr Roberts reported that he has sent a letter to the Nationwide Building Society about the transfer of the Silver Jubilee fund to the Diamond Jubilee fund. Thanks was given to Rodney Henn for his support.

#### **Beech trees by Stocks**

Cllr Pollak has received the written report from the company who tested the beech trees by the Stocks. One tree did not need testing which saved the council £200. There were minor changes to the second tree and this will need a retest in two years.

#### **Planning Application - Belmont, Little Street**

Cllr Waite noted the meeting was held at SNC today to discuss the planning application at Belmont House, Little Street. SNC decided they would defer this until their next meeting He thanked the following people for being able to attend the meeting, Cllr Pollak, Mr and Mrs Blayney and Mr Christy. The Parish Council consider the application to be too dense and overbearing on surrounding properties. From the meeting, it was agreed that local councillors would be visiting the site as they are not aware of the local area and the impact it would have on the village. The Parish Council see this as an opportunity to respond and provide an alternative proposal. Cllr Waite is willing to put something together which would be less offensive and look out towards the Manor. Cllr Waite asked for permission from the Council to draw up and submit an alternative scheme for Belmont and all councillors agreed to this. Cllr Waite to speak to Cllr Davies about how to present the alternative proposal.

#### **Siting of bench by the Shop**

Cllr Waite advised that he has submitted the planning application to SNC for the placing of a bench in memory of John Down, the postman.

### High Speed Broadband

Cllr Waite spoke about high speed broadband and had circulated an email about it. Only one response has been received to date. Anybody with concerns should approach the Parish Council who may be able to help.

### Parking Scheme at Spinners Cottages

Cllr Waite reported that approval has been given for the new parking scheme at Spinners Cottages with conditions. The Highways Authority have also given their approval with more conditions attached. One of the conditions is for the applicant to pay for any works to apparatus. Cllr Waite has written to South Northants Homes asking for further details. Full engineering drawings are to be submitted.

### Finance Report

#### a) Cheques for approval

£248.50 to R M Fletcher (internal audit)

£528.00 to R D Landscapes Ltd (grass cutting)

#### b) To approve and sign Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Return 2011/12

The Annual Return was presented to the Council, approved and signed by the Chair and Responsible Financial Officer.

### Planning Applications

One new application had been received since the last meeting.

S/2012/0582/FUL, Conservatory to side of 5 Towrise. The Council has commented on the application and it will be determined by SNC.

### Correspondence

- Audit Commission, Consultation of external auditor for 2012/13 and future years. The proposal is to re-appoint BDO LLP to audit the annual return of Sulgrave Parish Council for five years from 2012/13. Scales of fees have been adjusted for smaller bodies based on bands of income and expenditure whichever is the higher. The fees will be proportionate to the public funds involved and the ability of the body to pay.

### Open Forum

- Cllr Waite reported that street lighting is still outstanding and this will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting. It will be an ongoing project which could last 5-10 years.

*Action: The Parish Clerk to circulate the latest email to all councillors.*

- Mrs Blayney thanked the Parish Council and village for their support during the Diamond Jubilee weekend.

- Cllr Roberts noted that he will continue to support the church hall and report back at the next meeting, as promised. Cllr Powell agreed to help. The hall is not used very much and could be upgraded.

*Action: Cllr Roberts to first talk to Robin Prior.*

### Date and time of next meeting

Parish Council meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012 at 7.45pm at the Church Hall

# July 2012

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| FRIDAY                             | SATURDAY | SUNDAY                                     |
|------------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------------|
|                                    |          | Morton Pinkney Benefice Service1 10.00am   |
| 6                                  | 7        | Sulgrave Holy Communion 8 8.15am           |
| The Star Ladies Night at 13 8.00pm | 14       | Sulgrave Evensong 15 6.00pm                |
| The Star Lads Night at 20 8.00pm   | 21       | Sulgrave Mattins at 22 10.00am             |
|                                    | 27       | 28 at Sulgrave Benefice Service 29 10.00am |

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at Deadline for the August Newsletter is 20th July 2012



| MONDAY | TUESDAY                  | WEDNESDAY                        | THURSDAY |
|--------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|
| 30     | 31                       |                                  |          |
| 2      | 3                        | 4                                | 5        |
| 9      | 10                       | 11                               | 7.45pm   |
|        |                          | Church Hall Parish Council Mtg12 |          |
| 16     | 17                       | 18                               | 19       |
|        | 12.30pm                  | 8. pm                            |          |
|        | Church Hall Soup Kitchen | Star Inn Book Club               |          |
| 23     | 24                       | 25                               | 26       |

