

# Sulgrave News

## April 2018

### Regular Events

- BB&C Service    2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at Culworth church - 11.00am  
Book Club        3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Star Inn - 8.00pm  
Circle Dancing   3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at Culworth - 7.00pm

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As always, articles can be left at Sulgrave Village Shop



## Church News

### Services for April

Sunday 1st	10.00am	Easter Holy Communion - Sulgrave
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	8.15am	Holy Communion - Sulgrave
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Evensong - Sulgrave
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00am	Mattins - Sulgrave
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion -- Edgecote

Our annual Vestry Meeting will take place in the Church Hall on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm

### May

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Holy Communion - Culworth



**Flower and Cleaning Rota**

March 31st & April 7th Easter - All To Help (Altar - Mrs Contable)  
April 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> Mrs Dixon & Mrs Apperly  
April 28<sup>th</sup> & May 5<sup>th</sup> Mrs Tattersall & Mrs Mason



It is with great sadness that we heard of the death of Ben Brown on March 20<sup>th</sup>. Our deepest sympathies go to Sara and her family at this time. I'm sure that the village will give them all the love and support they will need in the weeks and months to come.



#### MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

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**Village Shop News Update**  
**Shop Telephone – 01295 760066**

**Find us on Facebook**

**Shop opening hours** Monday 8 am – 1 pm      Tuesday to Friday 8 am – 6 pm  
Saturday 8.30 am – 3 pm      Sunday 9 am – 12 noon

**Post Office opening hours:** Tuesday to Friday 9 am - 1 pm

Disaster! We have just called the Countryside Alliance to find out when the regional winners of the 'Rural Oscars' are to be announced only to be told that all regional finalists should have received a letter and a form which had to be completed and returned by the end of January. We have never seen the letter or the form – so sadly we are not in the draw for this year. Boo-hoo! The good news is that our application can be resubmitted for next year's awards so all is not lost. We have also been recommended for The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service so the shop is still in the mix to get some silverware this year.

Last month we announced that spring had arrived – a statement that turned out to be a tad premature. However, the shop did not suffer too much from the embrace of The Beast - and the snow-drifts and icy roads meant that many people couldn't get to Banbury or Brackley so had to rely on us for all of their groceries and booze. Trade in the middle of the big freeze was manic in the shop and we think we had our biggest ever takings for a weekend.

There are quite a few new lines on the shelves this month including Nando's peri peri sauce, Cheeseboard Chutney, Shaw's Fig & Honey Chutney, Peter's Yard sea-salt mini bites and Sweet Moments creamy mint dark chocolate. Breaded scampi has been added to the freezer food range so scampi and chips is now an option for Saturday night.

We have recently added a stunning selection of 'DM' greetings cards by the artist Daniel Mackie to our already extensive range of quality cards. We really do have the best collection of cards anywhere around.

With Easter just around the corner we shall be stocking the usual range of chocolate eggs and Easter bunnies and other tasty goodies.

Just in case you have lost last month's newsletter, here is a reminder of the shop opening times over the Easter period.

Happy Easter

Alison and Digby

### **Shop opening times over Easter:**

<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March (Good Friday)</b>	<b>8 am – 1.00pm</b>	<b>(Post Office CLOSED)</b>
<b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April</b>	<b>8.30 – 3.00pm</b>	
<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April (Easter Sunday)</b>	<b>9.00 – 12 noon</b>	
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April (Easter Monday)</b>	<b>CLOSED ALL DAY</b>	

**Sulgrave Church Hall, refurbishment. Application for a possible £75,000 grant from Community and Environment Fund. (HS2)**

**Discussion meeting on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm at the Church Hall**

Due to our proximity to the forthcoming HS2 train line, the Parochial Church Council has the opportunity to apply for a grant of up to £75,000. The HS2 Community and Environment Fund (CEF) can be used to improve village assets such as the Church Hall to encourage wider community use. So that we give ourselves the very best opportunity to bag the full £75,000 grant we would like to get as many villagers as possible behind the bid. It is essential to find out how villagers think we could best update the Church Hall to improve village life and our sense of community here in Sulgrave.

**If you would like to know more, there will be a meeting at the Church Hall on April 12<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm when you can ask questions and discuss your ideas.**

Also, an online survey will be circulated by email and it would be great if we can have as many people, young and old, complete it and give us their ideas for a new and improved Church Hall. If you are not on email there will be paper copies of the survey available at the Shop or from Ingram, Tel: 01295 760520

This is the link for the survey, it won't take long to complete and children's views are important too - <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/JRPMZS6>

These are the reasons for a refurbishment.

- We cannot demolish the building.
- If the Hall was sold, the Diocese would not pass the proceeds of the sale to the village for the construction of a new hall on the car park. However, the Diocese and SNC would consent to a new hall on the car park. But this becomes a major project.
- If the Hall was sold, we would have to find funding for a complete new build with all the issues of gaining funding and planning permission etc.
- This raises many issues. All of which include purchase of a site and acceptance of residents living nearby accepting a new hall.
- Importantly, we might not resolve these issue in time to submit an application to the Community and Environment Fund.



*I wish to say a big "Thank You" to everyone who so kindly made sure I had what provisions I needed during the snowy weather when my son was unable to get here because of snow drifts.*

*I also thank Jack Steel who arrived armed with his snow shovel and cleared my front path without being asked.*

*Daphne Henn*

# The Star Inn - April 2018



## The Lunch Bunch - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April

A lovely opportunity to catch up with friends in the village for a light lunch

£7.50 per head for a light 2 course lunch

### Mains

Beef lasagne and salad

Mediterranean roast veg and mozzarella quiche with salad

### Puddings

Apple crumble with custard or cream

Eton mess



## Curry and Quiz Night - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April

A lovely home cooked curry and a quiz for just £8.00 per head

Teams of 4 maximum - 7pm start

**Book now!!!**

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**Sulgravy Supper every Wednesday**

**3 choices of mains for just £6.00 per head.**



**Caribbean Night at the Star - Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>**

**April**

A lovely three course meal cooked by local guest chef Dan  
Webster

3 courses for just £19.95

Also a lovely variety of cocktails available at the bar

**Book Now!!!!**



*FISH & CHIPS*

*The Fish & Chip van will be visiting Sulgrave village on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April  
between 5pm and 7pm outside the village shop*





# ANNUAL VILLAGE LITTER PICK

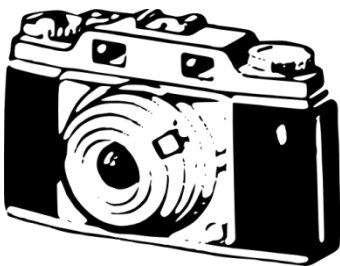
SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> APRIL

10.30 AM CHURCH HALL CAR PARK

Please volunteer an hour to collect litter from in and around the village.

Family groups and individuals welcome.

An event organised by Sulgrave Parish Council



During a chat in The Star recently a few of us realised a village photographic club might be popular here. As most people carry a smartphone these days photography is a greater part of all our lives. So if you are using an iPhone or you have a DSLR camera with a selection of lenses there is always room for improvement. We would greatly appreciate input from anyone who is interested, from the seasoned enthusiast to rank beginners. We want the meetings to be an enjoyable regular social event to offer inspiration and information no matter what your skill

Today Sulgrave, tomorrow **the world and beyond!**

**COME ALONG TO THE STAR ON TUESDAY 10TH APRIL FROM 8PM IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE. IF THE DATE AND TIME DOES NOT SUIT YOU, EMAIL TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST AND WE WILL LET YOU KNOW THE OUTCOME OF OUR FIRST MEETING**

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NEIL HIGGINSON [neil@neil-higginson.com](mailto:neil@neil-higginson.com)



# Join Sulgrave Neighbourhood Watch

simply register at

**[www.northantsnhw.co.uk](http://www.northantsnhw.co.uk)**

Enter your postcode, join your local scheme  
and receive FREE OF CHARGE

- **Warnings of the latest crime and scams in your area**
  - **Police messages on local incidents**
  - **Crime prevention advice and help to protect your family and belongings**

*Our communities are safe places, so  
let's keep them that way!*

**999** for a crime in progress or where life is in danger

**101** for non-urgent enquiries: to report a crime  
that has happened or a concern or suspicion

**0800 555 111** Northamptonshire  
Crimestoppers (for anonymous calls)

Or send a report via **[www.northants.police.uk](http://www.northants.police.uk)**



**Crimestoppers.**

**Phoenix  
A Community Cinema** presentation supported by

**Phoenix**



**(CERT 12A)**

COME WITH US ON THIS EPIC TRAIN JOURNEY!

**CULWORTH VILLAGE HALL  
FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**DOORS OPEN 7PM**

**BRING YOUR OWN LIQUID REFRESHMENT & GLASS**

**TICKETS £10 WITH SUPPER - £5 FILM ONLY**

**CALL JUNE 01295 768184 OR JULIE 760855 TO BOOK**



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Northamptonshire  
Council

**Kettering**  
Borough Council

## Parish Council Update from 1 March 2018

After a snowy Parish Council Ordinary Meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2018, there are a few updates that the Parish Council wishes to share with the community.

**Park Lane Street Sign** - The Parish Council is looking to identify an appropriate location for a replacement sign and will also enquire into replacing the street sign on Helmdon Road.

**Village Bus Services** - Concerns have been raised with the Parish Council about the impact of the Northamptonshire County Council's (NCC) decision to de-subsidise rural bus services. Residents who rely on bus services to the village are concerned about their independence suffering if bus services are eventually discontinued. Sadly, the feedback which the Parish Council had provided on the cessation of bus services during the recent NCC budget consultation fell on deaf ears. However, the Parish Council will make representations to the NCC again on the matter if the opportunity arose.

**Speeding** - concerns regarding speeding traffic both in the village and along Banbury Lane at the 5-ways intersection have been raised and are being considered by the Parish Council. Council will be looking into traffic calming measures within the village and will contact Culworth Parish Council and Thorpe Mandeville Parish Council to explore their concerns about speeding traffic on Banbury Lane. We hope to work with these Parish Councils to identify any potential joint actions to address this issue.

**Grass Cutting** - The new contract for grass cutting in the village has been awarded and will commence in April.

**Excess gravel in Little Street** - The Parish Council contacted Northamptonshire Highways regarding the excess gravel on the footpath and roadway in Little Street. Unfortunately, Northamptonshire Highways advised that although they may sweep the street again, they are not able to give advanced warning of when that may occur. The Parish Council feels that this response is unsatisfactory, and as a result, we will address this issue ourselves. Council will arrange a community sweep of the gravel in Little Street as part of the village litter pick once that has been rescheduled. The residents of Little Street will be advised via a letter box drop so that they can ensure that their cars are not parked on the street during this time.

Villagers will have noticed that due to the extreme weather conditions, the village litter pick did not go ahead as planned. However, you should find a revised date in this newsletter.

Council has noted that due to budget pressures at county and district council level, the Parish Council and the community may have to take on greater responsibility for addressing issues in the village. The Parish Council will work to help bring the community together to help address issues where it can.

Villagers are reminded that the next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held in May. At this meeting, we will discuss Neighbourhood Watch - with an invitation being extended to the new Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator; and village improvements which the Parish Council can organise and carry out.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 7.30pm. This will be the Annual Parish Meeting.

# SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

## THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

You are invited to

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To be held on

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April at  
At 7.30pm

In

Sulgrave Church Hall



*We look forward to seeing you there*

# April 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
30						10.00am HC1
2	3	4	5 7.30pm	6 7.00pm	7 10.30am	8 8.15am
9	10	11	12 7.30pm	13	14	15 6.00pm
16	17	18	19 7.00pm	20	21 5pm - 7pm	22 10.00am
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 10.00am

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