#### **AMPORT PARISH COUNCIL**

# Parish Pages

October 2024





# **September Meeting Notes**

In this newsletter you can expect:

#### **NEW COUNCILLOR**

We had two parishioners who expressed an interest in becoming Parish Councillors and details of their knowledge and experience had been circulated to all Councillors. There was currently one vacancy. However it was decided that the Parish Council would create a post for an associate member who could help work on particular projects.

An associate member could step forward to be co-opted in future should a vacancy arise. It was proposed that Howard Dix be co-opted and Pam Chisolm become an associate member. Both accepted their appointments subject to the completion of formalities.

#### **FEN AND GREEN**

There is now a new bench by the play equipment. The verge by the road should be cut back this autumn and the ditch should also be cleared.

#### **PLAY AREA**

The play area checks have taken place and all was well. The PC have quotes from three suppliers for new goalposts for the green and these will be decided on at the next meeting.

#### **WEYHILL**

The Parish Council is looking into installing some flower planters in the Weyhill area. All agreed this was a good idea and a proposal developed.

#### **HIGHWAYS**

The Highways Dept have had a team in Amport and surrounding villages recently and they have carried out some drain clearance and road repairs on Keepers Hill and Furzedown Lane. Further work needs to be done outside Amport School and at the junction at the foot of Keepers Hill. This will be carried out soon.

#### **SPEED AWARENESS SIGNS**

The Parish Council finally received a report from Hampshire Highways regarding possible locations for speed signs. We have a report giving details of the five sites that are the most appropriate. We are gathering details of the price of the signs and agreed to produce details and recommendations for the next meeting.

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Whats on!

Village Hall

Weyhill Area

ANY NEWS?

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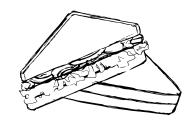
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## Food Van on Amport Green

PARISH NEWS TO SHARE?

17th ocotber 5pm

**Tipsy Toastie** 



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### WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH

#### Horizons-Skyscapes Over Land and Sea by Tamsin Godfrey-Davis Saturday 5th October - The Old Dairy Hatherden

Join for a special evening on to celebrate the work of local artist Tamsin Godfrey-Davies. Tamsin, a self-taught painter, beautifully captures the countryside and coastline with her large-scale skyscapes, focusing on the natural world beneath breathtaking skies

Entry is free, and children are welcome Enjoy a glass of bubbly, delicious food from The Travelling Thai, and have a chat with Tamsin in the cosy setting of The Old Dairy.

We're also delighted to feature artwork from 8-year-old Riley Jackson. Riley, who is autistic, creates colourful, vibrant pieces during her weekly art therapy sessions. Riley attended her first art exhibition at one of Tamsin's shows, so it's extra special that her debut will be part of this event.

The Old Dairy in Hatherden, a lovely former dairy barn that's been beautifully converted.

#### **Hawk Conservancy Trust**

**NEED A TREAT!** - Afternoon Tea



Looking to add a touch of class to your next visit to the Hawk Conservancy Trust? Enjoy a delicious Cream Tea, indulge in an Afternoon Tea or really treat yourself to a Premium Afternoon Tea – brand new for summer 2024!

#### **Breach Farm Brewing**

The Brewery is open every Friday and Saturday. There are food vans and events on the following nights in October:

Thursdays is run club and Mug night

Thursday, 3 Oct - Mug Night 4 - 9pm, run Club 6 pm Desi Express- Indian street food

Friday, 4 Oct - Open 4 - 10pm John the Greek

Saturday, 5 Oct - Open 12 - 10pm Food By Aneke- Lobster Crab Club Sandwich

Thursday, 10 Oct - Mug Night 4 - 9pm, run Club 6 pm Peppones Street Food

Friday, 11 Oct - Oktoberfest 4 - 10pm (Adults only) Authentic German Oompah Band: Bier Blaskapelle:

Food by Arty-Stan (Pizza & amp; Sausages); Marzen-style lager and Bavarian Hefeweizen brewed by BFB.

Saturday, 12 Oct - Oktoberfest Family Day (Sold Out) 1 - 8pm Authentic German Oompah Band: Bier Blaskapelle;

Food by Arty-Stan (Pizza Sausages); Marzen-style lager and Bavarian Hefeweizen brewed by BFB.

Thursday, 17 Oct - Mug Night 4 - 9pm, run Club 6 pm - Quiz Night - Desi Express- Indian street food

Friday, 18 Oct - Open 4 - 10pm Traveling Thai

Saturday, 19 Oct - Open 12 - 10pm The Funky Pickle- Canadian street food

Thursday, 24 Oct - Mug Night 4 - 9pm, run Club 6 pm

Friday, 25 Oct – Open 4 – 10pm Food By Aneke- hot pie, mash, and gravy

Saturday, 26 Oct - Open 4 - 10pm Celtic Music Jam Session, Peppones Street Food

Thursday, 31 Oct - Open 4 - 9pm Halloween Run Club - wear a costume, bring a torch! The Funky Pickle- Canadian street food





# Fitness Classes on Amport Green

Wednesdays at 11.00am on Amport Green with Baz Myers PT , 45 mins. £7 per session All abilities, fitness levels and ages welcome.

Using body weight and light weights to get a great cardio workout plus improve strength and endurance.



We would like to make a small request on behalf of the volunteers delivering Parish Pages.

If people have long driveways, or locked gates, could they consider fixing a letter box at the entrance. If this is the case it does make it harder to deliver the Parish pages to you.

This will Save our knees and shoe leather.

**Post Boxes** 

It would also help our Posties.



# **Weyhill News**

The Parish Council is working on getting the new signage on the Fyfield Road and Amesbury Road corner.

No left turn/ no right turn for HGVs. The bollards and repair of the corner has been done (twice) and are still in place!

We would like to invite parishioners from the Weyhill and Dauntsey Lane areas to attend a meeting as we know that this area is under represented and sometimes feels 'left out'. **Anyone is welcome!** 



# Village Hall Update

The current phase of the build program is the implementation of the first fix electrics, which will then allow the lighting to be installed during the works of the second fix electrics. This will also allow the connection of the Air Source Heat Pump and the Solar inverter and battery.

The last few weeks has been very busy applying for grants from various sources to assist with finishing the fit out of the village hall and Mick Cleugh is happy to announce they have been awarded the grant from the Rural Enterprise Prosperity Fund (REPF) of 75% towards the £10,000 cost of the purchase the Air Source Heat Pump and we have also received a donation for the 25% matched funding from an Amport family.

The trustees are still awaiting news (expected 31/10 latest) of the application for a grant of £17,235 from SSE for their Low Carbon Technology Fund to purchase the solar inverter and batteries. In case this is not successful we have also applied for a grant for the same amount from the Community Asset Fund (CAF) who have previously provided a grant to rebuild the hall.

The trustees have submitted a grant application for a new kitchen, floor tiles and lighting from the REPF for a total of £25,000 (expected 31/10 latest), which requires matched funding of 25% so if any villagers would like to donate to assist with this purchase please feel free to contact Mike Cleugh or Chris Harris (Amport Chair). The trustees have already received £5,000 from a Monxton family towards the matched funding however additional donations would be very welcome as this grant may be reduced due to the high demand.

The trustees have also received a donation from a Monxton resident for the supply and installation of a PA system and CCTV system, which is worth is the region of £4,000.

If any villagers would like to propose the type of events or activities they would like to see at the new hall and volunteer to run them we would love to hear your suggestions. The trustees would really like to hear from anyone in Amport who would like to joining the village hall committee and especially anyone with an accounting/book keeper background who could fulfil the treasurer role. Details of the roles will be provided to any volunteers.

Please email Chris Harris at harriscsjr@gmail.com or Mike Cleugh mikecleugh@hotmail.com



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#### WHO IS WHO ON THE AMPORT PARISH COUNCIL

**Chris Harris** - Chairman & responsible for the Village Green & The Fen, Southern Water, Highways, Village Hall & local Crime

Stephen Coke - Vice Chair & responsible for finance, principle & process & Speed Awareness

**Sally Baker** - School liaison & resilience plan.

Alan Montagu - Solar Farm liaison & Fox Farm Liason

Tessa Hawkings-Byass - Projects, footpaths & communications - newsletter and Face Book

Peter Harvey - Projects & children's play area

**Diana Stephenson -** Neighbourhood planning/Village design statement/parish plan.

Peter Waller- Resilience plan including flood planning

Clare Hemmings - Weyhill representative and Neighbourhood plan

Howard Dix (NEW COUNCILLOR) - Dauntsey Lane representative & projects

**Heather Bourner** - Our Amazing Clerk!

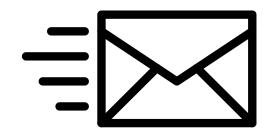


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#### MEETING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The Parish Council meets on a Monday at 07:30pm at the Amport School. Anyone is welcome to attend any of these meetings.

14 October18 November

