Old Woughton Parish Council Newsletter

Woughton Park

Woughton-on-the-Green Passmore



KEEPING YOU IN TOUCH!

Welcome to the August 2017 issue of the Old Woughton Parish Council Newsletter.

New Parish Councillor

OWPC warmly welcomes Vanessa Freeman Gwynn as our new Parish Councillor.

She writes:

Although my husband spent his formative years in Woughton on the Green, I moved to Woughton Park as he developed Saddington in 1984. We have loved the essentially parkland environment, excellent walking for our dogs, and the many good neighbours. It is unusual to spend over 30 years at the same local authority these days, but I connected strongly with the ambition of Milton Keynes and still do. Through my retirement, I remain actively involved with a number of local voluntary groups and being a Member of OWPC now is another important part of the sense of place that Richard and I always shared here. I'm looking forward to working with the team!

Motorbikes on Redways

Several of you have witnessed motorbikes of various kinds being ridden illegally along our redways. We are all aware this is unsafe for pedestrians and the riders themselves.



Should you come across this anti-social behaviour you need to report it to the Parks Trust or our PCSO using the contact details below:

The more detailed description, with time and place, that you

can provide, the more likely we are to achieve a reduction of this activity.

communityranger@theparkstrust.com Colin.Cooper@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Village Green Signs



Many of you will have seen the new signs added to the notice boards indicating the areas in our Parish that are now legally registered Village Greens, one in Passmore and the other in Woughton Park. This means that no developer can build houses on this land. We are pleased to announce that the remainder of the Woughton on the Green village green is now legally registered also. We are progressing with the Orchard and hope to have further news in the autumn. OWPC would like to thank all of you who have supported this venture by completing questionnaires.

Community Policing - Informal Chat

Our local PCSO, Colin Cooper has offered to meet residents informally for a 'Have your say' session. The Patch will be the venue but all residents would be welcome and the PAA are happy there will be sufficient security even though the gates will be open

for the hour! If you have any burning issues that you would like to take up with Colin, please put the date in your diary and come along.



Date, to be confirmed:

Wednesday 6th September Time: 11.00 am.

External Audit

OWPC was delighted to receive a clean bill of health from the national External Auditors for 2016-17. This is an annual occurrence stipulated by law.

Canal News

You will be pleased to know that we have now received the certificate of adoption from the Canal and River Trust. This means



we work together with the Trust to support their efforts to maintain that part of our Parish and we can have some say in how the area is managed. We have had 2 excellent workdays in June and July and another one is scheduled for 26th August, resulting in more stretches of the towpath being repaired. Thank you to our faithful band of workers.





'An Ancient Village at the heart of a New Town'

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS EXHIBITION:

Saturday 9th September 2017: 10 - 5pm Sunday 10th September 2017: 2 - 5pm Monday 11th September 2017: 10 - 2pm Venue: St Mary's Church - Newport Road - Woughton on the Green

Our forthcoming exhibition will focus on the coming of the New Town post 1967 and the impact on Woughton... the story continues...

This work has been supported by funding from the MK Community Foundation

Look out also for talks and other public meetings we hope to run during the Autumn. Contact: Woughtonheritage@gmail.com



Parish Council Meetings 2017/2018:

Monday 11th September 7.30pm Monday 13th November 7.30pm Monday 8th January @ 7.30pm *All held in St Mary's Church, Woughton on the Green*

The first 15 minutes of each meeting is reserved for the public to address the Council with questions or issues you wish to bring to our attention.

How to contact us:

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