

THE FARTHINGHOE CHRONICLE

Village news, notices and events....



AUGUST

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Pastoral Letter – August 2020

Dear Friends, August is usually holiday time, and hopefully many of you will try to get away for a break. I have been reflecting on Childhood summers, when life seemed so simple. Although package holidays had begun to be popular in the in the late 1960's and early 1970's, my family holidayed in the UK. My Dad had a particular love of camping, a love that my Mum and us girls did not share!! However, seaside holidays were a wonderful treat to look forward to each year. Everything was exciting, the beach, the donkeys, the Pier, the rock pools, the eating out,,,,Summer holidays were something to look forward to, and looking back now, they hold many treasured memories.

After spending much of this year under Covid restrictions, I wonder what you are looking forward to now? We all need things in life to look forward to otherwise we will become despondent. In a recent email, I shared that 'Hope' and having something to look forward to, is a powerful motivator. I shared the story of my Mum, who is in a hospice, and she was told by a doctor that she may have a few weeks left to live, rather than the few days she had originally been told. The hope offered to her that day fuelled a desire to enjoy life again. Mum began to eat ice-cream and soup, she began to walk again with a frame, and she began to read the daily papers again and to listen to the radio. Hope began to rise in her heart, and she has now been asked to leave the hospice as she is too well to stay there. Mum is going to a care home where she is looking forward to seeing Nurses and Carers going about their work, and to being part of a small community again. If I had told her 6 months ago that she would be going into a care home she would have gone bananas. She wanted to stay at home. Mum lived alone since Dad died, and although she coped she didn't realise how much she missed living with other people until she went into the hospice. Sometimes it takes a major shock or incident to force us out of our usual patterns, but the strange thing is, that when we are forced into a situation we thought we would hate, it is surprising how often we are wrong, and situations are not nearly as bad as we think they will be. Mum is looking forward to going into the care home,,,, I am looking forward to having her around for a bit longer. But like I said at the beginning of my message; I wonder what you are looking forward to?

August is traditionally a time to slow down and enjoy the summer. Don't let this summer pass you by, allowing the Covid-19 restrictions to rob anymore of your precious life. Life is a gift, and every day is a gift, as any person who is having treatment for a serious illness or who is terminal will tell you. God has made a beautiful world, and we don't have to go on holiday to see it. If you can't get away this year, why not plan one or two nice things to do, perhaps a nice walk, or a picnic; a nice pub lunch somewhere, or even just some lazy afternoons in the garden with a long cool drink, or a lovely cup of tea and a good book. God has given us the gift of life and his beautiful creation, seen all around us in the fields, the birds and the flowers...our response must be to say "thank you Lord", and to enjoy it all, whenever and wherever we can. God bless you all, and make sure you go and plan something nice to do in August to look forward to,

with love, Revd Sue



Bypass Progress Update

Northants County Council has now advised us that they plan to organise a Farthinghoe Bypass Public Consultation in Late September/Early October.

Based upon the conclusions of the 2015 Consultation, NCC are now working on developing the detail of variants of the 2015 route to try to address certain individual concerns which were raised at that time.

NB At our 2017 APM they had mentioned that tweaks might be possible.

We understand that work is on target to have those variants researched and detailed by the end of August, which will give time to prepare the Public Consultation as mentioned.

Following on from the consultation, work will continue to decide on the final preferred route which will be confirmed & signed off by a County Cabinet meeting early in 2021.

The Parish Council has requested a further timeline which details the work from this “Sign off” to the actual building of the road & we will keep you updated on this

Regards,

Mick Morris
Chairman

Solar Farm on 321 acres (130 hectares) of land to the west of Halse Road, Halse.

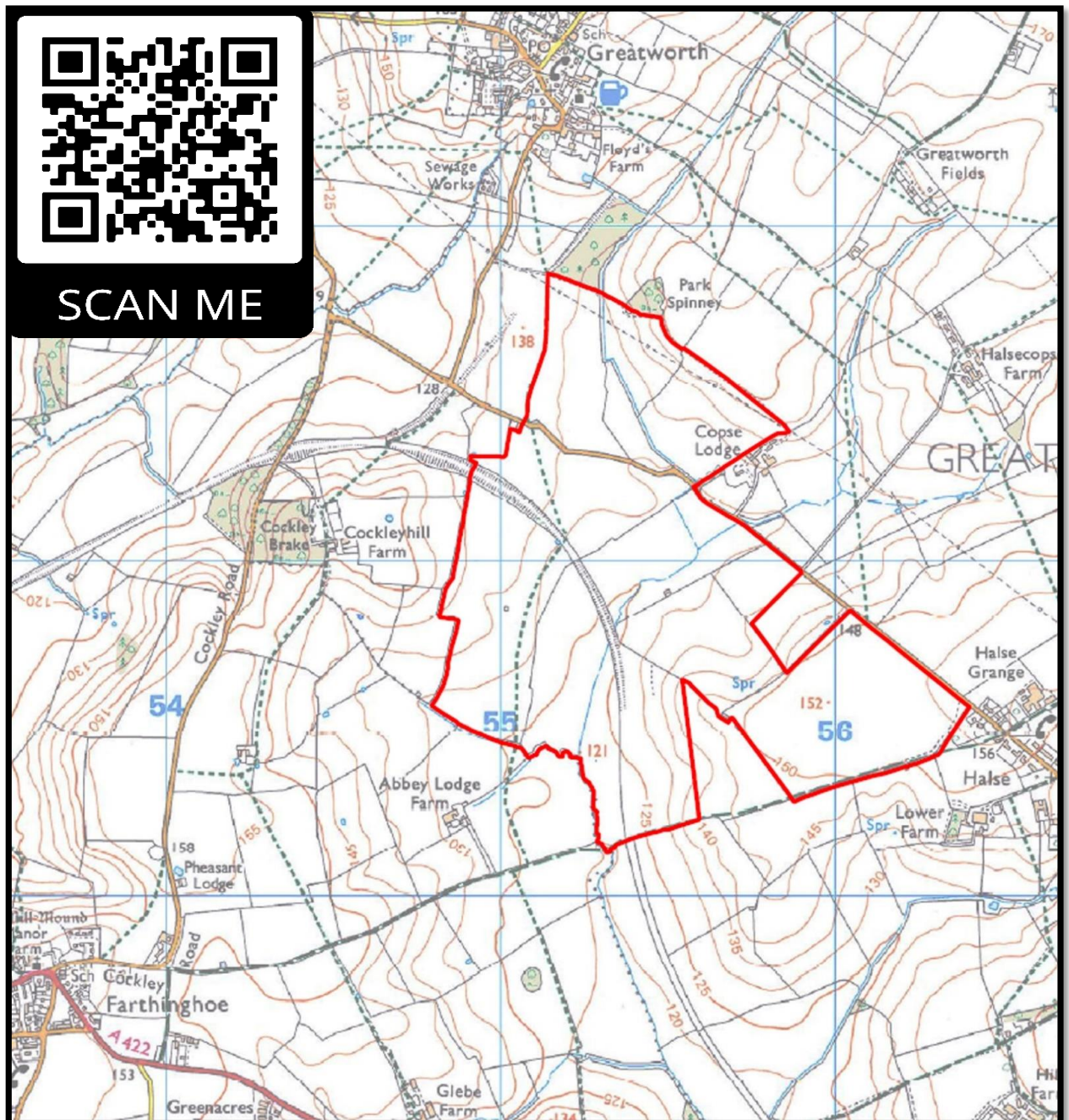
A **Planning Application** for a Solar Farm (outlined in red on the map below), encompassing 321 acres of land between Farthinghoe, Halse and Greatworth, is at the Screening Opinion stage of Planning, to determine whether South Northamptonshire Council (SNC) will require the developers to carry out an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).

You are encouraged to **COMMENT** on the SNC website and **INSIST** that an **Environmental Impact Assessment** is carried out.

Comments can be left on the SNC Planning Portal by following the link below or scanning the QR code - but must be submitted by **30 July 2020**:

<https://snc.planning-register.co.uk/plandisp.aspx?tab=3&recno=107517>

The South Northamptonshire Council Planning Application number is S/2020/1172/SCR



FARTHINGHOE VILLAGE HALL NEWS

200 Club

£25 - 7, P Tucker

£15 - 138, Simon Billiers

£10 - 92, A Wild

Hall opening again - The Hall is open for regular Hirers and is Covid 19 Secure. The Table Tennis Club and a new class, the Martial Arts Group are currently using the Hall, with other Hirers starting again after the Summer break. There will be no ad hoc bookings for parties and events at this stage as the Committee Room and Kitchen are locked and out of bounds to minimise the cleaning and sanitising needed.

Rubbish dumping - We have had a problem with people putting rubbish in our bins in the past. In the last month we have had rubbish dumped beside the bins as well as in them. This includes bags of dog waste and the situation is now intolerable so we will be taking action. 1. The Police will be regularly patrolling the premises. 2. We will be installing CCTV cameras across the site. It is a shame we have to take these measures, but clearing up and dealing with minor vandalism at the site has to be managed by Volunteers on the Committee so we will be getting tough - please report any instances of suspicious behaviour.

Thank you to Chris and Christina from Bowling Green who have kindly volunteered to put the Bins out each week.

Broadband - We now have Broadband in the Hall which is about to be upgraded to Fibre. This allows remote control of the new heating system and will allow us to connect cameras to monitor the outside and inside of the premises. We will be able to check lights are switched off and start and stop times of Hirer activities as well as controlling the hot water system and hopefully solar energy in the future.

Events - Due to Coronavirus restrictions we have decided to cancel the Village show planned for September, but we are holding the decision on the Halloween Ball pending changes to restrictions by the Government.

Booking secretary - We are looking to engage a Bookings secretary when the Coronavirus restrictions are lifted and we can sell the facility again. This will initially be a Voluntary role, but we are considering the creation of a paid role. Anyone interested, please contact Wendy Hancock - 01295 711345, wendy.gainford@gmail.com.



FANTASITC NEWS

Our beautiful tearoom will reopen from 1st August for fabulous private dining experiences

You can hire upstairs or downstairs for 2.5 hours exclusive use for 10-20 people.

THERE IS NO HIRE CHARGE

Saturdays we will be offering;
Family breakfast menu from 9:00am – 12:00noon
Afternoon Tea Menu from 12:00noon – 5:00pm

Sundays we will be offering;
Family breakfast menu from 9:00am -12:00noon
Sunday Roast Dinner Menu 12:00noon – 5:00pm
Afternoon Tea Menu from 12:00noon – 5:00pm

To book your table please email orders@limesfarm.com where we will happily answer any questions and take your booking.

Allotments

Farthinghoe Church Piece Allotments continue to be a notable landmark in the village and a source of great pleasure and pride to their tenants. Working on the allotment is not all about exertion and heavy panting; many plot holders have a seat where they can pause and rest, to take in the results of their efforts, or just to contemplate the moment amidst the abundance of nature's activities and produce. It is not hard to see that having an allotment is an affordable way to gain physical, mental and emotional health and well-being.

The land on which the allotments are located is owned by the church and held in a Trust. Income from rentals goes into the Trust account; outgoings consist principally of insurance. We are pleased to say that this year the Trust was able to donate the princely sum of £7,500 towards the cost of re-roofing the church, following the theft of the roofing lead last year.

There are plots available for rent; please contact Ruth Brittain on 07951 755 171 if you are interested.

The annual rental fee is £12. In normal times, this is collected on the first Monday in September, at 7pm in the church vestry. This year, with precautions around COVID-19 being subject to change and uncertainty, if the church is not open on September 7th, rental monies can be paid by direct transfer to the allotments trust account:

- Account Name: Church Piece Trust
- BACS number or account: 41727885
- Sort Code: 40-09-02
- Ref: *your name*

If you would prefer to pay cash, please put the money in an envelope, and drop it through the letter box of Bell Cottage, Queens Street.

Whichever way you choose to pay, please make sure you provide

- your name, contact details, and the number of plots for which you are paying.

Many thanks,

Ruth Brittain and Henry Bankes-Jones, Trustees

Hinton Airfield Safety Notice—Read carefully

We welcomed people to enjoy walking and exercising around the airfield during lockdown. As I'm sure you have noticed since restrictions have lifted, we are flying again. Although we are not yet back up to our pre covid activity levels some flying is taking place every day that weather conditions allow. As such it is no longer safe to be walking, biking running or anything on the airfield. Unfortunately, there have been several incidents where people have put themselves and pilots in extreme danger. For your own safety and the safety of the others please stick to the designated public footpaths.

Many thanks,
James Harrison (Hinton Airfield)



Dave Clayton writes:

Join me on Sunday, 13th September 2020 at 11am for a sponsored MEMORY WALK supporting the Alzheimer's Society to assist in the defeating of dementia or at least helping those lost people suffering in their own minds.

We shall be walking from Farthinghoe Village hall on an approximately 6-8 mile route on public footpaths and bridleways around the local area. Anyone is welcome to come along but please let me know in advance if you are joining. We will be walking with our dogs so feel free to bring your own.

We are not going to be rattling tins: please feel free to ask friends and family to sponsor you or if you would be kind enough to sponsor me, you can do so on the Just Giving page link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mw546224>



Midnight Walk Reimagined – Katharine House Hospice flagship event gets a ‘virtual’ make-over

Each June, Katharine House Hospice organises a Midnight Walk, Banbury's biggest fundraising event. However, with the lockdown restrictions, Katharine House had to postpone this year's event to September. This gave time to get creative and conjure up some special social distancing midnight magic resulting in a fresh take on the walk for 2020 - Midnight Walk Reimagined.

Unable to hold the usual big Midnight Walk get-together, Katharine House is asking the community to do their own 'Midnight Walks', reimagining it however you want, no matter how old or young you are. It could be a walk wearing pyjamas, getting kitted out in glow sticks, or fishing out a favourite fancy dress costume. Stride out with friends or on your own; take the dog; walk at night or during the day. Perhaps take some inspiration from one of the hospice's most enthusiastic Midnight Walk fundraisers.

David Neal has walked ten Midnight Walks since his mother died from breast cancer and was cared for Katharine House. Last year whilst on holiday at the same time as the big event, David set out on his own Midnight Walk around East Lothian. He said,

"I took my Midnight Walk out on tour last year along with my wife Janice, and had a fine time planning it, meeting new friends, and sharing my experiences on Twitter. The walk took us across wildflower meadows, past bemused cows, and over awkward stiles into the night, before finally celebrating achieving our tenth mile with a very welcome bacon buttie. I'm looking forward to being a part of Midnight Walk Reimagined this year and urge everyone to do the same."

Cherida Plumb, Community and Events Fundraising Manager at Katharine House Hospice added:

"We are so happy to be able to continue with Midnight Walk this year and not disappoint the community, our supporters and stalwart Midnight Walk fundraisers. We're really looking forward to seeing all your photos, costumes and videos on our Facebook event page as you reimagine your walks."

However you choose to reimagine your Midnight Walk, all the hospice asks is that you keep it social, go the distance, love your hospice and raise as much as you can to help, make every moment matter for local people living with a life limiting illness.

To ensure everyone can take part, there's no registration fee this year, but Katharine House is asking everyone to raise a minimum £45 in sponsorship funds. Walks can be at any time from 10 September to midnight on 19 September and can be completed all in one go or a bit at a time. It's your walk, you decide!

To join in the fun, sign-up is at www.khh.org.uk/midnight20

Astwick Vale Benefice AUGUST 2020

DATE	TIME/ SERVICE	CHURCH/LEADER	READINGS
2nd AUG (green) 8th after Trinity	9:30 Morning Worship 11.00 Holy Com	Farthinghoe SC Aynho SC	Isa 55: 1-5 Romans 9: 1-5 Matt 14: 13-21
9th AUG 9th after Trinity (Green)	9:30 Morning Worship 9.30 FamilyWorship Note new time 11.00 Holy Com	Croughton SC AYNHO Lay Led Note new time? Evenley SC	1 Kings 19: 9-18 Romans 10: 5-15 Matt 14: 22-33
16th AUG 10th after Trinity (Green)	9.30am Holy Com 11.00am Holy Com	Farthinghoe SC Hinton SC	Isa 56: 1, 6-8 Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32 Matt 15: (10-20) 21-28
23rd AUG 11th after Trinity (Green)	10.00am Morning Worship 11:00 Holy Com	Croughton HW Aynho TR	Isa 51: 1-6 Romans 12: 1-8 Matt 16: 13-20
30th AUG 12th after trinity green	10.00am Morning Worship 10.00am Morning Worship	Evenley ML Hinton HW	Jeremiah 15: 15- 21 Romans 12: 9-end Matt 16: 21-end



Monday - Closed

Tuesday – Thursday 12 noon-3pm, 5.30-10pm

Friday – Saturday 12-11pm

Sunday – 12 noon-8pm

For any more information please call us on 07870828048 or
01295 713965.

**Sarah and Scott would like to take this opportunity to
thank you all for your continued support.**