

# Farthinghoe Chronicle

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## Do YOU want superfast Broadband?

You may have recently heard talk of BT Infinity coming into the village. Just what could this offer you?

With download speeds of up to 40MB you can download up to forty times faster than the existing village broadband.

All BT Infinity options come with free access to unlimited Wi-Fi broadband at over 3.5 million public hotspots.

The new BT Home Hub router gives you the best ever wireless signal. It also has built-in security and is more energy efficient.

BT will give you antivirus, anti-spam and firewall protection for up to 7 PCs or Macs, plus an easy way to control what your kids see on line.

There is a broadband help line available 24/7 which is free to call from your landline.

They automatically give you the fastest broadband speed available on your phone line and generous usage limits to suit how much you use the internet.

## **Installing BT Infinity**

Well, this is where the problem lies. The service currently passes through the village but BT need to install a new equipment cabinet at the end of Baker Street to enable the village to receive the service, therefore we need as many people as possible to register with BT Infinity to ensure they make it availa-

ble. To do this, go to www.bt.com, select 'Products and Services' underneath 'At Home' at the bottom of the page. Under 'Broadband' click 'Learn about BT Infinity superfast broadband' and click on 'Can I get BT Infinity?' Follow the instructions and when it says you aren't able to get BT Infinity, click on 'Register Interest'.

If we all register, they will be forced by local government policy to act. All existing BT cabling can be used so all the work is in the BT cabinets external to your homes.

This subject is on the agenda at the Annual Parish Meeting in the village hall at 8pm on 11th April—come along to learn more.

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## Useful Contacts

## **County Councillor**

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## **District Councillor**

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## Clerk to the Parish Council

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## **Village News and Events**

#### **Parish Council**

After it was brought to the attention of the Parish Council that several residents were not aware of the recent planning application, S/2012/0079/FUL for a Yurt campsite at Limes Farm, Main Road, Farthing-



hoe, the Parish Council withdrew its response. This was followed by the withdrawal of the application by the applicants themselves.

The Parish Council would also like to advise that the local planning authority, South Northants Council, is only required to advise immediate neighbours of any application. Once SNC has received a valid application, a notice is posted at the site and it can also be viewed in more detail on SNC's web site.

Two items for the agenda for the **Annual Parish Meeting** on **11th April** at **8.00pm** in the Village Hall, apart from the usual business of the meeting, are the new noticeboard and information on BT Infinity. County Councillor Ron Sawbridge will be present and it is hoped District Councillor Rebecca Breese will also be there but unfortunately the Police will not be represented. The APM will take place directly after the Council's usual monthly meeting but there will be no Public Time prior to that meeting. All residents are welcome to attend and the Parish Council looks forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held in the meeting room at the Village Hall on **11th April 2012** at 7.00pm.

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## **Village News and Events**

#### **Church Fete**

The church fete is taking place on **8th July**. A meeting was held in March to discuss arrangements for this year's event—it was lovely to see new members at the meeting and to have fresh ideas being put forward. If you haven't offered your help yet, there is plenty of time to do so! Please contact Rosemary Jarvis (details inside the front page) to volunteer your services.

## **Diamond Jubilee Celebrations**

A reminder that we have a full calendar of events planned for the Diamond Jubilee weekend at the beginning of June. Everyone recently received a Farthinghoe Flyer, asking for a response to confirm who would be attending the Jubilee Party at the Village Hall on Tuesday 5th June. If you haven't already responded, please do so by **Friday, 30th March**. If you didn't receive a flyer or have mislaid it, please call Pip Sandel on 712208.

A further meeting to discuss plans for the Celebrations is being held on **Thursday, 29th March** at **7pm** at the Village Hall to discuss progress to date and to make plans going forward—please come along and support us!

## **Village Hall Tree Planting**

The Village Hall committee would like to say a big THANK YOU to all of the villagers who braved the weather on Saturday, 17th March to come along and help with the tree planting. It was great to see so many people there, and we are grateful to you all for giving up your Saturday afternoons to dig and plant. The whole of the village will now be able to benefit from your hard work!



## Clubs and Societies

## **Farthinghoe Friends**

Farthinghoe Friends will meet at the Village Hall on Tuesday 3rd April, 2.30pm—4pm for tea and a quiz. All welcome. Lin Deeley, 01295 711938

#### **Mothers Union**

Members have been invited to join Bodicote branch on 18th April at 7.30pm. The speaker will be Mrs Esther Partridge, Vice President, Oxfordshire Diocese.

### Scrabble Club

The Scrabble Club meets on the third Wednesday of the month. New members are always welcome. Please ring 01295 710397 for more information.

## Lye2Yurt At Limes Farm, Farthnghoe—update

Thanks to everybody for their kind words, support and encouragement of our proposal at Limes Farm. The level of support has been quite fantastic and whilst we are really keen to get the venture live as soon as possible, we have had to temporarily withdraw our submission whilst we make some minor amendments on the advice of the planning department. Our proposal will be back on the planning portal in the next week or so. Please feel free to email any feedback on the plans to steve.sneath@me.com. If you have concerns, we will do our very best to mitigate against any of these, and if you have ideas or suggestions we would love to hear from you.

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#### Joel Pearson & Steve Sneath

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## **Recycling Scheme**

You may be aware that your recycling scheme is changing. From the end of March, householders will no longer be able to use their green bin to compost their cardboard. Cardboard will need to be put in your black boxes for recycling. This change will enable us to provide better value for money and improve the quality of recycled waste.

There will be lots of advertising and information available to householders to learn about the changes, including a bright orange bin hanger attached to their bin and large feature in the SNC Review (due out in the next week or so). In the mean time, this list of Frequently Asked Questions might answer any queries which you or your Parishioners may have about the forthcoming changes. Please feel free to pass on this information to anyone you think would find it useful.

## How is the service changing?

From April 2012 we will be collecting cardboard from the black boxes rather than the green wheeled bins. After this date the green bins will be for garden waste only and the black boxes will be for recycling cans, plastics and cardboard.

## Why are we making these changes?

Our green bin waste currently gets turned into compost. The regulations for the quality standard for compost (PAS 100) have been changed, and composting sites can no longer accept cardboard. This is because of the contamination caused by things like sticky tape, dyes and inks, and staples. The removal of cardboard from the garden waste collection bin is unavoidable.

## When are these changes starting?

We will begin telling people about the changes from Monday 27 February. Every household will receive a copy of the SNC Review, a hanger on their bin and a leaflet with their council tax bill. The collections will change from Monday 2 April 2012 onwards.

## How many households will be affected?

Every household on the 'Twin Bin' scheme in South Northants will see these changes come into place.

## What do I do if I can't fit all my recycling into the black box?

You can use carrier bags to put out extra cans, plastics and cardboard. This also applies to paper which won't fit in your green box, but please make sure all glass bottles and jars are put in the green box.

### Can I put loose cardboard out for collection?

Yes – if possible, please flatten any large boxes and tie them up, or flatten and weigh them down by putting your black box on top. Smaller pieces of cardboard can be placed in carrier bags or clear bags but please don't use black bin liners.

#### Can I order an additional black box?

No. This is because the Council is trying to save money wherever possible at the moment and the recycling scheme will be improved and altered in the future. From 2013 onwards we are hoping to provide wheeled bins for your recycling, so providing new black boxes for such a short period of time has been deemed a waste of resources.

## What should I put in my green bin now?

From 2 April 2012 your green bin is for garden waste only. This includes cut flowers, twigs, leaves, grass cuttings, weeds, pet straw and hedge clippings.

## What do I do with my phone books and shredded paper?

Please put these in your green recycling box.

### Can I now recycle Tetra Pak cartons?

No, these are a composite container made from foil, plastic and card and cannot be recycled at the present time.

## What do I do with my wrapping paper?

Please put wrapping paper in your green recycling box. Wrapping paper with foil or plastic on it needs to be put in the black rubbish bin as normal.

## Will you collect my green bin if I don't need it any more?

Yes – please email or call us to let us know you no longer require your green bin.

## Can I put green waste out in sacks?

The only sacks we can accept are Council issue brown paper sacks. These can be purchased from the Brackley or Towcester Council offices.

## I live in a flat – will my collections be affected?

You do not have a garden bin if you live in a flat, and your cardboard is collected for recycling through your communal recycling bins. Your service will remain unchanged.

### Will you still collect the green bins through the winter months?

Yes – all your bins and boxes will still be collected all year round.

## Will my collection day be changing?

No, your collection day will remain the same for bins and boxes.

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## **Recycling Scheme continued**

## Will my collection time be different?

There is a possibility the timings will change as the black box rounds will take longer to collect. Please ensure your bin is out for collection by 7am.

## Can I still line my green bin with paper?

No, we cannot accept paper or cardboard of any kind in the green bin.

## Are these changes saving money?

Yes – when we composted cardboard we had to pay a gate fee. Now we recycle it, we generate a small income. This money will help to pay for the cost of collecting recycling from around the district. .

## Does it make more environmental sense to recycle or compost the cardboard?

If we recycle the card it gets turned into useful items like toilet roll tubes and packaging. This saves on energy consumption during the manufacturing process, and also minimises the use of more natural resources.

Composting is useful in its own right, but recycling a material into another product is better than composting as cardboard can be recycled many times, but it can only be composted once.

## Can I have a bin for my recycling instead?

No. Black boxes are the only container we can currently collect cans, plastics and cardboard in at the moment.

## We haven't got a black box at our house. Can I order one?

Yes. Please order online, email us, or give us a call.

## My box is broken/has been stolen. Can I order a new one?

Yes. Please order online, email us, or give us a call.

## What happens if I forget to put my card in my black box, and continue to use my green bin?

If the green bin has cardboard inside, we will not empty it. Please put your cardboard in your black box.

## Why did the Council decide to collect cardboard in the black box and not the green box?

We looked at both options and decided to recycle the cardboard in the black box because there is space on the collection lorries and it is the most cost effective way to collect it.

## Will our scheme be changing again in the future?

This is a stepping stone to a future changes, something which will help with recycling more in the future and the potential expansion of the service. We are looking to introduce food waste and a bigger, better recycling scheme. We want to maintain our great service and customer satisfaction, but if we can improve the service we will certainly consider altering the recycling scheme for the better. We are always looking to keep things simple and easy for our residents.

## Will you be charging for garden waste collections?

No – the Council feels very strongly that garden waste collections should remain a free, fortnightly collection.

#### Will we be getting a food waste collection soon?

We hope to add a food waste collection service to your recycling scheme in 2013 to fit in with national trends, rising disposal costs for landfill and market opportunities. More details will follow and we will fully inform all households of any changes.

### I would like to compost at home – where can I find out more?

Please visit <a href="www.southnorthants.gov.uk/compostbins">www.southnorthants.gov.uk/compostbins</a> to learn more about how to get a home composter and tips on how to get the most out of your compost.

**How do I find out more?** Please visit our website at <a href="www.southnorthants.gov.uk">www.southnorthants.gov.uk</a> or email <a href="www.southnorthants.gov.uk">www.southnorthants.gov.uk</a>.

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## Farthinghoe Weight Restriction Action Plan (FWRAP)

Dear All,

I have taken it on myself to start an ACTION PLAN, with the consent of the Parish Council, aimed at reducing the HGV traffic on the A422 through the village.

I do understand that all our preferences would be to have a bypass, but being realistic, that would only be a long term goal, considering the issues with people's personal preferences for the north and south sides of the village. As an alternative, maybe a weight restriction action plan would be one we can all agree to support.

After only living in the village for a short time, it has come apparent to me that the heavy vehicular movement travelling through the village does so at all times of the day, and creates excessive noise, vibration, pollution and slowing up of the traffic to a crawl, with this traffic travelling within 15 inches of a pedestrian on some of the pavements. The noise in the middle of the night is both disturbing and annoying, together with the damage to some of the houses along the road.

I find it unacceptable that Northamptonshire County Council (NCC) wouldn't review the possibility of introducing a weight restriction on the A422, thus negating the rat run for lorries travelling from Brackley A43 to the M40. The road is not a trunk road or a primary route; it is in fact only a principal route, which equates to a county A road. This makes it a lot more feasible for success in the action.

My goal is to raise an Action Plan with all the above points and request that NCC review and hopefully implement our suggestions. I have only just started the research, but need to approach the village to raise the interest so that we can then formulate a strategy to implement.

In view of this, I am looking for assistance in creating this plan with facts, detail and, if possible, evidential proof, to present to NCC to support an action to implement a weight restriction. If you would be keen to help and assist in this action, please could you respond with your name, address, contact details and email, if possible, to either **daveclayts@live.com** or call me on 01295 712208. On receipt of your interest I will forward out some preliminary actions we will need to take together with dates for a meeting.

Dave Clayton—Magnolia Cottage, Main Road, Farthinghoe NN13 5PB



## Minibus and driver for hire: new for 2012!

SNVB (the South Northants Volunteer Bureau) are pleased to announce that as part of Village Networks, a new Lottery-funded project, we have taken delivery of a brand new 16-seater minibus which is available for hire by community, voluntary and non-profit groups.

"So often local groups tell us transport is a real problem", says Nick King, Project Coordinator. "Now we have a solution: a new minibus and trained drivers".

The minibus and driver is operated and insured by SNVB with a section 19 permit. Community groups can apply for membership and once approved can hire the minibus for trips, excursions and events. Terms & conditions apply.

## Details can be found at www.snvb.org.uk - click on the Minibus.

Or for further information, please contact Nick King on 01327 353321 / 358264 or email nick@snvb.org.uk





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## **Farthinghoe School News**

This year marks the 135th anniversary of Farthinghoe School. Our children in Years 5 and 6 have been writing poems to commemorate this milestone. Below are a few examples.

#### The Old School

The school is an old man, still and strong.
Posed by the playground, sturdy after so many years.
Looking through windows, staring at what he can see.
Trees are glistening in the sun, Where he wants to be.

## By Alice Rowe - Year 5

## **Never Neglected**

Time stained cheeks,
Rosy with age.
Scars and open wounds,
skin curling like a crispy page.
A broad goofy grin never turns
upside down. And his large glassy
eyes with a twisted old brow.
The terracotta layering his scalp,
shredding their frostbitten crumbs.
With wispy cobwebs drooping low,
and all the dust from head to toe.
Let he never forget all the
friends that have passed.
For there's always more company
within someone's grasp.

## By Megan Elson - Year 5

#### Lonely child

I'm a lonely child, Left out. Lonely. Knowing the answer, But can never write it down. And when the tears Come from my eyes, When I cry They note my stained Concrete cheeks. But never care The first snowball. The worst snowball I should know, Can never fight back. Here I stand! For 200 years! No one cares about a School.

## By Annabel Wright



## Farthinghoe School News—Vacancies

Farthinghoe School currently has a couple of vacancies for part-time staff.

We are looking to recruit a Mid-Day Supervisor to work 5 hours a week (12pm – 1pm, Monday to Friday, term time only) ensuring the safety and well-being of our pupils during the lunch-time period. This would suit a job-share.

We are also looking to recruit a Special Educational Needs Teaching Assistant to work 25 hours a week, term time only, to support the learning of one of our pupils.

For more information about these roles and an application pack, please contact Fiona Toman, Head Teacher on 01295 710406 or email head@farthinghoe.northants-ecl.gov.uk.

## **Rotas for April**

Week beginning	Church Cleaning	Brass Cleaning
9th April	Mr & Mrs Jarvis	Mrs Pillinger
16th April	Mrs Phipps	Mrs Pillinger
23rd April	Mrs Dashwood	Mrs Redrup
30th April	Mrs Mason	Mrs Redrup

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## **Benefice Worship for April**

	Sun 1 Apr Palm Sunday	Mon 2 Apr Monday of Holy Week	Tues 3 Apr Tuesday of Holy Week	Weds 4 Apr Wednesday of Holy Week	Thurs 5 Apr Maundy Thurs- day
Aynho	11am Holy Communion		7.30pm Compline		
Croughton	9.30am Morning Prayer				7.30pm Holy Communion
Evenley		7.30pm Compline			
Farthinghoe	9.30am Holy Communion			7.30pm Compline	
Hinton-in- the-Hedges	11am Family Worship	11am Family Worship		11am Holy Communion	
	Fri 6 Apr	Sun 8 Apr	Sun 15 Apr	Sun 22 Apr	Sun 29 Apr
	Good Friday	Easter Day	2nd of Easter	3rd of Easter	4th of Easter
Aynho	Good Friday  11am  Family Worship	Easter Day  11am  Holy Communion	2nd of Easter	3rd of Easter 6pm Evening Prayer	4th of Easter  2.30pm  Baptism
Aynho Croughton	11am	11am	2nd of Easter	6pm	2.30pm
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Croughton	11am Family Worship  11am Family Worship in	11am Holy Communion 9.30am Holy Communion	2nd of Easter  10am Holy Communion	6pm Evening Prayer	2.30pm Baptism

## **Dates for your Diary**

Thurs 29 Mar	Diamond Jubilee meeting	7.00pm	Village Hall
Tues 3 Apr	Farthinghoe Friends	2.30pm	Village Hall
Weds 11 Apr	Parish Council meeting	7.00pm	Village Hall
Weds 11 Apr	Annual Parish meeting	8.00pm	Village Hall
Weds 18 Apr	Mothers Union	7.30pm	Bodicote
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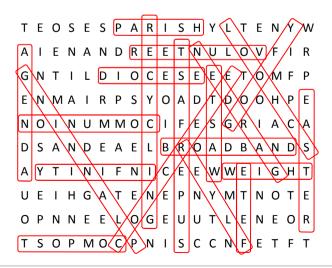
Weds 18 Apr Scrabble Club

3—5 June Diamond Jubilee Celebrations

Sun 8 July Church Fete Farthinghoe Lodge



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## **April at The Fox**

Two Course Lunch For £10
Monday to Friday until the end of April

Tuesday Night is Curry Night £8

Wednesday Night is Ladies Night For just £15

Thursday & Friday are Seafood Specials Nights

Sunday Lunch Noon to 4.00pm

Including our new fixed price 3 course Sunday Lunch at £17.95

## **Easter Holiday Weekend**

We are open as normal throughout the Easter weekend Happy Hour Thursday 6pm to 7pm & Good Friday 5pm to 7pm Kids Easter eggs with Lunch on Sunday Bar Open all day Friday, Saturday. Sunday and Monday

## Our sister companies Hibiscus Floral Design

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