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JANUARY 2021

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St Mary Magdalene Church

Chris Carter

It is with great sadness that we have to let you know of the sad passing of Revd Chris Carter, after a long illness. Chris joined us at here at Tingewick Church in the early 2000's and was a much-loved vicar for more than 10 years. During this time he supported the community in so many ways and was a well-known face at village gatherings, as well as playing an active role in several clubs and societies. Chris was also a member of the Benefice choir and was regularly heard, singing his heart out, at the other churches, as well as ours.

Chris retired in 2013, but he was a regular in the congregation right up until last year. Chris will always be remembered in the village as a kind and thoughtful gentleman, who was an excellent listener and welcomed people into his home to share thoughts and prayers. He will also be remembered as a vicar who delivered thought-provoking sermons that were a pleasure to listen to.

We hope to hold a service to celebrate Chris's life when the world returns to normal, where we can all remember him and the wonderful work he did for our church and village.

Our love, thoughts and prayers are with Chris's wife, Lorraine and their family at this difficult time.

Anthony and Lois Houghton-Brown

Revd Paula, the PCC and everyone at Tingewick church would like to say a huge thank you to Anthony and Lois, who have recently taken the difficult decision to stand down from their role as church wardens.

Anthony first took on the role in 1984 with the late Mary Watkins and has served at several different times in the intervening years, and with a number different vicars, before being joined in later years by Lois. They have both worked tirelessly for the church over the years, and for that we are very grateful.

Lois is continuing as a member of the PCC, so both she and Anthony will still be involved in the life of the church. We wish them both well and thank them for their loyal service.

Food Bank

We are extremely grateful to everyone in the village who has supported our collection for the Buckingham Food Bank. We feel it is such a worthwhile cause, that we plan to continue with this in the coming months. The boxes will remain in the church porch for any donations of non-perishable items that you can spare. The charity are always delighted to receive the goods, especially during these uncertain times. Please help us to help them. Thank you.

Services

Whilst the lockdown continues it is likely that all services will continue to be held on Zoom. Please see our Facebook page for updates.

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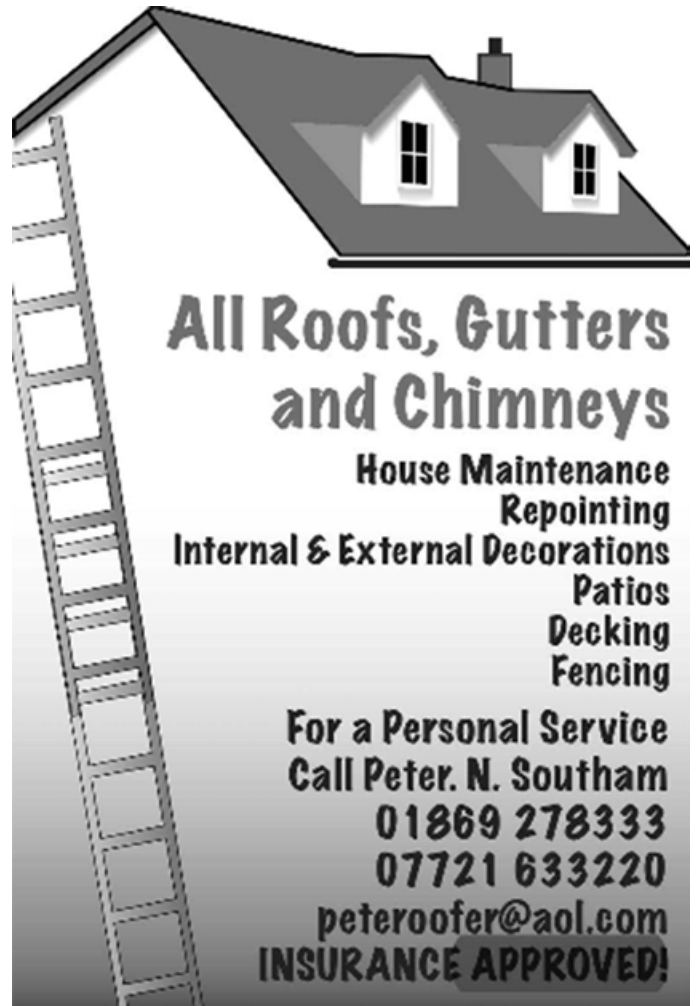
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February's "Connection" Quiz

One word links the 3 clues in each question. The last question links all 9 answers

1. A species of waterfowl / a character found in fairy tales and nursery rhymes / a marching step associated with Germans in WW1.
2. English boy band, hits include One Love and All Rise / Popular nickname of Frank Sinatra / American rock band best known for the singles "Don't Fear The Reaper" and "Burnin' for You".
3. Emily Blunt in a 2018 remake of a 1964 movie classic / Rebecca De Mornay in The Hand That Rocks the Cradle in 1992 / British drama series starring Wendy Craig 1981-83.
4. A species of bird / Trade Union leader, known for supporting rail workers / American singer, had a hit with "Steve McQueen".
5. Played by Ursula Andress in 1962 Bond movie / Bobby Goldsboro song 1968 / A sweet edible food.
6. Irish singer, twice winner of Eurovision Song Contest / alias of X men character Wolverine / 1976 science fiction film starring Michael York & Jenny Agutter.
7. The dry stalks of cereal plants after the grain and chaff have been removed / a small tube / a pale yellow colour.
8. British Prime Minister 1766-1768 / American Indian held in high regard within his tribe / Tree variety where the flowers can be used to make cordial or gin.
9. The murder victim in Cluedo / nickname of the son of Edward III and father of Richard II (1330–1376) / Character in Monty Python & the Holy Grail who guards a bridge over a small stream.
10. What is the connection between the 9 answers?

Answers to January's "Famous Double Acts" quiz

1. Laurel and Hardy
2. The Chuckle Brothers
3. A telephone box
4. The Lightning Seeds
5. Simon & Garfunkel
6. The X Files
7. Lord of the Rings
8. Maurice Ravel
9. Plumbers
10. Dennis the Menace.

TINGEWICK AND WATER STRATFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

NOTICE OF AGM

On Zoom

26TH March 2021 at 7.30 pm

As we may not be able to hold our AGM in Tingewick Village Hall, due to continuing Covid restrictions, we have decided to arrange this on Zoom.

Look out for further information in the next issue of the Tingewick and District News, and on Tingewick Life. E mails will be sent to those we have contact details for.

The Committee



MARTIN HORNSEY

Happy 70th Birthday Martin for February 6th. No wild parties planned, not yet anyway!

Much love to such a great guy,

From Carol and all the family xxx

NEWS FROM WATER STRATFORD

CLEMENTINA GWENDOLINE SIKES

In the late 19th and the first half of the 20th Century, the Sikes family was an integral part of Water Stratford's history. Family members may well be remembered by some who continue to live in Water Stratford.

Clementina Gwendoline Sikes (Tina), the last member of the family to have been born at Water Stratford House, died at her home in Dorset in December 2020 after a long struggle with cancer. Named after her grandmother, who owned Water Stratford House, Tina was born in 1938 and grew up in the village, attending the village school before transferring to Tingewick Primary School. Every Sunday, she attended the church services, sitting in the front pew whilst her Granny played the organ.

Tina's love of Water Stratford was evident throughout her life. She regularly related colourful stories of her own young life and those of her grandmother and her great uncles and aunts who lived at Water Stratford House. In the 1930s and 40s the trains still trundled their way over the bridge in the village; traffic was limited to very few cars a day, and this offered plenty of opportunities to play safely. The river was used as the local swimming pool during lengthy warm summer days and outings were limited to shopping trips to Buckingham in the pony and trap. Tina was one of the last to remember a bygone age of rural life.

Mary (Tina's friend)

Richard and I were fortunate to be friendly with Tina and Mary for the last few years, for us hearing wonderful stories about the history of our home and village has been very special, we shall miss Tina and her good humour greatly.

*Susan Ford
Water Stratford House*

Tina was the great granddaughter of John Sikes of Water Stratford House and granddaughter of 'Granny' Sikes who was our churchwarden and organist for many years. Tina created and gave us the harvest banner that hangs over the organ in memory of her own baptism and childhood here. She also helped compile a local history for the village website. I especially enjoyed her telling how she would shoot air rifle pellets at the Old School bell to make it ping. We offer our sympathy to Mary and Tina's other friends.

Mike Edwards

REVEREND CHRIS CARTER

It is very sad to record the death of Revd Chris Carter. We were fortunate that he and Lorraine chose to move to Tingewick in retirement (perhaps a misnomer), and that Chris followed his calling to the priesthood, so that we in Water Stratford were able

to benefit from his ministry and friendship. Some of us were privileged to work closely with him during the vacancy that led to Revd Liz's appointment, and valued his thoughtful, unobtrusive and good-humoured leadership. The process of selection and training for ordination is a challenging one – rightly so, Chris believed. He soon became a well-loved Non-Stipendiary Minister and a wonderful support to Liz, giving generously of his time and talents in leading reverent yet relaxed services, and providing empathetic pastoral care to people of all ages. From its beginning, Chris was an enthusiastic member of the benefice choir, which has much enhanced the quality of our worship. We remember him with affection and respect, and send sympathy to Lorraine and her family, and to the Tingewick community, in their great loss. 'Forever with the Lord.'

Sara Edwards

UNUSUAL CAROL SERVICE

Our Carol Service, led by Rev'd Paula, took place on the 18th December, and was as usual, a lovely Christmas gathering. This year, owing to COVID restrictions, it had to be a little different, and was a service of two halves. The first half inside the church for pre-booked places, with readings, prayers and carols' music but no singing, and the second half, outside in the churchyard where we could be a larger number joined by other parishioners, with readings, prayers and carol singing!

The church looked lovely with beautiful Christmas flower arrangements from Susan and a pretty tree from Chris H decorated in full sparkle mode by Nicky with children helpers. Special thanks, too, to Guy for organising and putting the service together and for providing charming lanterns for the churchyard, and to Sara D for playing the organ.

Di Ricketts

NO CAROL SINGING

A 'socially distanced Water Stratford choir' planned to sing carols at various locations in the village, to bring us Christmas cheer and raise money for 'Crisis'. They had great ideas to stay 2m apart and sing safely; it was disappointing for them and for all of us that the event had to be cancelled because of the worsening pandemic. However, people still made donations to the charity, raising at least £220, so all was not lost. Thanks to Fiona and the other potential singers, and to generous villagers. We hope to hear our choir next year!

CHURCH NEWS

The service schedule has been suspended as a result of the Covid situation; announcements about future services will be on the church noticeboard. Sarah will compile a rota for cleaning and flowers once the schedule resumes. Please contact the Rector, Churchwarden or any PCC member if you have a prayer request or know of a pastoral need.

Sara Edwards

**DRAFT Minutes of the meeting of Tingewick Parish Council,
held remotely on Thursday 7th January 2021 at 7.00pm.**

Apologies: Cllr Charlie Clare, Cllr Pat Swinburne and Cllr Richard Fenemore.

617 Declarations of Interest: None.

618 Minutes: To consider the approval of the minutes of the last meeting held 03-12-2020.
Proposed: Cllr Hornsey Seconded: Cllr Maxwell APPROVED

OPEN FORUM: - *There were no residents in attendance.*

619 Unitary Authority Councillor's Reports

Cllr Patrick Fealey advised that he had spoken to Mr Andrew Waugh from the Buckinghamshire Council Flood Management team about the recent flooding in Tingewick. He is aware that Cllr Lightfoot and Cllr Hornsey will be meeting with Mr Waugh and other representatives from the appropriate authorities on Friday 15th January 2021.

Cllr Lightfoot confirmed that she has a detailed list of all the owners of the 23 houses affected and the specific damage done to each one. This has also been sent to BC Flood Management team as a formal record of the event.

Cllr Fealey added this will also form part of the Section 19 Order, which may take as long as ten months to complete. Anglian Water's CCTV footage will also contribute to this.

Cllr Fealey reminded that with school's closed until the middle of February, Buckinghamshire Council is offering support to families who need equipment for home-schooling and giving out laptops. If there are any children or families that you are aware of who need support, please get in touch with the child/ren's school.

Cllr Fealey advised that there is a consultation out at the moment for a new prison at Grendon Underwood, information can be found online for those interested.

Cllr Robin Stuchbury advised that on Monday night he will be going to Council about the money Mr Dean Jones raised. He is conscious that it has to go through the proper accounting system to be eligible and wishes to make the money available out beyond Buckingham.

Cllr Stuchbury has passed on information to Cllr Lightfoot, provided by the Buckingham Town Clerk, about funds possibly available from the Heart of England.

Cllr Stuchbury will be joining Cllrs Lightfoot and Hornsey on the 15th, to meet with the other authorities about the recent flood and hopes that they will find something that is both constructive and workable so that a plan can be made and a route can be worked through to establish who we believe is responsible.

Cllr Stuchbury went to cabinet on Tuesday to raise the issue, they are going to raise a Section 29 Order. Cllr Fealey clarified that the Section 19 Order is additional to the other orders being raised in Buckingham. Cllr Stuchbury added that cabinet member Nick Naylor responded that there will be a proper investigation.

Cllr Stuchbury's motion to cabinet about social housing was agreed with a slight amendment. Information from Children Services today advised that mental stress around young people is immense at this time.

Cllr Stuchbury advised that that cabinet had a budget meeting, which is publicly available. Residents can go online and see what is predicted for your council tax. Buckinghamshire Council has a five-year capital program and a one-year revenue program.

Following a Covid meeting, Cllr Stuchbury can say that people in council are trying to push to get the best for Buckinghamshire, trying to get things moving.

620 Matters Arising:

- *Item 579 – Councillors Reports: Flashing lights for school
Cllr Lightfoot has worked with Aylesbury Mains and identified two posts to fix the flashing lights to; a price has been agreed for the works and we are just waiting for a date for the installation.*

Cllr Lightfoot advised that this was scheduled for the second week of January and that she will follow up with Aylesbury Mains to confirm.

Advisory letters of this installation will be sent to the 2 properties nearest the lights as a courtesy. The Old Police House and The Old Bakery.

- *Item 615 – Tree Planting Project*

Cllr Lightfoot advised Gill Barstow and “I Dig Trees” want to plant 2021 trees in Buckinghamshire. The trees come in packs of 50, they are donated and there is a team who will plant them so there is no cost to the Village. TPC has signed us up for one pack.

Gill will be invited to join the PC in January 2021 to discuss the initiative in further detail.

Cllr Lightfoot has information about the trees that she will forward to the other Councillors, Gill will be invited to join the PC in February 2021.

Planting is planned for March – April.

621 Planning – There were no planning applications to consider.

622 Accounts

To consider the list of payments as presented to the meeting.

Proposed: Cllr Lightfoot

Seconded: Cllr Hornsey

APPROVED

623 Councillors’ Reports and Items for Future Agenda

For each Councillor to report matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda, to agree urgent actions and to raise items for future agendas.

- Cllr Lightfoot – Street Lighting & Defibrillator.

Cllr Lightfoot advised that Bovis has not finalised the process for handing over the street lighting yet to the Parish Council.

Cllr Newman commented that there have been issues with residents being billed for exterior lights and that the Bovis Management Committee SDL stated that the official handover to them is probably quite some time away.

De fib checked and all good and working.

Cllr Lightfoot reminded everyone that the “Tingewick in 2020” book is now available for purchase and at £15 is a wonderful memento of the significant year in our village history.

- Cllr Hornsey – Playgrounds, Footways and Street Furniture.

Nothing new to report.

Cllr Maxwell advised that there are new road signs on, Church Lane, Water Stratford Road and Sandpit Hill.

- Cllr Swinburne – Cemetery, Grass Cutting and Special Projects.

Nothing new to report.

- Cllr Fenemore – Recreation Ground.

Nothing new to report.

Cllr Lightfoot commented that it was lovely to see people using the new trim trail equipment.

- Cllr Maxwell – Roads.

Cllr Maxwell has reported the pothole at the bottom of Church Lane, which has already been marked out. He has chased TfB about the bollards on Main Street and was advised that TfB is chasing the lighting team. Cllr Maxwell added that he has taken a photo of the manhole in the middle of the road in front of school, he will report this also but warns that it would most likely need a road closure for repairs.

- Cllr Newman – Footpaths and Pond.

Nothing new to report at this stage, everyone is aware of the pond flooding recently.

624 Correspondence

a) Circus Ginnett, would like to visit Finmere Airfield around May 2021 for 1 week. The Councillors noted that the Circus would have to contact the landowner for permission but in principle they all think it is a really good idea for the village and hope the restrictions are eased by then for the event.

625 Tingewick Community Park Trust Update (standing item)

No new information at this time – still waiting for Beal to respond to the reports previously submitted

626 December 2020 Flood

Zoom meeting held Monday 4th Jan. Cllr Lightfoot sent through an overview of the discussion. Cllr Lightfoot and Cllr Hornsey will be meeting on 15th January with Buckinghamshire Council, Anglian Water, Flood Management Department and Transport for Bucks for a Village walk around. They will be making sure that all the fields that flooded are being maintained by the landowners. Cllr Lightfoot had a conversation this afternoon with a resident on Barton Road, who advised there was water excess in the field behind him and the pond up at West Well Business Park was very overgrown. Apparently, all the ditches in this area are very neglected and overgrown. He is building an extension to his home and found a brick culvert there and noted that it was made in the same way as the one that was pictured on Tingewick Life. The resident said that he also spoke to the site manager at the time the houses were being built at Tithe Meadow, as the site manager was trying to ascertain where to put the water run-off from the development.

Cllr Lightfoot will ask Anglian Water to put their CCTV up there too to check all the connections are secure and sound.

Cllr Hornsey advised that he had a look at part of Zoom meeting and noted that the man from Anglian Water kept talking about a sewer running into the ditch, which is technically the correct term but Cllr Hornsey wanted to clarify that the sewer referred to was for clear water; the foul runs into a different system.

627 Tingewick Emergency Response Team

This team has been put together in response to the recent flood. Many members of the community have volunteered to help in the event of any future emergencies.

Racking will be erected in the chapel building at the cemetery as it is a dry space; Cllr Hornsey has measured it up. Sandbags, sand and ties are needed urgently along with other items; water pumps, hoses, wheelbarrows, drain keys, brooms, snow shovels etc.

The PC will pay for these items initially and then be reimbursed from the Crisis Fund provided by Buckinghamshire Council.

628 The Great British Spring Clean, 28 May - 13 June 2021

Clerk advised that the next Great British Spring Clean has been announced, the event will be running nationally between 28 May and 13 June.

TPC will arrange a Tidy Tingewick, litter picking event, for Sunday 13th June 2021 which can be run in accordance with Covid restrictions but the PC hope that restrictions are lifted enough that we can host refreshments for our volunteers after the litter picking.

628 Date of next Meeting:

The next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed for Thursday 4th February 2021 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed: 20:45