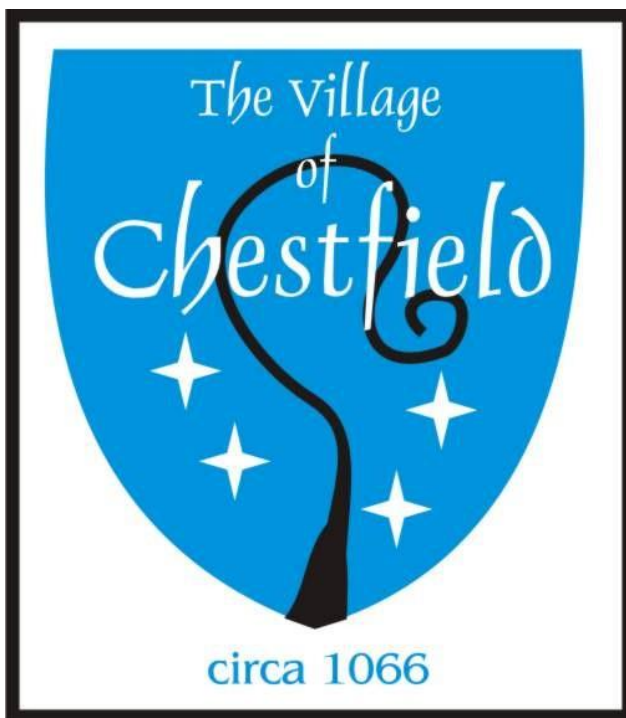




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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

As the old saying goes, 'time flies'.... which brings us nicely into the first edition of the year, so without further ado – may I wish you all a very happy, if not belated, New Year !

You will all recall that last year concluded with the refusal of the proposed Bodkin Farm planning application by the City Planners. We were very mindful at the time that our friends at Eton College would appeal against this decision by way of a public enquiry, and indeed this week we have received confirmation that the date for this is likely to be set for August at the Guildhall in Canterbury (the actual date and time will be confirmed in the June magazine). It is expected to last for approximately eight days – so essentially that's this year's holiday booked then!!

In this regard, we have concluded that there is very little that we should add to our original (successful) objection to this proposed development, except to confirm that our stance stands – however, we would point out this time we now stand firmly shoulder to shoulder with Canterbury City Council in opposition. It will be an interesting time, and of course we will endeavour to keep you all regularly updated by way of small 'news shots' placed on the notice boards.

There was one other event that took place on Christmas Eve last year though, and that was that my partner Karen and I finally became Mr & Mrs! We received many lovely messages and good wishes from so many of you all, so may I (or should I say 'we') thank each and every one of you – it really meant a lot!

This year will sadly see the departure of our much loved colleague Len Claisse, who has taken the decision after 16 years of service to stand down from the parish council at this year's four yearly elections in May. Len has been essentially 'been there, done that', and has without doubt worn more than one tee shirt during his time with the parish council. I would like to thank Len on behalf of all residents of

Chestfield, both past and present, for his unstinting service to the village.

One of our main projects last year was to refurbish the ball court next to the rugby club. The broken fences have either been replaced or re-tensioned, and the gate repaired. We have also installed a basketball net. Although it was originally planned to keep the existing surface, the rugby club themselves have purchased an all-weather surface, which is currently under installation. Whilst the rugby club will be hiring out this area to various club leagues during evening times, the court will be open for free public use at all other times.

Speaking of the rugby club, we are in negotiation with the rugby club to hold a monthly village club night. Many of you will have already attended the club for a quiz night, and therefore you will see the potential of this. The rugby club have introduced a family member subscription, which will entitle holders to discounted bar prices – for more details of this, please contact the rugby club directly, or simply pop in during one of the practice evenings.

We are currently planning the next quiz night, and hope to hold these on a regular basis throughout the year – these will probably be interspersed with other planned social events organised by the rugby club, all of which will be advertised and open to all residents subject to booking.

So that's the quiz nights and social evenings all sorted then – although we may well set aside a special evening at the end of August depending on how certain things go at the Guildhall !!

Best Regards

Steve

Your photos for a Chestfield History Calendar

Do you have photographs from before 2000 that show Chestfield places or events? The History Society is planning an illustrated Calendar for 2016. We already have photos from the 1920s and 30s and would like to contrast them with others that show how Chestfield has changed. We also have a number of sketches dating from before the Second World War and would like to add to them.

Being a History Society, we search out and study evidence of the way people used to live. Fortunately we can go back in time with increasing confidence, such as the horse and trap rides to South Street railway halt, long before our current railway station was even thought of, but we also want to explore more recent times - like what Christopher Scoble calls the "bungalowisation" of Chestfield as it changed from the earlier developments of mock tudor villas and golfing cottage second homes, or the times before the Barn became a Public House and there was nowhere to drink in Chestfield outside the Golf Club. If you belong to a local sports club or social group you may have photos or written material showing what people were doing, or planning, or concerned about, a generation or two ago.

Changes are not confined to the past. Right now we have just seen a transformation to Grasmere Road beyond the bridge over Swale Brook. Do you have any pictures of how the road used to look? Also Chestfield continues to produce a rich source of examples of how domestic architecture changes steadily as the decades pass. If you have pictures of any houses, including your own, that show changes we'd want to include them in our stock, and that goes for interiors as well as outside views.

You can contact us either via our website (www.chestfield.weebly.com) or through Councillor Ellis or Councillor Brealey whose contact details are in this Parish magazine.

New warding arrangement for Chestfield

From May 2015, the number of councillors elected to Canterbury City Council will reduce from 50 to 39. This means some wards in the Canterbury district have been adjusted, including Chestfield.

Chestfield and Swalecliffe have become two separate wards and the boundaries go beyond the traditional parish ones. The new ward includes Swale Park, The Halt, Golden Hill and the north side of South Street and the new polling station will be All Saint's Hall in Church Street.

The reduction in the number of city councillors was proposed after staff numbers were also reduced. It will reduce the cost of politics and improve the fairness of voting for electors.

The next elections in May 2015 will mark the introduction of the new boundaries.

Date for your diary! Annual Parish Meeting Monday 27 April 2015

All residents are invited to the Chestfield Annual Parish Meeting, which is to be held on Monday, 27 April 2015 at 7.30 p.m. at the W I Hall, Chestfield Road, Chestfield.

The format of the evening will be to receive the Chairman's report followed by five-minute 'slots' from each local organisation representative to give updates from their preceding year – come along and hear what's happening in your village!

Doors open from 7pm. Light refreshments afterwards.

Be a responsible dog owner - Please pick up after your dog – he would if he could. Make our fields and paths safe for use by all by doing so, and don't rely on someone else picking up your mess.

Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) – an update and a plea

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our dozen or so volunteer co-ordinators throughout the village. The neighbourhood watch scheme is a valuable free service that keeps signed up residents informed of incidents in the vicinity.

Gaps / road in Chestfield not covered by NHW:

We believe that Radfall Hill (not Radfall Ride which is covered), Old Fold, The Ridgeway, The Leas, Molehill Road, The Ridings, Bridewell Park, Share & Coulter Road, Polo Way and some of Chestfield Road is not covered by any active scheme.

Could you volunteer to be a co-ordinator for your road? You would receive email alerts and be asked to forward them on to your neighbours who have signed up with you to receive them. These alerts will include details of incidents, thefts, scams and trading standards alerts. If you would like more information please contact the Clerk.

Scams

The website **www.hoax-slayer.com** has up to date information about current scams. Any residents who have been subjected to any recent scams, please let the Clerk have the details to publicise to others on the village noticeboards.

Blue Badge applications that could make you see Red



Third party websites are cashing in on 'Blue Badge' applicants who choose, maybe unwittingly, to use their services to renew or acquire a disabled parking badge. A number of third party websites are charging up to £50 to process Blue Badge applications which, in England, should cost just £10. So if you don't want to pay about £40 over the odds for the privilege of having a company apply for a badge on your behalf visit the following official Council link to make your application:

<http://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/travelling-around-kent/parking/disabled-parking-blue-badge/apply-for-a-blue-badge>

Lifeline – the gift of Independence

With the average age of our population steadily increasing year on year, and more of us than ever wanting to stay in our own homes as we get older rather than face life in a care home, it is no wonder that an increasing number are thinking about provision of monitoring services for loved ones.

Canterbury City Council's Lifeline service can offer peace of mind 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The Lifeline alarm pendant or bracelet will automatically call their monitoring centre at the touch of a button. A trained operator will quickly respond to the call, providing anything from a reassuring ear to obtaining help from family members or the emergency services.

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- Free installation;
- Repair or replacement service if something should go wrong with your Lifeline unit.

What does it cost?

The service, including Operator assistance and rental of the equipment, breaks down to approximately £2.83 a week (excluding VAT). There are no installation costs.

Emergency key holders

Users of the service need to have either:

- Two emergency keyholders, or
- One emergency key holder and a fitted keysafe. Lifeline can arrange installation of a key safe for a small charge. Alternatively you can arrange fitting independently.

Further information

To book a free in-home demonstration or ask about installation, call Lifeline at Canterbury City Council on 01227 862 540, email equalities@canterbury.gov.uk , or complete an online application at www.canterbury.gov.uk/lifeline .

Annual Parking Review 2014 - Proposal for extended double yellow lines in Plantation Road and Share & Coulter Road, Chestfield

At the request and concern of some residents the parish council asked Canterbury City Council to extend the existing double yellow lines in Plantation Road and Share and Coulter Road, at their junction with Chestfield Road. The proposals have now been considered by the Annual Review Panel. This panel comprised the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Joint Transportation Board, the Executive member for Transportation, the Council's Enforcement Manager and other officers.

Unfortunately the panel decided not to take any further action regarding the Parish Council's proposals above. The reason for their decision is that they do not consider that the proposals are justified because there is already a sufficient length of yellow lines on each of these junctions.

Pilgrims Hospices Rainbow Ride and Stride

Back by popular demand, the Rainbow Ride and Stride will be taking place for the 2nd year running! Join in a springtime cycle ride, dog walk or ramble along the scenic Great Stour Way from the Pilgrims Hospice in Canterbury to Chartham village hall and back. The route is a total of 8 miles long, however people are encouraged to take part in as little or as much as they would like! Decorate yourself, your dog, your bike, scooter or pushchair in your brightest rainbow colours- with prizes being given for the best fancy dress.

Refreshments and cake will be served at Chartham, and don't forget to put your hand print on the wall to show you've finished!

This is an event for everyone; families, friends, children and dogs.

Please dress in every colour of the rainbow; red and yellow and pink and green, purple and orange and blue!

For further details see www.pilgrimshospices.org

Event details:

Sunday 22nd March 2015- 10.30am

£5 in advance, £7 on the day

Contact: rosie.bell@pilgrimshospices.org

Telephone: 01227 812621

Events at Whitstable Rugby Football Club, Reeves Way

20 March 2015: Michael Buble Tribute Evening 7:30pm, £10 per ticket

24 April 2015: Race Night 7pm

The Club now has BT Sport, and will also be showing all England games in the forthcoming Rugby World Cup. The club is open to all members and non-members if they would like to come along.

Their new Residents Membership costs £30 per year and this will entitle the membership holder to a 20% discount at the bar.

Please donate an hour of your time for Battersea Dogs and Cats Home



Battersea Dogs & Cats Home is organising two bucket collections in your area. Funds raised will help to care for and rehome the many dogs and cats that arrive at their doors in London, Brands Hatch and Windsor every day. These events are only possible with the help of people like you. Please can you donate one hour of your time to collect for Battersea?

The collections will take place on:

Wednesday 8th April 2015 at Canterbury Garden Centre on Canterbury Road, 11am to 3pm, and Saturday 23rd May 2015 at Canterbury Chartham Garden Centre on Ashford Road, 11am to 3pm

Volunteers will be briefed prior to the event, so all you need to do is arrange your collection time and then show up on the day and grab a bucket! The Home receives no government funding and this year needs to raise over £18m through voluntary donations, so your help will be much appreciated.

If you'd like to make a difference for animals in this fun and simple way, please contact Battersea's Regional Community Fundraiser, Victoria Lawrence on 07590 173456 or at v.lawrence@battersea.org.uk. Thank you.

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Chestfield Youth Club

Open to young people aged 10-18, the club runs every first and third Thursday of each month, at the WI hall Chestfield Road. Winter sessions run 6.30pm-8pm and summer sessions 6.30pm to 8.30pm. All welcome!

There will be a Christmas break with the last session 4 December and the Club resuming in the new year from 15 January 2015.

A small subscription of £1 per child per session applies.

We are always looking for more volunteers to help run sessions - you need to be over 18 and enthusiastic about young people - for more details contact the youth club leaders by email **chestfield.youthclub@gmail.com** or via the parish council Clerk.

The boring bit: Please note a Registration form with your details and emergency contact details, signed by a parent/guardian will be required.

These will be available at the sessions or contact the Clerk, Amanda Sparkes, on 01227 773121 or clerk@chestfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk

Walk 4 Water 2015 – 20th March 2015

Now an annual event, the Rotary Club of Chestfield involve local primary schools from Whitstable, Herne Bay and Canterbury to take part by walking 6km carrying 6 litres of water in a back pack in support of Children in developing countries that do this every day to support their families but in doing so often miss out on school.



Sponsorship raised will go to a Water and Sanitation project in Malawi following on from a previous project that helped over 40,000 people receive clean water and sanitation by providing local projects and training that the villages then own, develop, maintain and expand themselves making it a truly sustainable project. If you would like to make a donation contact David Mann on dsmann50@msn.com



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Canterbury City Council's afternoon appointment system

With an aim to cut the queues at the city council offices in Military Road, the city council has moved to a pre-booked appointments system only in the afternoons, for all housing needs, planning, council tax and benefits enquiries. This means people can book a time that suits them without needing to wait.

The new system started on 1 December 2014. Afternoon appointments are available between 2pm and 5pm and can be booked by calling 01227 862 148 or popping in to the Military Road offices. People can still drop in with enquiries about these services in the mornings.

Parking related enquiries and emergency homelessness enquiries are not covered by the appointment system. Residents can continue to drop in about these any time between 8.30am and 5pm. More information is available at www.canterbury.gov.uk/appointments



Police Contact Points - Discuss any policing issues with a local neighbourhood officer; Get expert crime prevention advice; Have your say on local policing; or pick up a free crime prevention item (subject to availability). Police contact points are available fortnightly on Thursdays at B&Q car park, Chestfield. From 5pm-6pm. Further details on the initiative, locations, dates and timings are available online at

http://www.kent.police.uk/contact_us/police_contact_points/police_contact_points.html If anyone is unable to access the internet and would like more details contact the Clerk.

Contact Kent Police on the website **www.kent.police.uk** On twitter **@kentpolicecbury** . Call **999** in an emergency, or if you are deaf or speech-impaired, text 'Police' and your message to **60066**, or call **101** to report a non-urgent crime or contact your local officer

Help for Heroes Big Battlefield Bike Ride 2015

Last year Chestfield woman, Sophie Brace, 28, an LSA at Swalecliffe CP School, cycled 335 miles from Brussels to Paris to raise funds for Help for Heroes and now she is preparing to do it all over again.

From 14 – 21 June, Sophie will be cycling 450 miles from Paris to London via the Normandy beaches on Help for Heroes Big Battlefield Bike Ride 2015. The team of 250 riders will be visiting a number of battlefields and memorials en route to pay their respects.



She will be riding alongside wounded service men and women who have suffered life changing mental and physical injuries and who have all benefitted from Help for Heroes assistance.

Sophie says, “The 2014 ride was exceptionally challenging in many ways, but I had the privilege of meeting some truly inspirational people and enjoying some once in a lifetime opportunities. I am looking forward to meeting old friends and making new ones, but the extra miles on this year’s ride will make it even more challenging. This year the ride is particularly special to me as, aged 19, my grandfather was involved in the Normandy invasion and we will be stopping at some of the D-Day landing sites, including Gold beach where he landed. It will be an emotional experience for me to see the area where he fought while travelling alongside those currently serving”

Sophie is aiming to raise £2500 and would appreciate any help you can give. Sponsor her online at www.justgiving.com/sophiebrace1 or by texting BB8R87 followed by the amount you wish to donate e.g. BB8R87 £5 to 70070.

Letters to the council

Thank you to the team!

I would like to convey my sincere thanks for all the efforts the Parish Council team have made during 2014.

I can only begin to imagine how hard they all work for often so little recognition. The issues relating to the Eton College planning application are complex and indeed politically sensitive and therefore particularly difficult to approach.

I personally object to the planning application and as such am very relieved that the first was rejected in such a way. I understand the college will appeal and I remain hopeful of it being rejected yet again. May I simply offer the whole team my heartfelt thanks and I am sure I speak for all the residents of our beautiful village. I wish you all happiness, peace and health in the coming year.

Name and address supplied

Seagulls – still a topic of concern

Re the letter in the recent Parish Magazine - The southern part of the Parish is not close to the sea and to see one or two gulls gliding across a clear blue sky is one thing but to have flocks of the screaming things over ones garden dropping their filth everywhere is a different matter.

Residents who feed these birds are being very antisocial not to mention attracting other vermin such as rats and mice.

In the next issue please can residents think about their neighbours and not feed gulls as the breeding season turns them very aggressive.

Name and address supplied

Changes to Number 5 bus service – why?

Some residents had concerns about the No 5 service from Chestfield to Canterbury since the route changed in September 2014.

Previously, the bus would go through St Stephen's down to the mini roundabout before Sainsbury/Kingsmead and turn right, past Barretts and Kings School, and down to the next mini roundabout, and then turn right and along Station Road West (crucially stopping at the West station), then up St Dunstan's and along London Road, past the

hospice, then left down to the Tannery development roundabout, and along Rheims Way, stopping on the left just past the Aldi roundabout – crucially giving access to the East train station. The No 5 route now travels past Sainsbury superstore at Kingsmead and round to the bus station in the completely different direction. This means that people now can no longer get easy access to either the West or East train station or the Hospice.

The Clerk asked Stagecoach for their comments on this change and the thinking behind it. The Operations Manager of Stagecoach gave the following reply:

Since buses stopped going through the Westgate Towers in March 2012, the route for the service 5 had to be extended via St Dunstan's Street, London Road and Rheims Way. As a result of this lengthy diversion route we saw a continuing loss in the number of passengers using this service.

The buses on this route were not earning enough money to operate the cost of the route, in order to address this quickly, we had two options, 1) to reduce the frequency of the service 5 to every 2 hours or 2) to choose a shorter route into the Bus Station. We looked at some of the reasons why previous passengers had left our service and the majority wanted a shorter journey. which is what we have now done. We hope that this will be successful in increasing users. If it is not then we will reconsider what we do, and another option would be to run via Forty Acres Road and London Road in Canterbury, bringing buses closer to both stations and St Dunstan's Street.

We are continuing to monitor this service very closely and will review it's routing in the very near future.

A rare site - a very special Squirrel

After reading the above article in the December 2014 magazine (about the white squirrel in the village), I thought that I would let you know that my wife and I also saw the squirrel but not just one, but two and both white!

We were on our way to the channel tunnel early (5.30am) one morning at the end of July and 2 white squirrels came running across the road right opposite the Chestfield Golf course car park (the one on the main road).

Name and address supplied

Inconsiderate and dangerous parking on Chestfield Road

I am aware that you have received communications from other residents in the area of the WI Hall and I would just like to add a further comment.

When the hall is in use, car parking extends along Chestfield Road to opposite the recreation area on the green. Not only on one side but a few drivers then decide to make life even more difficult by parking on the other side- thereby creating a chicane. Many times we have seen ambulances and buses trying to negotiate these hazards. It often results in long queues because once one vehicle has managed to pass the obstacles then no-one is prepared to "give way".

The residents themselves have problems getting out of their drives as the cars are parked either side of their driveways. They have no clear view of any traffic coming until they have got the bonnet of their car out into the middle of the road which obviously is extremely dangerous. There is a slight bend in the road which blocks any views of oncoming traffic. I would also add that children using the playground have to walk into the road to see what is coming.

This is a major road which is heavily used and unfortunately with the parking problems it is an accident waiting to happen. Although there are yellow lines outside the hall and a short way beyond The Leas (none of which appear to be adhered to) I feel the lines should at least be extended on both sides of the road up to Polo Way.

Name and address supplied

Editor's note - the suggestion for extending yellow lines is going to the 9 March parish council meeting for discussion and consideration. However, any subsequent request for double yellow lines is passed to Canterbury City Council who do an annual list of requests that go out to consultation and then get considered by the Joint Transportation Board. They don't always get implemented – the parish council's recent request in another location was refused.

What to do in an Emergency

Fire

- Be Prepared - Reduce fire hazards. Contact Kent Fire and Rescue Service on 0800 9237000 or visit www.kent.fire-uk.org for free home safety advice
- Fit and maintain smoke alarms – at least one on every floor (Check batteries every week)
- Plan an escape route should fire break out at night (most fire deaths occur while people are sleeping)
- Consider storing important documents in a fire-proof safe
- Don't overload electricity sockets
- Never leave cooking unattended

If fire breaks out

- Get out
- Stay out
- DO NOT use a lift
- Dial 999 and follow the advice of the Fire Service
- If you're moving or trapped in smoke, stay close to the floor where the air is cleaner
- Never re-enter your home until the Fire and Rescue Service has made it safe

High Winds

- Be Prepared
- Secure or store loose objects outside that could blow into windows
- Close and fasten doors and windows securely
- Park vehicles in a garage or well away from trees, buildings, walls and fences

During High Winds

- Stay indoors as much as possible – don't go outside to repair damage during a storm
- Find shelter in a substantial, permanent, enclosed building
- Slow down if driving on exposed routes, such as across bridges
- Find alternative, less exposed routes if possible
- Take particular care of side winds if driving a high-sided vehicle or if you're towing another vehicle or container
- Don't touch electrical or phone cables that have blown down or are hanging loose

ELECTRICITY FAILURE

Be Prepared

- Make sure your home is well insulated. It could stay warm for 12 hours or more in a power cut
- Keep at least one standard landline phone – cordless phones won't work in a power cut
- Don't open fridges any longer than necessary. They'll normally stay cold for many hours
- Register with your utility provider if you think you are vulnerable

If you suffer a power cut

- Check if your neighbours have lost services too. If others are affected it makes a difference to what you should do
- If it is a general power cut, contact your supplier to report the fault and ask for information
- If your neighbours still have electricity and only you have lost power then:
 - If you have a pre-pay meter, check you still have credit
 - Check your trip switch (a circuit breaker fuse system – it will be near your electricity meter). If the trip switch is still on, call your supplier's emergency line for your area
 - If the trip switch is off, switch it back on
 - If it switches back off, one appliance may be faulty. Unplug them all and reset the trip
 - If only one part of your supply has failed and the trip won't reset, there may be a fault with your wiring, so contact a registered electrician.
- If you lose power for a prolonged period, take precautions to stay safe:
 - Be wary using candles, naked flames and portable heating.
 - Never leave lit candles in unoccupied rooms or with unsupervised children or animals.

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- ✓ Regular text message or phone updates during a power cut
- ✓ A welcome booklet
- ✓ Extra support from the British Red Cross to visit their home during an emergency (**UK Power Networks** will check with them first)

Help UK Power Networks inform and protect residents during a power cut

We would like to encourage eligible customers to sign up to the Priority Services Register so UK Power Networks can get them the support they need. Apply at www.ukpowernetworks.co.uk/priority • Email psr@ukpowernetworks.co.uk

Contact UK Power Networks 24 hours a day: **Text POWER and your postcode to 80876, visit www.ukpowernetworks.co.uk/powercut and note their new number to call during a power cut 0800 31 63 105 or 0333 32 32 105 (if calling from a mobile)**

Chestfield Warriors Table Tennis update

Hi - a date for your diaries!

We have now got a date for our fund-raising Quiz Night and it is Friday March 20th 2015, 7 for 7:30pm.

We would like to invite you and your friends/team-mates/club/colleagues to help us by coming to our very first Quiz Night to help us raise funds for our club. Tables of 8 please, if you have too many or too few, it's not a problem as we will be able to slot everyone in quite easily. You can have as many tables as you want. Entry to the event is just £5 per person, more details to follow, but just for the moment, please put the date in your diaries.

Also, if you can go to our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/Chestfield.warriors

there is an invitation there to Join this event, please register and whilst you're there, maybe Like And Follow our page if you haven't already done so? Once you've done that you will be notified of any updates on the club and this event and future events

May I take this opportunity of thanking absolutely everyone for all the support and kind comments we have received since the opening of the club and hopefully we can all look forward to a successful 2015! Happy New Year!

Kind regards
Linda Wickings
Club Secretary
Chestfield Warriors Table Tennis Club
07802 155993

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Become a member of the 200 Club – Your chance to help support Chestfield Warriors Table Tennis Club in their new venue

How does a 200 Club work?

Simple, each member pays £4 per month to stand a chance of winning a pay out. You can have as many goes as you like. A copy of the Rules is available on request

In a 200 Club, every month, there will be 2 prizes, 1st prize £100, 2nd prize £50.

In December one lucky member will receive £500 and a further pay out of £1,000 is awarded to someone in April.

Should the membership increase to over 250 then the prizes will go up accordingly

If you would like to register your interest in the scheme please contact John Wickings jwickings@gmail.com or by post to: 200 Club, J Wickings, 51 Chestfield Road, Whitstable, Kent CT5 3LD

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DIARY DATES

Amanda Sparkes – Clerk to the Council

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

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Please note that the full minutes and most appendices are available at each meeting for members of the public

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The next meetings are: 09 March 2015, 13 April, 27 April 2015 – the elector's meeting / Annual Parish Meeting, 11 May, 8 June, 29 June – extra meeting due to changes in July: No meeting in July – summer recess, 10 August, 14 September, 12 October, 09 November and 14 December 2015.

CHESTFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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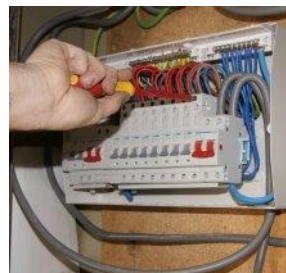
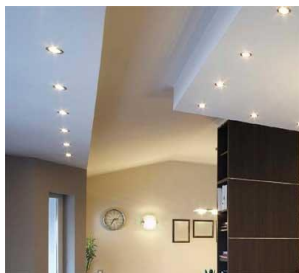
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