GRAPEVINE JANUARY 2022 EAST FARLEIGH





URGENT APPEAL FOR A NEW GRAPEVINE EDITOR

We are looking for a new editor or editors to take over the Grapevine each month and hopefully aim to create a much better and exciting publication for all its readers!

The physical making of the Grapevine is extremely easy if you have basic IT skills and it doesn't take up much time at all. We are looking to source more news, articles and pictures to bring it up to a decent standard for printing each month.

If you are interested and would be kind enough to help, please contact me and I can provide more details about what it entails.

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1th December Burial of Ashes - Susannah McNeill Susannah's family and friends are in our thoughts and Prayers

23rd December Funeral Service with Burial in the Churchyard - Zena Marian Schaub Our Thoughts and Prayers are with Zena's Family and Friends

Dear friends,

I am writing this letter before Christmas at a time of chaos once again. Yesterday saw the debacle of the 'was it a party at Downing Street' and 'the video' and resignation. Then it was the announcement of Plan B, working from home again, if possible, and wearing face coverings. Covid infections are rising in the Maidstone area and Omicron has reached the southeast. OK – let's stop right there! It is a New Year and there are new beginnings to be made.

What about resolutions? Do you make the same ones each year? Walk or exercise more; eat more healthily; lose weight; sort out the attic/garage. How long is it before you give up on your resolutions?

Here are some suggestions for resolutions that are a bit different:

- We could resolve to spend some time each day in quietness or prayer, if we don't already.
- How about resolving to read something inspirational each day? There are lots of daily notes to help with Bible reading, for instance, e.g. Daily Bread or Every Day with Jesus, plus there are lots of phone apps and websites with daily inspirational readings.
- Protest against policies that privilege some and exploit others and fall short of love of neighbour.
- Perhaps resolve to volunteer for jobs that need doing in church or in your community.
- Choose to regularly support a charity that works for justice and peace and/or humanitarian aid.

These are just suggestions – I am sure you can think of others.

Jesus said that the most important commandments are to love God and love our neighbours. Let's love, support and encourage one another in keeping our resolutions and in helping to build community in our villages in 2022 and beyond!

Happy New Year!

Sue Elliott – Pastoral Assistant

East Farleigh (January 2022	Church Services	1000 R	Details of weekly Church service at 11:00 Sunday mornings:
Date	Time	Service	Computer, tablet or smartphone: <u>http://bit.ly/UnitedBenefice</u>
2 nd	9:30	Morning Worship Bertie Woodward Lorna Faulkner	By 'phone Dial 0203 051 2874
			Enter 185124308# Enter #
16 th	9:30	Communion David Jones	(Cost of a call is standard cost to a geographic number.)



BULLET POINT SUMMARY ARISING FROM EAST FARLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD

IN THE OLD SCHOOL HALL, LOWER ROAD on Tuesday 7th December 2021 @ 7.00pm

Please note that these bulletpoints (taken from the minutes) are not yet approved by Council when published in The <u>Grapevine.</u>

Crime Report: <u>https://www.e-watch.co</u>

- Between 22:00 on Sunday 5th of December and 08:51 on Monday 6th of December in Heath Road. Somebody broke into the garden of a residential property and stole two dogs. Crime Report No. 46/251584/21 - Posted 07/12/2021
- On Thursday 2nd of December between 16:15 and 18:00 in Heath Road. Somebody tried to break into a residential property.
 Crime Report No. 46/249619/21 Posted 05/12/2021
- On Sunday 10th of October around 21:00 in Lower Road. Somebody damaged barriers outside of a pub. The police are continuing their enquires.Crime Report No. 46/201153/21 Posted 12/10/2021
- Between 18:00 on Thursday 7th of October and 08:00 on Friday 8th of October in Pleasant Valley Lane. Somebody stole a silver Range Rover, J7***, from the road. Crime Report No. 46/200147/21 - Posted 12/10/2021
- Between 18:00 on Wednesday 6th of October and 07:00 on Thursday 7th of October in Vicarage Lane. Somebody cut fencing at the rear of a school and entered the grounds. They do not appear to have tried the buildings. Crime Report No. 46/197574/21 - Posted 08/10/2021
- **Footpath EF Primary School/Vicarage Lane**: It was confirmed that the EF Primary School Board of Governors have been in communication with KCC to install the footpath in front of the school.
- **Signage on The Triangle**: It was stated that EFPC own The Triangle (junction Station Hill/Lower Road) and the EFPC signage policy is that no commercial/personal signage of any kind should be placed at this location. As this is a civil matter, legal advice is being sought.
- **Kilnbridge Close Parking**: It was noted that there is still a problem of inappropriate parking at this location. The attending PCSO informed the meeting that at this present time, the police are making a push to ticket cars parked illegally and take a note of cars parked where they are causing a hazard to pedestrians and other road users. The PCSO agreed to investigate this complaint.
- **Highways Working Group (HWG)**: The format of the Public Consultation regards speed limits and other matters was AGREED. The Public Consultation will take place in the new year.
- **Defibrillators:** It was noted that there are 2 defibrillators in the village maintained by the Parish Council (1) Converted phone box at top of Gallants Lane and, (2) at the side of the OSH.
- Flood Pod: This has now been moved to the East Farleigh Parish Church grounds Inside the Lychgate, on the right.

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- **Parish Councillors:** There is still a vacant seat on the Parish Council, and it was agreed that the Clerk should follow procedures to Co-opt a representative in the new year. East Farleigh Parish Council are entitled to 9 Councillor seats, at the time of going to press, there is one seat available. If you feel you are able to make a contribution to our Village, please contact The Clerk.
- All <u>Planning matters</u> can be viewed on-line at <u>www.https://pa.midkent.gov.uk/online-applications/</u> or in the Minutes of EFPC meetings <u>www.eastfarleigh-pc.org.uk</u>
- All EFPC <u>Financial Matters</u> are reproduced in the Minutes of all EFPC monthly meetings, published online at <u>www.eastfarleigh-pc.org.uk</u>, Parish Notice Boards and social media.

<u>If you need any help or information, please contact</u>: Cllr Alex Fullwood (Chair) 07944 482804, Cllr Steve Shearman (Vice-Chair) 07774 841808 or the Parish Clerk, Desiree Home: 07999 414712 or email clerk@eastfarleigh-pc.org.uk

<u>The next Monthly Parish Council meeting will be held on</u> <u>Tuesday 11th January 2022 at 7.00pm in the Old School Hall, Lower Road, East</u> <u>Farleigh</u>