

GRAPEVINE

JUNE 2022

EAST FARLEIGH



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

East Farleigh Parish Council invites you to

Old School Hall

Saturday 4th June - 2pm to 5pm

Live Music and Quiz



Pimm's and Beer

WI Tea and Cake



Come and join us for the celebrations



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Clive Stevens here, previously of West Farleigh but circumstances now have me living in East Farleigh.

I've recently started my art paintings after several years of retirement in the commercial art field, having spent all my working life as a freelance illustrator. I have now been retired for nine years and wish to resurrect my painting skills with the intention of offering my work to the general public.

My only problem is, I live in a tiny alms house cottage and there is absolutely no room to paint and as some of my pieces are 1500 x 1200cms it's just impossible!

With this in mind, I'm looking for someone who can offer me studio space to paint and store canvases. Sadly I cannot afford much as I'm only receiving a state pension, but as soon as the work starts selling I'd be in a better position to rent.

If there's any lovely persons out there who feels they may be able to help me, you can reach me on Facebook...

Clive Stevens Artist or 07521 888447

ORGAN RECITAL TICKETS

Tickets are now on sale for a summer concert by internationally acclaimed virtuoso organist D'Arcy Trinkwon. The recital, in aid of St Mary's Church, Hunton, will be given on the wonderful Willis organ in Hunton Church on Saturday 9th July at 7.30 pm.

Tickets are £15 from Liz Oliver on liz.oliver@waitrose.com and Sue Scott on sue@cheveneyfarm.co.uk and the price includes a glass of sparkling wine following the recital.

The recital will include works by Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Mendelssohn and Dubois.

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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**East Farleigh Church Services
June 2022**



Date	Time	Service
5 th	9:30	Morning Worship <i>Bertie Woodward - Lorna Faulkner</i>
19 th	9:30	Communion <i>David Jones</i>

**Details of weekly Church service at
11:00 Sunday mornings:**

Computer, tablet or smartphone:
<http://bit.ly/UnitedBenefice>

By 'phone
Dial 0203 051 2874
Enter 185124308#
Enter #
**(Cost of a call is standard cost to a
geographic number.)**

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Weekend June 5th

On Sunday June 5th St Mary's Hunton will be replacing the usual service at 9,30am with a Special Service to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee. It will be a service of hymns, readings and prayer and all are welcome to attend. It is also Whit Sunday or Pentecost Sunday and Holy Trinity, Coxheath will be celebrating Holy Communion at 11am. within the benefice.

This month we are celebrating the Queen's Platinum jubilee. Given that she's reigned for 70 years many of us can't imagine what it will be like without a queen as head of state. Some people love the monarchy, some don't and for many there is an air of indifference around the whole Royal Family.

In early drafts of this letter I found myself wanting to say things like 'the Queen must feel...' Or 'the Queen must think...' and that got me thinking about how much we know about, not only public figures but about each other. I don't know the Queen personally; who am I to make assumptions about how she feels or what she thinks? There are times when I can't even work out what my children are thinking let alone someone I have never met!

There are a variety of sayings along the theme of walking a mile in another person's shoes before you comment on their life and choices. But how quick are we to jump to conclusions about someone's decisions or appearance?

Even innocuous sounding comments like 'wow, look at the size of the heels on your shoes, I couldn't walk in those!' can have an affect on the person on the receiving end depending on their mental state, the tone and manner in which the comment is made. There are so many variables. And how much harder must it be for those in the public eye who often have to play to the expectations put upon them rather than show how they actually feel? How difficult must it be to keep smiling and doing your duty rather than reacting with your true emotions?

Recently one of my granddaughters said she wasn't talking to her sister because she'd been told if she didn't have anything nice to say don't say anything at all (there'd been an issue with friends at school). But if only we could all learn that and only say kind things to each other and use our words to build each other up. In his letter to Titus, St Paul writes 'no insults, no fights. God's people should be big hearted and courageous'* Surely this is a message we could all get behind, no matter what our beliefs?

So let's all 'engage our brains before speaking' and make sure that the words we use are gracious. Our Queen has been a great example of this over her 70 years as monarch always polite and with an encouraging word for those she meets whilst out and about and whatever you think about her we can all be thankful for that.

Best wishes,

Becky

*The Message Bible Translation

**BULLET POINT SUMMARY ARISING FROM EAST FARLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
IN THE OLD SCHOOL HALL, LOWER ROAD on Tuesday 3rd May 2022 @ 7.00pm**

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

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

East Farleigh

On Monday 9th of May around 05:25 in Forge Lane. Somebody has broken into a premises and stolen items.

Crime Report No. 46/88436/22 - Posted 12/05/2022

East Farleigh

On Sunday 8th of May in Heath Road. Somebody stole tools from the back of a flat bed truck parked in the road.

Crime Report No. 46/87573/22 - Posted 11/05/2022

- **Village Speedwatch:** A new Speedwatch Co-ordinator and Volunteers are **URGENTLY** needed.

The Co-ordinator's role involves holding the EFPC Speedwatch equipment, collection of data and managing a team of volunteers. It was reported that East Farleigh was a pilot area for "Speedwatch" and the first one in Kent so it would be a real loss if this scheme was unable to continue.

There were not enough volunteers stepping forward from previous pleas for help and the Speedwatch Scheme has now been temporarily suspended pending appointment of a new Co-ordinator and team.

Please let the Clerk know if you can help. Thank you.

- **The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

Saturday 4th June 2022 in the Old School Hall, Lower Road, East Farleigh 2pm to 5pm

Live music, Quiz, Pimm's and Beer, WI Tea and Cake. Please join us.

Local groups and organisations are being encouraged to contribute to the main event for this special occasion. For further information contact Cllr Adam Palmer (adam.palmer@eastfarleigh-pc.org.uk Tel: 07711 318714).

- **Defibrillators:** It was reported that back-up pads have now been replaced and the new expiry date is 2026.

Both EFPC defibrillators (Old School Hall and top of Gallants Lane) are now on "The Circuit" which alerts all emergency services to their location.

- **Pearsons (Village Maintenance):** The maintenance team are to be reminded that all sight lines at junctions around the village are to be kept clear.

- **Highways:**

(i) A report of the Highways Working Group (HWG) meeting held on 26/04/2022 was read out.

(ii) Public Consultation update: All questionnaires have now been collated and data will be produced for publication. It was reported that there had been a good response from residents.

(iii) It was further noted that there is an app called "**Country Eye**" which allows residents to photograph offending HGV's and report same.

- **Vehicle Operators Licence:** The Parish Council have shared their worries about this application with the Office of the Traffic Commissioner and our local borough Councillor. This matter is ongoing.

- **Parish Councillors:** East Farleigh Parish Council are entitled to 9 Councillor seats, at the time of going to press, there are 2 (TWO) seats available. EFPC need a full compliment of Councillors to make an impact on matters involving the village and its residents.

If you feel you are able to help and make a difference to our village, please contact The Clerk.

All **Planning matters** can be viewed on-line at [www.https://pa.midkent.gov.uk/online-applications/](https://pa.midkent.gov.uk/online-applications/) or in the Minutes of EFPC meetings www.eastfarleigh-pc.org.uk

All EFPC **Financial Matters** are reproduced in the Minutes of all EFPC monthly meetings, published online at www.eastfarleigh-pc.org.uk, Parish Notice Boards and social media.

If you need any help or information, please contact:

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Cllr Steve Shearman (Vice-Chair) 07774 841808 or,

the Parish Clerk, Desiree Home: 07999 414712: email clerk@eastfarleigh-pc.org.uk

The next EFPC monthly meeting will be held on

Tuesday 7th June 2022 at 7.00pm in the Old School Hall, Lower Road, East Farleigh



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EAST FARLEIGH VILLAGE SPEEDWATCH



The current Speedwatch Co-ordinator has stepped down from this role, having given many years of dedication to this scheme for which, the Parish Council extend their thanks.

Therefore, there is now an URGENT need for a new

Co-ordinator and more Speedwatch Volunteers.

East Farleigh was a pilot area for “Speedwatch” and one of the first in Kent so it would be a real shame to lose the East Farleigh Speedwatch. Without the help of our dedicated volunteers there will be no Speedwatch.

If you can help and be part of a team, please contact the Clerk
phone: 07999 414712 or email: clerk@eastfarleigh-pc.org.uk

John Bunyan Leaver Charity

Vicarage Lane Allotments – A rare opportunity.

The charity expects to have one or two allotments available in June.

**Please email or telephone the allotment trustees chairman for more details. jblcharity@gmail.com
07709 592079**

Local Yoga Classes

Thursday 6.30pm
Beginners Yoga

Thursday 7.30pm
Yin Yoga

Friday 9.15am
Morning Yoga Flow

Sunday 10am
Slow Flow Yoga

Contact Katie to book:
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