Welcome to the Maids Moreton Parish Newsletter. The aim of the Parish Newsletter is to inform residents about what the Parish Council is involved with and what is happening in the village. If you have any comments on the newsletter, would like to make suggestions about what is included in future editions and/or have suggestions about how we can improve communication between residents and the Parish Council, please contact the Parish Clerk, Ruth Millard:

Email maidsmoretonclerk@gmail.com or call 01280 814739

Parish Council Grants

The Parish Council has allocated £1,000 in the current financial year to provide a small amount of financial help to support village groups and local initiatives. The closing date for the current financial year was 15th June and decisions on the applications that have been received will be made at the Parish Council meeting on 6th July 2016. The closing date for the 2016/17 financial year is 15th October 2016. The application form can be found on the Maids Moreton Parish Council website http://bucksvoice.net/maids-moreton-parish-council and completed applications should be emailed to the Parish Clerk at maidsmoretonclerk@gmail.com

Your Parish
Councillors are:

Keith Howell Clare Krajnyk Jon Harvey Bonnie Ford Jill Farrell Vacancy Vacancy

Neighbourhood Plan

The Maids Moreton Neighbourhood Plan is beginning to make progress. AVDC have now confirmed that the area covered by the plan is to be the Parish Boundary. The Neighbourhood Planning Group is now meeting on a monthly basis and has agreed that the plan will focus on the following areas:

- Housing
- •Economy (including businesses based in the village)
- •People (Recreation, facilities, community groups, social aspects etc.)
- •Traffic and transport
- Infrastructure
- •Green (footpaths, biodiversity, green spaces, important views and vistas, tree preservation orders, settlement boundary etc.)
- •Heritage (Conservation area, historical sites and buildings, history)
- •Census data (statistical data on village residents)
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The first task is to gather information on all of these areas. This will be done by asking the views of residents via a questionnaire (this will be delivered to all homes in the next month or so) and by pulling together information already available from other sources such as census data, information held by AVDC and Bucks CC, the conservation area and village plans.

We are hoping that all of this information will be available to share with residents at a "Have Your Say Day". This will take place on September 10th and will give everyone the opportunity to learn more about the village and, most importantly, have your say in how you would like to see the village develop in the future.

What is a Neighbourhood Plan and how will it benefit Maids Moreton?

Neighbourhood Plans were introduced by the Localism Act 2011 as a right for communities to shape development in their area.

As stated by the Government, "if the local planning authority says that the area needs to grow, then Communities cannot use neighbourhood planning to block the building of new homes and businesses; they can, however, use neighbourhood planning to influence the type, design, location and mix of new development". Once a neighbourhood plan is "made", it becomes part of the statutory development plan for the area, which is the basis for planning decisions.

Apart from development, there are many other important issues that can be addressed through a neighbourhood plan:

- •It can help protect local heritage and community assets
- •Open areas special to the area can be designated Local Green Spaces to protect them from development (apart from in very exceptional circumstances)
- •It can help preserve the village's distinctiveness
- •The policies within the plan, once finalised are given significant weight in planning decisions
- •It will reflect the views of the residents

HAVE YOUR SAY

ON THE FUTURE OF MAIDS MORETON



Neighbourhood Plan – Get Involved

The neighbourhood plan is the community's plan and for it to succeed, as many people as possible need to help and get involved. The next meeting of the group will be held at the Scout Hut on the playing field on Monday 27th June at 7:30pm.

Please come along and find out more.

Dog Fouling

The problem of dog fouling in and around the village is continuing which is unpleasant for residents and dangerous in areas where children play. We know that the vast majority of dog owners are responsible and clean up after their animals, but there are a few who do not. We also know that there are some very kind villagers who clean up the mess left by those few irresponsible dog owners and we would like to say a big THANK YOU to all of you for what you do.

Please help keep the village a pleasant place for all of us to live. There are poo bins located around the village, so please use them. Thanks



Village News Update

Here are some of the things that have been happening in the village over the last 4 months:

✓ Several streetlights have been replaced and we have requested the contractor to conduct a safety check of all the lights. If you find any streetlights that are not working, please contact the Parish Clerk.

✓Trees down the side of the playing fields have been cut back and the stumps at the edge of the playing field have been removed to make mowing less expensive

✓ More trees in Southall have been cut back, providing more light to residents and ensuring that the overhead cables are now clear of any branches

✓ A new bin has been installed in Southall. A new bin will shortly be replacing the broken one outside the school.

✓Two bins have been ordered for the playground. These bins have covers and so it is hoped that the current problem of birds pulling rubbish out of the bins will stop.

✓ Weed killing. We have arranged for weed killing to take place throughout the village in the next few weeks.

Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan – An opportunity to find out more

What kind of place would you like Aylesbury Vale to be in the future? Where should room for new housing, employment, community and leisure activities be found?

AVDC has now produced the draft local plan and will be holding drop-in sessions across the area. The Buckingham drop-in session will be held in the Community Centre on Wednesday 13th July between 11am and 8pm. This is an opportunity to find out more about the plan and how to comment on the proposals.

If you are unable to attend the drop-in event, further information, including how to respond, can be found using the links on the following website:

www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/localplan from Thursday 7 July. The consultation will run until

Monday 5 September.

Village News –What's happening in Maids Moreton

wet, in the church).



St Edmund's Church. Coming Events:

➤ Community Coffee Morning. Every

Wednesday. 9.00am – 12.00 noon.

➤ Ladies Coffee Morning. First Saturday

Morning each month. 9.30am – 11.30am.

➤ Church Garden Party. Monday 29th August.

12.30 pm onwards in the church grounds (If

➤ Saturday 10th September Maids Moreton Heritage Event (in co-operation with the Conservation Group) Graveyard Trail. Church History. Coffee and Teas served in church.

COME ALONG TO

Maids Moreton Heritage Day Saturday 10th September 2016 from 10am

- Heritage Trail round village
- •Read blue plaques outside houses
- •Learn their history and strange facts
- Quiz trail for children
- •DVD of village on screen
- •WI scrapbooks from 1950s onwards
- Graveyard trail
- •Guided tours of church
- Refreshments

MAIDS MORETON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE –

Future meetings

Wednesday 13 July 2016 - "Women Code Breakers" by Briony Norburn

Wednesday 14 September 2016
"Life as an Artist" by Michael Peachey

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month in Maids Moreton Village Hall at 7 30pm•

Are you interested in playing cricket? Maids Moreton Cricket Club wants you! We play Saturdays until the end of August and on Wednesday nights while it is still light. For more details contact Derek Boughton on 01327 860006. Also get in contact if you are interested in helping with the ground, umpiring or

doing teas.

Maids Moreton Allotment Association

As a Maids Moreton resident you'll be top of the list when you apply for an allotment, taking precedence over applicants from outside the village.

Contact me to find out how to have your name added to our waiting list.

Join in social activities as well as good gardening.

Christine Dines (Secretary)

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