



SANDON TOPICS



Winter 2015 Newsletter from Sandon Parish Council

Website: www.sandon.info



May Farm Appeal Hearing

The Appeal hearing for the May Farm proposal for Gypsy and Traveller pitches took place at the Council Chamber on 3rd-5th November. There was a lot of evidence presented, including that from your parish council and local residents, and the Inspector has asked for a further day to be added to finalise the hearing. That has now been set for Wednesday, 16th December 2015 at 10.00 am in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Duke Street, Chelmsford. Many residents attended the hearings and showed the Inspector how important this issue is to them, and it would be very helpful if as many residents as possible can attend on the final day, even if it is for a short while. Please come along and show the Inspector how important this issue is to the parish.



Welcoming Two New Members to the Parish Council

Two new councillors were co-opted on to the Council on 14th September:

Rosemary Hoare has lived in Sandon since 1969 and recently retired from a career in health services spanning more than 40 years, latterly working at Broomfield Hospital as an Operating Theatre Practitioner.

Richard Mbonye is a Management professional specialising in Community Partnership and Coordination. He is also a Sandon resident and currently chairs the board of Young Enterprise, Essex.

We warmly welcome these two new members; their addition to the Council brings our team up to full strength.

Sign of the Times ...

Recent safety checks indicated that the oak post on which the Sandon Sign on the village green is mounted needed replacing as there was evidence of decay setting in which rendered the sign potentially dangerous. We are pleased to announce that the Parish Council has arranged for the post to be replaced and this work has since been satisfactorily carried out, just in time for the Christmas festivities which will include community events scheduled to take place on the Green.

Thanks and Goodbye to Sue Dobson

After more than a decade of stellar service as Clerk to Sandon Parish Council, Mrs Sue Dobson has decided to move on to other challenges and accordingly tendered her resignation effective from 30th November 2015.

Announcing Sue's departure on the Sandon Parish and HGCA forums, the Chair of SPC Councillor Dee Hyatt, wrote: 'Sandon Parish Council were very sorry to receive Sue's resignation. She has been a stalwart of the Parish Council for 14 years and will be sorely missed. We wish her well in her new ventures.'

'During my time as a member of the PC and the whole of the time I was the Chairman, Sue was the Clerk and I can only praise her for the dedication and loyalty that she gave to the Council and our Community. The hours she worked were far more than for which she was paid and even when not officially working she was always happy to give a helping hand' – Chelmsford City Councillor Ian Wright.

Chelmsford's planning consultations - get involved!

Do you want to have a say on where new homes should be built, how your local area could be improved and where new services and facilities are provided across Chelmsford?

Do you want a say on how Chelmsford City Council will involve the community on local planning matters?

This opportunity is yours by getting involved with new planning consultations – a Local Plan Issues and Options document, its Sustainability Appraisal (and Non-Technical Summary) and Draft Statement of Community Involvement.

How do I find out more?

You can view and comment on the Local Plan Issues and Options consultation document, its accompanying Sustainability Appraisal (and Non-Technical Summary) and the draft Statement of Community Involvement at <http://consult.chelmsford.gov.uk/portal> **(from 8.45am on 19 November until 4.45pm on 21 January 2016)**. This is an easy way to view and comment and we strongly encourage you to use it. You can also read the consultation documents during normal opening hours in local libraries and at the City Council's Customer Service Centres (at Duke Street, Chelmsford and Chandlers Way, South Woodham Ferrers).

Paper copies will be available to purchase by emailing planning.policy@chelmsford.gov.uk, telephoning (01245) 606330 or by writing to Planning Policy, Chelmsford City Council, Civic Centre, Duke Street, Chelmsford, CM1 1JE. Responses can also be made in writing and returned to the above email or postal address. Specially designed response forms are available online at www.chelmsford.gov.uk/new-local-plan.

More details on how to get involved and a list of drop-in public exhibitions can be found at www.chelmsford.gov.uk/new-local-plan.

FRIENDS OF ST ANDREW'S
PRESENT



THE LIGHTING OF OUR VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREE

SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2015

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, SANDON
5PM - 7PM

OUR TREE DECORATED BY SANDON WI WILL BE
LIT AT 5.30PM
BY THE MAYOR OF CHELMSFORD

CAROLS, REFRESHMENTS & MEET OUR
FATHER CHRISTMAS

FUNDS RAISED FROM REFRESHMENTS, WILL GO TO
REPAIRING OUR CHURCH ROOF

NEW CONTACT DETAILS FOR SANDON PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council has now appointed a successor to the outgoing clerk Mrs Sue Dobson.

The new Parish Council Clerk is Mrs Louise James. Louise is a Sandon resident and she previously worked as a Library Services Administrator. Her term of office formally begins on 1st December 2015.

The Parish Council's office is also relocating and our new address from 1st December will be:

Sandon Parish Council
Hammonds Farm
Chelmsford
CM3 4BJ

Telephone: **01245 477111**

Email: parishclerk@sandon.info

Note: Clerk's normal office hours are between 9 am – 12 noon Mondays and Wednesdays although she has access to emails between those times.

Youth Focus – Young Enterprise in Sandon

Young Enterprise is the UK's leading charity that empowers young people to harness their personal and business skills. The Enterprise Education Charity makes business relevant to the daily lives of young people, helping them make the connection between school and the world of work as well as enabling them to develop the knowledge and attitudes they need to succeed, building on key skills.

Each year Young Enterprise work with over 250,000 young people supported by 6,000 business volunteers helping to raise aspirations and inspire the next generation. The volunteer business Advisers share their experiences in the classroom and make up our local volunteer boards in the regions.



Richard Mbonye is Chairman of the Board for Young Enterprise Essex and a Business Adviser at Sandon School which has signed up for the second year running (2015 -2016) onto the yearlong Young Enterprise Company Programme. This programme is designed to equip young people aged 15 – 19 years with key employability skills. This is delivered by getting the students to start a business from scratch, incorporating a trading company with the members as directors and shareholders, organising themselves into a team including taking on management roles within the company, developing a product and going to market to compete with other teams in the region and raising working capital through share issuing and trading of products.

Richard Mbonye delivering an Employability and Enterprise day at a school in Essex.

Special Christmas services and events at St. Andrew's Church Sandon



Saturday 5th December Dickensian Evening Lighting of the Christmas Tree 5pm -7pm

Come and join us at the church gate for the lighting of the Christmas tree. We will sing a few carols. Father Christmas will be putting in an appearance together with the Mayor of Chelmsford. Various stalls on The Green with seasonal refreshments.



Sunday 13th December Christingle Service 4pm

Come and experience this service as we light the candles of the Christingle. This service is for young and not so young.



Sunday 20th December - Candle Lit Nine Lessons & Carol Service 6.30pm

Come again and hear the story of the first Christmas and see the church in all its glory. Sandon School Chamber Choir will be joining our church choir. Arrive early to get a good seat.



Tuesday 22nd December - Beer and carols @ The Crown @ 7pm.

Everyone invited to come and sing favourite carols and sample free mince pies.



Thursday 24th December at 4pm - Crib service

A service for all ages to gather round the manger and see the Christmas story unfold. Children please come dressed as one of the characters of the Christmas Story or as an animal.



Thursday 24th December at 11.30pm - Midnight Communion Service

Come and welcome the new born Christ child
Arrive early to obtain a seat at this popular service.



Friday 25th December at 10am - Christmas Day Service & Communion

Please bring an opened present to show us at the service.

WE EXTEND A VERY WARM WELCOME TO ALL NEW RESIDENTS

YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

All Parish Council information is available on our website including minutes of meetings at www.sandon.info. The Council meets at 7.15p.m on the 2nd Monday of each Month at St Andrews Church meeting room and on alternate months at Howe Green Chapel. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

SUE DOBSON – CLERK (until 30/11/2015) Crack Willows, Mayes Lane, Sandon, CM2 7RP Tel: 01245 227734 parishclerk@сандон.info	LOUISE JAMES – CLERK (from 01/12/2015) SPC, Hammonds Farm, Chelmsford, CM3 4BJ Tel: 01245 477111 parishclerk@сандон.info
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DEE HYATT Peartree Lodge, 2 The Old Orchard, Howe Green CM2 7TX Tel: 01245 478203 dee.hyatt@virgin.net	CHAIRMAN Planning Sandon Quarry Liaison Committee Rep
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ROSEMARY HOARE 3 East Hanningfield Road, Howe Green, CM2 7TJ Tel: 01245 473974 rosemaryhoare@aol.com	Parochial Church Council (PCC) Rep

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USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Chelmsford City Council	01245 606606
Police	01245 491491 Ask for S Woodham Ferrers
Broomfield Hospital	01245 443673
Citizens Advice Bureau	0845 4040506
Neighbourhood Watch	01245 471589

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

St Andrew's Church - Priest in Charge	Revd T Brown	01245 698988
Church Wardens	Mrs J Terry	01245 472997
	Mr D. Farrar	01245 471484
Bell Ringers	Mr N Tovey	01245 472692
St Andrew's Youth Fellowship & 77 Youth Club	Mrs E Ellis	01245 222682
Women's Institute	Mrs D. Gray	01245 223609
Howe Green URC	Rev J Sermon	01245 601662
Howe Green URC Elder	Mrs P Knott	01245 471691
Village Hall Management Committee	Ms J. Fisher	01245 475976
Brownies	Mrs S Little	01621 840525
Guides	Mrs A. Malin	01245 476584
Beavers	Mrs J Bernades	01245 476830
Cubs	Mrs Jean Blake	01245 603155
Scouts	Miss A. Agombar	07549 206055
Village Hall Bookings	Mr R. Kerlake	01245 472386
Sandon Tiny Tots/Mother and Toddler Group	Mrs A Read	01245 474858
Chelmsford Rambling Club	Ms M Say	01245 381262
Sandon Parish Magazine Editor	Mr R. Cecil	01245 224747
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Are your details correctly listed? If not, please contact the Parish Council Clerk on 01245 477111 (email: parishclerk@сандон.info) with any update.