



WOODCHURCH COMMUNITY NEWS

The village community working together

September 2026

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Weekly events:

Saturdays:

Boot Camp 8:30am-9:30am on the Village Green

Woodchurch Museum Open 10:00am-4:00pm

Sundays:

Woodchurch Museum Open 10:00am-4:00pm

Outpost Church 10:30am-11:45pm in the S&G Community Centre, Lower Road

Karate 10:00am-12:00pm in the Jean Mealham Centre

Mondays:

Pilates 9:00am-10:00am in the Memorial Hall

Tai Chi and Qigong 10:00am and 11:00am at the S&G Community Centre

Line Dancing 2:00pm - 4:00pm in the Jean Mealham Centre

Junior Tennis coaching Red-3:30pm, Orange 4:30pm, Green/Hand Ball 5:30pm, Hard Ball 6:30pm at the Tennis Club

Beavers and Squirrels 5:45pm-7:00pm in the S&G Community Centre

Group Fitness Strength Training 6:15pm and 7:15pm in the Memorial Hall

Tuesdays:

Pilates 9:00am-10:00am, 10:15am-11:15am and 6:00pm-7:00pm in the Memorial Hall

Coffee Morning 10:00am-12:00pm in All Saints Church

Cubs 6:00pm-7:15pm in the S&G Community Centre

Karate 7:00pm-9:00pm in the Jean Mealham Studio

Scouts/Explorers 7:30pm-9:00pm in the S&G Community Centre

Wednesdays:

Pilates 9:00am-10:00am in the Memorial Hall

Museum Volunteers - maintenance and gardening 9:30am-12:00pm at the Museum

Social Pop-In 2:00pm-4:00pm Tea and coffee and boot fair marquee at the Jean Mealham Centre

Junior Tennis coaching Red/Orange-4:00pm, Green/Hard Ball-5:00pm the Tennis Club

Rainbows 5:00pm-6:00pm in the S&G Community Centre

Brownies and Guides 5:45pm-7:15pm in the S&G Community Centre

Flo's Flyer Fish & Chips in the Village Car Park

Table Tennis 7:00pm-9:00pm at The Jean Mealham Centre

Thursdays:

Art Society 10:00am-1:00pm in the Memorial Hall

Badminton 7:00pm-11:00pm in the Memorial Hall

Karate 7:00pm-9:00pm in the Jean Mealham Centre

Fridays:

Zumba with Hannah 9:30am in the Memorial Hall

Righteous Oaks Forest Schools 10:00am-12:00pm

Adult Tennis coaching 5:30pm at the Tennis Club

Previous editions of the Newsletter can be found on The HUB Web site www.woodchurchhub.uk

Other Events:

Tue 1st **Midday Prayer** - 11:30am at All Saints Church

Fri 4th **Remember When We Were Young** - 10:30am at the Community Centre, Lower Road

Mon 7th **CARM** - 10:30am in the Memorial Hall

WLHS Archaeology and Wartime at Chilmington Green - 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall

Tue 8th **WI Tales from a Tangled Bank** - 7:15pm in the Memorial Hall

Wed 9th **Borough Councillor Surgery** - 11:00am to 12:00pm in The HUB

Thu 10th **Citizens Advice** - 1:00pm to 4:00pm at The HUB

Sun 13th **Holy Communion** - 11:00am at All Saints Church

Tue 15th **Midday Prayer** - 11:30am at All Saints Church

Fri 18th **Remember When We Were Young** - 10:30am at the Community Centre, Lower Road

Sat 19th **Dads Army Evening** - 7:00pm in the Jean Mealham Centre

Tue 22nd **Midday Prayer** - 11:30am at All Saints Church

Thu 24th **Hug in a Mug** - 10:00am in the Old Post Office Coffee Shop

Neighbourhood Watch - 1:00pm to 3:00pm in The HUB

Parish Council Meeting - 7:00pm in the Memorial Hall Annex

Sat 26th **Woodchurch Garage Sale** - 10:00am to 3:00pm around the village

Dogfest - 2:00pm at the S&G Community Centre

Sun 27th **Morning Prayer with the blessing of the animals** - 11:00am at All Saints Church

Tue 29th **Midday Prayer** - 11:30am at All Saints Church

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Woodchurch Memorial Hall

Coffee Morning

Saturday 14th October - 10:00am till 12:00 noon
Entrance £4

Includes homemade cakes and coffee
Raffle. Cake Stall, Books, Cards



WOODCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL • **UPDATE** •

Parish Council Website: www.woodchurch-pc.gov.uk

Parish Manager 07793 807863 clerk@woodchurch-pc.gov.uk

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Thu September 24th at 7pm in the Memorial Hall Annexe.

Pond Wood Solar Farm

There is the possibility of a joint working group being formed with Kenardington Parish Council, should Ashford Borough Council approve the planning application, to investigate ways of securing funds for both parishes from the developer. Both parish councils have already objected to the application. The working group could be open to non-councillors with knowledge or experience. Please contact the Parish Manager for further information.

Windmill

There was a positive meeting at Ashford Borough Council of the Woodchurch Windmill working party. Ashford Borough Council would be identifying appropriate millwrights that would be able to develop the spec of the work required on the mill. This schedule of work would then go out for tender.

Playground repairs

The sprung animal has been repaired and is now back in action. Both cradle seats should both be replaced shortly, and the surface repaired where it has broken up.

Recent Planning Applications Decided by Ashford Borough Council

Location	Brief Details	PC Comment	ABC Decision
99 Lower Road	3 new detached dwellings	Object	Waiting decision
Orange Farm Barn Brooke Street	Two storey side extension and erection of double car barn	Support	Waiting decision
High Hopes Redbrook Street	Single storey rear extension	Support	Waiting decision
Land north by northeast of 1 Coombe Cottages Redbrook Street	Change of use to create 9 static units & facilities block for traveller and gypsy use	Object	Waiting decision

Report potholes & other road/pavement issues to KCC - <https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-or-track-a-problem-on-the-road-or-pavement>

Report fly-tipping to ABC - <https://www.ashford.gov.uk/environmental-concerns/report-a-street-issue/fly-tipping/>

Traffic Collisions & Near Misses

As KCC are only able to record any incidents that result in injuries. Could all residents please report any collisions and near misses within the parish to the Parish Manager. This can be done via the details above or via the Hub. Details needed are only basic: where, date & time, number and type of vehicles involved (including any pedestrians) and a very brief description of what happened.



All Saints Church



Dear Friends,

As we feel the summer heat on our bodies and see the impact of drought on the farms and gardens around us, many of us are continuing to reflect on our impact on the world and how we might be able to change how we live alongside the whole of creation. Many Christians around the world use September to reflect with creation - 'Creationtide'. This year the theme is living water. When we think of water, we remember our neighbours who have gone for days with no water tapped into their homes, of farmers struggling to feed and water animals and farmers and gardeners with changed and reduced harvests. There are broken relationships between humans and the world around us as we fail to live sustainably alongside each other and the whole of creation.



The Kent and Weald Ploughing Match is on the 13th September in Woodchurch and Denswood Parish, along with the wider Vineyard Deanery, will be there. Please do pop into our gazebo. We would love to chat to you to hear how churches might better serve the farming and rural communities.

All are invited to gather on the 20th September, 11:00, St Margaret's, Bethersden for Holy Communion as we give thanks for the Harvest and pray for the living waters to replenish creation and ourselves. If you are curious to find out more about the wisdom scripture might offer us, please do come along. There will be an opportunity to reflect and share ideas during the service. We will continue conversations and harvest thanksgiving with a bring-your-own picnic at 12:15. The church will be set up café style. Please come for the service at 11:00 or join us at 12:15.

We continue the Creationtide theme on the 27th September at 11:00 in All Saint's, Woodchurch with a Blessing of the Animals. All well behaved humans and their companion creatures are welcome to gather for an informal service giving thanks for our companion animals. If you are unable to bring your companion, please bring a photo. Or if you have favourite animal bring a photo or soft toy along. There will also be time for remembering companions that we have lost. Please do feel free to bring a photo of a lost companion for our time during the service when we remember and give thanks for them. I would also like to take this opportunity to invite you all to: Professional Care Workers Sunday, 6th September, all professional care workers especially welcome.

Education Sunday, 13th September, children and school workers and unpaid volunteers please bring your book bags and work bags to be blessed.

Prayers for a blessed and fruitful Creationtide. Maria

FROM PETER NEW NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



Dear Readers

I hope everyone is still enjoying this excellent summer, yes hot!! But we must remember how dark, deary and wet it was through the winter and early 2026. This has been a very different time for Neighbourhood Watch. Yes keeping an eye on crime trends and especially Catapults that are the one issue that is really plaguing the Ashford District BUT my attention has been required on several other matters.

1. Ensuring Woodchurch residents that are disabled, vulnerable or elderly are registered for delivery on Emergency Bottle Water if water supplies are halted.
2. Working out a resilience plan of where if the worst occurs that the Water Company will set up a bottled water distribution centre. That I imagine will be the village hall car park alongside the hub. I attended one in Kingsnorth to ensure I fully understood the workings and systems.
3. I have done considerable work on a draft submission to your council on my thoughts of a resilience plan for Woodchurch. My fire service experience will stand me in good stead for that work alongside the Woodchurch Councils working group on that issue.
4. Not a Woodchurch problem as such, but the loss of life in water incidents in the heatwave across the Country was shocking. I did considerable work on water safety.
5. I have left this one to last...
Neighbourhood Watch is just not only about crime and safety but plays a major role in helping to build communities where there are new developments, helping new residents to settle into the area especially those from outside the village. To help integration and community cohesion going forwards.

I set this up across the Ashford District about 5 years ago, and if you went onto a new development you will find NHW fully active and all new residents in NHW.

Its about meeting planners, developers, sitting in council meetings and having a strategy for a new development.

Exactly the model for the new housing development in Woodchurch.

I am linked in with the Cala site manager, the Cala sales office and as I speak I am producing an insert for the new residents "welcome pack" which will explain NHW and have my details. I will be on the new resident's doorstep to meet them within days of them moving in.

I can discuss where they have come from and match if the

crime trends are the same. If not, I can brief them on crimes they may find in the area.

NHW National Office gave this work national recognition with an award in London. It was a very nice day out especially for my wife who without her support I could not do this voluntary work. The award was for INNOVATION & REACH.

This will be the formula for the Cala Homes development, tried and tested and very successful. I regularly visit the site and expect the first new residents towards the end of the year.

All along the journey from the first meeting with Cala, to the first spade in the ground staying on top of progress. Dealing with the crime trends on building sites from first brick until last home is occupied.

- Thefts of plant and building materials in the early days through to completion.
- Thefts of fuel from tanks for machinery
- Thefts of machinery and on occasions heavy plant machines
- Thefts from contractors' vans for tool thefts. Also warning those contractors about their vans being targeted outside their home addresses.
- As houses progress thefts of white goods like ovens, microwaves etc.
- Thefts of boilers often stored on site in bulk.
- Thefts from sales office.
- Thefts of shrubs and plants for landscaping.
- As residents move in especially the early ones, they become extra eyes and ears especially during night hours where they will be told do not hesitate if you see torches in the night that's a 999 call instantly

So, the question on everyone's lips is Pete are you saying a building site raises the risks of thefts? In truth yes because thieves will come snooping around and that is why everyone needs to be alert as if there are not rich pickings on the site a thief may just look around your cars, sheds and garages etc. They hate going home empty handed.

So, I hope that gives you a feel for my work now.

So many of you still to join Neighbourhood Watch.
Please email me or phone me - and you are in...
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Peter New - Community Neighbourhood Watch
Peternew1@aol.com and 07768 437422



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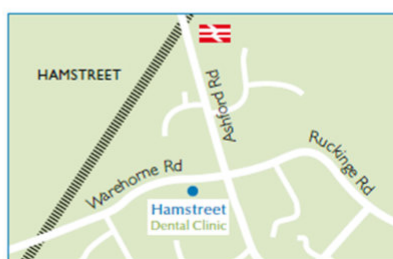
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Woodchurch Windmill August 2026 update

Following Ashford Borough Council's recent allocation of £300,000 for the restoration of the windmill, we have now had two meetings with the asset steering group to establish the contractual way forward.



Following the most recent one on Friday, 21st August, tenders are now being prepared with a view to being issued towards the end of September.

Once all tender evaluations and protocols have been carried out, I would estimate that a contract award could be anticipated at the start of 2027.

After more than seven years of trying to acquire funding, this timescale is most encouraging and hopefully should see the mill back to its former glory by the end of 2027.

I will post further updates as the milestones become clearer.

Mel Bailey

Friends of Woodchurch Windmill

Woodchurch Memorial Halls

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****Could You Be Our New Treasurer?***

Woodchurch Memorial Hall is looking for a friendly and reliable volunteer to join our team as Treasurer.

The Memorial Hall plays an important part in village life, providing a welcoming and affordable venue for local clubs, organisations, events and celebrations. Good financial management is essential to keeping the hall running successfully - and we need someone who can help us look after its finances.

The role involves maintaining straightforward financial records, monitoring income and expenditure, managing invoices, paying agreed bills, helping to prepare the annual accounts and providing brief financial updates to the trustees.

You do not need to be a qualified accountant. The most important qualities are that you are organised, comfortable working with figures and willing to give a little of your time to support an important community facility. Guidance and support will be available, together with a proper handover.

This is a rewarding opportunity to become involved in village life, meet new people and make a practical contribution to the future of Woodchurch Memorial Hall.

Interested - or would you simply like an informal chat about what is involved?

Please contact the secretary on secretary.wmhall@gmail.com or leave your contact details with Woodchurch HUB.

We would be delighted to hear from you.



BOLDHAVES GARDEN will be open for the last time this season on Sunday 27 September, 2-6pm. September is normally a good time to see the garden, with the heat of high Summer gone and autumnal colours increasingly visible all around us. Tea house and plant sales available as usual.

At this time of year we are also finalising our volunteering programme for next year. If you have a little time to spare and would like to join our regular gardening team, do please get in touch. Whether you have some previous gardening experience or not, we are sure we can find a slot to suit your diary and at the same time make you very welcome. We look forward to hearing from you.

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August has been a rather special month for me, because I got married in the most beautiful place on the planet, The Weald! It was so wonderful to be surrounded by family and friends, giving everyone a wonderful taste of Kent and especially celebrating with so many of our lovely English sparkling wines. Thank you to everyone who has sent such kind messages; they have meant a great deal.

With Parliament in recess, I've also had the chance to get out and about across the constituency and see far more of you than a sitting month usually allows. It hasn't all been smooth sailing as the water problems have continued to cause real difficulty for people across the Weald, and my team and I have been working through those affected. But it's been a lovely to spend the month here, and I'm looking forward to taking everything I've heard back to Westminster when the House returns next week.

South East Water

I know just how many people across the Weald have struggled with water issues again this summer. It is deeply frustrating that we are living with a water



system that so often feels barely held together. Last month I met the new chief executive and chair of South East Water and urged them to do considerably better than their predecessors. I don't expect these problems to disappear overnight, but I made clear that some things are simply non-negotiable: they must look after our farmers, they must properly protect those on the Priority Services Register, and they must do a far better job of communicating with customers when disruption happens.

I'm staying in close touch with the company's chief executive and will be watching very closely to see whether they can turn things around. In the meantime, if you're having problems, please do write in — my team and I will do everything we can to help.

My Summer Work Experience Programme

One of the real highlights of my summer was welcoming another group of young people onto my work experience programme. This year's cohort was a mix of new applicants and a couple of participants from last year's programme who came back to take on mentoring roles, which was wonderful to see.

The group spent three days in the constituency learning about political campaigning, taking part in debates and policy discussions, and getting to grips with what the job of an MP actually involves. It was lovely to catch up with them all while

they were hard at work in Staplehurst. They then came up to join me in Westminster, where we did a Q&A, and my team took them on a tour of Parliament. They also heard from Richard, in my current team, who was on the programme himself last year. They also had a session with Iain Dale, who was kind enough to talk to them about his career across politics and the media, in the gorgeous surroundings of Victoria Tower Gardens.

They are a really impressive bunch, and it gives me a great deal of confidence about the future to spend time with young people who are so engaged with the world around them. If you'd be interested in work experience next summer, do get in touch, I'd be very happy to consider you.

Do you need my help?

If you're a constituent and you need my help with an issue, or you would like to get in touch about what has been going on in Westminster, simply hit the envelope button below, or email me katie.lam.mp@parliament.uk - don't forget to include your full name and address with your query!

All the best,



Appledore Village Show Saturday 5th September

Appledore Village Hall, The Street, Appledore



Open to the public at 2pm
It's not just for exhibitors.
Everyone is welcome.
There will be refreshments
available and a raffle

However, if you are interested in entering an *open class* (for those not living in Appledore) contact Jo Weeks on 01233 758420 / 07949 357459

August has been a quiet month with people away on holidays etc but there are still things going on. We are planning to replace the bench by the War Memorial, more on that in due course, and of course there was The RAF Woodchurch Air Show. It was a real treat to see it returning and of course veterans were treated as guests with a special enclosure. Peter Emery, our historian, set up a stand and gave talks & information on historical aspects of the airfield.



In the Veteran's Enclosure we met this chap, Jack, who had quite a few stories and told me about his many campaigns. I asked him to join WR but he said with his shop, Mr Mainwaring & Mrs Fox he was much too busy!

Don Grant.



Woodchurch Football Club

Hi All

The football season starts for both Saturday and Sunday teams on the first weekend of September. and with both teams playing on the Green this season there should be plenty of football to watch!

In an attempt to look after the Green, and so we can give it a rest when the rain inevitably comes, we have asked for as many home games as possible early in the season, so for the whole of September there is at least 1 game on the Green each weekend.

It may be a bit early, but the Football Club have agreed to start the Boxing Day match back up; with a slight twist. It has taken many different forms in previous years, Old v Young, Bonny v Bells etc, but we are going to hold an annual Clare Ford Memorial Trophy. It's open to everyone and anyone, kit and equipment supplied by the club. So put it in your diaries!

Kind Regards

Woodchurch Football Club



Woodchurch Running Festival

On Sunday 18th April 2027 Woodchurch will host one of the greatest running events in our county: The Kent Spring Half and Full Marathon.

This event will bring with it an even greater opportunity than our previous running events. The school, the Scouts, The Jean Mealham Centre and other community groups should all benefit.

Really looking forward to what feels like an upgrade from our previous events in the village. Further details will follow nearer the time.

Any queries please do contact Ben [07967 817 327](tel:07967817327) but in the meantime, please save the date!



Remember when we were young

Remember when we were young again begins again on the 4th September followed by 18th September, 2nd, 16th and 30th October, 13 & 27th November and 11th December.

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On one of the hottest August days of the summer, members of Woodchurch WI went for lunch at the Woodchurch Wine Estate. Whilst we sipped a delicious glass of sparkling wine, co-owner, John Smith gave us a fascinating and knowledgeable insight into viticulture. He spoke about the types of grapes grown, the wine making process and outlined a brief glimpse of how, in the future, the ways in which British wine making might progress.



Vine plants have long roots therefore the south facing clay slopes found in Woodchurch are ideal for wine making. There are over 11,000 vines of the noble varieties (Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier and Bacchus) growing on the estate, which should produce at least 18 tons of fruit. However, this year the spring frosts caused quite a lot of damage. For a good crop the vines need warmth, sunlight, space to grow plus rain, prior to harvesting, to swell the grapes. After the talk we went on to enjoy sumptuous plates of cheese and charcuterie and caught up on our personal summer adventures.



Our next meeting is "Tales From a Tangled Bank" by Clive Nuttman. This will be held in the Memorial Hall at 7.15pm on Tuesday September 8th. The competition is "A Patterned Napkin". We look forward to seeing you there.

Woodchurch DogFest

- 🐾 BBQ
- 🐾 Raffle
- 🐾 Local businesses
- 🐾 12 FUN competition rounds
- 🐾 Childrens fancy dress competition

The Scouts TAKEOVER!

Saturday 26th September

2pm Woodchurch Scout and Guide
Community Centre

[f @1stWoodchurchScoutsGroups](https://www.facebook.com/1stWoodchurchScoutsGroups)

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Woodchurch DogFest!
The Woodchurch Scout
Groups are taking charge
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WOODCHURCH
WINE ESTATE

VINEYARD AND TASTING ROOM

It has been wonderful to see so many locals visiting the vineyard and making our July and August so busy.

Last month we were proud to play a leading role in launching the Kentish Wine Way, a new initiative celebrating the quality and diversity of vineyards across Kent—the UK's biggest wine-growing county! Co-owners John and Donna even featured on BBC News. The initiative is aimed at encouraging more visitors to the region, sampling all the county has to offer including our wines and vineyard experiences.

To celebrate this launch, we've expanded our wine club with two new options alongside our existing Sparkling and Estate Signature selections:

- Still Wine Selection: Features 6 of our estate still wines in each case
- Kent Wine Way Selection: Each case features two Woodchurch still and two sparkling wines, plus two hand-picked guest wines from other amazing Kentish vineyards.

Wine Club Perks: Members receive two cases of wine a year, 10% off cellar door and online purchases, plus exclusive event access and library wines. Visit our website for full details.

Looking ahead, harvest begins shortly! Our 2025 wines are back from the winemaker, and we've recently started labeling our 2024 vintages, which will be available for sale soon. Exact harvest dates will be emailed directly to our wine club members and newsletter subscribers.

Finally, planning is underway for our new autumn menu - Woodchurch Wine Estate is a great place to visit in the summer, but with a new autumn menu we hope to encourage guests to enjoy our beautiful indoor space with view of the vines as the days get cooler.

COUNTRY & WESTERN MUSIC Evening

★ Including a
line dancing lesson ★

Bring your own
food &
drink

17th October

Doors open 7pm for 7.30 start

Woodchurch Memorial Hall
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WOODCHURCH VILLAGE LIFE MUSEUM 150 Club Draw



Thank you to all the subscribers to the WVLM lottery draw. This helps to keep Woodchurch Museum open.

August 2026 Draw Results

1st Prize	£50	Elizabeth Beck	500
2nd Prize	£30	Peter Buckley	1068
3rd Prize	£20	Peter Wood	875

There is still time for you to register. If you would like to enter the 2026 150+ club lottery draw the cost is £7 for 4 months. All money raised through the draw helps to keep our museum open. For more information contact us on 01233 860586 or at enquiries@woodchurchheritagetrust.uk

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3 & 4

October

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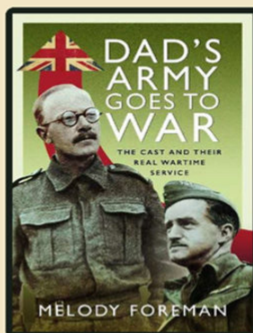


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**Join us for a nostalgic Dad's Army Evening
at the Jean Mealham Centre!**

Author Melody Foreman will reveal the remarkable real-life military service of many of the actors behind the much-loved comedy. Although their adventures as Walmington-on-Sea's Home Guard platoon kept millions laughing, several members of the cast served in one—or even both—of the world wars.

The evening will also include sing-along songs and WW2 exhibits
Light refreshments will be available. Please bring your own drink.

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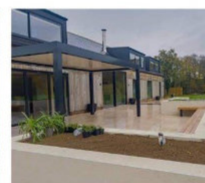
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New volunteers are needed to keep the newsletter going

From its humble beginnings, the Woodchurch Community News has grown to become far more than just a newsletter. Today it is an important community asset that helps keep our village informed, connected and engaged.

Produced and distributed by a very small team of volunteers, and delivered free of charge throughout the parish, it connects residents with local organisations, charities, businesses and events. It promotes volunteering, supports the local economy, records the history of our village and helps build the strong sense of community that makes Woodchurch such a special place to live.

Without it, many organisations would lose one of their primary means of communicating with residents, and the village would become less informed, less connected and less engaged.

Over the past ten years the newsletter has:

- **Been delivered free of charge to over 1,000 households every month.**
- **Been compiled and edited by Wade, with proofreading, printing and distribution undertaken by a small team of dedicated volunteers.**
- **Supported dozens of local organisations every year through free publicity.**
- **Provided one central source of information that would otherwise be scattered across multiple websites, social media pages and noticeboards.**
- **Created a lasting record of village life for future generations.**

After ten years of producing the newsletter in its current format, Wade will be stepping down at the end of 2027. Woodchurch HUB is therefore looking for a new team of volunteers to take the newsletter forward and ensure it continues to serve the community for many years to come.

There has already been interest from the community in becoming part of the team, however we will need more supporters in order to better spread the tasks.



The role is far less demanding than many people might imagine:

- **Much of the monthly content is provided by local organisations themselves, usually with just a little encouragement.**
- **The cost of production is largely covered by local advertising.**
- **The newsletter is currently produced using Affinity Publisher, professional publishing software that is available free of charge.**
- **Printing facilities at Woodchurch HUB will continue to be available if required.**
- **Full help, advice and a handover will be provided to the new team.**

The newsletter does not have to remain exactly as it is today. Nothing is set in stone, and there is always room for fresh ideas and new approaches. The next team will have the opportunity to shape its future, introduce improvements and ensure it continues to meet the needs of our community.

If you would like to find out more, with no obligation whatsoever, please speak to Wade or Joyce at Woodchurch HUB. We would be delighted to have an informal chat with you.



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