

LPC NEWS



Latest news & updates from Limpsfield Parish Council



Following a very wet winter, we are thankfully now well into spring and a new year of the Parish Council. We congratulate our District councillors, Claire Blackwell and lan Booth for securing another term. We work very closely with them and we are very happy to continue our relationship for the foreseeable future.

Since last time, we have made more progress with our footpaths programme, celebrated a year of our partnership with the Chart Coffee Mornings and assisted the Memorial Stores with a new era in their service to the community by co-funding their post office refurbishments.

We would like to acknowledge significant contributions made by dedicated volunteers. We are pleased to welcome Robin Masefield and Maggie Morgan who have stepped in as committee co-optees to assist with our biodiversity plan. Robert O'Donovan, who has worked with us for many years as a vital co-opted member, has decided to step down from his role. On behalf of the community, the Council would like to thank Robert for his invaluable advice and work.

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Thomas C Briggs Chair, Limpsfield Parish Council



Planning Update



The last six months or so have been characterised by several larger development applications that have wide impact on the Parish, in addition to the usual householder applications, all of which are reviewed by the planning committee.

In the absence of a Tandridge Local Plan (rejected in August 2023), we are also now seeing applications for significant development in the local area. We do have several smaller green belt developments in Limpsfield still awaiting determination. These are generally agricultural properties applying for residential development, which we oppose in line with our Limpsfield Neighbourhood Plan policies. An area of particular concern is the rural area in the south of the parish (Itchingwood, Staffhurst Wood and Trevereux) as well as land on the Limpsfield side of Red Lane (which is the boundary for Limpsfield and Oxted parishes).

The government states that the "fundamental aim" of the green belt "is to prevent urban sprawl by keeping land permanently open" around urban areas. It is for local planning authorities (LPAs) to define and maintain green belt land in their local areas. Government policy on the green belt is set out in chapter 13 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

Hedges and boundaries. With several developments in the area, we often make comments to convey the importance of tree protection and green boundaries in Limpsfield. This is particularly important in the Conservation Area, but also in the residential roads of Granville Road, Bluehouse Lane, Uvedale and Park Road where we may be in danger of losing the green street scene.

Note to Businesses: We would like to remind anyone setting up any sort of business that requires specific accommodation in both urban and rural areas to please check your planning permissions before doing any work. We have been advised of several businesses operating without the correct planning permission recently, and we are duty bound to report these to enforcement. Checking permission before you carry out work will help to prevent any neighbour disputes and the potential costly exercise of removing any illegal structures.

Photo: Darren Giles, Studio 27a



Planning Applications of Note

10 Westerham Road. Erection of a single detached three-bedroom house and lowering of bank for parking. Appeal(s) dismissed. We had objected to this development which was refused by TDC. The dismissal of the appeal was a successful outcome given the significant impact to this area of wooded hillside. In line with the decision, the trees have also been given further protection.

Grasshopper Inn Site, Westerham Road. Demolition and erection of private care home. Although this site is in the Parish of Tatsfield, we are a consultee as it is on our boundary. We are working with Tatsfield Parish Council to ensure that the proposed development is sympathetic to the location and adequate car parking facilities are provided.

In conjunction with the Surrey Historic Buildings Officer, we have made representation regarding bulk and design, which we think could be significantly improved. In principle, we are in favour of the site being enhanced. We await the TDC's Planning Officer's report and expect the application to be called into TDC planning committee.

Gaywood Solar Farm. Following our last newsletter, TDC refused the Tandridge part of this application. However, adjacent to the site, but in Sevenoaks jurisdiction, the same developer submitted a similar application, which was approved. We await any further developments as to whether the Sevenoaks site will go ahead or not. The Tandridge side has been withdrawn.

Limpsfield Grange School. Proposed expansion and new driveway. This proposal is being handled by Surrey County Council. At time of publication, no formal application has been received. We are in favour of the success of this facility and therefore our concerns have concentrated on minimising and improving the impact of the traffic flow onto the site, and the visual impact of the new classroom block and with regards to concern about pedestrian safety and need for a pavement. We were alerted to some tree works on Bluehouse Lane around one of the possible new entrances. Together with some residents, we questioned the link with proposed planning application as yet not submitted. We are pleased to report that the tree works were withdrawn. We await the formal planning application.

Land adjacent to Chichele Road Development. Following our last newsletter, this was refused by TDC. Although not in the Parish of Limpsfield we were a consultee and our comments referenced the impact on services, particularly Oxted Health Centre, which is in our Parish. We will follow the same path on any similar development that borders Limpsfield and impacts on our services.



The Studio (sometimes referred to as The Old Stables) Limpsfield High Street. The Change of use to childcare for Jumping Jacks move from St Peter's Church Hall. We are very supportive of this business as a useful facility within the Parish, but objected due to traffic and congestion issues we already faced in the high street. TDC approved the application for change of use (with a significant input from Surrey Highways) with several conditions that had to be met before the facility could commence operating. Unfortunately, the conditions were not met before launch and we received several complaints from residents, which we duly followed up with TDC. One of our responsibilities, particularly now we have a Neighbourhood Plan, is to ensure that proper planning procedure in Limpsfield is followed.

Amongst the most important for this application was the submission of a satisfactory Travel Plan, due to the congestion and parking issues we already have in this area of the village. A plan was approved in February with a 6-month review. Due to the significant local interest in highway safety issues specifically, we will work with TDC to ensure these conditions are met.

Green Hedges. We were disappointed with the outcome of the Planning Committee review of conditions regarding retrospective permission for additional south-facing balconies for the Green Hedges development. We represented the residents' interest at the TDC Planning Committee which ultimately approved the conditions.

Surrey Hills AONB - Boundary Review

The Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, now Surrey Hills National Landscapes is in the final stages of the boundary review, which will decide whether additional areas adjacent to the existing AONB boundary should also be designated.

The Planning Committee submitted the following areas for inclusion within the revised boundary: West Heath, Limpsfield Common, Scearn Bank, Caxton, Swaynesland and Tenchleys - with the opinion that the whole of this area (LNP Character LCA04 - Wooded Greensand Hills) should be in the Surrey Hills AONB. The AECOM Limpsfield Heritage and Character Assessment Report, September 2016 (produced for the Neighbourhood Plan) was also submitted to support the submissions.

We are happy to say that most of the areas we proposed have been included in the consultation and await the conclusion of this project, expected in May 2024.

The planning committee meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6pm. We welcome comments of concern or members of the Parish to attend. Please contact the Parish clerk on clerk@limpsfield.org. Please find an overview of how the planning process works here: www.limpsfield.org/planning



Conservation Area



We continue to implement key activities within the Conservation Area as part of the Limpsfield Village Conservation Area Management Plan.

Streetlamps: Following on from last year's activity, we have replaced two modern street lights that are visible from the High street, one on Hookwood and one on Sylvan Close. These are now heritage lamps to match the existing ones in the village and much more in keeping with the Conservation Area.

Ironstone cobbles: We are also very glad to report that the ironstone cobbles on the northern end of Limpsfield High Street from Stanhopes up to The Bull Inn have been steam cleaned and filled with a special resin that is porous, but will not let so many weeds through.

Kerbstones: We are in consultation with Highways/Surrey County Council to find a long-term solution to the maintenance of the ironstone kerbstones in the high street, particularly by the pavement opposite Memorial Stores and past the cottages where the kerbs are regularly driven over by vehicles.

Speedwatch: Cllr Mark Wilson has invited any members of the community to volunteer for a speedwatch group in the High Street. Please let us know if you'd be interested in joining.

The official documents for the LVCAAMP can be found on TDC's Website www.tandridge.gov.uk/limpsfield. You can download the Conservation Area leaflet for residents from our website. This is very helpful or residents and businesses and outlines key areas of concern, including tree work (TCAs and TPOs). https://limpsfield.org/caamp/

Note to businesses: We would like to remind businesses that signage and advertising material should be in keeping with the Conservation Area. The use of banners must only be temporary for specific events and permanent signage should be well made and in appropriate materials. Thank you.



Footpaths & Bridleways

Working closely with Surrey Rights of Way Team, East Surrey Walkers, National Trust, Titsey Foundation, other local landowners and the Friends of Limpsfield Common. We are continuing our programme to improve local footpaths and bridleways, so that they are safer for pedestrians, horse riders and cyclists.

Since our last newsletter, we have replaced and repaired several finger posts and as part of our commitment to improving accessibility across the parish, particularly connecting Oxted with Limpsfield, we assisted improving accessibility on the footpath between the Brook and Glebe Fields in Limpsfield.

We were very happy to help fund this project, led by the Tandridge Access Group with the majority of the works funded by Surrey County Council Cllr Cameron McIntosh's local funding. Limpsfield Parish Council funded some of the ground work necessary to improve the footpath.

We also recycled the two original kissing gates (which were replaced by mobility gates) for footpath upgrades at Guildables Lane where broken/tricky stiles were replaced, with the addition of another gate and safety fencing over the ditch.

We were very happy to see the FP200 near Grants Lane cleared and cut back a few weeks ago so that this once again a useable pathway. It's a lovely path to walk so please use it to help reduce new vegetation incursion



Did you know: you are entitled to use secateurs to tidy things like brambles growing at eye-height when you walk the footpaths? At this time of year, when growth is fast, it would be hugely helpful if you took a pair of secateurs out on your walks to help the footpaths team keep all our lovely footpaths useable.





One of Limpsfield Parish Council's recent projects was to fund and install the new mobility gate between the Glebe Meadow and Glebe Field to stop the naughty steers having a party on the football pitch!

The fence between the two spaces had fallen to pieces over the years and the long-used (but unofficial) access to the Glebe Field to be barricaded. Thanks very much to the landowner/tenant for allowing the gate, which is much appreciated by all.

We would like to remind everyone walking their dogs in the Glebe that there are cows / steers in there and dogs should be kept on a lead. Dog walkers must pick up their dog poo and take it with them, disposing the bags in the dog poo bins at Glebe Meadow, and at the footpath entrances at Detillens Lane and Granville Road. Users should remember that the Glebe Field is private land and often used for grazing of cattle and the access to it via Glebe Meadow is a permissive footpath, not an official public footpath and at the owner's discretion.

Please note: Dogs should always be kept under control if cattle are present, and dog poo must be picked up and deposited in the dog poo bins at each end of the Glebe / Brook Fields footpath.

The Parish Council has also set aside a fund within our annual budget to continue maintain and improve areas of the Limpsfield Way and Cycle Route where needed. This has included work to alleviate mud and flooding alongside the Golf Course (6/15th).



Biodiversity in Limpsfield



Since last time, we have made progress on our path to improving biodiversity in the parish and we'd love everyone in the parish to get involved and make a difference in their own small way.

Biodiversity is now a hugely important issue for us all. It is our responsibility to the next generation to pass on our local landscape and nature in as good condition as we can. While this may seem a huge task, there is a lot we can do at a very local level...

Gardens represent the largest portion of land in the country. In England, the garden area is more than four and a half times larger than that of our National Nature Reserves and so your "patch" is a vital part of the bigger jigsaw.

Together we control a good percentage of the open space available to wildlife and can really make a difference in allowing wildlife to survive and thrive by creating nature corridors that allow connectivity from one area to another. This is something we as a Parish Council can assist individuals and smaller organisations in the Parish to achieve.

Biodiversity can be defined as all the different kinds of life you find in one areathe variety of animals, plants, fungi, even micro-organisms like bacteria that make up our natural world.

Local Government bodies are now required by law to produce biodiversity strategies, and the Enhanced Biodiversity Duty came into force on 1 January 2023. By January 2026, Surrey County Council and Tandridge District Council will have to deliver a Biodiversity Report detailing 'a summary of action taken to comply with the duty'.

Parish Councils do not have to produce a report, but are asked to contribute to County and District plans, and to develop a biodiversity action plan at local level.



Biodiversity Action Plan

After discussion with other organisations, we have come up with the following plan to put into action during this year and beyond:

- Produce with partners, a monthly calendar providing seasonal guidance to groups and residents on practical tips; examples might include "No Mow May", sustainable planting, a reminder to keep dogs on leads where there may be ground-nesting birds, ways to help hedgehogs or when to sow beefriendly plants and create nature corridors.
- Improve communications and education by working with the National Trust and other bodies to celebrate biodiversity and encourage the public's understanding of nature.
- Communicate with Tandridge District Council and Surrey County Council biodiversity officers to ensure we are in line with the broader scope of action.
- Monitor larger planning applications for BNG: Tandridge District Council now must add Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) to larger planning applications. We will ensure that we add this to our Planning scrutiny.
- Liaise with other organisations to inspect the water quality of the two main rivers in the Parish the River Eden and the Crooked River.
- Continue the discussion within the Parish, and with external bodies, including adjacent Councils, so that a fuller strategy and potentially a three-year action plan can be brought forward in 2025.
- We have also made available £2000 (total) to be allocated as small funds for local organisations and individuals who wish to promote biodiversity in public areas. Individuals and community groups may apply for up to £250 for biodiversity projects (e.g. bat or bird boxes, wildflowers, hedgehog hotels, bug hotels etc), as long as they are in areas that are accessible to the public. You can find the application form on our website, here: https://limpsfield.org/grants-s137/



Limpsfield's Biodiversity Corner



We're very lucky in Limpsfield to have some great little spaces where local groups and landowners are doing their best to promote Biodiversity – including Padbrook Pond, Moat Pond, the Glebe and Brook Fields, Eden Brook (down by the bridge on Bluehouse Lane – Titsey Road end), Ridlands Grove, Pebble Hill wildflower meadow, the Community Orchard at Grub Street and the Chart Orchard on Stoneleigh Road, amongst others.

Over the last few of months you may have noticed some colourful goings-on at Detillens Corner! This little area has always been a feature of Limpsfield in Bloom (LIB), lovingly tended to by the residents of Detillens Cottages.

It is owned by The Limpsfield Club who have generously allowed permissive access to the Limpsfield in Bloomers and cottage residents who pot, plant and compost there, ensuring there is an annual display of beautiful plants and flowers for all to enjoy.

Working alongside The Limpsfield Club, the National Trust ranger and Limpsfield Parish Council, the keepers of this area, now named Limpsfield Biodiversity Corner, will be showcasing small garden projects to help biodiversity thrive in your garden, by sharing ideas and tips with the local community via their signs, projects and Facebook / Instagram. @limpsfieldbiodiversitycorner



Orchards, Allotments & Hedges



Orchards and orchard trees are incredibly important for biodiversity. Did you know that in Limpsfield, we have two community orchards, as well as a new mini orchard having just been planted at Tidys Green on the A25?

Limpsfield Community Orchard is run by a group of volunteers who grow and maintain this beautiful orchard at Grub Street (next to the allotments) on land donated by the National Trust. Make sure you visit it and check out their Facebook and noticeboard for events and working groups.

Limpsfield Chart Orchard, Stoneleigh Road is maintained by the Parish Council. This space (just off the cricket pitch) is leased to us from the National Trust and is a very lovely space for local residents to sit in peace and enjoy the orchard trees, wildflowers and birdlife. Maintenance includes mowing, hedge trimming, tree watering and planting of bulbs and wildflowers. Please make sure you visit when you are on the Chart.

Detillens Lane and other local residents have funded and planted five trees on Tidy's Green, on the A25 at the end of Detillens Lane. These are English native trees, three Crab Apples and two Rowan, very good for biodiversity and will make a lovely addition to the space. The Green, a designated "local green space", is owned by Tandridge District Council, and they have given their permission for this project. Thanks to Tom Blackford for leading the project and to ClIr Claire Blackwell for her assistance in making it happen! The residents have agreed to water and look after the trees, and also hope to put a bench there in the near future.



Allotments

We are very lucky to have some amazing allotments in Limpsfield, both at Plumbers Arms allotments off the A25 near Grub Street and at Stoneleigh Road, hidden away behind Stoneleigh Road and Ridlands Rise.

There is a very long waiting list for these lovely green spaces, with many keen gardeners waiting to have a chance to look after them, and as many, particularly at Stoneleigh, do not look like they are cultivated, we would urge all current allotment "owners" who are not cultivating their allocated spaces to please do so or relinquish them back to the authority (either the Plumbers Arms Allotment Association or TDC) and let someone else take them over. Thank you.

Hedges

Hedges are hugely important to biodiversity providing shelter and homes or all sorts of wildlife, especially birds and hedgehogs. But they are often the source of neighbour disputes and complaints to the Council.

- It is the responsibility of the homeowner/landowner/tenant to keep hedges maintained and trimmed back, so that they do not encroach over a public footpath, pavement, or road.
- Please trim as high from ground level as you can to avoid injury to pedestrians. Pedestrians, wheelchair/mobility vehicle users or people with a buggies should be able to pass without the need to step into the road.
- Please ensure that your hedge does not obscure any road signs.
- August to March is the best time to trim your hedges to avoid disturbing nesting birds.
- Please report any hedges obstructing the pavement to Surrey County Council's online report form - https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/do-itonline/report-it-online. An enforcement note can then be issued.





NT Ranger's Report

Spring on Limpsfield Common has brought great signs of revitalisation in both the woodlands and heaths.

Native flora and fauna have been found emerging and inhabiting spaces that have received attention over the last year. There is a new bluebell patch adjacent to the heathland on New Road, accompanied by clusters of honeysuckle along the woodland edge, as well as bountiful patches of Wild Strawberry, Honeysuckle, and Betony on the top of Scearn Bank. Bilberry, Wavy Bittercress and Yellow Archangel can all be seen along the sides of woodland paths that were widened in the winter months to encourage exposure to sunlight.

This is really exciting for us with regards to its impact on the potential increase of certain other wildlife, particularly the endangered and strictly protected Dormouse.

In order to support our programme of helping the heathland to re-emerge in the area through scrapes and clearance, we will be undertaking significant heather plugging (planting of heather) and would ask that dog walkers and riders keep clear of these areas, which will be clearly marked out, in order to give the heather a chance to take.

Heritage Project

In April, the Friends of Limpsfield Common and National Trust collaborated to put together a training day for locals interested in the surveying and recording of archaeology on Limpsfield Common. From this, a Heritage and Archaeology Ranger Team (HART) will be formed to document and preserve the rich history of the common. There are many sites of archeological interest across The Chart and Limpsfield Common which present an expansive narrative and importance of the Common throughout the ages.

Security

Security lights, cameras and height barriers have been erected in some of our car parks to deter the increasing anti-social behaviour associated with these areas. There has already been a notable reduction of this activity and a gradual increase in locals returning to these areas. Height barriers have most recently been installed in High Chart and New Road in the hopes this trend will continue and reduce the possibility of any major fly-tipping occurrences.







Protection of habitats

You may have noticed some changes have been made to the accessibility around the Common in the last few months. The Task Force, in partnership with the Friends of Limpsfield Common, have been carrying out an effort to review and replace various 'waymark' posts amongst the footpath network, ensuring they are suitably visible with more accurate signalling. Alongside this, numerous small, undesignated trails are being blocked off to prevent any further fragmentation and disruption of these habitats – a necessary response to the increase of recreational activity on the Common over the last decade.

Please keep to the designated footpaths and bridleways (including your dogs) in order to protect the habitats of ground nesting birds and other wildlife we would like to remain in the area.

We would also ask that you respect the fencing around Yalden Spring, which is part of the programme to reinvigorate this important site, protecting the biodiversity of the pond area. Please try to prevent your dogs from going into the pond, which is an important habitat for newts, frogs and other pond-dwelling creatures. Thank you.

These last few months have been full of reassurances that the work we are carrying out on the common, with help from the Friends of Limpsfield Common and The Task Force, is providing the desired result. With ongoing habitat condition surveying this year, the Trust is confident that our management plan of Limpsfield Common will ensure habitats are going in the right direction to reach their full ecological potential.

Conor McNeil - Countryside Ranger - Limpsfield Common



Keeping Limpsfield Looking Lovely!



The Parish Council takes particularly pride in keeping our lovely parish looking well cared-for wherever we can.

We were very happy to fund the replacement of the tree bench at the top of the high street. The old one had fallen to pieces over the years, so now walkers and cyclists have a lovely new one to park their bottoms for a quick rest before heading up Pebble Hill! This lovely bench is the work of Limpsfield Village resident, Barry Chandler. We would like to thank him for all his help over the years with our timber noticeboards, Limpsfield Way information boards and benches and other timber structures. Barry does all this work for Limpsfield in his own time, only charging for materials and we are very grateful.

The noticeboard outside Memorial Stores was renovated this year by Barry, and he is also overseeing the renovation of the Chart Noticeboard. The door that flew off in one of the winter storms has been repaired and new pin board will go in shortly.

Due to the repeated removal of agenda etc from the noticeboard at the Snatts Hill bus shelter, we installed a new, locked noticeboard at Oxted Library – on the wall on the way up to the Health Centre. Please note, minutes, maps and other information from the LPC can be found in the Library's Local History room.



Grit bins - We replaced the grit bin on Uvedale Road/Brassey Road that had been destroyed by a vehicle.

NB: You can find a list of Grit Bins, gritting routes and other useful information for winter months on our website. https://limpsfield.org/snow-ice/

If you spot a bench, noticeboard, grit bin or other structure around the parish that has been damaged, please let us know. While it might not be our responsibility, we will always endeavour to find a way to initiate a timely repair.

OXTED: CCTV CAMERAS NOW OPERATING ON-STREET & IN-STORE

In order to prevent crime and ensure the safety of shoppers, business owners and their staff, CCTV cameras are now live and recording 24/7,
both in stores and on Station Road East and Station Road West

Camera footage may be used in a court of law

CCTV Cameras are operated by Oxted Parish Council in conjunction with Tandridge District Council and Surrey Police, funded by Oxted PC, Limpsfield PC and The Oxted BID Limited

Oxted businesses are part of the Love Oxted Shop Watch Scheme and use the secure crime reporting system, DISC













Oxted/Limpsfield CCTV project - The CCTV project led by Oxted Parish Council and contributed to by Limpsfield Parish Council, The Oxted BID (Love Oxted) in consultation with Tandridge District Council and Surrey Police is now almost complete.

- Cameras are now all installed in Oxted town centre, which includes parts of Limpsfield, as well as Hurst Green and Master Park and are now live. The monitoring hub is at TDC offices.
- Surrey Police and TDC will be able to extract footage from the cameras for the purposes of crime prevention and case-building for prosecution. We hope these will act as a deterrent for shoplifting and anti-social behaviour in Oxted.
- We also continue to work in conjunction with the Oxted Business Improvement District and Oxted Parish Council with regards to how we can assist the businesses of Oxted Town Centre in the prevention of crime through their WhatsApp Group and DISC reporting system.

Glebe Meadow Bollard - Following incidents of theft from Limpsfield in Fitness at Glebe Meadow, we installed a security bollard to prevent vehicles from accessing the meadow.



Oxted Library - Super Access









Our fabulous Oxted Library has been serving the community for decades and has been on the building in Gresham Road for over 50 years. It is a designated Warm Hub in winter months, helps with the prevention of isolation all year round, and aside from offering all usual library services, hosts all sorts of community groups and events, provides free computer and internet access, as well as lots of other helpful advice and support to residents.

Did you know you can even get your bus pass from the Library?

In 2023 it received funding along with other libraries in the area to become a "Dynamic Space" and offer Super Access - access outside of library opening times.

Super Access is a new service from Surrey Libraries which offers longer opening hours and more flexibility for customers and community groups to use their local library at times that are convenient to them. New technology allows customers to upgrade to Super Access membership allowing them to enter the library using their library membership card outside normal opening hours and use library services independently when staff are not present.

An introduction is required to be able to use this service. The service is only available for those aged 16 and over to ensure a safe and thorough understanding of how the technology works. Training and advice will be given to all applicants. Find out more: https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/libraries

Please note, in order to install the necessary infrastructure, the library will be CLOSED for the week commencing 17th June (TBC - check with Library).

Most of our maps are on our website as PDFs for public access and can also be found in a secure Map cabinet in the Local History Room of the Oxted Library (situated in Limpsfield Parish). Ask the librarian for the key. In this room, you will also find our monthly minutes, reference copies of the Neighbourhood Plan and Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan and copies of the Conservation Area booklet, plus annual reports and latest newsletters etc.



Support for Local Endeavours

Since the last newsletter we are very happy to have given our support to the following local endeavours:

Limpsfield in Bloom. We gave a £500 donation towards the purchase of plants and seeds for this year's Limpsfield in Bloom. Limpsfield once again won Gold in the annual competition in 2023 and this year's Limpsfield in Bloom is all about Biodiversity. There will be several working groups for people to attend (please keep an eye on the Limpsfield in Bloom Facebook Page) and we expect the judging day to be on Thursday 11th July (TBC).

This is a very worthwhile annual activity that brings colour, pride and a great sense of community to the Limpsfield residents and businesses.



Chart Coffee Mornings

It was lovely to attend the first anniversary of the chart Coffee Mornings in March.

These friendly and welcoming coffee mornings are held every Wednesday morning at St Andrew's Hall on Limpsfield Chart.

Organised by the Chart Fair Committee, this cheerful weekly get-together sees people of all ages spending an hour or two having a chat and getting to know some of their fellow Chart dwellers over free coffee, tea and cake.

It's a great way to get to know your neighbours.

The Parish Council is very happy to give financial support towards the running of this very worthwhile community endeavour, organised by the Chart Fair Committee with proceeds from the annual Chart Fair.

Limpsfield Village Stores Association

In its 25th Anniversary year, the Parish Council was very happy to award significant financial support to the Memorial Stores (Limpsfield Village Stores Association) for its Post Office refurbishment.

Memorial Stores is a community owned, volunteer-run association and provides a vital service to our community.

They will be hosting a special anniversary celebration on Saturday 25th May - please pop in for a glass of Bucks Fizz or non-alcoholic drink and a piece of cake from 10am-12pm.





Chart Fair, Sunday 23rd June - 12-4pm -Chart Cricket Club

We are very happy to be supporting the annual Chart Fair again this year, This is a fantastic event and was very well attended last year, with live entertainment, stalls, dance performances fun and games, BBQ and the ever-popular dog show.

Anyone interested in helping to run the games, or offer a new game or competition on the day should contact Ann Davey on anndavey01@icloud.com. There is still opportunity to book a stall pitch if you would like to. Please contact the Louise Hazelden at louise@lahproperty.co.uk.

As usual, there are lots of great prizes to be won in the raffle. Anyone wishing to donate a prize should please get in touch with Diana Davy on diana.green_davy@icloud.com.

The Parish Council gives administrative, insurance and publicity support for the Chart Fair, as an official committee of the Limpsfield Parish Council, and associated activities. We are looking forward to it being another brilliant event.

Limpsfield Village Fete - Saturday 29th June - 12-4pm - Glebe Meadow

Picnic Hampers at the ready, the Limpsfield Village Fete is fast approaching!

This lovely annual event, held on the Glebe Meadow, brings all ages of the community together in a traditional style fete with food, drink, stalls and entertainment, including summer crafts, dance show, Punch & Judy, Pimms Bar, Beer Tent, BBQ, Tombola, Hook a Duck and Dog Show, with proceeds going to Limpsfield Infants School. Adults £1 to enter. Kids Free. Bring CASH!

The Parish Council is very happy to provide financial support for activities and entertainment.





Diary Dates

Here are just a few dates for some of key events going on over the next couple of months:

- Saturday 25th May Memorial Stores 25th Anniversary tea & cake, 10am-12pm
- Monday 27th May One World Open Gardens 6 gardens around Limpsfield Tickets at Memorial Stores and Lorimers. contact@oneworldgroup.org.uk
- Saturday 1st June Makers Market, St Peter's Hall 10am-3pm
- Saturday 8th June D Day Anniversary party at the RBL Club Limpsfield
- Sunday 23rd June Limpsfield Chart Fair Limpsfield Chart Cricket Club, 12-4pm
- Saturday 29th June Limpsfield Village Fete, Glebe Meadow, 12-4pm, Bey Tree's 4th Anniversary weekend at Wickham's Courtyard
- Saturday 29th June Armed Forces Day
- Sunday 30th June, Summer Market at Limpsfield Cookery School and Open Day at Wickham's Courtyard 11am-3pm
- Wednesday 3rd July Limpsfield in Bloom Judging Day
- Sunday 28th July Open Day at Air Raid Shelters Friends of Limpsfield Common
- Saturday 21st September Friends of Limpsfield Common public meeting, St Andrew's Hall. Refreshments provided. 11.30am-2.30pm

Annual Parish Meeting & Annual Report

Thank you to residents who attended the Annual Parish Meeting on 25th April. We would be interested to know what subjects / issues you would like to hear about, or guest speakers you'd like us to consider for next year's meeting.

You can find the presentation and annual report with all financial details on our website: www.limpsfield.org/annual-parish-meeting/

Thanks again to all those lovely volunteers who pounded the pavements again to help us distribute our newsletters. We are very grateful.

How to contact us

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