



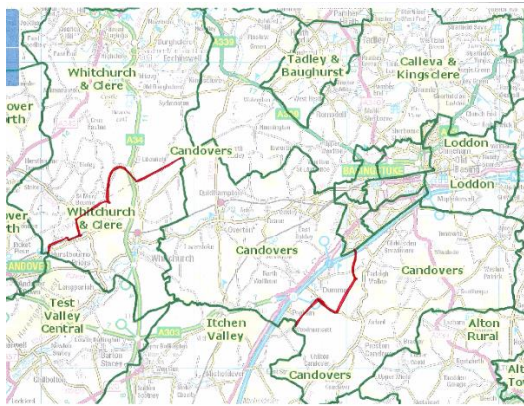
Newsletter August 2015

In this month's news we feature the Hants County Council division boundary review and take a quick peak at local rugby. The rugby club season starts on 6th September and new members are welcome from 5-50 years. If you would like to join your local club at Laverstoke Park read below.

Looking for children's summer holiday activities? There are 2 weeks coming up at Testbourne and Kingsclere. There is other good news in that the Men's Shed exploratory meeting concluded there would be enough support for a launch meeting in September....

And finally EDF have pulled back from the windfarm.

Your copy of the August [Overton News & Views](#) will shortly be available at this link.



Hants Council Boundary Change

Hampshire County Council is undergoing a review of electoral division boundaries such that each county councillor represents approximately the same number of voters. They aim to ensure that the pattern of divisions reflects the interests and identities of local communities as well as promoting effective local government. In order to achieve these aims, they need to re-draw division boundaries across the county.

Local people and organisations such as the PC are being invited to tell HCC where they think new electoral division boundaries should be drawn across Hampshire. This consultation period ends on 3rd August.

The Electoral Commission, running the review, has announced that it is minded to recommend that the county council should have 78 county councillors in the future, the same number as currently.

Laverstoke and Freefolk are part of the Overton, Laverstoke & Steventon ward in the current county division of



Sufficient Interest to set up group

At the recent exploratory Men's Shed meeting in July there was deemed sufficient interest to move forward with the formation of a group in the old wooden pavilion in Laverstoke. The group will renovate the pavilion (Shed) using the diverse skills from people within the group. They'll then use it for workshop type recreational activity and possibly storage. It is hoped that people from

Whitchurch, Overton and other nearby villages as well will be interested in joining. This is quite a unique opportunity - there really is no other such facility anywhere in these communities. There has been some feedback about ensuring noise and traffic, coming and going, is limited as it is in the heart of such a quiet area and this will be considered in the layout.

It has been decided to call an inaugural meeting in September.

Candovers. The current Candovers division boundary, marked in green on the map, extends from Laverstoke in the far west to Upton Grey in the east, Brown Candover in the south and Ibworth in the north. The electoral population is currently c. 11.8k and the current County Councillor is Anna McNair Scott.

The PC are going to propose that the boundary is changed to include the 2 Whitchurch parishes (Whitchurch & Hurstbourne Priors) as well as O, L & F ward and the Oakley and North Waltham ward. The red line marks the north western boundary and south eastern boundary. Our reasons include 1) shared community facilities eg catchment secondary school is Testbourne for majority of this area eg common 2) B3400 common infrastructure/ traffic issues 3) More even population distribution. There are 13.6k people in our proposal. With currently 1.02m people in Hants this is, effectively, a more proportional representation 4) closer geographical spread 5) shared amenities eg Overton Rugby club based in Laverstoke serves whole area.

If you would like to view the existing division arrangements visit the consultation area bottom button on the [Local Govt. Boundary Commission web site](#). You can then search by area or postcode, and Have your say.

You can also make a submission to the Hampshire electoral review, through consultation.lgbce.org.uk, sending an e-mail to reviews@lgbce.org.uk, or writing in to the

We hope to have speakers from either Gosport or Frome Men's Shed groups that have recently set up and local Borough Council Development officers. It is expected that the group will apply for grants from various bodies - health as well as recreational - reflecting the health and social benefits from setting up and belonging to such a group. Look out for further information in the next newsletter. In the meantime contact Nicky at laverstokeclerk@gmail.com or on 07563 942360 to find out more or to express your interest.



6th Sept Rugby Season Start

With England hosting the world cup in September and October this year it is hoped that players will be inspired to come and join our local club, Overton. The club is actually based up at Laverstoke Park and starts its new season on 6th

following address:

The Review Officer (Hampshire)
Local Government Boundary Commission for
England
14th Floor Millbank Tower
Millbank
London
SW1P 4QP



Summer Holiday kids workshops

RCS Ltd are putting on 4 weeks of Summer holiday fun with tailored, fun themed workshops suitable for 5- 11 year olds

Children can enjoy an exciting range of planned activities including:

Arts & crafts, cooking, sports, games and much more. The cost is £4.00 per session or £20 for the week with payment on first session. There are 2 more local venues in:

Week 2: Monday 3rd August - Friday 7th August (Excl 5 August)
Testbourne Community School, RG28 7JF

Monday: Arts & Crafts
Tuesday: Plant and pick
Thursday: Multi Sports

September. New players of all abilities are always welcome from 5yrs – 50yrs! For 2016 the club will be fielding 2 Senior teams, Colts (U17-U18), U15 & U13 Youth teams and a mini section with U6 - U12 years included.

Currently Seniors pre-season training is running on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7pm, just turn up and get fit!

There's an active social side to the club as well, with the first event of the season - a Sportsman's Dinner. This is a fundraising event and so the more people up at the club the better!! If you would like to attend contact [Ian Harrison](#)

There's an opportunity to volunteer at CarFest on behalf of the club if you contact: Lisa.Willoughby@laverstokepark.co.uk. Finally congratulations to newlyweds during the summer: Ryan and Sarah Cornell and Mark and Chloe Sheridan.
For club contacts and further info [see web](#)

Friday: Den building

For more information or to BOOK A PLACE IN ADVANCE please call Testbourne Community School on 01256 892261

Week 4: Monday 17th August – Friday 21st August

Kingsclere Scout Group ,RG20 5RQ

Monday: Bugs

Tuesday: Superheroes

Wednesday: Food

Thursday: Dinosaurs

Friday: Circus

For more information or to BOOK A PLACE IN ADVANCE please call The Hurst Leisure & Learning centre 0118 981

1611 aded@hurst.hants.sch.uk

R.C.S. Ltd: 07834 582957

enquiries.rcs123@gmail.com



Beware Free Bird Baths

Hampshire Trading Standards

have received several reports of telephone cold callers offering free bird baths!! Often the caller attempts to visit and fit the bird bath the same day. After installation, a fee is requested.

As well as being a scam, it is possible that it is also a distraction burglary tactic, the intention being to gain access to property.

Trading Standards would advise consumers not to agree to work that is instigated as a result of a cold call. Consumers should obtain at least 3 written quotes from reputable businesses or traders who are either members of the Hampshire County Council Trading Standards Buy With Confidence Scheme or a recognised trade association.

Tennis Fun on 5th July

Good weather on Strawberry Sunday afternoon encouraged more than 30 people to come and enjoy the atmosphere, play a few fun games of tennis, and indulge in delicious strawberries and cream on a sunny Wimbledon-free Sunday.

By the time this edition of the Parish Magazine is published, the first Worldwide Whitchurch Weekend will have taken place, including a tennis tournament hosted by the club.

After this, the next club social occasion will be a pub walk for members and friends on Sunday 13th September (details to follow); while the next playing event will be the autumn tennis tournament a couple of weeks later, starting at 10am on the morning of Sunday 26th September. Club tournaments are competitive but friendly, and are usually followed by a social event – in this case, a BBQ priced at a very reasonable £10 per adult (or £5 per child between five and 12), with adults asked to bring a bottle along with them. More details to follow...

Club nights continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 6pm, and on fine summer Saturdays between 3pm and 5pm (but please check www.whitchurchtennisclub.org.uk for details) – followed by a glass of chilled wine in the sunshine!

LTA tennis coach Carol Rogers runs courses for juniors and adults throughout the year. Details are available from Carol at carolrogerstennis@hotmail.co.uk or by phone on 07939 264999.

Traders who agree work at the home of an individual, or at a place other than their usual business premises, are required by law to provide consumers with a Notice of Right to Cancel. This gives consumers a 14 day cooling off period from the date the work starts. So, legally, you may have the right to cancel even though work has commenced.

If anyone has any information about traders who are cold calling or requires any advice on doorstep crime they can contact Hampshire County Council's Quick Response Team on 01962 833666 (Monday – Friday 0900hrs to 1700hrs)

If assistance is required outside of these hours please contact Hampshire Police on their non-urgent number 101 or dial 999 if you feel threatened or intimidated.



Kit Malthouse Contact

Our North West Hampshire MP Kit Malthouse has provided the following contact details.

To contact Kit please:

email: Kit.malthouse.mp@parliament.uk or

Tel: 01264 401401

Address: 2 Church Close, Andover SP10 1DP



Kingfisher Grass Seeded

Thanks to Phil Nicklin & Chris Brown for their help in grass seeding the square patch outside Kingfisher. We didn't have room for an "after" picture but can report it's now beautifully verdant!



Cook Wanted

Kingfisher Day Care Centre is looking for a replacement cook as the current cook is retiring.

The job is 6 hours a day for 4 days a week: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. If you are interested or require further information Nicola or Tracey would be pleased to hear from you.

Contact them on: 01256 893333



Green Fundraising

The Millennium Green relies on fund raising in order to pay for grass cutting and maintenance of the green space that it holds in trust for the village. It costs £145

Unfortunately the same cannot be said for the grass seeding beside the tennis courts. This will now need to be re-seeded in the Autumn when, hopefully, weather conditions will be in our favour



EDF Withdraws Windfarm Appeal

We've now had formal notification that EDF has withdrawn it's appeal for the 14 turbine windfarm that was refused permission by the 3 local councils in June 2014. The Hampshire Chronicle reported that the decision had been made "in the light of recent government announcements on onshore wind".

for each grass cut/trim alone and any other maintenance is additional eg tree work or wooden play trail repairs. Funding comes from 10 families who donate £1700 per year. The other source of funds is Easygiving which raises so far about £200 per year from just 16 supporters. If we could get more people involved just think what could be raised. And what's more it's a FREE way for you to contribute. Go to the [Easyfundraising](#) link and sign up to support Laverstoke and Freefolk Millennium Green. When you shop online, through this site, a donation is made.

Remember we need constant activity to raise funds. Please support this activity - Millennium Green is a charity trust and is separate from council budgets.



Lady Rose Hall Class contacts



PC Meetings

Next meeting dates:

8th Sept
13th Oct
10th Nov
8th Dec

Laverstoke and Freefolk PC meetings start at 7.30pm with up to 15 mins public time. Anyone is welcome to attend to ask questions, make suggestions or air views on local issues during the public time. Time will be split equally between the number of people wishing to speak. After public time parishioners are welcome to stay on but they are unable to interrupt the Council meeting. Venue: Lady Rose Hall, Laverstoke Lane. Note: no meeting is held in August.

[Kettlebell Fitness](#): 7 - 8p.m.
Thursdays with John Ruffell

Tel: 07910 736432

[Yoga Friday](#): 10 - 11a.m. [Yogamaniac](#)

Tel: 07884 384399

[Yoga Monday](#): 7- 8.30p.m.

[Yoga with Gloria](#) on: 0758 462 1857

Other dance or fitness

sessions: Does anyone know a teacher who may be interested in running a class here on a Wednesday evening? Let [Nicky](#) know: 07563 942360

To book the hall for your events see www.ladyrosehall.co.uk

Easyfundraising Link

Millennium Green

[Easyfundraising](#) link. Sign up to support Laverstoke and Freefolk Millennium Green. When you shop online, through this site, a donation is made. This is FREE to you.

Copyright © Laverstoke and Freefolk Parish Council 2015, All rights reserved.

Contacts

[L'stoke and Freefolk Facebook](#)

laverstokeandfreefolk.org.uk

Nicky Nicklin, Parish Clerk:

Tel. 07563 942360 email:

laverstokeclerk@gmail.com

Bob Hough, PC Chairman:

Tel. 07990 570035 email:

laverstokeclerk@gmail.com

Newsletter:

lfparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk

Lady Rose Hall:

www.ladyrosehall.co.uk

Bombay Sapphire Resident's Help Line Tel.: 01256 890078

Our neighbouring web-sites:

The [Official Whitchurch web site](#)

The [Original Whitchurch web site](#)

[Overton Parish Council web site](#)

Our Local Sports Clubs

[Whitchurch Tennis Club](#)

[Overton Black Arrows Archery](#)

[Club](#)

[Overton Rugby Club](#)

Our Local Day Care Centre:

[Kingfisher Day Care Centre for the Elderly](#)

