



KEEPING YOU IN TOUCH!

Welcome to the Feb 2015 issue of the Old Woughton Parish Council Newsletter.

Vacant Plots

There are a number of plots available at the Patch Allotments in Newport Road. If you are interested in taking on a plot please call 07706 709310 or email Allotments@oldwoughton.org.uk

MK Dons

Can you help a MK Dons FC - Academy player? The Woughton Pavilion and Playing Fields have been home to the MK Dons Football Club as their main training base for some years and the full time Apprentices (16-17 year olds) use it as a key training and educational base most days of the week.



The MK Dons Academy is currently seeking local people who can provide a stable and supportive environment for young players who are moving away from home for the first time. Suitable families/homes would need to meet certain criteria, be interviewed by the club and receive a DBS/CRB check in line with current regulations. Players would be with the host families from the beginning of July through to the following May 2016. Remuneration is offered.

General requirements:

Have a suitable spare bedroom

Can provide at least one cooked (evening) meal a day

If you would like to explore hosting a young apprentice and assisting in their transition and development, please contact me or write to me at the football club.

Tim Cutting. Academy Welfare Officer.

Mobile: 07721 182890 (tim.cutting@mkdons.com)

The Patch Allotments

The Association is holding a garden evening on Wednesday 11th February, from 7 pm until 9 pm in The Hut. There will be 3 interactive talks for novices and experienced gardeners on growing potatoes, onions and shallots

The Heritage Group

The second meeting of the Heritage Group will take place on Monday 16th Feb (7pm – venue to be determined by numbers). If you would like to join us then please contact Judith Howson through her Parish Council email address. All are very welcome.

We are seeking to carry out an audit of resources in the parish and would be very interested to know if you have any of the following:



- historical and personal knowledge of the area (people, places and events)*
- photographs (including the development of the city)*
- maps*
- primary documents or artefacts*
- reference material*
- expertise!*

If you are unable to join us on the 16th and you have any of the above then we would be pleased to receive an email with your interest or list of resources.

Swan

Last Autumn a forlorn swan with a slightly injured leg flew into Passmore and landed in the road. Assistance was sought and within the hour two gentlemen arrived. The swan was expertly controlled and removed. We were told it would be released at Willen after some rest and medical attention. A few weeks later, possibly the same swan reappeared in the back garden of a house on Passmore. Again it was removed. Should



anything similar happen within the Parish, please contact:

Swan Lifeline, Tel. 01753 859397 or Mobile 07968 868172

A Quick Reminder

Help keep your Parish clean and tidy, and avoid litter on bin day by: Putting all food waste in your green wheeled bin unless you home compost it. This includes all kinds of raw or cooked food waste, including bread, pastries, cakes, fruit and vegetable waste, tea leaves and bags and coffee grounds, meat, fish, cheese, fat, meal and pet food leftovers. To keep your bin clean, wrap the food waste in newspaper. Please don't put food waste in your black sacks as this is not recycled and can attract animals and birds, nor your pink sacks as it contaminates your dry recyclables.

Carol Singing

Clear skies greeted the residents of Woughton Park as they gathered for the annual Christmas Eve carols, which this year took place outside the "Old School". Mulled wine was flowing and there were plenty of mince pies to go round, which helped to keep the *cockles of our hearts* warm. Many of the old favourites were sung and we were treated to a rendition of a couple of specials from the "Singing4fun" group.

The session ended with a rip roaring chorus of "We Wish You A Merry Christmas".

Due to the clear skies some of us were able to witness the Space Station pass over-head, just before the start of the gathering.

Estatey Dinner

In early January, 41 residents of Woughton Park (including several past residents), met up in the "Inn on the Lake" for our annual Estatey Christmas Dinner. This is the second time we have been at this location, though the event has been on-going for many years.

A good time was had by all and our thanks go to Tim Mason for yet again for making the arrangements.

Speeding

Concern has been expressed about speeding motorists in the Parish. Would residents please get in touch with the Council and let us know if you think there is a problem that we should endeavour to address.

Conservation Area Review

At the last Parish meeting Peter Howard answered residents' questions on the Conservation Area Review. A hard copy was distributed to all residents affected. If you had a return and still wish to have your say please return the questionnaire to Peter McDonald at 14 Baskerfield Grove.

Parish Council Meetings 2015:

Monday 9th March 7.30pm - St Mary's Church, Woughton on the Green

Monday 13th April 7.30 pm

Annual Parish Meeting

St. Mary's Church, Woughton on the Green

Monday 11th May 7.30pm (AGM) - St Mary's Church, Woughton on the Green

Monday 13th July 7.30pm - St Mary's Church, Woughton on the Green

The first 15 minutes of each meeting is reserved for the public to address the Council with questions or issues you wish to bring to our attention.

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