

The Whyteleafe Village Council Newsletter

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Welcome to Issue 7 of the Whyteleafe Village Council Newsletter which aims to keep you up to date with news from the locality as well as the Village Council's activity in Whyteleafe.

Representatives of Whyteleafe Village Council will be amongst the congregation at St Luke's Church at the **Remembrance Service** on Sunday 9th November. We will lay a wreath, on behalf of the whole Parish, in remembrance of all those who have given their lives for their country.

In August, the Council joined local churches, residents, veterans, uniform groups and local dignitaries to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the start of the First World War.

The war graves in St Luke's churchyard, which are tended with the help of the War Graves Commission, honour those who were killed in action during the Second World War.



Dementia Friendly Surrey is a project which aims to build supportive communities where people with dementia, their families and carers can continue to lead an enjoyable life.

Whether you are an individual or an organisation you can become a Dementia Friendly Surrey Champion.

It's easy, flexible and you can get involved in whatever way suits you best.

For information go to the website address below:

www.dementiafriendlysurrey.org.uk

Last year the Council launched its **environmental enhancements** scheme by rebuilding the steps to the Community Garden on Whyteleafe Hill.

This year we have commenced work on clearing Whyteleafe roundabout after many years of neglect. Funds were obtained with the help of our County Councillor Sally Marks.

The Council has earmarked other sites around Whyteleafe, both large and small, that we feel need work to improve their appearance. Let us know what you think...



On the 1st September, a new **bus service** numbered 357 was launched which runs through the heart of Whyteleafe and that connects our area with Warlingham, Caterham, Redhill and Reigate.

This is a wholly commercial service, without any Council funding, and is an extension of an existing route following requests from passengers, school parents and residents.

The service is run by Southdown PSV.

It's an hourly bus, from Monday to Friday, that's going places. You might just catch it soon!

It has been a momentous year for **Whyteleafe Football Club**. In April, the Club's first team won their league by 11 points winning promotion back to the Ryman League.

No sooner had the season ended, bulldozers moved into Church Road, and the notoriously bumpy grass pitch was cleared and replaced with a state-of-the-art artificial surface.

The facility is now the envy of every club that has visited the ground since the start of the new season. The Leafe now has the means to flourish and everyone agrees the quality of football on show is fantastic.



Whyteleafe Recreation Ground provided a beautiful setting once again for this year's **Whyteleafe Village Fete**.

The day included live music from three local bands, circus skills, food and drink tents and lots of stalls.

Well done to all concerned for a great day!

Sutton & East Surrey Water have schemes to help the most **vulnerable households** in the District. The Helping Hand, WaterSure and Bogus Caller Aware services aim to help those in greatest need. Contact your supplier for information.

This summer, major earthworks to create permanent **flood water storage** areas alongside Woldingham Road were completed. In addition, three new sluice gates were constructed to control water flows.

Technical assessments along the course of the Caterham Bourne continue and local Councils and agencies are keen that residents have the opportunity to put forward their own information.

It is hoped that a public engagement event will be launched soon. Visit our website or village notice boards for the latest news.



Image courtesy of Bill Wadman

Once again we are appealing for new **Whyteleafe Snow Angels** to join our existing band of volunteers to help clear snow and ice from pavements this winter.

This scheme, in partnership with Tandridge District Council, proved very successful in 2012/13 when we had several periods of harsh weather. Who knows what this year will bring but we wish to complete our preparations just in case.

We all need to do our bit when it snows heavily, so if you are able, please join us. To register your interest please contact the Council's Clerk.

This year Whyteleafe Village Council, as statutory **planning** consultee, has considered over forty planning applications and objected, or commented, in respect of six. Whyteleafe is set to become part of the local Neighbourhood Plan area - to see what's going on visit <https://www.facebook.com/CR3FORUM>

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Meetings: 10th November & 8th December 2014, 12th January, 9th February and 9th March 2015