

## HOLYBROOK PARISH NEWS

Serving the communities of Fords Farm and Beansheaf Farm

February 2022

## VACANCIES FOR COUNCILLORS



## Holybrook Parish currently has **FIVE** vacancies

Your Parish needs local people, from the age of 18 up, to conduct its business. Holybrook Parish Council, due to its current vacancies, is seeking to co-opt new members from all backgrounds.

#### Are you:

Community minded?;

Interested in influencing the provision of amenities and the way the whole of the Holybrook Parish is run?;

Committed to giving some time and attend Council meetings approximately once a month on a **Monday** evening?;

If so, please contact the Parish Office (0118 945 4339) for further information. Alternatively, why not attend a council meeting to see what is involved (visit our website for a list of meeting dates: www.holybrook-pc.gov.uk).

Applications are invited by anyone who is a British subject, over 18 years old and an elector; you must reside within Holybrook, or within three miles of it, or occupy as owner or tenant any land or premises therein, or have your principal or only place of work there, and must not be disqualified from holding office as a Councillor.

# Lasting tribute to local residents who have sadly passed away from Covid-19.

A little while ago West Berkshire Council reached out to town and parish councils in West Berkshire, to offer some ornamental cherry blossom trees to be planted in remembrance of local residents who sadly passed away due to Covid-19.

Our Clerk arranged for three of these trees to be planted in the Parish by The Friends of Linear Park. If you would like to see them, they can be found behind Kennet Valley Primary School's perimeter fence in Underwood Road. The trees are officially known as 'Prunus Tai Haku' and, in spring, will come into bloom with beautiful white blossom.

As well as providing a lasting memorial for our loved ones, these trees will also help to reduce levels of carbon dioxide in the area and making walks around the Parish more enjoyable.

The Parish Councillors would like to take this opportunity to thank West Berkshire Council, The Friends of Linear Park for their help with this project and the resident who has volunteered to water the trees over the coming months.





# Job Vacancy - Office Support (Part-time)

Applications are invited for the part-time position of Holybrook Parish Council 'Office Support' working a minimum of 10-hours per week.

For more information please visit our website: <a href="www.holybrook-pc.gov.uk">www.holybrook-pc.gov.uk</a> or visit one of our noticeboards. Alternatively, please contact the Parish Clerk on either 07704 66 33 97 or 0118 9454 339

### Closing date for applications: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Written applications, enclosing a copy of a curriculum vitae, to be sent to: Mrs Pam Kirkpatrick, Clerk to the Council, at <a href="mailto:clerk@holybrook-pc.gov.uk">clerk@holybrook-pc.gov.uk</a>. Alternatively, you can post to: The Parish Office, Beansheaf Community Centre, Charrington Road, Calcot, Reading RG31 7AW.



### What's On at the Beansheaf Centre



#### The Beansheaf Centre

Off Charrington Road
Calcot
Reading
Berkshire

**RG31 7AW** 

Tel: 0118 9454 339 www.holybrook-pc.gov.uk Mobile: 07704 668397

The Beansheaf Centre, located in the beautiful Linear Park, is proud to host a very wide range of groups and classes and, we think, that there is something for everyone. Below is an overview of 'What's On' but, for more details, why not visit our website: <a href="https://www.holybrook-pc.gov.uk/Whats">https://www.holybrook-pc.gov.uk/Whats</a> on <a href="mailto:Beansheaf Centre">Beansheaf Centre</a> 26023.aspx, or give us a call.

Fancy starting your own group or class? Or, hosting an event/holding a party? Please give us a call on: 0118 9454 339 or e-mail bookings@holybrook-pc.gov.uk to discuss.

#### **Activities for Children**

Beansheaf Pre-School - Monday to Friday - Call: 0118 945 4312 or email: beansheafpre-school@live.com

Breaking Barriers Theatre Classes Mondays and Tuesdays - Email: sarahbreakingbarriers@gmail.com

Home-Start - Monday mornings - Call: 01635 760 310

Moo Music - Tuesday mornings - Email: liannewilson@moo-music.co.uk

1st Reading YMCA Beaver Scouts - Friday late afternoon - Email: caroline@thatchamkitchendesigns.co.uk

#### **Activities for Adults**

**Zumba with Nicole - Mondays** 

Chair Yoga - Monday afternoons - Email: sami\_yogainbloom@yahoo.com

Pilates with Rachael - Tuesday evenings - Email: rachaelbaileypilates@gmail.com

Calcot Afternoon WI - Second Wednesday afternoon of the month

Fulbrook Fitness - Wednesday evenings - Email: jemma@fulbrookfitness.co.uk

Yoga in Bloom - Wednesday evenings - Email: sami\_yogainbloom@yahoo.com

Reading Scrabble Club - Wednesday evenings

Reading U3A - Last Thursday morning of the month

Pilates with Julia - Thursday evenings - Email: julia.pilates@yahoo.co.uk

TNT Academy - Thursday evenings - Email: info@tntacademy.net

**Saturday Morning Orchestra - Saturday mornings** 

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#### Chair Yoga

Starting Monday February 7th 2pm Beansheaf Community Centre Calcot

Chair Yoga Fridays 11am St Bernadette's Church Pangbourne

#### Hatha Yoga

On the mat! Wednesdays 8.30pm Beansheaf Community Centre Calcot

#### Email to book

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## Friends of Linear Park – Welcome to 2022

It's our first newsletter of the new year and it finds us, yet again, paddling in puddles and muddy parts of the Park. Saying



that, the footpath by the Mill leading down to the stream and Jubilee Wood has been refurbished by the local landowner making it a much cleaner walk. It is really appreciated and we say 'Thank you' to the landowner.

This is the time of year for planting bareroot trees, whips and maintain those from previous years. The fruit trees in Linear Park East have been trimmed back, mulch mats laid and generally tidied up. Look out for fruit later in the year.

We have also received 25 silver birch trees supplied by Greenham Common Trust. These have been planted in the Memorial Meadow together with 80 mixed whips and some crab apple whips to partly form



a new hedge in the Community Garden. In December, on behalf of Holybrook Parish Council, 3 flowering cherry trees were

planted in Underwood Road, at the rear of the school, which should give a lovely splash of colour come the spring.



In the meantime, wrap up warm and enjoy our lovely Park!

For information, the Annual General Meeting for the Friends of Linear Park will be held on Thursday 21 April 2022. If you would like to join the committee or be more involved our email address is: — folpcalcot@gmail.com.

## YOUR HOLYBROOK COUNCILLORS

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### **Neighbourhood Watch**

With all the lovely community spirit at the moment and neighbours getting to know one another, it is the ideal time to keep this going by setting up a Neighbourhood Watch scheme in part or all of your road.

If you would like me to send you details of how to set up a scheme, please phone me, Angela Money on 01635 40866 or forward your email address to <a href="mailto:ajmy5m7@gmail.com">ajmy5m7@gmail.com</a> and I will make contact with you. All we ask is for you to be the receiver of the Police/NHW/ Action Fraud Alerts and forward them on to your neighbours. Neighbourhood Watch signs, stickers and leaflets are free plus all neighbours receive various local discounts.

It is important for more schemes to be set up as this will help combat crime and make the community a safer place to live.



#### **Parish Council Meetings:**

February: Finance Committee, 21st February 2022 at 19:30

March: Full Council, Monday 14th March 2022 at 19.30

Meeting dates are subject to change and a full list of Parish meetings, including any date changes, can be found on our website: <a href="www.holybrook-pc.gov.uk">www.holybrook-pc.gov.uk</a>. Alternatively, please contact: <a href="mailto:admin@holybrook-pc.gov.uk">admin@holybrook-pc.gov.uk</a>. Alternatively and alternatively alternatively and alternatively admin@holybrook-pc.gov.uk</a>.