

HS2 Presentation

Small Village Hall 6pm till 8pm 10th April.

The Small Village Hall will be Open from 6pm till 8pm next Tuesday 10th April 2018 when Hs2 Limited and their Contractors will be on hand to show details of the latest plans for the bypass and railway construction and also answer any residents questions and record any concerns that you may have over the scheme. This will be open to all local residents.

This may well be your last chance to influence any last minute design requirements.

The Annual Parish Meeting for Chipping Warden and Edgcote Parishoners will take place at 7:30pm in the Large Hall and the first 30 minutes will be a question and answer session with Hs2 staff.

Please see further explanation from Hs2 Limited below:

Staff from HS2 along with contractors Fusion and Eiffage Kier (EK) will be attending the AGM on 10th April. They will be available from 6pm to introduce themselves, give information and to help answer questions about forthcoming works including the relief road and the A361 junction improvement.

There will be a drop in session on 8th May 11am -2pm at the Village Hall. This will be an opportunity to meet community engagement officers who will help keep you informed of local works and be on hand to answer queries.

A further drop in engagement event is also being planned at the end of May where technical staff and project managers will be available to discuss works. Further details to follow.

All residents are invited to the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

to be held on Tuesday 10th April 2018

at 7.30p.m. in Chipping Warden LARGE Village Hall

- 1. Welcome from the Parish Chairman**
- 2. 30 minute Question and Answer session with Hs2 Limited and Contractors**
- 3. PARISH AWARDS**
- 4. REPORT FROM YOUR COUNTY and DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**
- 5. PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – attached**
- 6. FINANCE REPORT – attached**
- 7. PLAY AREA**
- 8. QUESTIONS & ANSWERS on other topics in reports**
- 9. GENERAL QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

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Hs2 Limited will be hosting an informal session at the Village Hall before the meeting from 6pm

Parish Council Chairman's Report

Unusually it has been a relatively quiet year for the Parish Council as Hs2 Limited have been busy preparing for the design and construction phases following Royal Assent of the Hybrid Bill in February 2017. They are now ready and 2018/19 will see a change in workload and the last month has brought a sudden increase which is surely a sign of things to come.

I will deal briefly with current issues but as a lot has been happening it should be well worth attending the meeting to hear more.

Hs2: Every household in the Parish should have had at least one letter from Hs2 Limited explaining the relevant Compensation Schemes available to residents along the line. None of which apply to many of us unfortunately.

The High Speed Rail Bill has now passed into Law following Royal Assent in February 2017.

The 'Enabling Works' have begun which has involved all the test drilling and testing for the Detailed Design and any roadworks and infrastructure projects. We now know the Relief Road (Bypass) will be built as part of the 'Enabling Works' contract by Fusion JV and as such construction should commence in late summer after the detailed design work is completed. As such the Relief Road construction will most likely be finished by Christmas 2018.

The contract for the Detailed Railway design in our area was awarded to Carillion-Eiffage-Kier (CEK) JV (Now Eiffage-Kier following the demise of Carillion) and construction is likely to commence in Summer 2019.

Overleaf you can see the proposed scheme that is currently planned to be introduced. This is still the same map we shared with everyone last April and has not changed. Once the further detailed design work has been completed we will endeavour to get the plans shared with the whole village. Hs2 Limited have promised monthly 'drop-in' clinics to be arranged when parishioners can go along and obtain the latest information and ask any questions or raise any issues. Hs2 Limited are arranging the first of these on May 8th from 11am to 2pm in the Village Hall.

The Parish Council were supported by NCC Highways in their insistence that we are involved in the detailed design at an early stage and not presented with a *fait accompli* that can't easily be amended. However, as we are aware NCC has had significant problems this year and seem to be no further forward with HS2 Limited than we are.

The Enabling Works will also include extensive archeological surveys of which Blackgrounds and Edgcote Battlefield are particularly important. Hs2 have suggested that they will share these projects with local bodies and schools to provide some community payback.

There are several Compensation Schemes for affected landowners – The Home Owner Payment Scheme but this only affects residents within 300m of the centre line of the Railway and few (if any) in Chipping Warden or Edgcote are eligible. The Need to Sell Scheme that allows those who have to move to sell their properties to Hs2 Limited is still in effect. For more information please see <https://www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-by-hs2> .

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Your Council would like to thank all those who have taken an active interest in the Hs2 project, especially those individuals who Petitioned the Select Committee, for their help in bringing the weight of opinion to bear on Hs2 Limited that has resulted in this outcome.

There have also been several surprising new Hs2 related items that have arisen. In particular we have heard that there will be:-

- Roadworks in Wardington - to widen some of the bends and install a pedestrian crossing
- A roundabout on the Relief Road (north of the Appletree Road junction) to slow down the traffic before the main part of the village
- The suggestion that the Relief Road should be 30mph
- An early 'Heave' development whereby there will be a requirement for a lot of HGV's through the village to the site in Boddington/Wormleighton during May/June this year.
- Lowering the Edgcote Viaduct and improving sight lines with 'artistic shading'
- Ongoing discussions relating to any sound barriers

Hopefully we will have more information on all of these at the meeting.

Housing Developments (Affordable or Otherwise):

Your Council has a long-standing resolution that no housing development should be permitted outside of the village confines and will oppose any such development as a matter of principle should they come to planning stage.

Your Council strongly believe that the rules should be enforced to protect the village environment in an equal and fair manner and we are always proactive in this regard by bringing issues to the notice of the relevant authorities.

There is increased pressure on all planning authorities to allow more housing development but Chipping Warden Village is defined as a restricted infill village and no property development should be permitted outside the current 'Village Confines'. As the Confines are currently being reviewed and with minor changes they should be re-approved this year, we hope this will give weight to their enforcement in future planning decisions. The Parish Council have objected to some of the extensions to the Village confines around Mill Lane which seem to be unnecessary.

Other Planning: There has been a marked increase in applications for cutting/felling trees within the conservation area. **Residents should be aware that advance planning approval is required for ANY work on trees in the Conservation area.**

Your Council have considered many planning applications during the year and we continue to review any applications. We are not planning experts but we are pleased to provide input at the pre-planning stage if any developments are considered.

All planning applications can be viewed by anyone online at <http://snc.planning-register.co.uk/> . Enter the search criteria by Parish for Chipping Warden and Edgcote who appear at the bottom of the drop down list. Or they can be inspected at the SNC Offices in Towcester.

All Parish Council comments – along with other neighbours comments – are published with the details and plans of any application.

HGV access to the airfield trading estate: Your Council are concerned at the increase in vehicles to the airfield site – particularly for car storage and distribution. However with the Relief Road (Bypass) scheduled to be built this year there is at least some hope of relief on the horizon.

Play Area: There has been a long-standing wish for a better village children's play area.

Your Council own the existing play area (swings) down Culworth Road but it was thought this was too far from the village to be worth developing particularly in light of the proposed Hs2 construction being adjacent to the area.

Your Council is considering the option of creating a Play-Area at the end of Appletree Road when it is closed after construction of the bypass. This would be more centrally located and a more secure environment. We may also be able to part fund this development through a Hs2 Community and Environment Fund application.

Rose & Crown: Your Council have been pursuing RAMAC (airfield owners) who have purchased the property to discuss their intentions and request the building be maintained. Some tidying and repairs have been completed but we have received no firm indication of their future plans.

Additional council business has continued as normal and the following has been of particular note.

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Grass cutting: The Village has continued to receive excellent service from our contractor RD Landscapes and we have agreed to continue with their services for 2018. The green areas show great improvement from regular maintenance and the pruning and trimming keeps the village looking tidy. We would also like to thank all villagers who cut 'their bit' of the highways verge as it all assists in keeping costs down. However there is an increasing incidence of parking cutting up our green verges throughout the village and the Council request that villagers try to minimise any such damage. Once the Relief Road is complete then parking along the A361 and AppleTree Road will be possible so this will hopefully improve.

Litter: Improved grass cutting exposes the litter that is mainly thrown from passing vehicles. If you see any on your walks through the village please pick it up and drop it in any of our bins. If we all do our bit we all benefit from a nicer environment. We would particularly like to thank Mr & Mrs Carr for their continued litter picking efforts around the village.

Flooding and Drainage: The drainage gullies have been cleaned out where required but the increase in heavy rain storms means we are still suffering localised flooding on occasion - particularly on the A361 at Culworth Road and Hogg End junctions. Drainage plans will be a major part of the detailed Hs2 design when we hope many of these issues may get addressed.

Street lighting: Our Clerk is very proactive in reporting and chasing lighting repairs but if anyone notices malfunctioning street lights in the village please notify the Clerk or a local Councillor as we can only get them repaired if we know they are broken.

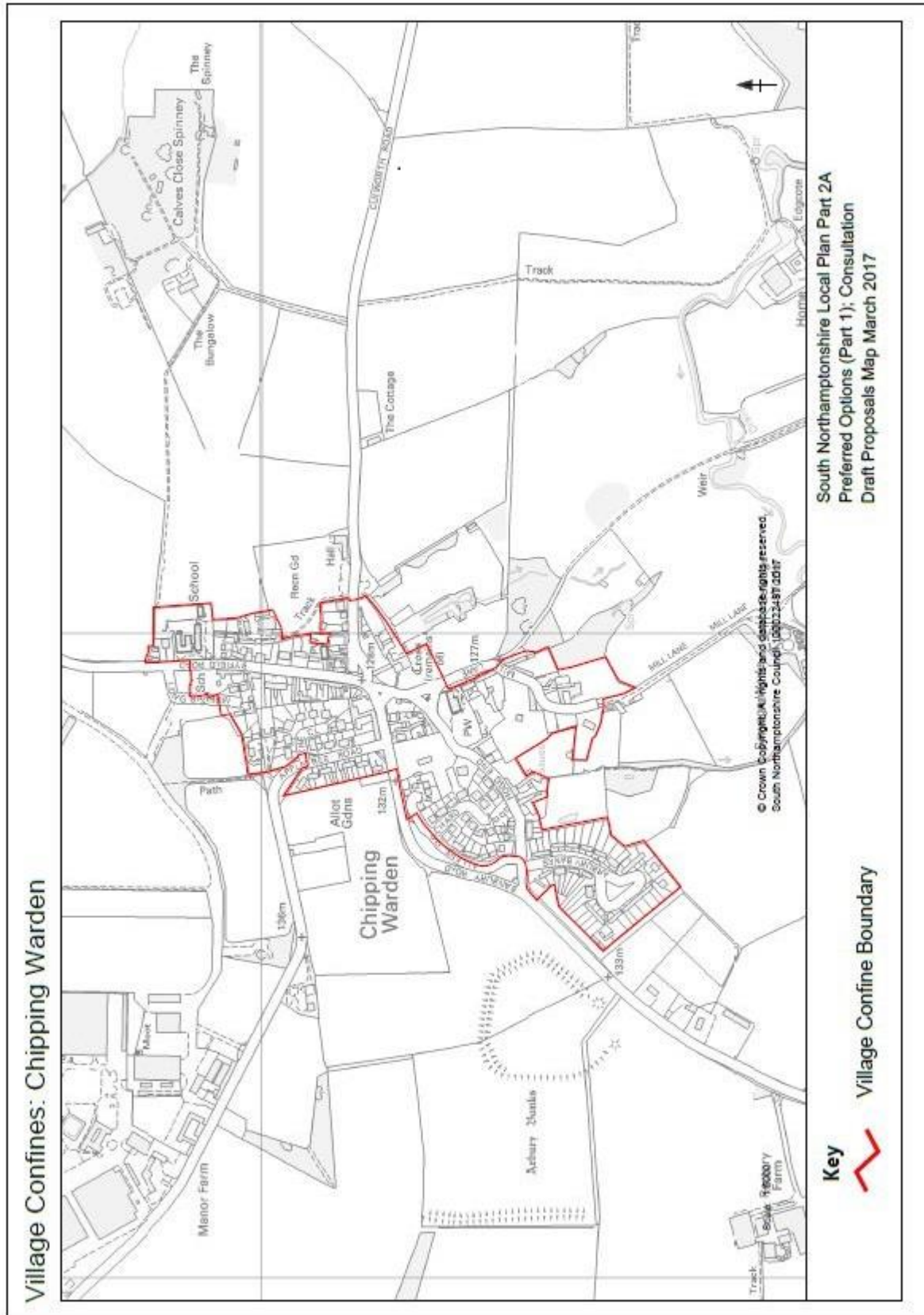
Dog Fouling: Following our appeal a few years ago it has become apparent that there has been a marked improvement in the general state of the pathways. We would like to thank dog owners for their continued co-operation but there are occasional issues still being reported. Residents should be aware that Daventry District Council have passed a by-law that means that anyone walking a dog within Daventry District Council area must have a supply of poop-scoop bags with them. Dog owners can now be stopped and failure to produce such items will result in on the spot fines. Dogs should be on leads at all times within the village boundaries and care must be taken with dogs running free on the Estate or airfield. A boisterous friendly dog can cause concern and possible injury to other walkers, particularly the older members of the parish and the owners may find themselves liable to prosecution. Please make sure you can control your dogs in all circumstances before letting them off the lead. Any fouling must be taken home and deposited in your black bins or composted. The local parish litter bins are NOT designed for this as they may not be emptied for extended periods. Tossing bags into trees and hedgerows where they hang like strange fruit is particularly unpleasant. Everyone's help would be appreciated.

Roads and Pavements: As ever we have been vigilant in reporting the increasingly numerous potholes to the authorities. Unfortunately little seems to happen and the intervention level seems to get deeper each year. These can also be reported by individuals by contacting the County Council Street Doctor on **0300 126 1000** or online at www.northamptonshire.gov.uk.

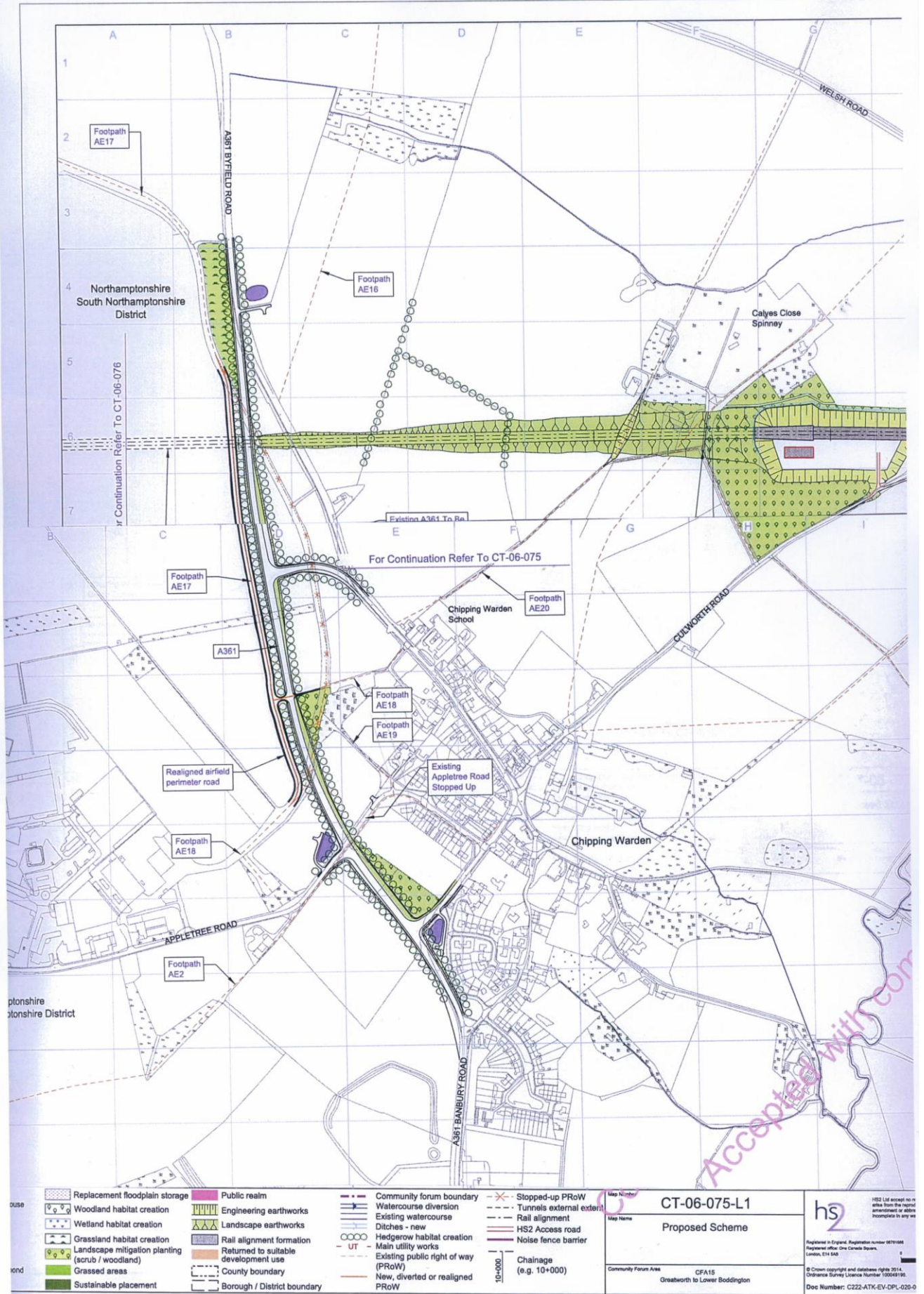
Parking: All villages suffer from problems with car parking and we are not immune. Many residences now have two or more vehicles and garages are often too narrow to accommodate them. Once the bypass is in place considerate parking on the main road will be possible but until then can everyone please think of others when parking their vehicle. Parking on any part of a footpath is illegal but not often enforced and parking such that a wheelchair or pushchair cannot pass is also "causing an obstruction" and can be subject to a fixed penalty fine. Whilst many people park half on/half off in villages this is not really acceptable and also damages kerbs and footways which are not built for vehicles overriding. It is better to cause the cars to slow down parking properly in the road than force a pedestrian into the road to get past. Also please consider carefully when parking on narrow roads such as Mill Lane to ensure access for emergency vehicles etc.

Bus Shelter Renovation: The War Memorial/Bus Shelter opposite the Rose & Crown has been refurbished and we will be replacing the internal light that has been absent for several years. The Memorial sign has been professionally cleaned and has been remounted in a more visible location on the exterior of the building.

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Website: We now have a new Parish Website. Hopefully this will be able to host the village organisation news, a 'Whats On' Parish Diary as well as the legally required Parish Council information. Your Council have made a successful claim to the National Transparency Fund to assist in the costs of developing the site.

Meanwhile please keep up to date with the Parish Council Website at www.chippingwarden.org and the [Chipping Warden Community](#) page on Facebook.

Driving down Hogg End: Recently, during the roadworks, a motorist drove the wrong way down Hogg End and this resulted in injury to a local resident. The Police have been informed and are investigating. If anyone witnesses a driver doing this reckless act please take registration details and report it direct to the police or to the Parish Clerk.

Sewage Farm Improvements: We have been notified that Thames Water will be undertaking improvements in the Sewage Treatment Plant down Mill Lane during May-August this year. This will result in the need for regular access by tankers and may cause local residents difficulty with parking near their properties. More information will be provided to residents when it is available. We have received the following information from Thames Water:

We will soon be working at Chipping Warden Sewage Treatment Works to undertake some upgrade works. Work will begin on Monday 7 May for 4 months. Our work will help the site perform more efficiently and will also involve upgrading some of our assets on site.

Our working hours will be 7.30am - 5.30pm Monday to Friday. 7.30am to 5.30pm on Saturdays and Sundays from 7am - 2pm if required.

You may notice an increase in site noise or vehicle movements to site.

We are sorry for any inconvenience caused. Access for emergency vehicles will be unaffected.

*If you have any queries or concerns please ask our team on site as they're always happy to help. Or get in touch with us on **0800 316 9800**, selecting option one and quoting eight2o.*

If you are a business customer you may wish to contact your retailer for any additional information relating to our work.

Thames Water appear to be very open about their plans and seem very keen to engage with all parties. They will arrange a focused drop-in meeting to explain full details to residents directly affected by the works and explain traffic issues. They hope to ensure minimum disruption from the works.

We have already agreed with Thames Water that any site traffic from the A361 to the Sewage plant will be limited to 10mph particularly as it will be over the summer vacation period.

The Works are to upgrade the treatment plant to remove phosphates and increase existing solids removal from the effluent that is discharged to the Cherwell. There will be a new chemical dosing plant and tertiary treatment works added to the site. This is to comply with new EA regulations and all Thames plants in the area are being upgraded. It is not to add to the plants treatment capacity.

All employees and contractors will carry a Thames Water Passport which residents can demand to inspect. Each carries a unique ID number that can identify the individual to Thames Water for any complaints.

Chairman – Nigel Galletly

Copies of all the parish council minutes and associated public papers are available for enquiry on the village website at www.chippingwarden.org or from the Clerk.

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Reports from Village Organisations

Village Hall Trust - Mrs Ann Buckingham - Chairperson (01295 660244)

May 2018 is the 20th anniversary of the official opening of the Village Hall. To celebrate this event the Trustees are holding an "Open Afternoon" on Sunday 20th May. Villagers are welcome to join us at the hall for tea & cakes (2p.m. onwards)

During this last year the Trustees have continued their fund raising events to maintain the hall. We held a successful Autumn Supper and Christmas and Easter bingo sessions. On Saturday 14th April we will be holding "Fun Quiz Night". Our regular users such as the Brownies, Keep Fit and the Sports Club continue to hire the halls, but this extra fund raising is necessary to keep hire charges down.

This last year the W.I. hall has been redecorated and the chair pads sent away for recovering. The passageway between the halls has also been repainted.

Our Annual General Meeting is being held on Monday 11th June at 7 p.m. All villagers are very welcome to attend.

Church of St Peter & St Paul - Barbara Bartlett & Liz Thame- Church Warden

We are very pleased to report that the fabric of St Peter & St Paul Church has been maintained in good repair, but in the coming years work is likely to be required on some areas of external stonework. The income from all of our services and social events will be much needed to meet any new costs as well as our ongoing annual costs.

Services included: -Mothering Sunday, with Flowers and cake; Palm Sunday Procession and with our donkey; Easter with dedicated lilies; Harvest; Remembrance Service, Christmas Tree Light Up; Nativity and Midnight Holy Communion.

Our Charity Fundraising saw Lent Lunches and Historic Churches Bike Ride which supported Bibles for Children, Children's Society, Banbury Samaritans, Katherine House Hospice and Royal British Legion.

The social fundraising events included: - Coffee Morning with Pancake Race, Church and Sports Club Fete at the Manor, Patronal Festival Gift Day and Coffee Morning, Annual Auction and Ploughman's Lunches, Strawberry Cream Teas and the Flower and Produce Show. The annual Christmas Lunch became a "New Year Lunch" due to the snow in December! It was very well supported despite the change of date!

It has been a busy year both with services and social events and we wish to thank everyone who supports our endeavours. Thanks to Brian, our Rector, for his support and ministry, to the PCC for all their hard work and support and to the Bell Ringers when they are able to ring.

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We currently have 22 members, and are always happy to welcome visitors to our monthly meetings held on the first Tuesday of every month in the W.I. hall at 7.30pm. During the year we have had varied and interesting speakers at our monthly meetings. In December we held our annual Christmas Carol concert in aid of Dogs for Good, a national charity with a branch on the outskirts of Brackley with thanks to all attending over £400 was raised. In November 2017 we also sent shoe boxes out to Africa as part of the W.I. County Federation Scheme. The Cheese and Wine evening planned for November was postponed until February 2018 due to the large amount of events in November. We have plans this year for some fun trips for the WI and a trip to Capel Manor Gardens on 23rd June, open to all. Look

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out for the posters. We will also be holding our annual Christmas concert for a charity yet to be decided

Chipping Warden Kindergarten – Lucy Buckingham

2016-2017: In May 2017, Kindergarten received Outstanding in all four areas of learning by Ofsted. This was a great success which we celebrated for weeks! We have seen a large increase in numbers of children ever since.

Amazing fundraising total £2804.30. Over double the amount of previous years, from events including 'Toddle waddle', an Easter raffle 2017 by the Griffin, Christmas Fayre and our SA Quiz/Race night, (from which Kindy receives 20%).

2017-2018: Kindergarten started this academic year with a very healthy number of children. We are running five full days and continue to provide the early start and lunch club which now runs until 1pm. Children attending stands at 45 currently and 8 on a waiting list for September, when they turn two. We are fully booked every morning after Easter 2018, with only 6 spaces left in the afternoons. We are pleased to continue to provide Chipping Warden Academy with a healthy intake for the foreseeable future, which includes smooth transitions for our children.

We are working with healthy staff ratios, (including an extra person when over 8 two year olds), as agreed with our committee last year. This will ensure we provide continued quality care for our children in such a busy climate.

We have a great staff team, which has increased due to the volume of children, taking on 3 extra members of staff this year.

Fundraising this year is essential, and we are looking into different ways to raise funds. We are needing to raise approximately £7,000 for essential maintenance work to be carried out in our building. We've already contributed £1,700 for tarmacking School/Kindy's path.

A 'Toddle Waddle' in June, and a 'Sports day balloon release' in July, to celebrate 25 years of Kindergarten will all add to the pot. We would also like to thank the Griffin, for continuing to raise money for our Kindergarten, including their Easter raffle 2018.

From their donations this year, we are inviting a 'Mini beast' visitor into Kindy, so our children can experience meeting and handling creatures.

Primary School – Nicola Bellamy – Chair of Governors

The school has been through a period of change with us having a new Head of School Mrs Hilary Harding, we are working closely with the schools that form our Multi Academy Trust, Middleton Cheney and Kings Sutton.

The school currently has 89 pupils and four classes in the school, a Reception Class, year 1 and 2, year 3 and 4 and year 5 and 6.

The school are still concerned about the impact of HS2 and the construction phase and are looking at opportunities for funding to assist in the development of our school hall and playground, the building is in need of some repair and an electrical survey.

The school is running a before school club from 0800 and an after school club until 1730.

The pupils have competed in number of sporting events with other local primary schools, cross country, netball and hockey to name a few.

They have recently celebrated their musical abilities with a whole school music assembly where they performed for parents and grandparents.

The school is undertaking whole school topics and have recently been learning all about Vikings and Pirates, next term they will be looking at the topic "100 Years ago".

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CHIPPING WARDEN SPORTS CLUB - Gill Simmons - Secretary

2017 saw great success for Chipping Warden Sports Club, with the cricket team achieving promotion into Division 3 of the South Northants League.

We again had a full complement of players for all games and election of Gill Simmons onto to the SNCL committee as Treasurer has given us an inside voice and influence going forward.

We commend the efforts of players to rally round in the absence of our usual tea-lady: Michelle Green. But we managed, and are all rather relieved to have her back for 2018, following the birth of Theo. Congratulations to Nick and Michelle!

Our last season finished over the August Bank Holiday weekend with the game of current players versus veterans (sadly interrupted with a broken elbow from Tom) amidst a beer festival and "The Great Chippy Bake-Off".

This year, in respect of a particular young member of our community receiving welcome treatment, the proceeds of the festival were donated entirely to two children's cancer charities: Clik Sargent and Make a Wish. The Sports Club administered the funds and is pleased to report that a fantastic £4,359.28 was shared between the charities. Well done everyone!

Social events comprised the end of cricket season dinner at the Village Hall, which was very well attended, with popular Errol back as our DJ. We were also pleased to facilitate Godfrey's annual charitable quiz which once again raised a significant sum of £610.90 for Help for Heroes.

The Sports Club also supported Santa's Sledge in co-operation with the school.

We are once again hosting a Finals Day this year - a thrilling match in (hopefully) good weather, with all associated food and beverages on tap.

The beer festival and veterans match will also be held on August Bank Holiday weekend. This year the proceeds will be shared between the sports club, school and the Warwickshire & Northamptonshire Air Ambulance.

The Club continues fund raising throughout the year, with active participation in the village fete.

The cricket season starts on 28th April 2018, with a new league format, so please be prepared to support us! There is a new start time of 1.30pm. We have a new sponsor (Godiva Insurance) and new kit, so we are ready for the new league!

Options are open for sponsorship of match balls to individuals and local businesses which will get promotion on our fixture card for a modest fee.

We are also prepared to initiate youth training, but have had a disappointing response to our call for interest. Initially we want to aim at youngsters 6 – 10. There is an appeal on the community web site; but response is poor and unless we get enough interest it is not economic to run it. Please post a response to the community site if you would be interested. Or contact Dickie Hawkins (CWSC Chairman) to discuss: 07796 096110.

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PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET 2018/19					
	2017- 18	2017- 18	Variance		2018- 19
EXPENDITURE	BUDGET	Actual		2%	
ADMINISTRATION					
Insurance	279	280	0%	8	288
Hall Hire	99	99	0%	3	102
Stationery	269	185	-31%	6	191
Audit Fees	162	300	85%	9	309
Clerk	1884	1921	2%	96	2017
Sundries					
Parish Award	26	0	-100%	0	0
Web Hosting	55	899	1535%		55
Subscriptions					
NCALC	292	262	-10%	8	292
SLCC	66	55	-17%	2	57
NCALC Training	45	0	-100%	0	45
Elections	0	0	N/A	0	0
S137					
HS2	500	0	-100%	0	500
Steps re-instatement	1500	0	-100%	0	1500
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION COST	5177	4001			5355
LIGHTING					
Power	1324	1488	12%	45	1533
Maintenance	752	409	-46%	12	421
New/repair	500	86	-83%	3	89
TOTAL LIGHTING COST	2576	1983	-23%	59	2042
OTHER CHARGES					
Maintenance - Trees	200	0	-100%	0	200
General	191	555	191%	17	572
New Works	0	0	N/A		0
Play area	67	67	0%	2	69
Grass Cutting	2142	2400	12%	72	2472
Sports Field Rent	250		N/A		250
VAT	700	825	N/A	25	850
TOTAL OTHER COSTS	3550	3847	8%		4412
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	11303	9831	-13%		11810
INCOME					
Transfer from Reserves	2636	-246	N/A		3019
Precept - From SNC	7500	7500	N/A		7500
Transparency Fund	0	1394	N/A		0
Grass cutting grant	462	462	N/A		462
Interest	5	4	-20%	0	4
VAT Reclaim	700	717	N/A		825
TOTAL INCOME	11303	9831	-13%		11810