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## **Chairman's Welcome**

### Welcome to the Autumn edition of the Parish Newsletter.

This year we are reducing the number of issues of the Parish Newsletter to just two because of the impact of Covid-19.

I am pleased to report that the parish offices will be reopened to the public from the 8th September 2021. Whilst the Government has reduced restrictions regarding social distancing, wearing of masks etc, we would be grateful if those visiting the offices wear face coverings and sign in through the Track and Trace QR schematic.

For the foreseeable future Citizens Advice will continue to operate remotely. The Job Club will recommence holding face-to-face sessions at the Parish Council Office from 16th September 2021. Further details can be found in this newsletter.

We are also very pleased to announce the Neighbourhood Plan Referendum, held on 6th May this year, was successfully voted for by a healthy majority.

For: 2385Against: 461Spoilt Papers: 80

The Plan was formally accepted by Milton Keynes Council Cabinet on 16th June 2021 and is now embedded in the planning legislation. To reinforce its provisions, the Council are seeking to appoint a Planning Consultant to help with the more difficult planning applications.

We have successfully undertaken a pilot project, in conjunction with Milton Keynes Housing, of reintroducing the provision of skips for residents to dump surplus waste materials. This was very successful and we are now planning to introduce the same scheme throughout the parish, Stantonbury being next on the list.

Our initiative to introduce Crimewatch in the parish is now yielding good results with a number of prosecutions being pursued by Thames Valley Police. However, we are currently experiencing a large number of motorised bikes of various types being used on the redways and bridle ways. Please notify Thames Valley Police if you see these bikes as they are presenting a real danger to residents.

SPC is regularly being contacted by residents regarding the installation of yellow parking lines. I can assure you that the parish is also frustrated by the length of time it is taking for these to be installed. We are however in constant contact with MKC and are awaiting for them to confirm a date for the installation.

Milton Keynes Council are conducting a Governance Review and the Parish Council has asked for 5 new Parish Councillors. Residents will be contacted in the near future for their views. We feel, given the increased workload on the parish, these additional Councillors are necessary.

Last Christmas SPC, with food donated from ALDI, were able to deliver hampers to some of our deserving residents. We would like to do this again this year and if you would like to nominate a person you feel would benefit from a hamper, please let the parish office know before the beginning of December.

We hope that as many residents as possible had an opportunity to take a summer break and hope you remain safe.



Cllr Graham Davison Chairman Stantonbury Parish Council

## **Devolved Services**

SPC Councillors recently attended a presentation by Milton Keynes Council of the new contract options for Parishes to adopt if they wish to take on the Landscape Services themselves.

Milton Keynes Council has amended the form of contract between Serco and Parish Councils that wish to undertake their own landscape maintenance whilst maintaining links with Serco, or alternatively the preferred option is for the Parish Councils to manage the maintenance themselves with their own resources.

In the past SPC has not favoured adopting our own landscape maintenance on cost grounds, and the transfer of staff from Serco to the Parish Council.

However, part of the new contract includes permanent financial support from Milton Keynes Council to those now opting in. Included in this option will be the facility to negotiate our own specification for grass cutting etc. We will need to comply with the Council's initiative for a more biodiverse approach to landscaping, but overall we will have control of what is done, when and where.

We are currently conducting further investigations with those parishes already doing their own maintenance and those who have decided not to, and the reasons why. This is to be completed by October 2021 at which point we will conduct a survey with residents to determine whether we want to move forward and take on the maintenance. We need to be in a position to make an approach, or not, to Milton Keynes Council by March 2022.

If you have any comments on this approach, please contact us.

Cllr Graham Davison

### **Transformation**

Milton Keynes Council are undertaking a transformation exercise, returning green spaces and planting to its original form.

Stantonbury Parish was due to undergo transformation this year, but the programme has changed. Stantonbury transformation will now take place ahead of Bradville commencing in November/December and running for approximately 3 months.

#### The approach will be to:

- remove all litter embedded within planting to allow,
- coppicing of shrubs to a reduced height. Particular areas which will be targeted will be planting near or touching fences, reduction of planting detrimental to lines of sight, then
- depending on the condition of plants, after initial coppicing, some plants will be removed and some will be replaced or,

- soil prepared and seeded to grass.
- Some grassed areas will have new planting to prevent parking on the grass.
- Transformation will attempt to bring back the planting areas to the original plans.

MKC will provide two weeks notice of the areas they will be working in, and residents will need to be mindful of where their vehicles are parked. Our rangers will visit areas ahead of the Transformation Team to ensure cars are moved.

We will undertake intensive litter picks ahead of the transformation team to help with the general clear up.

Cllr Graham Davison



### **How to contact your Parish Councillor**

If you wish to contact the Councillor for your area, the best way to do this is either by email: **info@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk** or by **telephone: 01908 227201** 

Your message will be passed on to the appropriate Councillor to deal with.

Putting a post on Facebook or personal messaging a Councillor could lead to issues not being followed up.



## Residents' E-newsletter

So, if you are interested in current news and events that are happening within the Parish, and want to know what new projects we are involved in, then please sign up.

Check out our website or contact Donna Moore on **donna.moore@ stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk** or telephone **01908 227201.** 



### **Don't Miss Out!**

Follow us on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook!









## **Save the Date**

SPC are really sorry that our Summer trips this year have again been cancelled due to COVID-19. We hope next year to bring you some new exciting trips and events. Please do let us know if you have a request for where you would like to go. We are always open to ideas!

The Christmas Dinners are a free event and to reserve your place please contact the parish office on **01908 227201** after the 1st November or email **info@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk**. We may also be able to provide transport on the day. Please let the admin team know if this will be required.



## Tuesday 30th November & Thursday 9th December 2021

Over 65's Christmas Dinner at Roman Park Residents Club, Bancroft Park



## Thursday 2nd December & Tuesday 7th December

Over 65's Christmas Dinner at Christ Church, Stantonbury



### Macmillan Coffee Morning Thursday 7th October 2021 at 11.00 am

At Stantonbury Parish Office 126 Kingsfold, Bradville MK13 7DX

Come along to enjoy a cup of tea or coffe and cake.

### **Summer Events**

Over the summer holidays SPC managed to put in place some events for the parish children, which were greatly received, but unfortunately due to COVID restrictions these were very limited. The MKPA events were very well attended along with the football sessions and here are some of the photos from these sessions.







## Neighbourhood Employment Programme Support Sessions in Bradville (Job Club)

VENUE: Stantonbury Parish Council Offices, 126, Kingsfold, Bradville, MK13 7DX

TIME: Every Thursday afternoon, 1.00pm – 3.00pm

Finding work or training has many challenges and can feel as if it is a full-time job. We know how hard it can be to stay motivated, so why do it alone? An Employment Support Session could be the solution. It enables you to receive information, advice and guidance whilst finding work or training and provides practical support to help you gain the tools to step confidently into employment.

## What support is there at the Employment Support Session?

We can help with:

· Access to tablets, computers, and printing

- Searching and applying for jobs online
- Writing and updating CVs
- Filling in application forms
- Writing cover letters
- Interview preparation and techniques
- Registering with recruitment websites
- Setting up email accounts

### How are the Support Sessions run?

All sessions are drop-in, and you can stay for as short a time as you like in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere. Everyone is welcome.

To find out further information or to speak with an Employment Adiser about help with finding work or training call **01908 252323** or email **nep@milton-keynes.gov.uk** 

## **Rubbish Amnesty**

Stantonbury Parish Council have been working with Milton Keynes Council and other groups in our parish to trial a rubbish amnesty. A pilot scheme was run in three roads in Bradville during the month of July.

The rubbish amnesty included numerous large skips which were replaced on the day when full, a large Serco truck plus the Parish Rangers' vans.

The amnesty ran for three consecutive weeks commencing at Kingsfold, followed by Harrowden and finally Crispin Road. Residents were informed by letter the week prior to the amnesty taking place of the date and what articles could be placed in the skips.

The skips were supervised from 8.00am to 4.30pm by Parish Councillors, Parish staff and Rangers along with the help of the Environmental Enforcement Officer and ABRA. Apryl from Milton Keynes Council organised and provided various groups to help including James & Tim with the purple lorry from SERCO, who took all the large items to the local tip that would not fit into the skips, and this was a considerable amount!

The scheme was a great success, showing what can be achieved if we all work together, creating a community with spirit and pride within our parish. Thank you to all those who helped out over the three week period.

SPC are hoping to roll out this initiative to other areas in the parish very soon.

Councillor Carol Northwood Councillor Ann Ronaldson







## Recipe Corner

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### **INGREDIENTS**

- 2 oz butter
- 4 oz chopped onion
- 1 medium parsnip chopped (thinly sliced cooks quicker)
- 1 clove of garlic crushed
- Curry powder scant teaspoon (to taste)
- · 1oz flour
- 1½ pints of stock made with one beef stock cube

## **Parsnip Soup**

This is a family favourite recipe

### Method

Sweat onion, parsnip, and garlic in the butter until softened.

Stir in flour and curry powder

Add the stock gradually whilst stirring

Simmer gently for 5 minutes then whizz with a stick blender.

Season to own taste



by Jane Kirkham

If you have a favourite recipe you would like to share with other residents, then please send to **Sue Tozer** (sue.tozer@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk)

Hand written recipes can also be accepted.

# Milton Keynes Discovery Centre

Planning for our new Covid-19 Music Project is well under way!

Aiming to bring together voices from around the globe and with a very high-profile musician on board, if you would like to sign up for our massed choir, as part of this unique project, please email director@mkcdc.org.uk.

No musical experience is necessary, just lots of enthusiasm! Check out our website for all the latest uploads: **information@mkcdc.org.uk** 



## Latest data from our Temporary Speed Indicator Device (TSID)



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Please see below latest data collected from our TSID device which is placed in various locations around our parish.

**TABLE 1** Speed indicator results - peak time results

Speed Limit 30 MPH	Hadrians Drive, Bancroft*	Selkirk Drive, Oakridge Park	Constantine Way, Bancroft Park	Sunrise Park- way, Linford Wood	Mercers Drive, Bradville	Redbridge, Stantonbury
Numbe	r of violations of រ	monitoring at pea				
Time						
8:00 - 10:00	1812	2978	962	1166	1560	1112
16:00 - 17:00	1473	350	396	859	1781	647
18:00 - 23:00	5086	4594	597	827	3401	1807
Total	8371	7922	1955	2852	6742	3566
Max Speed recorded	70	65	55	70	70	55

<sup>\*</sup> Please note Hadrians Drive did record total of 10 weeks. The other streets are 5 weeks.

Table 2 Number of vehicles driving at over 30 mph per day

Number of vehicles tracked	Count of vehicles Over speed limit by day (for a typical week)											
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednes- day	Thurs- day	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Total			
21992	Hadrians Drive, Bancroft	34	29	43	35	29	29	24	223			
27817	Selkirk Drive, Oakridge Park	36	45	67	60	48	45	53	354			
7522	Constantine Way, Bancroft Park	4	8	8	7	8	3	3	41			
8968	Sunrise Parkway, Linford Wood	419	479	506	506	407	190	149	2656			
18685	Mercers Drive, Bradville	175	165	190	170	179	155	135	1169			
10269	Redbridge, Stantonbury	20	13	9	11	23	24	16	116			

We always welcome articles and community notices for inclusion in this newsletter and items of local interest, old photographs, etc. We are very happy to accept photos from around the Parish for our front cover of this newsletter.

For submission deadlines please contact the Parish Office on **01908 227 201** Or email: **info@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk** 

Handwritten items can be accepted and photographs could be scanned by the Parish Office. Stantonbury Parish Council reserves the right to edit, defer or refuse articles and advertising submitted for publication.







## **Thames Valley Alert**

Hello, my name is Gina Barry, and I am your local Police Community Support Officer from Thames Valley Police, Milton Keynes, for Bradwell Parish Council and Stantonbury Parish Council.

Thames Valley Police have a community messaging system which is called Thames Valley Alert. This allows homeowners to sign up to get local information on incidents in and around their neighbourhood.

You can receive information about what is going on in your neighbourhood by email, SMS, or even voice alerts if you sign up for this.

The service is completely personalised, you can choose which types of alerts you want to receive, such as:

- · News on local incidents
- Road closures
- Community news
- To be alerted to significant or high priority messages

When you sign up for Thames Valley Alert (which is a free service), you'll be given login information that allows you to adjust your preferences at any time. A business watch service and a country watch service are also available. Multiple alerting areas give you the opportunity to receive alerts from other neighbourhoods which are relevant to you. You may set one up for your home address, another for where you work and a third one for where your family or friends live so that you are kept informed about crime in their areas.

#### **TO REGISTER**

You can register for Thames Valley Alert at www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk

I am one of 4 PCSOs in your area along with the neighbourhood police team. *Gina Barry* 

PCSO, Thames Valley Police





## Thames Valley Police – PCSO Drop-In Sessions

Our local PCSOs from Thames Valley Police will be available for a drop-in session at the Parish Office, 126 Kingsfold, Bradville, on the following dates. Come along and have a chat with them if you have any worries or concerns you would like to discuss.

Thursday 16th September 12noon - 2.00pm Tuesday 28th October 5.00pm - 7.00pm Thursday 20th January 2022 6.00pm - 8.00pm

## Thames Valley Police - Bike and Tool Marking

Our PCSOs will be available on the following dates for security marking of bicycles and tools. No need to book. It's a drop-in session.

**Bicycle Marking** - Saturday 25th September 11.00am – 4.00pm at Stantonbury Parish Council offices

**Bicycle Marking** - Sunday 24th October 11.00am – 4.00pm at Roman Park Residents Club, Constantine Way, Bancroft, Milton Keynes MK13 0RA

**Tool Marking** - Sunday 21st November 11.00 – 4.00pm at Stantonbury Parish offices

## **ABRA**

### ALL BRADVILLE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The past 18 months have been difficult for everyone, including ABRA. We have not been able to run our regular meetings or indoor social events. However, the committee has carried on with ABRA's key aim of Putting Pride Back in Bradville.

At the beginning of the year, ABRA purchased some litter-picking equipment. This allowed us to organise socially distanced litter-picking events in different parts of the estate in April and May.

Committee members have carried on with their regular litter-picking activity around the estate.

We have also been active in reporting flytipping sightings to MKC.



On 3 days in June and July, ABRA - in conjunction with SPC and MKC - organised and manned a rubbish amnesty in North Bradville. It was a huge success, showing what can be achieved when we work together.











Under pressure from ABRA, MKC have continued making progress with some of the long-standing landscaping problems on the estate.

ABRA have also been addressing landscaping issues like narrow paths by weeding edgings and cutting back overhanging branches or brambles.

If you have your own ideas on what ABRA should be doing and/or you want to support us, please do come along and take part in our events. Everyone is welcome. With more members, more can be accomplished!

Email us at abra.information@gmail.com or find us on Facebook.





# FOREST TOTS

Every Thursday, 9.30 - 11.00am. Ages 1 year to school age.

Join our Forest School leader for a nature play session with your child in our Woodland Trail

- Outdoor activities and crafts for children
- Woodland play, exploration and fun
- Refreshments for children and adults
- Book in advance to guarantee your place

Wood End School in association with Squirrels Children's Centre

Find out more woodend.org.uk/
forest-tots

Book online



## If the trees could talk

by Janet Warren

If the trees could talk what would they say? Probably 'a lot of people walked by today.'

Couples hand in hand, lone walkers striding out, children who think the woods are an ideal place to shout.

People studying a map fearing they're on the wrong path, someone hiding behind a tree with a friend having a laugh.

Someone trying to determine the genus of a tree, looking in a book.
a picture to see.

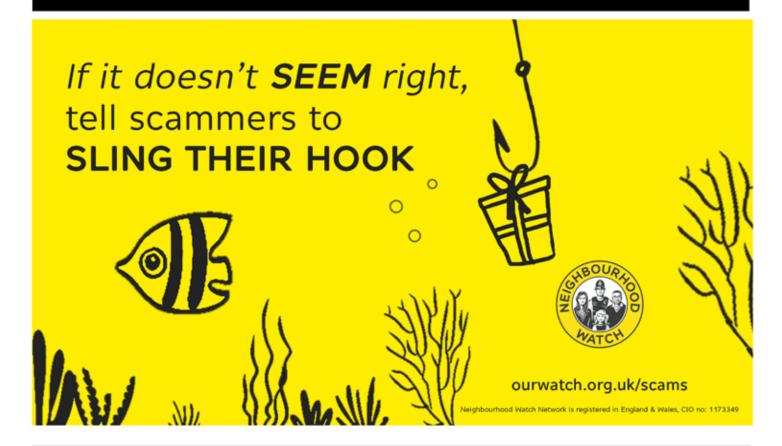
An interested dendrologist with equipment to hand, counting tree rings for research he's planned.

A keen photographer who finds trees a delight, capturing images by day and in the half light.

And finally, some people just ambling slowly by, not even noticing the beautiful trees pointing towards the sky.

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### Tell scammers to SLING THEIR HOOK!



We are excited to launch SLING YOUR HOOK - our new campaign to help tackle scams

### WHY 'SLING YOUR HOOK'?

The campaign taps into the psychology that scammers use to hook people in, helping you stay one step ahead and protect yourself and loved ones against the increasing variety of scams that are happening everyday. We've identified the following five behaviours scammers commonly use:

- They imply they're doing you a favour (reciprocity)
- They indicate everyone else is doing this (social proof)
- They say your only chance is to act now (urgency)
- They act like they're similar to you so you like them and want to please them (connection)
- They ask you to do one little thing which makes you do more (commitment).

We also know that often victims of scams report that in hindsight they felt something wasn't quite right at the time. This campaign aims to raise awareness of the tactics scammers use and encourages people to 'stop and think' if something doesn't FEEL, SEEM, LOOK or SOUND right. This allows them time to **trust your gut instinct** and help prevent becoming a scam victim.

"Everyone likes to feel special. But watch out! If a stranger is going out of their way for you, something fishy may be going on instead. Scammers like to offer one-off deals and favours.

Don't be afraid to tell them no." John Hayward-Cripps, CEO of Neighbourhood Watch Network

Would you like to advertise in our Parish Newsletter?

In these uncertain times, Stantonbury Parish Council wish to support businesses in our Parish. We would like to help your business and invite you to place an advert in our next Newsletter, **and it won't cost you a thing!** 

Spaces are limited so please email us to register your interest as soon as possible to **info@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk**.



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W: www.mind-blmk.org.uk

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Roman Park Residents Club, Constantine Way, Bancroft Park MK13 ORA Monday - Saturday

9am - 4.00pm

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**Beer Festival opening times:** September 16-19, 2021

> 11am - 4pm (Thurs/Fri) 11am - 5pm (Sat/Sun)

All the latest museum news can be found on the new website: miltonkeynesmuseum.org.uk

## **Bradwell Road Allotment Open Day**

On the 3rd of July 2021 Bradville Allotment Tenants (BATs) held our annual allotment open day.

It was great to be able to hold the open day this year as we were unable to last year due to the pandemic. The weather was lovely, and it was very good to see so many local residents that were able to look around the allotment. We were able to put up stalls for people to buy plants, refreshments, craft stall, raffle and lots more. Thank you to everyone that came along, and we hope to see you at our next open day.

David Outram - Chairman of BATs







# Our Easter competition winners!

We received lots of entries and thank you to all of you who took the time to colour in and send into our office.









We want MK to be a fantastically green place to live, and that includes helping local people waste less and recycle more effectively.

Thank you to everyone - around 5,000 residents - who took part in our consultation about whether to keep plastic sacks or move to wheelie bins in the future. More than three quarters of the people who gave feedback wanted to switch from sacks to wheelie bins.

#### Trialling bins and boxes

We also worked with 3,000 local households on a long-term waste collection pilot. Bins and boxes were trialled in a wide range of properties to learn what works from a practical

perspective, and to see if switching improved recycling rates.

Around 40% of people taking part in the pilot felt they were recycling more, 60% of people thought streets were cleaner and the amount of recycling we collected went up by almost a quarter.

#### What's changing and when?

Where suitable, we'll move to wheelie bins after our current contract for waste collection ends in 2023. Meanwhile we'll keep developing solutions for homes where bins can't be stored.

Everyone will continue to have a weekly waste collection.

### Online booking for MK's tips



We introduced a booking system for MK's tips last year to make visiting safer during COVID-19. Since then local people have visited more than 150,000 times.

Before the booking system, on busy days you might have queued for 30 minutes to enter a tip, with some cars waiting along busy roads.

We also know that one in five people using MK's tips didn't live locally, putting an extra strain on resources.

The free booking system will continue beyond the pandemic. You can book a slot up to seven days in advance, and new slots are released every day.

Book online at www.milton-keynes. gov.uk/waste-recycling





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### What should go in the recycling

Most people in Milton Keynes do a great job sorting their recycling from their waste but unfortunately every week we see a lot of things in the clear recycling sacks that shouldn't be there. This costs almost £1 million each year to put right.

If the recycling sack is contaminated by dirty waste, we won't be able to recycle the other things in it.

The worst culprits for contaminating recycling are:

**Nappies** and sanitary products. Nappies can't be recycled. whether they're used or not.



Needles. Our factory stops 10+ times a day to remove needles and typically someone gets hurt by needles at least once per week.

#### Batteries can cause

fires and sparks if they knock against machines. Never put them in your clear recycling sack. You can order a free battery bag from our website or you can take them to collection points in supermarkets and DIY stores.





Textiles. Take good quality old clothes to your local charity shop and place poor quality clothing in the black bin bag.

#### It's also a no to ...

takeaway pizza boxes, pet food pouches, crisp packets, cling film, disposable coffee cups, coffee pods, and plastic wrappings and carrier bags.

Find the full list of what we can and can't accept at

www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/mk-recycles



We aim to send none of MK's waste to landfill

Ever wondered what happens to your rubbish?

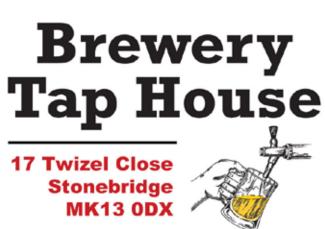


Recyclables go to our Recycling Factory in Old Wolverton where they're sorted to be broken down and made into new items. The UK's first and still one of its largest, our factory processes 16 tonnes of material every hour.



Other waste goes to our state-of-theart facility in Wolverton where anything recyclable is removed (about 9% of what gets thrown away) and the rest is used as fuel for renewable energy. That energy can power 11,000 homes as well as the facility itself.









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## A GREAT BIG THANK YOU!

Stantonbury Parish Council would like to send a **BIG THANK YOU** to the Motor Insurance Bureau for supplying 70+ reconditioned laptops for schools within our Parish who requested them during the COVID crisis.

A special mention should go the following members of their team, **Paul Jackman** for agreeing to provide the lap tops and **Sophie Potter, Iain Morgan, Andy Stanley** and **Matt Gladman** for ensuring they were delivered and fit for purpose.

We appreciate all the hard work (and weekends!) that went into making this happen and all the laptops went to those children who were otherwise unable to study from home during the pandemic.





Every school in the Parish was contacted for their needs and we managed to fulfil all their requests.

A great success all-round!





### **Be a YiS Volunteer**

Have you been searching for ways to support a local charity?

Are you passionate about raising awareness of the importance of mental health?

Are you passionate about improving the wellbeing of young people?

If this sounds like you, then you might be interested in volunteering for YiS!

YiS Volunteers are for those who wish to join us throughout the year for big or small activities, projects, events, and overall education support. Previous opportunities include, but are not limited to, Event Ambassadors, Event Coordinators, Project Leads, Social Media Content Producers, Street Fundraisers, Outreach Attendants, and many more.

We hold quarterly volunteer meetings to discuss upcoming dates, events, and projects that any of our volunteers can choose to participate in. We actively encourage our Volunteers to share their ideas for activities, events, or projects during these meetings. We offer our Volunteers access to a variety of training opportunities.

Being a Volunteer with YiS is a flexible and voluntary commitment. You only need to do what you feel comfortable with. We just want your passion, commitment, and voice.

If you are interested in volunteering with YiS or attending a Quarterly Volunteer Meeting, or have ideas about events or projects you would like to see or be a part of, please contact Charlotte - charlotte@mkyis.org.uk





## **Parish Ranger Update August 2021**

The Rangers have been carrying out regular patrols of all parish areas and reporting issues to MKC. They have been liaising and working with MKC Landscaping Department to ensure that blocked and overgrown paths are cleared of debris, reporting lighting faults and cleaning off graffiti.

We are very proud of our Stantonbury Parish Guardians who have been outstanding in helping with the litter problems around all parts of the parish, especially in lockdown. One area where there appears to be a lot of litter is Stantonbury Skate Park. A BIG Ranger thank you to those that have helped keep it litter free and our thanks especially go to Paul Baxter for his constant unwavering litter picks in the area. It is much appreciated. Please keep joining in with our monthly litter picks, which are advertised on our social media and Stantonbury Parish Council website. Residents from Stantonbury have now set up their own Stantonbury litter picking group and regularly collect 15 -20 bags when they go out over the weekends around the Stantonbury area

The Rangers have taken a massive 4100kg of litter bags and fly tipped items to the Newport Pagnell Recycling Centre since January 2021. Most of this weight comes from the litter picks and our patrols. This number does not include the items that we report to MKC/SERCO for them to collect in the bigger lorries.

We completed 3 pilot skip events around the north side of Bradville, clearing lots of waste and rubbish. You can read more about that in this newsletter.

Our Temporary Speed Indicator Device has been positioned at different locations around the parish and the following high speeds have been recorded in the following areas: Bradville (70mph), Bancroft (70mph), Oakridge Park (65mph) Linford Wood (70mph) Stantonbury (55mph) Bancroft Park (55mph) more information about the TSID can be found in this newsletter.

#### **SERCO Landscape and Waste Team**

We have been in regular contact with the SERCO team, who are using the yellow remote robot shown in the pictures. They have been clearing the areas of the big slide play park and around the carports of the north side of Bradville.

Here is some information and numbers from the MKC Team of the waste that they have taken away:

- 680Kg bricks and rubble
- 560kg, 540kg, 600kg of green waste
- 200Kg Sofa bed and rubble
- 420kg, 720kg concrete and old newspapers
- 520kg garden waste

Total of kg /tonnes collected just from the Big Slide is **4240kg (4.24 metric tonnes)** 



- All the rubble and concrete will be crushed down and used as aggregate.
- Green waste will be chipped, composted and mulched around MK.
- Dumped furniture will be sent to landfill.
- Once the machine has cleared the area, the areas are being turned back to grass.

### How can you help keep our parish looking good?

- Remove rubbish and waste to local recycling centres at New Bradwell, Newport Pagnell and Bleak Hall.
- Organise for collections of larger items. Bookings can be made on the My Council Website or you can choose to use another licensed waste carrier.
- Put rubbish out on your property boundary the night before collection day, after 5 pm and before 7 am the day of collection.

You can report issues direct to Milton Keynes Council via the My council website <a href="https://mycouncil.milton-keynes.gov.uk/en">https://mycouncil.milton-keynes.gov.uk/en</a>

or report them to the Rangers to deal with by emailing Ranger@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk

Let's work together to keep the areas where we live and our parish clean and tidy.

SPC Parish Ranger

### Why Not Become a Parish Guardian?

- We carry out regular litter picking groups a couple of hours a month around the parish and are always looking for an extra pair of hands. We can supply litter pickers and bags.
- Inform the Rangers of any problems in the area you live. We will do our best to see if we can help and escalate your concerns.
- Contact us about graffiti, fly tipping, drugs, anti-social behaviour, abandoned vehicles.

Please contact the Stantonbury Parish Office on 01908 227201 We want to work for you and with you to improve the areas where you live. AUTUMN 2021 19



## SPC Environmental and Enforcement Officer

Hi - My name is David Barnes and I currently work for Stantonbury Parish Council as their Environmental Enforcement Officer dealing with such issues as fly tipping, dog fouling, littering, household waste issues and abandoned vehicles.

I work closely with the Environmental Crime Unit at Milton Keynes Council to address the above issues and currently have several cases under investigation.

It's been a busy few months with seventy fly tipping incidents investigated across the Parish. All of these have been cleared by Milton Keynes Council and some are being investigated further, with a view to prosecuting offenders.

I've chatted with residents regarding waste issues such as the correct day for waste collection and the correct items to go in the clear recycling sacks. Just a reminder that only household waste should be presented for collection after 5pm the day before but before 7am and the day of collection. Please don't put bulky items out on bin day as these should be disposed of correctly either at the waste recycling centres or by a paid collection. If you are paying a private company for disposal of your waste, please ensure they are licensed waste carriers and always obtain a receipt.

You may see me out with one of my dogs in the green spaces looking at dog fouling issues, so please say hello.

If you are wondering what is meant by an abandoned vehicle, it's a vehicle that has been left on the public highway which is untaxed, no current MOT and uninsured. Even if you have a vehicle that is on a SORN it must not be left on a public highway.

I would like to thank all those residents who take the time to care for our environment making Stantonbury Parish area a great place to live with a fantastic community.

Please do call me on 07909 520 793 or email dlenvironmental168@gmail.com for any queries regarding waste across the Parish.



## **Stantonbury Parish Councillors and Ward Councillors**



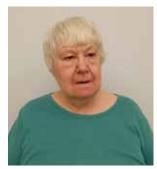
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### Parish Councillor Vacancy Bancroft or Oakridge Park



## By becoming a Parish Councillor you will become someone your community looks to for help, guidance, and support.

Parish Councillors are community leaders with the power to influence decisions for the benefit of the people they serve. Seeing your community change for the better, as a result of decisions you have helped to make, is something that can give you a sense of achievement and pride.

For more information or to express an interest in becoming a Councillor for Oakridge Park or Bancroft, please contact the Parish office on info@stantonburyparishcouncil.org.uk.