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Clapham & Patching

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In the current health emergency I am faced with the prospect of staying indoors for the next three months. Fortunately, I live in Findon village, and have had many offers of help. People are there to help those who need it. Local businesses are also helping.

The Findon Village Store are offering a delivery service to vulnerable Findon residents who are in isolation. They also have a newspaper delivery service. Contact the store for details. Hand sanitisers have now been installed, and customer numbers have been limited to 4 in the shop at any one time.

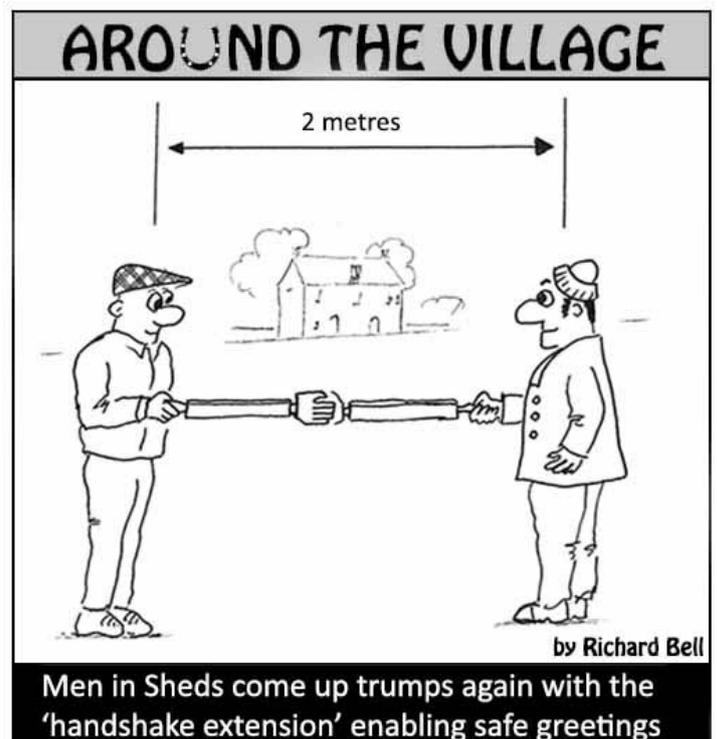
The Village House, now The Pub Hub, will deliver food to order. They have also opened a Soup Kitchen (see page 17)

Dee Dee's café is offering a home delivery service to all local residents.

The Junction Cafe in Clapham has offered to take food out to residents of Clapham and Patching.

Keep positive. Use the time to finish all those jobs you never had time for, or take on that new project you have always dreamt of. Enjoy the sunny weather in your garden.

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From the Rectory

We find ourselves in new and unfamiliar territory at present, but I want to send a message of hope and support to you all as you read this. Despite the scale of the national and international pandemic, there are some wonderful signs of all the things that are best about being human emerging. I've had many offers from Villagers to shop or collect medicines for the housebound, so if anyone knows of a need, please get in touch with me at the Rectory so I can organise help. I also have a team of people who are ready to chat over the phone with people who are feeling lonely and isolated, so if anyone out there would like a friendly chat, get in touch with me and I can pair you up with one of our Pastoral Team. This is for everyone, regardless of whether you feel 'religious' or not! I have no hidden agenda; Christian values are to be there to offer support to anyone in need, just as Jesus did throughout his earthly ministry. Thank you also to the Junction in Clapham, and Findon's Village pubs, shops and DeeDees for offering to supply and deliver food at this time, everyone is really pulling together. Above all, we should all stay positive.

Another plea for help; if anyone knows of a rental property (3 bedroom) anywhere in the Worthing area, could you get in touch with me please? There is a village family who will be evicted this summer, who desperately need a home to rent. Please ask around friends and neighbours; someone must know of a possible solution!

In line with the whole of the Church of England, we have cancelled all regular Services in church, but weddings, funerals and baptisms can still take place in church. The Guidance from Bishop Martin and the Archbishops is that numbers should be limited (ideally not more than 5 people) at these events, to minimise the risk of infection but they can still go ahead, following the common sense guidelines of staying away should anyone in the household be unwell. Social monthly Findon events (coffee/curry/Light Lunch/Afternoon Plus) have also been cancelled for the foreseeable future.

This is a time of enforced separation, a little like going on retreat. This is something people of all faiths have done regularly through the centuries, using the time to pray, read, learn more about who they really are, and perhaps draw closer to God. This viral pandemic could well be a turning point for so many people who have searched desperately for fulfilment in the material world without finding it, to perhaps realise that true happiness lies within each of us, as we learn to understand ourselves better and to relate to those around us with a deeper understanding.

Findon Church is open during the day for quiet prayer and reflection, with the opportunity to light a candle on the stand outside the Lady Chapel as a sign of prayer offered there. Patching Church is also open every day, and Clapham Church is open Friday-Sunday.

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Many of the Psalms are helpful reading in increasing our faith and trust in a redeeming and loving God who will never abandon us and I will post short prayers and readings on the bell tower door regularly for those who wish to read something. In line with regulations from the central church, all books and leaflets must be put away, so nothing is handled by multiple users, but you can always bring your own Bible or prayer book to read quietly in the sacred space.

Staying positive and looking ahead – what a wonderful celebration we can all have once this time of separation and isolation is over! I'm certain our diaries will fill very quickly – something to really look forward to. Two years ago, we held a wonderful concert in Findon Church as part of Shipley Art Festival (which celebrates it's 20th Anniversary this year!) with delicious locally made canapés, Nyetimber sparkling wine and the wonderful music of Andrew Bernardi and his string group. In collaboration with the new owners of Findon Place,

we are hosting another concert this year on the evening of **Friday June 26th**, beginning with a Reception in Findon Place, then going on to the church for the main concert. A new hymn has been specially written with the tune 'Findon Place'! Tickets will be available from The Capitol Theatre Box Office again, and as usual from Peckham's Butchers from May (when we will know whether we can go ahead – surely things should be improving by then!) Caroline and Billy are also opening their garden on the Sunday afternoon (details in this magazine) as part of the National Garden Scheme. This will be a real weekend of celebration!

So, **together we are stronger!** Let's keep working together as a community during this challenging time, not certain how long it will be, but looking ahead to celebrating when all the restrictions are lifted! Be assured of my ongoing prayers for all of you (along with our Curate, Colin) and may you stay well and look after your families and neighbours.

Every blessing, *Helena*



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Findon Village Store News

Managing through the Covid-19 Pandemic

As you are all aware, the current Coronavirus pandemic has impacted all of us in many negative ways. In a rapidly developing national strategy of managing the country's health care resources, drastic actions are required. To that end, we at Findon Village Store will do our very best to support the community and work collaboratively with the community to achieve this throughout the challenging times ahead.

Our primary concern at this time (and no doubt this will change over time too) is the supply to us and distribution of goods we can stock, to the community. The supermarket shortages have driven many to seek alternatives and with the power of social media communications, convenience stores are becoming the place to go now. This has put huge pressures on this sector and within the space of a week created unprecedented shortages in supply to us of basic goods.

We also have a significant impact on our resources trying to keep the shop operational and available to our community and other users.

The position is:

- As of writing we have had 14 volunteers who have had to self-isolate. There are almost certainly more who may be at personal risk or live with someone who is. The safety and well-being of our staff, volunteers and community as a whole is paramount.

- We have started to appeal for more volunteers urgently through social media, personal contacts, word of mouth and Findon News. We have been very much encouraged by initial responses and those coming forward unprompted, offering help but we need many more.

- New volunteers will take time to train in the various activities and to be comfortable in the roles they are fulfilling. I know our customers will be very appreciative and supportive of the new team members who will be working in a fantastic, supportive, committed team of experienced people.

- There are new roles to fulfil as we extend our services by the taking of orders and making deliveries to our customers who need to self isolate and learning and training will be given for this.

- We are experiencing the same shortages of items as the supermarkets. Currently these are, lavatory rolls, kitchen rolls, all types of pasta, tinned goods and pain relief, which with the exception of the latter are caused by selfish hoarding. All of our local suppliers are continuing to supply to demand, which has also increased, especially milk and bakery. This has put additional pressure on our buying team to manage order levels daily and sometimes have to collect if not a delivery day to us (e.g. milk). We are making daily trips to Cash and Carry outlets, as soon as they open to get very limited supplies before they run out in about 10 minutes. These are exceptionally challenging times. As long as the current providers have the goods available we have, with the help of

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those coming forward to help, enough skilled voluntary support to maintain the purchasing and to keep the shelves well stocked. Although, as some items normally available more cheaply, become scarce, we are having to replace if possible with alternatives which may be more expensive.

- We are seeing a significant increase in demand for newspaper deliveries as customers are no longer able to collect items reserved for them from the shop. We may need additional delivery capacity which could take the form of extra staff and/or a good neighbour approach where others could collect on their behalf.
- We will be continuously assessing the situation and make the necessary adjustments to our operation to be the best we collectively can.

New Services :

We are introducing a new service to enable us to supply our isolated customers from the shop product lines. We are also working with the butchers to deliver orders taken by them for meat and fresh grocery products. We will therefore be introducing new processes and engaging new resources to deliver this service. To mobilise this quickly we will get the basics in place quickly and refine with experience as time goes by. The basics are :

- Orders can be emailed, sent by text, written on a piece of paper, or telephoned in. At this time telephone is the least desirable as the shop has been very busy and it could be difficult to free someone to answer the phone for long enough to take an order. It may

be advisable to have a dedicated order line with a volunteer taking these.

- Customer accounts would be created and the invoice included with the order. Payment could be done by BACS, cheque or credit/debit card. Probably 7 days payment from invoicing date would be requested.
- Delivery frequency will be based on demand and our resources available to do this. All short shelf life products may need to be daily, other goods weekly on one day of the delivery cycle per customer.
- Making up orders would be by shop volunteers. Collection by the delivery team would be from a designated area outside the shop to enable anyone taking isolation precautions to be involved but avoid any human contact. All required hygiene must be observed in the handling process by the packing and delivery teams.

We are asking members of the community who find themselves able to help those who are temporarily unable to make their much valued contribution to come forward to help maintain and increase our services to those most in need in our community. We're asking for help to work with us in the shop in various roles, collect goods from suppliers with an experienced person. We desperately need this to enable us to continue to supply what's needed and deliver to those who are unable to come to the shop themselves.

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Steve Smith-Chairman

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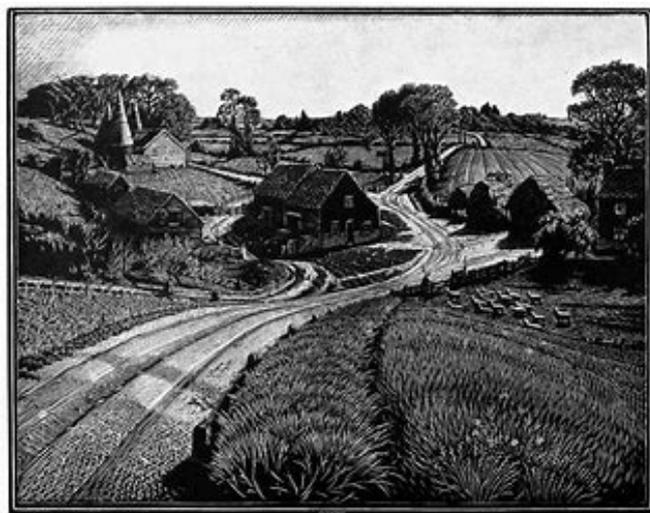
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Artist Charles William Taylor Does anyone have any information?

I am in the early stages of doing some research into the work of the artist Charles William Taylor who lived in Findon at the time of his death in 1960. I would be grateful to know of anyone in Findon who could help. I am particularly interested in Taylor's wood engravings and etchings.

Michael Bowers



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I have not needed to go shopping as my daughter and my eldest grand-daughter have kept me well supplied with food. All the vegetables, hay and straw for the animals and hens is delivered twice a week by a good friend with a big van.

So I have been here taking care of all the animals as some of the older volunteers have sensibly stayed at home until it's safe to come back. It takes me so long if no one turns up to help. Last night I was so far behind I was cleaning out the hen house by torchlight.

The horse dentist came in during the afternoon to rasp the teeth on Elvis the Pony and Jasper the Donkey. Luckily a volunteer took two guinea-pigs to the Vets for operations. One had lumps removed from her stomach, the other had tumours removed from her ovaries, and both of them survived the anaesthetics which is always a worry with guinea-pigs. The nurse from the vets kindly delivered them both back to the Sanctuary and then spent hours

helping out cleaning cages and feeding guinea-pigs.

She said it was her day off and said she really enjoyed helping out.

The weather is improving and the flowers in the garden are a picture. All my seedlings in the greenhouse are big and strong without the need for a greenhouse heater. The winter has been so mild.

We are closed to visitors every Sunday until further notice due to the Virus. So we won't be selling plants or eggs for a while.

I tell everyone to wear disposable gloves if they have to go out, specially touching shopping trolleys and door handles and coins. And leave mobile phones at home.

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John Wickson

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My Mum & Dad moved to Findon about twenty years ago. Dad soon became very active in village life. For years he chaired the Findon Village Gardens Association and Sheep Fair. Dad also volunteered in many ways to improve the village. That included making improvements to the Village Hall, laying concrete foundations for the circular bench on the green, and planting thousands of bulbs in the village. John was an incredibly positive and friendly person. He made friends everywhere he went. He enjoyed his allotment and friendly banter there. He enjoyed the Curry nights. He was well known to the publicans and shop owners for his annual charity round.



Husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. He will be greatly missed.
Phil Wickson

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Findon Downs WI

This month, our meeting was well attended despite the rain and wind which we have been experiencing Mrs Schiller welcomed members present plus a surprise visitor, Mrs Olive Williams and our Speaker, Mr Alan Kingshott.

Thanks to Hilary for the lovely flower arrangement for our table. After our business discussions, the Speaker was invited to take the floor. Alan was Chief Yeoman at the Tower of London. To qualify for today's elite Yeoman Warder corps, a minimum of 22 years spent in the armed forces, the rank of Sergeant Major – any senior non-commissioned office must have been achieved and Long Service and Good Conduct medals must be in hand. Either way, the designation differentiated them from other Royal Bodyguards and the name has stuck.

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Mrs Schiller thanked Alan for his very interesting talk and for the colour slides he used to illustrate the insight into his life as a Chief Yeoman at the Tower of London.

Our next meeting is the 14th April, 2.30pm Village Hall

Speaker: Sylvia Endecott, The Story of Hotham Park, Bognor Regis.

Competitor: A Daffodil.

Findon Village WI

Findon Village WI

Our March meeting was our Birthday meeting – we are 46 years old!

We were entertained by Robbie Mills, a magician whose repertoire of magic tricks were amazing. He even had a real white rabbit!

A big welcome to our new members.

Unfortunately, due to the Corona pandemic the April and May meetings have been cancelled

I will keep you informed regarding future meetings and ask you to support our fellow members by staying in touch by email, text, WhatsApp or better still phone call!

Paddy Winter - President

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The competition at the March Findon Village WI was 'A WI poem'

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written by Maggie Milward

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Almost overnight, our business, like many others, has changed. But like everyone in Findon, we are resilient and resolved to facing the challenges ahead.

The pub remains open, albeit in a new adaptable way, trading in a responsible manner, with the health of our customers our most important priority.

Our new menu is now available to take away or we can deliver anywhere in the village. Just bear with us. This is all very new.

Our daily 'soup kitchen' is up and running. This is a completely free service designed to help the most needy and vulnerable in our community. Containers of fresh vegetable soup are available to pick up from the pub or from Nick at Peckham's Butchers.

We wish everyone the very best during these difficult times.

More Talent?

Following the success of the 'Findon's Got Talent' evening at the Village Hall in January, plans are already being made for a similar event next year.

The planned date is Saturday 6th February, which may seem a long way away, but we would like to unearth any further talent Findon has to offer.

If you, or someone you know, whether individually or as part of a group, would

like to perform please let us know. Whether a singer, musician, dancer, magician, comedian, ventriloquist, in fact anything within the realms of decency please get in touch. Drop us a note at findonsgottalent@gmail.com

Many thanks
Richard Bell



200 Club May Social

It is with regret that we will not be able to have our usual May social evening and draw, due to the Coronavirus advice. We will however carry out the normal monthly and major draw under restricted controls to limit contact.

All will be done above board in these unusual times.

Alan Wadhams 200 club secretary

200 Club

The March 200 club winner was number 10 Jennifer Goddard.

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A public school teacher was arrested today at John F. Kennedy International airport as he attempted to board a flight while in possession of a ruler, a protractor, a compass, a slide-rule and a calculator. At a morning press conference, Attorney General Eric Holders said he believes the man is a member of the notorious Al-Gebra movement. He did not identify the man, who has been charged by the FBI with carrying weapons of math instruction.

"Al-Gebra is a problem for us", the Attorney General said. "They derive solutions by means and extremes, and sometimes go off on tangents in search of absolute values." They use secret code names like "X" and "Y" and refer

to themselves as "unknowns" but we have determined that they belong to a common denominator of the axis of medieval with coordinates in every country. As the Greek philosopher Isosceles used to say, "There are 3 sides to every triangle."

When asked to comment on the arrest, the President said, "If God had wanted us to have better weapons of math instruction, He would have given us more fingers and toes."

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Findon Village Gardens Association

It is with great regret that the Committee have decided to cancel the Spring Flower show as well as our two scheduled monthly meetings on March 27th and April 24th due to the current uncertainty of the coronavirus. At this point it is not practical to say when 'normal service' will be resumed and we will of course keep you informed as the epidemic progresses. We do appreciate that so many of us fall into what has been defined as the 'vulnerable age group' and it would be wrong not to recognise this reality. However keep enjoying the sun while we can and welcome Spring with open arms!



Findon Place joins the National Open Garden Scheme

A note for your diaries - in the hope that we will all safely be past the current medical crisis - Findon Place will open on Sunday 28th June from 2pm til 5.30pm to take part in the National Open Garden Scheme this year. As with other gardens, the ticket price is wholly donated to the charities that are supported by the organisation which include Macmillan's and Hospice UK amongst others.



There will also be tea and a whole selection of cakes and and baked goods available from our pop up tea room which will also donate the proceeds to the NGS Charities as well as some local charities.

We are very fond of the bees here at Findon Place and we also hope to have a bee keeping demonstration as well as a variety of plants for sale that would be good to plant in your own gardens to attract these little hard workers!

All the details for the opening can be found on the National Garden Scheme website: www.ngs.org.uk





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Residents of Findon - something to look forward to.

With so many events in the village currently being cancelled we could all look ahead with positivity to 2021.

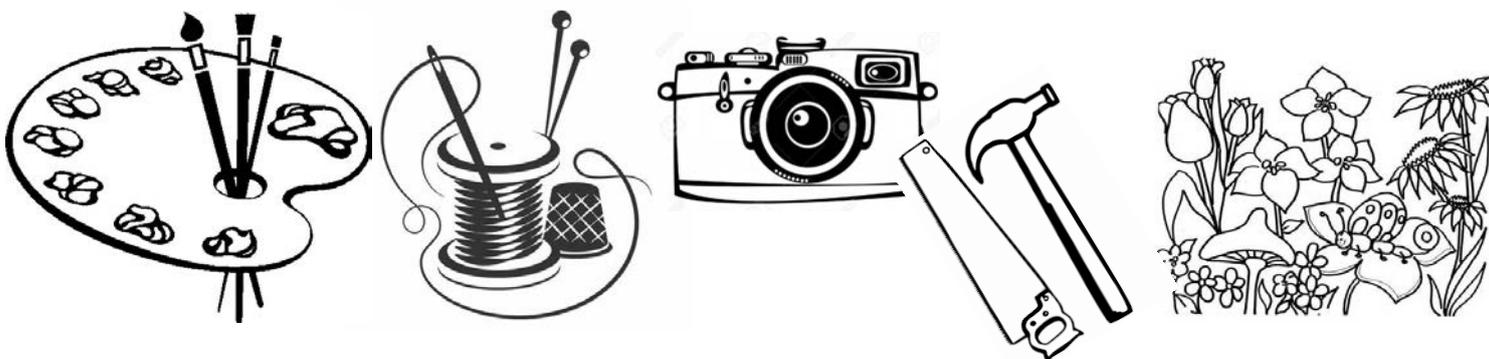
Some of the established groups will find that their funds may be unexpectedly depleted so, when normality returns, a community fundraiser would not only lift our spirits but raise some much needed cash.

Within our village we have so many talented artists, photographers, craftsmen (and women), embroiderers and woodworkers, to name a few, the proposal is to give these people the opportunity to show off their skills and fundraise at the same time.

In the past villagers have opened their gardens to the public to great success. So the suggestion is a combination of the two with ART AND THE GARDEN TRAIL.

With more time this year to spend on our gardens or our hobbies we could raise the bar and produce some exciting works. If, in the past you have never been involved with a community event, now is your chance. It would be lovely to get some new people involved so, if this interests you, and you feel that you or your group would like to get involved with the organisation, exhibiting or have a skill that you think would help, please contact

Judy Stutchbury on stutchbury.r@btinternet.com



Cinnamon Trust

Hello everyone, and many thanks for your continuing support for the Cinnamon Trust.

Advance notice of our Spring Event, Afternoon Tea in the Garden at Judith Davies' home, 48 Cross Lane on 16th May at 2pm. Lots of goodies to eat and lovely gifts to buy.

Raffle prizes and good quality items for sale very welcome please.

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Tree Planting in Findon

We have established a tree nursery on land behind the village hall, adjacent to the school playing field and pre-school building.

Around 350 donated saplings from the Woodland Trust were lined out in rows to grow on before planting out around the village. Members of the Findon Village Volunteers Working Party spent a back breaking morning planting and guarding the trees.

We will be planning sites where they can be planted out next autumn / winter. I hope children will be involved with this activity, when the current health emergency is (hopefully) over.

Matthew Ward
Findon Village Tree Warden



**Light Lunch @1pm
April 2020**

**Findon Village Hall
CANCELLED**

Lunch @ 1 will be cancelled for April due to the current concerns over Covid 19, and until further notice.

Mary, Barbara and Dorothy are very sorry for the inconvenience.

Church Services on BBC Radio 4

- You can listen to the Daily Service at 9:45am on Radio LW and DAB.
- Join Sunday Worship live at 8.10am.
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Findon Parish Council Website

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Please note that due to Findon News publication deadlines, some applications may have already been placed before the Committee. Residents should check the Notice Boards and FPC website regularly to view notices and meeting details.

Any enquiries should be address to the FPC Clerk - 01903 877225. Since the last issue of Findon News, the following Planning Applications have been posted on the SDNPA website:

Shed

The Glasshouse Rogers Farm Rogers Lane Findon West Sussex
Ref. No: SDNP/20/01028/APNB |
Received: Thu 05 Mar 2020 | Validated:
Mon 09 Mar 2020 | Status: Application
in Progress

Variation of Condition - Conditions 4 and 5 of Planning Consent SDNP/18/00202/CND.

Cissbury Nephcote Findon BN14 0SR
Ref. No: SDNP/20/00941/CND |
Received: Mon 02 Mar 2020 | Validated:
Mon 02 Mar 2020 | Status: Application
in Progress

Single storey side extension.

5 Beech Road Findon BN14 0UN
Ref. No: SDNP/20/00836/HOUS |
Received: Wed 26 Feb 2020 |
Validated: Mon 02 Mar 2020 | Status:
Application in Progress

Removal or Variation of Condition - Condition 2 (Plans) of Planning Consent SDNP/19/05631/HOUS

8 Downland Close Findon BN14 0UJ
Ref. No: SDNP/20/00800/CND |
Received: Mon 24 Feb 2020 | Validated:
Thu 27 Feb 2020 | Status: Application in
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Wrong List

A visiting priest offered to assist by hearing confessions. Since he was rather deaf and people tend to whisper in the confessional, Parishioners were asked to write their sins on a piece of paper and pass them over.

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Easter worship

Sunday 5 th April Palm Sunday		Blessed Palms will be available from the Church for people to collect if they wish.
Friday 10 th April Good Friday	10.25am	Walk of Witness from Rectory to Pond Green; leaving at 10.25am, with a short informal worship in the open air.
Sunday 12 April Easter Day	6.00am 10.30am	Dawn Service with First Eucharist of Easter in Findon Churchyard. Short celebration on Pond Green.

Funeral in March: (Patrick) John Wickson

All regular public Worship in Churches has been suspended due to Covid 19, but the clergy are praying daily for everyone in the Parish, and the Churches are still open for private prayer, peace and reflection.

Please keep an eye on the website for up-to-date information.

www.findon-clapham-patching-churches.com

All Village groups and activities have also been cancelled due to the Coronavirus pandemic - including Messy Church, Youth Club, Lunch @ 1, May Camp, Agape etc.

Stay well and remember to care for vulnerable neighbours.

Colin and Helena would like to reassure everyone that they are in their prayers at this difficult time.

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Findon Village Hall Trust

Chairman's Letter 17th March 2020.

CLOSURE OF THE HALL

Due to the present climate that the Corona Virus has caused, we have experienced a large number of cancellations of regular bookings. For this reason the Management having taking advice, have decided to close the Hall for the foreseeable future.

To date 5 regular organisations have cancelled. Obviously this means a considerable drop in income. Closing the Hall will reduce our overheads, as we can suspend, Cleaning, Gas, Electricity, waste clearance, and booking costs.

The Hall Committee Meeting will cease with immediate effect, and all bookings cancelled.

The Trusts Officers will review the situation weekly, and I will place an update in the Findon News each month.

The Building project will be ongoing as we work with the Parish Council to complete the new extension, and landscaping of the gardens.

We have experienced a significant loss in kitchen equipment. I have just replaced 29 soup bowls, which disappeared between 1st September and January.

All users of the Hall are reminded that Hall equipment must not be taken from the building for any reason. We think there has been an element of borrowing bowls etc to take home leftover food from various functions, and the bowls never returned.

Let us hope that the current crisis soon passes, and we all come through this.

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