



# Findon

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2022

Community newsletter for  
Findon, West Sussex  
Including the Church Parish of  
Findon, Clapham & Patching

# News

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## Craft Fairies Strike Again in Findon

Another mysterious installation appeared on a Findon post box over the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup> August.

Following on from the royal installation in June to mark the Queen's platinum jubilee, this one has a more down to earth theme. Featuring a shepherdess, sheepdog and a flock of sheep, this one is clearly aimed at promoting the triumphant return of Findon

Sheep Fair on 10<sup>th</sup> September and is sure to bring a smile to the faces of Findon residents. Great work crafters!

**This magazine can also be read on-line on the following three websites:**

**Findon Village News - [www.findonvillagenews.org](http://www.findonvillagenews.org)**

**Findon Village Parish Council - [www.findonparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.findonparishcouncil.gov.uk)**

**Findon Churches - [www.findon-clapham-patching-churches.com](http://www.findon-clapham-patching-churches.com)**

Saturday 10th September at 10:30am

# Findon Sheep Fair and Village Festival 2022

**Barn Dance with Shenanigan**

Friday 9th September at 7:30pm

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## From The Rectory

Although the grass is still brown at the Rectory as I write, there are glimmers of green now here and there after the welcome rain earlier this week. Rain falling on parched, cracked ground tends to run off rather than soaking in for the thirsty roots; only sustained gentle rain can really make a difference. As we think during September of the wonder of creation, and give thanks for a harvest safely gathered in during special Services in our churches, the analogy of rain falling on parched ground is a useful metaphor for our faith too. Only too often, we become complacent, taking all we have for granted, but not recognising that it is through God's bounty, can lead to our becoming parched spiritually, growing ever more selfish and self-centred. As we give thanks for the blessings of the harvest, we must also remember those whose harvest has failed through drought as in East Africa, those who go hungry because of military blockades in the war against Ukraine. We mustn't forget those in our own area struggling either, and this year the local Homeless Charity, Turning Tides, has asked for monetary contributions rather than the tins and packets we usually collect at our Church Harvest festivals. This is so they can target exactly what their clients need through our generosity. As you appreciate the skill of our flower arrangers this Harvest-tide, please be as generous as you can in the retiring collection for Turning Tides after Findon's Harvest festival on 25<sup>th</sup> September or that Clapham Church on

October 16<sup>th</sup>. Donations can of course also be made via the Turning Tides website directly, as you watch their promotional video. Thank you.

Walking Tilly around the village, I've noticed a number of properties for sale, with some recently sold. If you have a new neighbour, it would be lovely if you let me know so I could welcome them to our Parish and to the village (whichever of the 3 it is!) We have produced a 'Welcome' leaflet which can be given to new residents, and to avoid duplication, Wendy is keeping a record of addresses where one has been given. There are leaflets available in each of our churches, so if you deliver one yourself to a new neighbour, please let the Office know the address.

Congratulations to Evelyn Stanford whose tireless and dedicated work in our Parish has been recognised by the Diocese awarding her the Order of St Richard. This award was instigated by the Bishop of Chichester in 2019, to thank people across the Diocese in our Parishes who quietly get on with essential tasks without being asked and without expecting thanks. Evelyn, along with other people from across the Diocese, will receive her award at a special Service in Chichester Cathedral in the autumn.

Finally, my thoughts and prayers are with all children and young people as they head back to schools and colleges

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this month, especially those beginning a new phase of education. Enjoy!

Lambstails will start again at Findon Village Hall on a Tuesday morning, with a new branch meeting monthly at

Clapham and Patching Village Hall once a month on a Thursday. Look out for posters and come to join in the fun with your pre-schoolers!

Every blessing,  
Helena



## YOUR INVITATION

The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

will be presented to

**FINDON VILLAGE STORE**

by Lady Emma Barnard, Lord Lieutenant of West Sussex,

at Findon Village Hall

on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 2.30pm

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## Cinnamon Trust Cream Tea

Despite being held on one of the hottest days of the decade, Mike Solomons' Cream Tea was a successful event on Saturday 13th August. A great cream tea was provided thanks to the generosity of Roddas Cream Charity Donation and the baking skills of several village ladies!

We took £526 on the day and with donations and the Village Shop collecting tin I am sending £560 to Cinnamon Trust. This will be appreciated by the clients both human and animal! Vets bills become higher all the time and events like this really help. The temperature in the sunshine was somewhere off the scale so I would like to say a special thank you to

## Maggie Martin

Richie Lines for the Gardens Association gazebos, without which we would have melted!



Our next event, whisper it, is the Christmas Fair on Saturday 3rd December in the Church. Do your Christmas shopping there and enjoy a mince pie and other goodies at the same time.

All the very best to you all.  
Maggie and John Martin  
On behalf of the Cinnamon Trust  
01903 874173/07544 572702  
maggiemartin8@gmail.com

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## Findon Village WI

Our August meeting took us back to the 1920's. Katherine Collette, dressed in glamorous dress of the era, brought the jazz age of 1920's Chicago to life with a perfect mix of history and music of the times.

Shirley won the competition with a lovely evening handbag, complete with calling card case, which belonged to her grandmother.

Our next meeting, **Thursday 8th September, 7.30pm** is a change from our planned talk and is entitled 'All Things British'.

As always, there will be a raffle and coffee, tea and cake for all. Visitors are very welcome - we look forward to seeing you.

We will also be selling cakes, jams, chutneys and sheep themed crafts at the Sheep Fair. Our crafty ladies have made some gorgeous pom-pom sheep charms, quilled sheep fridge magnets and some fantastic sheep themed decoupage coasters. They have also made cooling neck ties for dogs (and their owners!). So please visit us and admire their handiwork - you'll find us next to the dancing sheep!

Paddy Winter - President

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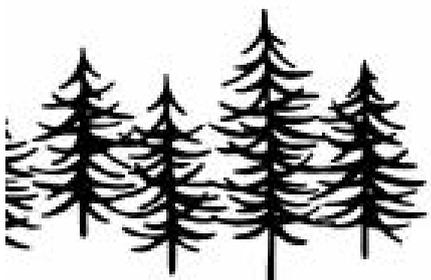
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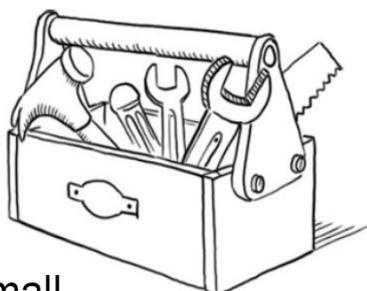
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fun, fulfilment, discovery and achievement.

Working towards our ethos of Play, Learn, Grow, we work in partnership with parents to provide high-quality care and outdoor learning to support children to develop robust physical, social and language skills and, above all, self-esteem and respect for the great outdoors.

We are open daily during term-time from 8.30 am – 3.30 pm and offer sessions for 2–5-year-olds.

To celebrate our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary we are holding a family fun open day on 17<sup>th</sup> September from 2-4 pm. There will be lots of fun activities, including pony rides and a chance to see our beautiful preschool and meet our dedicated team. Alternatively, you can contact us to organise a tour.

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## (Mary) Jane Aldridge

Just a query that I hope some long time resident of Findon can help me with. I belong to the Sussex Family History Group and one member is trying to trace a (Mary) Jane Aldridge born Findon 1869. She worked for the Thynne family at Muntham Court but moved to London with the family

working as cook. There is no trace of a burial so I suggested that she might be buried at the Thynne private cemetery on the downs. Mobility stops me from looking. Any ideas?

Norman Allcorn. 873177

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## Findon Village Store News

A date for your diary!

Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 2pm in the Village Hall

This is when Findon Village Store will “officially” receive the Queen’s Award for Voluntary Service from Lady Emma Barnard, the Lord Lieutenant of West Sussex. For full details see our separate notice in this magazine and do remember to apply to Annie Colville to secure your place without delay. Although numbers must be limited we are extending capacity with a marquee and encourage as many customers, suppliers, volunteers and village residents as possible to come and celebrate with us.

And so to the Sheep Fair. We share the anticipation and excitement of so many in looking forward to this magnificent event but sadly this year we will not have our own stall. You will however see some of us helping out as stewards/directors of traffic or on other stalls and our commitment to this very special village event remains undimmed. You will still be able to pick up picnic items, hot and cold drinks, ice creams etc. from the shop itself, which will operate as normal during Sheep Fair weekend - Saturday 7am to 7pm and Sunday 7am to 12 noon. If you run out of cash or require any other Post Office services remember the PO will also be open as usual until 5.30pm on Saturday and midday on Sunday.

We will all be hoping for fine weather on and around the Sheep Fair weekend as it makes such a difference, but wasn’t it a relief to come out of those extreme heat waves in July and August! The

## Annie Whitchurch

subsequent deluges were certainly dramatic and brought their own challenges to many in the village, whether dealing with floodwater or simply trying to decide when to walk the dog. It was great that a number of customers remembered to take advantage of our Free Delivery service instead of braving the elements.

As September moves in, many of our regular volunteers are away catching the last moments of summer and our rota has been under some strain. This may be the moment to ask if you have ever considered joining our volunteer team. Our newest recruits, Nick and Siân, are proving invaluable and are delighted that they took the plunge - they encourage anyone “not quite sure” to join too. New volunteers need not be daunted; there is always a helpful member of the Post Office team on hand to support and we have also introduced “shadow” shifts to help new people gain confidence working alongside experienced volunteers.

On the subject of new recruits, we are delighted to welcome Gaby, our new Saturday girl, who started training in the middle of August ready for her first shift in September. We are delighted to have Gaby on board and are sure she will prove capable, enthusiastic and friendly – a great mix! Sadly, at the same time we have to say goodbye to our lovely Grace, who has only been with us for a year but will be well known to many of you as she flits around with boundless energy and good cheer. We will miss her but understand her reasons for

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leaving as she strives to achieve her highest academic goals and win an Oxbridge place. Good luck and thank you, Grace!

Finally, a reminder from Helen, our Deputy Manager, that the old style £20 and £50 will be out of circulation and no

longer legal tender from the end of this month (30<sup>th</sup> September), although many banks and Post Offices will exchange them beyond that date. Meanwhile, do check all those old wallets, purses, bags, pockets and piggy banks. You never know what you might find!

**DUE TO STRIKE ACTION BY MEMBERS OF THE CWU, THERE WILL BE DISRUPTION TO LETTERS/PARCEL SERVICES AND DELAYS TO THE PROCESSING OF BANK CHEQUE DEPOSITS ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:**

**THURSDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER**

**FRIDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER**

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**PLEASE POST ITEMS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE**

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The safety fence at the rear of the hall has now been completed and I would like to thank all those who helped get it done – we were very lucky and a large number of people mucked into what was hot and hard work as it turned out. Apart from Trust committee members, we also had support from Men-in-Sheds, Findon Volunteers, Richard Thomas and, especially, Chris Buqué who provided the skill (and remarkable hole digging expertise!)

Now that project is done we have plans for one or two more in order to improve the facilities at the Hall for everyone's benefit. The pile of hardcore is still available for those who need it – from a barrowful to a truckload.

The work to sort out funding and get the extension completed is continuing and we are in process of supporting the

Parish Council in receiving and evaluating responses to the request for tenders to complete the job. The contractors we have met so far have given us a good impression and we are confident in their capability – cost and availability remain to be determined. Availability is an issue because there will be a significant gap and another public consultation before the funding can be agreed and the work started. However, onwards and upwards we are now making faster progress than has been possible for some time.

I am very pleased to report that we have the extra volunteers we were looking for to bolster the events team – but it's not too late, if you'd like to help, we can always use more. We are still looking for a secretary.....

The new constitution will be finished and should be published around the end of the month.

**Findon Village Hall**  
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### IT'S HARVEST TIME

Turning Tides have told us donations are down as our cost of living rises. Once again there will be a basket outside **The Village Store** from **Friday 16 to Sunday 25th September** to collect any donations of: -

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The next practical/refresher course will be held at the Village Hall on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September starting at 6.30pm. The course will again be run by Hayley, who is responsible for first aid training at the David Lloyd gym - where some of you may recall she was instrumental in saving my husband's

life by using a defibrillator & CPR back in 2018.

The course is free and open to all. Newcomers to the village will be particularly welcome, as will current Village Shop volunteers (since one of the defibrillators is located very close to the Shop).

If you wish to attend or require further information, please email me at [val.kirk@me.com](mailto:val.kirk@me.com) as soon as possible.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Val Kirk



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## Findon Parish Council News

Well, I'm sure that most people would not normally wish for rain during August, but it is lovely to see that the grass is slowly returning to green again after the very hot and dry weather this summer!

The Parish Council (FPC) currently has two councillor vacancies by way of co-option. If you would like to serve your community and be part of the decision making process in our village, an Expression of Interest form and eligibility criteria can be found on the FPC web site News page along with information on the work undertaken by FPC [www.findonparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.findonparishcouncil.gov.uk). Please feel free to speak to Fiona MacLeod, Clerk to FPC, for more details on 01903 877225. The closing date is 2 September 2022 and the co-options will be considered at the FPC meeting on 12 September 2022.

The South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) is reviewing its Local Plan and has opened its Call for

Sites and Call for Local Green Spaces nominations. Further information about the launch, including details of the types of sites being sought, key criteria, and how suggestions will be considered, is available to view on the SDNPA website for the Call for Sites [www.southdowns.gov.uk/CallforSites2022](http://www.southdowns.gov.uk/CallforSites2022) and for the Call for Local Green Spaces [www.southdowns.gov.uk/CallforLGS2022](http://www.southdowns.gov.uk/CallforLGS2022). The closing date is 28 September 2022 and FPC will be considering this at its meeting on 12 September 2022. Finally, it is not long to go now until the Sheep Fair, which opens at 10.30am on Saturday 10 September 2022.

Fiona MacLeod  
Clerk to Findon Parish Council

**Findon Parish Council Website**  
[www.findonparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.findonparishcouncil.gov.uk)

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## Findon Valley Library

For those who love reading but nowadays are finding it difficult to visit the library, there is a service to help you. Designed for the housebound, the library will order books for you, deliver and collect using local volunteers. There are no fines and no overdue deadlines that apply to you. The resources include CDs for listening enjoyment,

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## News from Paws

We have had some lovely friendly cats recently, and we really hate to see them go. The volunteers have a tea-break every day at eleven o'clock, when they usually let all the cats out to have some fussing. Most are very frightened when they arrive but when they see all the other cats let out they soon come out and join in. We have two kittens who are tearing around chasing balls and this makes even the old cats want to join in. But one cat arrived who was from a bad home. We were told the children were unruly and treated the cat badly, even throwing it down the stairs as a kitten. The cat will only come out of her bed late at night and sits and waits for me to give her some treats. She eats all her food during the night and nobody can get near her; she attacks anyone who goes in her pen. It is so sad and is going to take a long time for her to trust us.

We have so many calls a week from dog owners wanting us to take their dogs. Our kennels are in Lancing and Denise (Dee) who runs the kennels is so good with the dogs. Some dogs are aggressive when they arrive, out of fear, but after a day or two she lets them out; in and out of the kennels and in and out of her house all mixing together and they wag their tails and soon settle down. She has found homes for so many. We had an Akita who was very aggressive at first but was so friendly when he left to go to a new home. Last week a Lurcher, a Bulldog, and a Bull Mastiff all went to new homes.

Here at the Sanctuary, we have Guinea-pigs coming in almost

every week, but also have lots of calls from people wanting Guinea-pigs. Some stay permanently if they are blind or disabled. Johnny Depp and Kevin went to a new home today.

We get lots of injured Pigeons. One arrived today with no injuries but both wings lying on the floor so he cannot fly. But no vets, or wildlife rescue will see them because of bird flu. The hot weather made our wild life pond smell so bad it needed emptying. I removed all the fish, put them in our big pond, took out all the plants, rocks and water and was lying on my stomach wiping out the empty pond with an old towel when a couple arrived to adopt a couple of Guinea-pigs.

from Stacey.

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You have the opportunity to stretch your boundaries a little, come out of your comfort zone {not too much if not ready} but sensitively with awareness... learning to understand that you are in control of your own experience and putting that into practice.

Try a very small experiment for one week, such as sitting in a different chair to watch TV... take a different route to walk the dog... use the other hand to open the front door, whatever it is, become aware of your automatic patterns, change things up a bit, do it with awareness, it might feel weird for a while but who knows it might encourage you to implement some small changes elsewhere in your life ... Change, Evolve, Transform. As you see yourself more completely, you will have more compassion for your own patterns supporting self-awareness and self-acceptance.

Dance of Awareness gives you a whole new perspective on your everyday life; it is a nonverbal group practice with many years of research behind its method and works with skill and care providing you with a safe framework for your experience.

No steps to learn, you can't do anything wrong just experience the moment you are in; it can be great fun and the least you will come away with is having had a great dance about on a Friday night. Things my participants have said... 'beautiful' 'profound', 'transformative' 'such beautiful music' 'I feel so free' 'I feel alive' 'I feel long held tension release'

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## Findon Sheep Fair Charity Raffle

At this year's Findon Sheep Fair there will be a Grand Raffle with some exceptional prizes. Tickets will be on sale on Sheep Fair day (10 September) from 10.30am, with the draw being made at 4.00pm (absent winners will be notified by phone). The ticket booth will be located close to the Wattle House; all proceeds will be distributed to local village organisations as deemed appropriate by the Sheep Fair Committee and will include a donation to Findon School's governors' fund. Prizes kindly donated so far include gifts from:

- \* The new owners of The Findon Manor who have kindly donated two prizes:
  - A £100 gift certificate for use in their hotel restaurant and bar for a lunch or evening meal.
  - A Findon Manor afternoon tea for two with a glass of bubbles!
- \* Parham House near Storrington have kindly donated tickets for two to visit their historic house and gardens.
- \* Jez Parton - who has kindly offered to chauffeur two people on a tour around the Findon area in one of his vintage cars (on display at the fair) - a truly memorable event in this centenary year of the launch of the Austin 7
- \* Other local attractions have pledged visitor tickets too - tours for children and grown-ups alike, including a local wine tour

+ More donations are arriving soon;



Details of all prizes will be displayed at the stand next to the Wattle House. Please do visit the stand or look out for our mobile sellers.

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### Findon Swimming Pool Help Keep Us Afloat Can you help?



Findon Swimming Pool is in need of significant repair.

The fibre-glass pool liner and heating systems are no longer serviceable and we need the community to help us float again.

Please visit our funding page to see if you can help

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/findon-swimming-pool---help-keep-us-afloat>

Or contact the Findon Pool Chairman: [mick@rawenergypursuits.co.uk](mailto:mick@rawenergypursuits.co.uk)

<https://findonswimmingpool.co.uk>

## Findon Village Gardens Association - Summer Show

After an enforced break of three years, the Gardens Association Summer Flower Show took place at the Village Hall on 6<sup>th</sup> August. The morning dawned bright and clear (again) and anyone making an early visit to the hall would have found Richie Line and his intrepid band of volunteers already hard at work, putting out tables and exhibit vases; organising water for the flower exhibits and erecting gazebos for the various stalls and vegetable exhibits. Thank you to one and all for doing a great job as usual.

The weather this year has been both a blessing and a curse. We were blessed by a lovely sunny day for the show, but relentless heat and lack of rain has made gardening hard work this summer. The number of entries, particularly for the flower classes, was therefore lower than usual, but members rose to the occasion and entered what they could. Cup/Award winners this year were Richie Line, Paddy Winter, Betty Lewis, Stewart Hilton, Shirley Hobson, Monica Eastabrook, Sue Line, Hilary Ward and Sally Evans.

We had a steady stream of visitors during the afternoon and the stalls were busy. Members had donated cakes, plants and garden miscellany and the ice creams and barbecue were popular,

as well and tea and cake from the kitchen. Maggie Martin and the WI also had stalls. Unfortunately, we had a no show for the Indian food stall.

The raffle was popular, as usual, and we are very grateful to the following businesses for kindly donating prizes:- From the village; Dee Dee's Café, Findon Village Store, L&G Hair Company, The Black Horse, The Gun, The Sylvan Oak. From the valley; Anaz, Findon Flowers and Tesco Express.

Of course, a huge thank you goes to the committee (who not only help with organisation generally, but also set up the hall the evening before the show); the many volunteers who turn up early on show day to set up; the ladies who work so hard in the kitchen (gents – you are allowed to help in the kitchen too!); others helping out with setting up and clearing away. Without their assistance the show just wouldn't be possible. And last, but definitely not least, thank you to our members who worked hard putting together their various entries. Well done everybody.

It's a short break for everyone now, before starting to plan for next year's shows which are planned for 8<sup>th</sup> April and 5<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

**This month's Gardens Association meeting is on  
30<sup>th</sup> September, with Neil Hulme giving a talk on the Knepp  
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The volunteers are too numerous to mention, but we would like to thank the following for their generous sponsorship and support;

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## The Monarchs Way Singers

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When? Tuesday evenings 7:30-9:00 from 13th September (tbc)



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## Findon Planning Applications

Planning applications for Findon are under the authority of South Downs National Park and listed on the SDNPA website ([www.southdowns.gov.uk](http://www.southdowns.gov.uk)).

Findon Parish Council (FPC) Planning Committee meetings are scheduled monthly to consult on planning applications received from the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA). Parish Consultation Letters (PCL) received from the SDNPA are displayed on the Notice Boards outside the newsagents and the Village Hall, and published on the FPC website (<http://findonparishcouncil.gov.uk>) along with the schedule of Committee meeting dates.

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:



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### **Change of use of an equestrian paddock to a secure dog walking field with associated access and parking area**

Land North of Bost Hill Salvington  
Worthing West Sussex  
Ref. No: SDNP/22/03561/FUL

### **Ground floor extensions, replacement roof, garage conversion, new external wall finish and new integral garage**

Seven Beeches 23 School Hill Findon  
West Sussex BN14 0TR  
Ref. No: SDNP/22/03452/HOUS

### **Proposed detached residential garage and storage building with home/work office in roof space.**

Findon Court Findon Road Findon  
Worthing West Sussex BN14 0RA  
Ref. No: SDNP/22/03726/HOUS

**T1 - Lime, Tilia spp.: cut back main 3 branches in the upper crown which are overhanging the driveway, back to the hedge line - effectively by up to 3m; cut lower branches / established epicormic growth back to the hedge line, to create a uniform hedge**  
**T2 - Lime, Tilia spp. Reduce crown overhanging the garden - section to the east exhibits extended growth patterns, reduce this section by up to 3m; section to the south, reduce this by up to 2m, creating a uniform shape to the tree; cut epicormic shoots overhanging the garden to ground level.**  
**T3 - Lime, Tilia spp. reduce height by up to 3m; reduce height of established epicormic shoots by up to 2m**  
**Open for comment icon**

High Paddock Stable Lane Findon West  
Sussex BN14 0RR

Ref. No: SDNP/22/03762/TPO

## Village Hall Diary September 2022

For all booking enquiries please email Elaine Dibben, Booking Secretary on  
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Please contact organisers directly for further information about activities/classes. Their details are available on the Village Hall website - [www.findonvillagehall.net](http://www.findonvillagehall.net).

Weekly	Day	Time
Just Yoga	Monday 1st only	10:30am
Circle Dancing (fortnightly)	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup>	14.30pm
Keeping Fit with Enzo	Tuesday	9.15am <b>or</b> 15.15pm on 20 <sup>th</sup>
Lambstails	(Tuesday (13 <sup>th</sup> /27 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am
	(Sept 20 <sup>th</sup> at church	10.30am
You Yoga	Tuesday (not 9th)	18.00pm
Line Dancing	Wednesday	10.00am
Paracise	Wednesday	14.00pm
Strictly Dancing with Lisa	Wednesday (starts on 21 <sup>st</sup> )	19.00pm
Carpet Bowls	Thursday	14.00pm
Pilates	Thursday (starts on 8 <sup>th</sup> )	9.30/10.30/11.45am
Tai Chi	Friday	10:00am

Monthly	Date	Time
Tastevin	1 <sup>st</sup> September	19.00pm
Danceholics	4 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup> September	18.30pm
Findon Village WI	8 <sup>th</sup> September	19.30pm
Defibrillator/CPR Training*	7 <sup>th</sup> September	18.30 - 20.30pm
Art Workshop	10 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am
Parish Council Committee Meeting	12 <sup>th</sup> September	19.30pm
Meditation	15 <sup>th</sup> September	19.30pm
Film Night (Mamma Mia singalong)	16 <sup>th</sup> September	18.30pm
Bead Magicians	20 <sup>th</sup> September	10.00am – 3.00pm
Parish Council Planning Meeting	22 <sup>nd</sup> September	19.30pm
Dance of Awareness Workshop**	23 <sup>rd</sup> September	18.45 - 20.45pm
Light Lunch	27 <sup>th</sup> September	12.45pm
Findon Gardens Association	30 <sup>th</sup> September	19.30pm

\*Further details page 17    \*\* Further details page 23 & on Village Hall website

### Future Events and Dates for your Diary

Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Oct - Findon Village Store QAVS Award Ceremony

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Oct - Film Night - 6.30pm

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Nov - Dance of Awareness Workshop\*\*

Friday 11th September - Bright Lights Comedy Night 8pm

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Nov - Film Night – 6.30pm

# PARISH OF FINDON, CLAPHAM AND PATCHING

## SEPTEMBER 2022

All three Churches are open daily for private prayer.  
There is a 10.00am said Eucharist in Findon Church every Tuesday,  
and Morning Prayer every Wednesday and Friday at 9.00am.

<b>Sunday 4th September</b> 12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 10.00am 10.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Eucharist at Patching Worship & Praise at Findon with Findon musicians
<b>Sunday 11th September</b> 13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Clapham Eucharist at Findon
<b>Sunday 18th September</b> 14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30 am 10.00 am	Traditional Communion at Findon Eucharist at Findon Eucharist at Clapham
<b>Sunday 25th September</b> 15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Patching Harvest Festival at Findon

	 <p><b>Messy Church restarts after the Summer Holiday on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October</b> 3.30 - 5.30pm in Findon Village Hall</p>
<p>Baptisms:</p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> July – Ava Hudson 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Jacob Timm 10<sup>th</sup> July – Lottie Henton 17<sup>th</sup> July – Edith Avery 31<sup>st</sup> July – Hugo Fernandes</p> <p>Weddings:</p> <p>13<sup>th</sup> August – William Patrick and Natalie Wroe 20<sup>th</sup> August – Jordan Rollings and Elizabeth Bloxham 27<sup>th</sup> August – Joshua Gunson and Kerry O’Regan</p>	<p><b>Lambs Tails -</b></p> <p><b>Restarts again in early September</b></p> <p>Parent &amp; Toddler Group for babies, toddlers, &amp; parents/carers.</p> <p><b>Tuesday mornings</b> at 10.30am in Findon Village Hall, <b>every third Tuesday</b> at 11.00am in Findon Church.</p> <p>Contact Sue Stone: <a href="mailto:belgiumsue@hotmail.com">belgiumsue@hotmail.com</a></p> <div style="text-align: right;">  </div> <p><b>New Toddler Group – starting 15<sup>th</sup> September 2022</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Clapham &amp; Patching Village Hall</p> <p style="text-align: center;">9.15am - 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month</p>

Rev. Helena Buqué, Vicar, and Rev. Colin Cox, Associate Vicar:  
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