



# WHITFIELD PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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APRIL 2019

## WHAT'S ON IN APRIL

1 <sup>st</sup>	Painting Group	9.30am, Village Hall
1 <sup>st</sup>	Over 60's Club	1.30pm, Village Hall
1 <sup>st</sup>	Chair Yoga (Phone 07954 171153)	2.00pm, The Beeches, Cranleigh Drive
1 <sup>st</sup>	Dance Diva's (Childrens Dance Class – age 4 to 7 years)	5.15pm, Village Hall
1 <sup>st</sup>	Dance Diva's (Childrens Dance Class – age 8 + years)	6.00pm, Village Hall
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mixed Ability Yoga (Phone 07954 171153)	6.00pm, The Whitfield Social Club
1 <sup>st</sup>	Fitness is Fun (Phone 07557 397411)	6.30pm, Sports Pavilion, Cranleigh Drive
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mixed Ability Yoga (Phone 07954 171153)	7.15pm, The Whitfield Social Club
1 <sup>st</sup>	WI Craft Evening	7.30pm, Village Hall
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kyokushin Karate Class aged 5 years to 11 years	6.00pm, Whitfield and Aspen School
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kyokushin Karate Class aged 12 years to adult	7.00pm, Whitfield and Aspen School
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mixed Ability Yoga (Phone 07954 171153)	7.00pm, The Whitfield Social Club
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Modern Jive Class	8.00pm, Village Hall
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Poker League	8.00pm, The Whitfield Social Club
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Parkinson's UK Dover Group	10.30am, Village Hall
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Flash Dance (Age 8 to 17 years)	6.10pm, Village Hall
3 <sup>rd</sup>	WI Games Evening	7.00pm, Village Hall
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Clubercise (Keep Fit)	7.00pm, Village Hall
4 <sup>th</sup>	Farmers & Craft Market	8.30am to 12 noon, Village Hall
4 <sup>th</sup>	Breastfeeding Drop-in Group	10.00am, Childrens' Centre, The Linces
4 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library Visit	3.00pm to 4.00pm, Village Hall Car Park
4 <sup>th</sup>	Weight Watchers	4.30pm, Village Hall
4 <sup>th</sup>	Mixed Ability Yoga (Phone 07954 171153)	6.00pm, The Whitfield Social Club
4 <sup>th</sup>	Pound Fitness – Cardio Jam Session (Phone 07728 623322)	6.15pm, Dover Christ Church Academy
4 <sup>th</sup>	Zumba Class (07775 583744)	7.00pm, Whitfield Aspen Primary School
4 <sup>th</sup>	Ballroom and Sequence Dancing	8.00pm, Village Hall
7 <sup>th</sup>	Village Praise with Kidz Explorers	10.30am, Village Hall
7 <sup>th</sup>	Living Well Church Service	11.00am, Dover Christ Church Academy
7 <sup>th</sup>	Renewal Church – Big Lunch	12.30pm, Village Hall
8 <sup>th</sup>	Whitfield Gardeners' – The Social History of the Potato	7.30pm, Village Hall
9 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting	7.30pm, Sports Pavilion, Cranleigh Drive
10 <sup>th</sup>	Parkinson's UK Dover Group	10.30am, Village Hall
10 <sup>th</sup>	Whitfield WI	2.00pm, Village Hall
11 <sup>th</sup>	Farmers & Craft Market	8.30am to 12noon, Village Hall
11 <sup>th</sup>	Breathe Easy Support Group	2.00pm, Village Hall (Main Hall)
14 <sup>th</sup>	Renewal Church – Family Service	10.15am, Village Hall
14 <sup>th</sup>	Palm Sunday with Holy Communion	10.30am, St Peters' Church, Whitfield
14 <sup>th</sup>	Living Well Church Service	11.00am, Dover Christ Church Academy
15 <sup>th</sup>	Painting Group	9.30am, Village Hall
15 <sup>th</sup>	Over 60's Club	1.30pm, Village Hall
15 <sup>th</sup>	Machine Knitting Group	7.00pm, Village Hall
15 <sup>th</sup>	Whitfield Evening WI	7.30pm, Village Hall
17 <sup>th</sup>	Parkinson's UK Dover Group	10.30am, Village Hall
17 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Meeting of the Parish Council	7.30pm, Sports Pavilion, Cranleigh Drive
18 <sup>th</sup>	Farmers & Craft Market	8.30am to 12noon, Village Hall
18 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library Visit	3.00pm to 4.00pm, Village Hall Car Park
18 <sup>th</sup>	Maundy Thursday Service – Joint Parish Service	7.30pm, Shepherdswell
19 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday Service Around the Cross (followed by Hot Cross Buns)	10.30am, St Peters' Church, Whitfield
20 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Eve Service – Joint Parish Service	8.30pm, St Peter & St Paul, Eythorne
21 <sup>st</sup>	Renewal Church – Family Service	10.15am, Village Hall
21 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Day Holy Communion	10.30am, St Peters' Church, Whitfield
21 <sup>st</sup>	Living Well Church Service	11.00am, Dover Christ Church Academy
21 <sup>st</sup>	Village Litter Pick	10.30am, Meet at the Recreation Ground
24 <sup>th</sup>	Craft and Home Economics Guild	2.00pm, Village Hall
25 <sup>th</sup>	Farmers & Craft Market	8.30am to 12noon, Village Hall
28 <sup>th</sup>	Renewal Church – Family Service	10.15am, Village Hall
28 <sup>th</sup>	Joint Parish Service	10.30am, Coldred
28 <sup>th</sup>	Living Well Church Service	11.00am, Dover Christ Church Academy
29 <sup>th</sup>	Painting Group	9.30am, Village Hall
29 <sup>th</sup>	Over 60's Club	1.30pm, Village Hall
29 <sup>th</sup>	Dover Flower Club - Demonstration	7.15pm, Village Hall

## WEEKLY CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES – APRIL

Day	Event	Time and place
MONDAY	Chair Yoga (07954 171153)	2.00pm, the Beeches, Cranleigh Drive
	Dance Diva's – age 4 to 7	5.15pm, Village Hall
	Dance Diva's – age 8 +	6.00pm, Village Hall
	Yoga (07954 171153)	6.00pm, the Whitfield Club
	Fitness is Fun (07557 397411)	6.30pm, Sports Pavilion, Cranleigh Drive
TUESDAY	Yoga (07954 171153)	7.15pm, the Whitfield Club
	Kyokushin Karate Class aged 5 years to 11 years	6.00pm, Whitfield and Aspen School
	Kyokushin Karate Class aged 12 years to adult	7.00pm, Whitfield and Aspen School
	Yoga (07954 171153)	7.00pm, the Whitfield Club
	Modern Jive Class	8.00pm, Village Hall
WEDS	Poker League	8.00pm, the Whitfield Club
	Flash Dance – Dance / Fitness for age 8 to 17	6.10pm, Village Hall
	Fitness is Fun (07557 397411)	6.30pm, Sports Pavilion, Cranleigh Drive
	Clubercise (Keep Fit)	7.00pm, Village Hall
	THURSDAY	Breastfeeding Drop in Group
Weight Watchers		4.30pm, Village Hall
Fitness is Fun (07557 397411)		5.30pm, Sports Pavilion, Cranleigh Drive
Yoga (07954 171153)		6.00pm, the Whitfield Club
Pound Fitness (07728 623322)		6.15pm, Dover Christ Church Academy
Zumba Class (07775 583744)		7.00pm, Whitfield Aspen Primary School
Ballroom and Sequence Dancing		8.00pm, Village Hall
FRIDAY	Singing for Breathing	12.45pm, Village Hall

*If you would like your event included please supply details by the third Sunday of the month to  
Whitfield Parish Council, c/o 13 Joyes Close, Whitfield, Dover, Kent CT16 3LS  
Telephone: 01304 827416, e-mail: [whitfieldpc@btconnect.com](mailto:whitfieldpc@btconnect.com)*

### WHITFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

**In 2019 your Parish Council will be holding the following events....**

#### **Annual Parish Meeting**

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2019, 7.30pm, Sports Pavilion, Recreation Ground, Cranleigh Drive

#### **Children's Easter Egg Hunt**

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019, 12noon, Sports Pavilion

#### **Children's Halloween Party**

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019, 2.00pm, Sports Pavilion

#### **Children's Christmas Party**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019, 2.00pm, Sports Pavilion

Other events or activities may be added throughout the year.

For more information please contact the Parish Clerk, Jo Matcham, on 01304 827416 or by email at [whitfieldpc@btconnect.com](mailto:whitfieldpc@btconnect.com)

### Recreation Ground Dog Fouling Awareness Campaign

The Parish Council ran a 2-week campaign where we used Chalk Paint to highlight any Dog fouling that was not cleared up on the Recreation Grounds.

**We found that there were only a few such incidents and we had very little painting to do.**

What this has highlighted is that we do have responsible dog owners in Whitfield and maybe not such a big a problem as we thought... Well Done !!!

One Kind Parishioner even left doggie bags attached to the notice boards. Thank you, whoever you are. If you have any other ideas, please contact the Parish Clerk

Whitfield Parish Council invites all children (and their carers) to our free...

### ANNUAL CHILDRENS EASTER PARTY



**On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019, 12 noon,**  
at the Recreation Ground Sports Pavilion,  
Cranleigh Drive, Whitfield.

Come along and do some craft, decorate an egg, bring your Easter Bonnet and take part in the Easter Egg Hunt.

For more information please contact the Parish Clerk on 01304 827416

We look forward to seeing you there!

## Whitfield Parish Council's Annual Parish Meeting

7.30 pm on 17<sup>TH</sup> April 2019 -- at the Recreation Ground Sports Pavilion, Cranleigh Drive.

The Annual Parish or Town Meeting is a special meeting of the electorate where there is no prescribed format and is an opportunity for Parishioners to raise any issues and make suggestions to the Parish Council.

The Parish Council gives its Annual Report and Local groups are also invited to give updates on their activities throughout the past year. The meeting is open to all residents of the Parish.

### DOVER FLOWER CLUB



The April Meeting for the Dover Flower Club is on Monday April 29<sup>th</sup> 2019 at Whitfield Village Hall, 7.15pm.

There will be a floral demonstration by Ellouise Hesler Smith entitled 'The May Day Event'

Cost for guests £8.00, members are free.

Guests and new members are always welcome to our friendly club, for more information please contact Maureen Edmond – [Edmond.randm@talktalk.net](mailto:Edmond.randm@talktalk.net) or Janet Gray – [janetgray@btinternet.com](mailto:janetgray@btinternet.com)

### WHITFIELD WI ARE HOSTING A ....

#### WIT AND WISDOM QUIZ

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019, 7.30pm  
At Whitfield Village Hall.

The cost is £3.50 per person, please bring your own food and drink.



For more information call Wendy on 01304 822183

### NHS SERVICES

#### DOVER DISTRICT RESIDENTS HAVE A SAY !

In the near future there will be more significant changes in the way NHS services will be delivered in this area.

It is important that residents of Dover District have an equal say in the development of these changes. At two recent events discussing the introduction of Urgent Treatment Services (UTC's) in Southeast Kent, there was only one representative from Dover District, whereas there were double figures in those representing Deal and Shepway.

If you are already a member of your local surgeries Patient Participation Group (PPG) or a concerned resident who can spare a couple of hours every two months, PLEASE come and have your say at the next Forum on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019, 2pm to 4pm, at the Ark, Noah's Ark Road, Dover, CT17 0DD.

Numbers are restricted so if you would like to attend please call / email 03000 424169 or 07545 934705  
[southkentcoast.ccg@nhs](mailto:southkentcoast.ccg@nhs))

If you just want to find out more, please email [southkentcoast.ccg@nhs.net](mailto:southkentcoast.ccg@nhs.net) or phone 01233 618362 and become part of the HEALTH Network.

### ST PETER'S CHURCH WHITFIELD

Easter Services are as follows:

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Palm Sunday at 10.30am, St Peter's Church.**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Good Friday Service around the Cross at St Peter's.**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April – Easter Day Parish Communion by Extension, 10.30am.**

Services continue at St Peter's with the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in the Village Hall and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday's taking place in the Church. Some are communion, others are morning prayer – information is in the Notice Boards outside the Church, and information on the front of the Parish Council Newsletter.

For further information or enquiries regarding Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals please contact either Tina Parsons – Churchwarden on 01304 823312 or Richard Bates – Deputy Churchwarden on 01304 826833

# Summary of March 2019 Parish Council Meeting

(Full minutes available on the Website)  
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## Finance:

- The Finance Report for February was accepted

## Committees:

- Council noted the minutes of the Recreation and Amenities and the Planning Committee Meetings,

## Matters Arising

- The new swings for the 'old' play area are likely to be installed in May.
- Arrangements for the relocation of the Adult Gym Equipment are on-going.
- Delivery of the defibrillator for location at the Gateway Bowls Club is awaited.
- Specifications for the extension of the Pavilion garage project are in progress, prior to quotes being sought.
- The planned redecoration of the Sports Pavilion will be progressed over the next few months.
- Fly tipping in the Parish Council's waste bin is being investigated by DDC's Environmental Crime Dept.
- Staff pension contribution rate increase from April.
- That an incident of anti social behaviour at the Recreation Ground has been reported to the Police.
- Email sender information corrected to show as 'Whitfield Parish Council'

## Correspondence received regarding:

- A report of drivers leaving their vehicle engines running whilst stationary at school pick up time.
- Concerns regarding the construction traffic and road layout at Singledge Lane.
- Enquiries for booking the Sports Pavilion.
- Requests for inclusions in the Parish Newsletter.

## PCSO:

- The PCSO will hold 'Street Surgeries', with the times and locations posted on the Kent Police Twitter feed.

## Public Participation

- A member of the public raised the suggestion of dog waste bag distribution points.

## Reports DDC Councillor J. Back:

- Liaison with Bowman's Place residents and the developer in respect of play area provision and dog waste bins for the area at Field View Road.
- Southern Water Services have agreed to 'cap' the open tanks located at the Sandwich Road Pumping Station and also to install an Attenuation Tank.
- Dover District Council Cabinet has agreed a budget for Street Light provision / replacement.
- The new Leisure Centre has taken on over 1000 new memberships since its opening.
- There will be a new Head of Planning taking up post in 2 to 3 months.
- Enquiries regarding the parking restrictions / speed limit along Archers Court Road.

## DDC Councillor D. Hannent Reported:

- Enforcement action regarding the new junction to the construction site at Singledge Lane.
- The recent loss of power to properties following adverse weather conditions.
- Allocation of funds for future projects.

- The need for a new Community Building to serve the Parish.
- That a full planning permission application for the retirement village at Sandwich Road is awaited.

## KCC Councillor G. Lymer Reported:

- A reorganisation of Stroke services across Kent into three specialist hyper-acute Stroke Units.
- Kent County Council has approved a Council Tax increase of 4.99% for the 2019/20 budget.
- KCC to instigate a payment plan by instalments for the Young Person's Travel Pass .
- Plans to speed up planning decisions to realise Government target of 300,000 homes a year.

*(Full Details on website)*

## Reports from Representatives on the following

- DDC Town and Parishes Meeting.
- School Travel Committee Meeting.
- DDC Visitor & Tourism Strategy Workshop.
- KCC increase of the designated number at Whitfield Aspen Primary School.
- Imminent changes to Emergency health care provision with the implementation of Urgent Treatments Centre's across the NHS.

## Highways & Transportation Issues

- Concerns regarding the closure of part of Cranleigh Drive for a number of weeks.
- Issues regarding Singledge Lane closure and the construction site traffic.

## Parish Basic Allowance:

- Council agreed to increase the current allowance by the inflation rate.

## Request for Memorial Bench

- Updates given on plans for memorial benches on the Recreation Ground.

## Village Events

- Plans for the scheduled events progress through regular meetings of the events committee.
- **The annual Easter Egg Hunt will now take place on Thursday 18th April 2019 at 12 noon.**

## Any Other Business

- The Clerk advised Councillors of a recent incident involving a Glider landing on the Recreation Ground. It was noted that incidents of this kind are covered under the Parish Council Bylaws and are not permitted.
- The Clerk asked Councillors to note that following the Elections in May, Kent Association of Local Councils will be hosting a number of Dynamic Councillor training events. Dates will be circulated to Councillors for expression of interest.
- The Clerk reminded Councillors of the Parish Councillor Election timetable and signposted the website for obtaining Nomination Forms and information.
- The Clerk advised the Council of her proposed annual leave dates for June 2019.
- Councillor had been made aware of an incident of an injury on the Recreation Ground. More information is needed to investigate. Councillor was asked to advise the individual to contact the Clerk to report and record the matter.
- The Council discussed the need for provision of a Community / Service Building in the Parish. The Clerk is asked to write to Dover District Council to clarify the position.