

# Sparsholt Community Newsletter 2024

## Village Calendar

### September

Mon 2		School Autumn Term starts		
Thu 19	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Mosaic Room Memorial Hall	<a href="#">Nicky Breen</a>
Sun 22	10:00	Annual Pet Service	Woodman Close Green	<a href="#">Sally Wesley</a>
Sun 29	09:00	Ham Green Volunteers Meet	Ham Green Car Park	<a href="#">Malcolm Hewson</a>

### October

Sat 5	10:00	Churchyard Cleanup	St Stephen's Church	<a href="#">Sally Wesley</a>
Sat 12	19:30	Harvest Supper	Memorial Hall	<a href="#">Sally Wesley</a>
Sun 13	10:00	Harvest Festival Service	St Stephen's Church	<a href="#">Sally Wesley</a>
Thu 17	19:30	Parish Council Meeting (Planning)	Mosaic Room Memorial Hall	<a href="#">Nicky Breen</a>
Fri 25		School Breaks for Half Term		
Sun 27		Summer Time ends (clocks BACK 1 hour)		
Sun 29	09:00	Ham Green Volunteers Meet	Ham Green Car Park	<a href="#">Malcolm Hewson</a>
Thu 31		Halloween		

### Police and Crime Commissioner Newsletter



<https://mailchi.mp/hampshire/ask-a-question-julys-news-donna-jones-16204764?e=9c332550fa>

### Shop and Post Office

Shop event on evening of Friday 8th November - detail to be advised.

### Sparsholt Music Concert

The next Concert is at 3pm on Sunday 24th November in The Memorial Hall.

### Next Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting is on **19th September 2024** at 7.30pm.

Council meetings will take place in the Mosaic Room at the Memorial Hall Sparsholt.

### New Parish Councillor

The Parish Council are pleased to welcome Sam Culhane who has agreed to become a Parish Councillor.

### Solar Farm Planning Application

The Solar Farm Application has been referred back to Winchester City Council Planning Committee for reconsideration on 25th September. The Parish Council has reiterated its objection as "Not against solar energy but this is the wrong location".

You can comment on WCC Planning webpage using reference 23/01025/FUL

### Village WhatsApp Group

Sign up if you haven't already joined the group. See last page for details.

### Avoiding Phone Scams

Met Police Video...

[Little Guide to Avoiding IMPERSONATION FRAUD \(subtitles & sign\).mp4 on Vimeo](#)

## Winchester Local Plan



### *A message from our City Councillor:*

We have an urgent and important opportunity to comment on the Winchester District Draft Reg 19 Local Plan and the proposed National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) consultation which is driving the Government's request for an additional 4,800 houses in our district.

### Proposed Submission Local Plan – consultation open until 13 October.

The WCC consultation is now open, and you can find all the information on the local plan website [Have your say - Winchester District Local Plan](#).

Comments are being collected using Citizenspace (online survey software) – this way we can be sure they are received in the right format for the planning inspector – as at Regulation 19, comments received during consultation are also sent to the Inspector.

We also have three drop-in sessions during September:

- Winchester: 11 September 3-6pm, The Nutshell Theatre, Kings Walk SO23 8AF
- Wickham: 17 September 3.30pm – 7.30pm, Wickham Community Centre, Mill Lane, PO17 5AL
- Sutton Scotney: 25 September 3.30pm – 7.30pm, The Victoria Hall, Wonston Road, SO213GX

### Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system.

This consultation is seeking views on the government's proposed approach to revising the NPPF. It also seeks views on a series of wider national planning policy reforms. Details can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/proposed-reforms-to-the-national-planning-policy-framework-and-other-changes-to-the-planning-system>

You can respond online or send comments to [PlanningPolicyConsultation@communities.gov.uk](mailto:PlanningPolicyConsultation@communities.gov.uk). This consultation closes at 11:45pm on 24 September 2024

Many thanks.

Kind regards,

**Caroline Horrill**

Councillor for Wonston & Micheldever Ward  
Winchester City Council

## WINCHESTER HERITAGE OPEN DAYS



It's fun, fabulous and FREE!

**Friday 6 - Sunday 15 September 2024**

This year we celebrate the 9th annual Winchester Heritage Open Days festival, returning from the 6th to the 15th of September 2024! The festival celebrates Routes, Networks and Connections, focusing on the development of communication and transport. This festival will focus on the development of communication and transport as well as offer an opportunity to explore your own heritage through our free events within Winchester and the greater Hampshire area.

Winchester Heritage Open Days offers a variety of events designed for everyone, whether you have a special interest in history, you're looking to take part in local community activities, or you just want a fun day out with friends and family. This year's festival has over 180 fantastic free events taking place across our ten day festival. From compelling talks on history and picturesque tours around Hampshire to family friendly workshops and crafts, take a look at our programme below and connect to your history!

Winchester College: Talks & Tours | Hampshire Regency Dancers | Abbey House Open Day | Talbot House History | Hampshire Chronicle Open Day | Flora Twort's War: A Talk by Wendy Couchman | Winchester Military Museums | The Great Hall with the Westgate Museum Open Day | Hampshire Regency Dancers | Chesil Theatre Open Day | Talks at the ARC | Researching Early Black History: A Talk by Cheryl Butler | Hyde 900: | Vintage Buses | Bullington Church Fete | Tithe Tours | MG Owners Club Classic & Sports Car Display & Parade | Fishy Fun | Winchester Today, Winchester Yesterday | Winchester Muse Poetry | Winchester City Museum | Classic and Sports Car Parade | Winchester City Mill | Tile Making | Hampshire Histbites | Hospital of St Cross | Winchester Cathedral | Hursley House

For more details and to view the full programme of events please visit the website: [www.winchesterheritageopendays.org](http://www.winchesterheritageopendays.org)

Hampshire History Trust, which coordinates the Winchester Heritage Open Days programme of free events, is grateful to its lead sponsor Winchester College, and also to Hampshire County Council, Winchester City Council, Winchester BID, Belgarum, Warren & Sons, ADAM Architecture, Urban Green, Andrew Smith & Son, Peter Marsh Consulting

## Sparsholt 100 Club Summer Draw

### Two records and two causes to celebrate!

The 100 Club summer draw held at the Plough on Friday 9th August produced quite a surprise with Ali Walters winning first prize for the second draw in a row. Ali was delighted to acknowledge her extraordinary luck by generously donating the £150 winnings this time to Friends of St Stephen's Church. Gift aid relief will also be added to the donation so many thanks indeed to Ali.

Winners of the second prize of £50 each were Harriet Bridgeman, Andrew Page and Gill Steel.

The next draw will be held at the Harvest Supper in the Memorial Hall on Saturday 12th October.

The 100 Club Committee is also pleased to report that we now have a record 68 members. Since the inception of the 100 Club in 2017 the membership has grown steadily as more parishioners learn about the Club and its important contribution to maintaining St. Stephen's Church that sits majestically at the heart of the village. Ian Hay, who with others was instrumental in setting up the Club, had an active role as membership secretary and with his sad passing the Committee is seeking a parishioner to join them and help with this important role.

The 100 Club Committee meet just once or twice a year whilst the committee members support each other in holding the quarterly prize draws and signing up new members. In addition to welcoming new members, the membership secretary maintains the list of members and communicates with everyone on the quarterly prize draws. If you are interested in helping in this way or would like to discuss the role please do get in touch with one of the Committee members, Stewart Wooles, Chris Anderson, Fred Blakemore or myself.

In 2023 over £17,000 was incurred in the repair and maintenance of St Stephen's Church with the expenditure met by the Friends of St Stephen's Church charity and Sparsholt 100 Club.

If you have yet to join the 100 Club please do get in touch with a Committee member. The monthly subscription to the lottery is £10 and will enter you into our quarterly prize draw. Every member counts!

#### Malcolm Hewson

Treasurer  
malcolmhewson@btinternet.com  
07500 641382



# St Stephen's Church

Date	St. Stephen's Church, Sparsholt
15 <sup>th</sup> September	8am – Holy Communion (BCP)
22 <sup>nd</sup> September	10am – Pet Service on the Green in Woodman Close (see below)*
13 <sup>th</sup> October	10am – Harvest Festival (see below)**
20 <sup>th</sup> October	8am – Holy Communion (BCP)
27 <sup>th</sup> October	10am – Morning Worship
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	6pm – All Souls (see below)***
10 <sup>th</sup> November	10.55am – Remembrance Sunday Service starting on the Memorial Green, then continuing in Church
17 <sup>th</sup> November	8am – Holy Communion (BCP)
24 <sup>th</sup> November	10am – Morning Worship

If you would like to go to a Church Service on one of the Sundays when there is no Service in St. Stephen's, here is the normal rota across the Benefice:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in the month: 10am Morning Prayer at Chilbolton  
10am Holy Communion at Crawley  
4pm Café Church in Littleton Church Room
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in the month: 10am Family Communion at Littleton  
10am Morning Prayer at Wherwell

In addition, because there are 5 Sundays in September, there will be a 10am Holy Communion Service at Chilbolton on 29<sup>th</sup> September for the whole Benefice.

## The Annual Pet Service

The annual **Pet Service** will be held **on the Green in Woodman Close on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September** at 10.00 a.m.

Bring your Pets (and a chair to sit on)! If you don't have a pet, still come to see the animals, bring a cuddly animal toy, join in the Service & enjoy the refreshments

## Sparsholt Harvest Festival

### Sparsholt Harvest Festival on Sunday 13th October at 10.00am in St. Stephen's Church

Please join us to celebrate the Harvest and provide goods for The Winchester Beacon. Harvest Festival provides The Beacon with an invaluable opportunity to replenish its food & household stocks for the year ahead.

To help you decide what to donate, The Beacon staff have put together a list of the items they need most. They have limited storage which means they try to focus on the things they really need:

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| Instant coffee   | Canned meats (spam, curries, stewed meats, chilli, corned beef) |
| Cereals          | Tinned custard  |
| Granulated sugar | Biscuits  |
| Squash           | Toilet rolls  |
| Pot noodles      | Table sauces (ketchup, brown sauce, mayo and salad cream)       |

The Beacon has also requested various meat items which would not be suitable for bringing to, or leaving in, the Church. If you would like to consider providing assistance towards the purchase of fresh or frozen meat items, a financial donation would be more suitable, allowing The Beacon staff to use it to buy the meat, as and when they need it. Please pass any such financial donations to Sally Wesley, stating that it is for The Beacon meat fund.

## St. Stephen's Churchyard Cleanup

We are having a Churchyard Cleanup on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October** from 10am to 1pm. Please come and join us to help keep the Churchyard looking tidy and a pleasure to visit. It is advisable to bring your own gardening tools and a garden waste bag. Please let Sally know if you are planning to attend as elevenses and lunch will be provided.

## All Souls Service

### All Souls Service in St. Stephen's Church at 6pm on Sunday 3rd November

All are welcome to come along to our All Souls Service. It is a very peaceful Service and a good occasion to remember those we love who are no longer with us. During the Service, the names of all those whom you have asked to be remembered in this Service will be read aloud. You will also be able to light a candle in memory of your loved ones. If you would like to have a name read out during this Service, please contact Sally Wesley on [sally.wesley@btinternet.com](mailto:sally.wesley@btinternet.com) to give her the name(s), by 27<sup>th</sup> October.

## Sparsholt Harvest Supper



On Saturday, **12<sup>th</sup> October** 2024 in Sparsholt Memorial Hall at 7.00 p.m. for 7.30 p.m.

Tickets, for a 2 course meal, are £15 each or £30 for a family of 4 with children under the age of 14.

They will be available from 2nd September from Sparsholt Village Shop or Sally Wesley (776476).

The deadline for buying tickets is 7<sup>th</sup> October. Please let Sally know about dietary requirements in advance ([sally.wesley@btinternet.com](mailto:sally.wesley@btinternet.com)).

It's a chance to eat, drink and be merry with your friends and neighbours.

There will be a little light entertainment during the evening.

Don't forget to bring cash for drinks and the raffle!



Hampshire Medical Fund aim to raise funds to buy cutting-edge medical equipment for Andover War Memorial Hospital, the Royal Hampshire County Hospital in Winchester, and Basingstoke & North Hampshire Hospital. Ticket proceeds from the following events go directly towards securing essential equipment for our local hospitals.

Please join us

Hampshire Medical Fund  
**Christmas Fair**

2024

SHOP, EAT AND MEET WITH FRIENDS

**Thursday 14th Nov 18.30 - 21.00**  
**Friday 15th Nov 9.30 - 16.00**

Black Chalk Winery, Cottonworth SP11 7JX

All ticket proceeds go to the Hampshire Medical Fund, raising money to purchase cutting edge medical equipment for your local Hampshire Hospitals

[www.hampshiremedicalfund.org](http://www.hampshiremedicalfund.org)

  
HAMPSHIRE  
MEDICAL FUND

  
ANGELA BARNES

  
LAURA LEXX

  
GARY DELANEY

  
HOSTED BY  
JAMES ALDERSON

**LIVE**  
at the  
*Vineyard*

BUY TICKETS  
ENTRY FROM 17.00

**16 NOVEMBER 2024**  
18.00 - 22.30

Black Chalk Winery  
Andover, SP11 7JX

Ticket includes a locally sourced two course meal  
All proceeds go towards the Hampshire Medical Fund

PROUDLY SUPPORTING  HAMPSHIRE MEDICAL FUND  
The charity buying tomorrow's equipment today

\*Images subject to change

# SPARSHOLT COMMUNITY CONTACTS

## Parish Councillors

Sue Wood	Chair & Transport & Highways	chair@sparsholtparish.org transport@sparsholtparish.org highways@sparsholtparish.org	01962 776255
Mark Himbury	Memorial Hall	memorialhall@sparsholtparish.org	07956 371433
John Cooper	Footpaths & Ham Green	footpaths@sparsholtparish.org	01962 776753
John Little	Deputy Chair & Communications	deputy@sparsholtparish.org communications@sparsholtparish.org	01962 776249
Nigel Reid	Sparsholt Shop	shop@sparsholtparish.org	01962 776244
Jonathan Walthoe	Security	security@sparsholtparish.org	07752 390536
David Brown	Playground	playground@sparsholtparish.org	01962 776182
Sam Culhane		councillor2@sparsholtparish.org	07957 804618
Nicola Breen	Clerk	clerk@sparsholtparish.org	01962 776909 07714614662

**Please note there is a vacancy for one councillor please contact Chair or Clerk for further information.**

## City Councillors

Caroline Horrill	CHorrill@winchester.gov.uk	01962 776844
Stephen Godfrey	sgodfrey@winchester.gov.uk	01962 884477
Patrick Cunningham	pcunningham@winchester.gov.uk	01962 883887

## County Councillor

Jan Warwick	jan.warwick@hants.gov.uk	07717104236
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## Member of Parliament

Danny Chambers	danny.chambers.mp@parliament.uk	01962 868586
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## WHATSAPP: SUPPORT GROUP VOLUNTEERS

To join the Sparsholt Parish WhatsApp group please contact - [communications@sparsholtparish.org](mailto:communications@sparsholtparish.org)

Please provide your mobile number to be added to the group.

## Police Contacts

PCSO 15075 Michelle Wilkinson – 07901102292

PCSO 13466 Kerry Croutear – 07976962677

PC 28364 Victoria McCallum – 07795454351

The Winchester Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team email address is [winchester.rural.police@hampshire.police.uk](mailto:winchester.rural.police@hampshire.police.uk)

## WEBSITES

Sparsholt Parish: <http://www.sparsholtparish.org/>

Sparsholt Shop: [http://www.sparsholtparish.org/Our\\_Shop](http://www.sparsholtparish.org/Our_Shop)

Downs Benefice: <http://www.downsbenefice.org/>

## VILLAGE CALENDAR

The Calendar can be viewed at:

<http://www.sparsholtparish.org/Calendar>

Please send updates to:

[sparsholt.newsletter@sparsholtparish.org](mailto:sparsholt.newsletter@sparsholtparish.org)

## Ham Green Conservation Group

Malcolm Hewson [malcolmhewson@btinternet.com](mailto:malcolmhewson@btinternet.com)

## Sparsholt Oil Syndicate

John Wesley [johnr.wesley@btinternet.com](mailto:johnr.wesley@btinternet.com)

## Neighbourhood Watch

Sparsholt Neighbourhood Watch coordinator is Jonathan Walthoe. Please contact: [security@sparsholtparish.org](mailto:security@sparsholtparish.org)

## Aluminium Recycling Bin

Bin is located by the side of the shop behind the phone box.

**Note:**

**Only Aluminium (no tin or plastic) and please crush cans.**

## New to Sparsholt or if you have a New Neighbour

If you are new to Sparsholt or have a new neighbour, please let Sally Wesley know so that a Sparsholt Welcome booklet can be delivered [sally.wesley@btinternet.com](mailto:sally.wesley@btinternet.com)

## Copy Deadline next Edition

This is your newsletter so please contribute items of interest, news of events, offers to help and/or photographs. The deadline for the next edition is **27th September 2024** please submit all items to [sparsholt.newsletter@sparsholtparish.org](mailto:sparsholt.newsletter@sparsholtparish.org)