

# CHAVEY DOWN NEWS AND VIEWS

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## Happy New Year

We very much hope that you all managed to celebrate Christmas and New Year with your family and friends and stayed safe from this awful virus. This Christmas break did finally give some level of normality to our usual celebrations, although we know some travel plans might have been disrupted!

One lovely tradition that we were all able to fully enjoy in the village was the Christmas light display in Long Hill Road. This year George and Brenda Howe were able to collect money for the Guide Dogs for the Blind and raised an impressive £4650. With so much of the usual Christmas traditions and outings still missing from our lives, it was a welcome sight to have these back in their full glory.



## Parking

There have been a number of concerns raised about vehicles being parked along Long Hill Road which are severely limiting/blocking visibility to other vehicles. This is particularly prevalent near to the corners of Church Road and North Road especially when people have parked their vehicle entirely on the pavement. This is extremely dangerous for those trying to walk along the pavement or exit Church and North Roads who are having to inch out slowly to avoid oncoming vehicles (and sometimes having to reverse back into the roads from which they are exiting because they cannot see traffic). We recognise that parking has always been a problem in the village but please can we ask you to be considerate of your neighbours and not park your vehicle where it causes obstruction. We are concerned that it is only a matter of time before there will be an accident.

## St Martin's Church Car park

Residents are reminded that the car park is provided for Church and Hall users. From the end of January the Hall will be in frequent use and movement in and out of the car park, as well as the use of parking spaces, will be made more difficult if residents' vehicles are present.

We would also like to highlight the opportunity for residents to book use of the Church Hall for evening and weekend functions and parties. Do take advantage of this resource on our doorstep!

## North and Church Roads – partial one-way

As there are several residents who have moved into North and Church Roads in the last two or three years, we feel it would be useful to remind everyone how the one-way plugs operate. The plugs prevent vehicles from entering either road from the Long Hill Road end but the roads themselves are two-way for their whole lengths, except for the plugs.

This system was introduced by the Council after a lot of campaigning by the Association, to prevent the two-way rat-running which used to clog the road, especially during morning rush hour.

## Winkfield Neighbourhood Development Plan

We are nearly there! The Winkfield NDPs purpose is to make planning policies that can be used to help determine planning applications in our area. Its policies aim to protect the special character of the Parish and encourage development that benefits the local community. Nearly there, despite delays have been out of our control due to Covid, Government elections, change of Government legislation, potential change of boundaries, workload at Bracknell Forest Council, and change of consultants. We can now advise that we are reaching the end of this very long journey. The final steps are that the NDP Draft Plan and supporting documents and maps are going through a final check by a specialist NDP consultant before its final submission to Bracknell Forest Council for final ratification, having already seen one draft version. Once ratified by BFC, they will then contact residents of Winkfield for the final consultation process. We very much hope that you will take part in this consultation as this affects the area in which you live and it is your opportunity to comment, support or object.

The Winkfield Neighbourhood Development Plan covers all of the following topics: Design & Character, Housing, Community, Business/Employment, Green Infrastructure and Environment and Highways, Parking and Traffic. If you are interested in finding out more, prior to the final consultation, go to <http://winkfieldnp.org/>

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## Planning

21/01165/FUL – **37 North Road**. Installation of loft conversion including dormer to rear elevation and 2 no. rooflights to front elevations, enlarged side facing window and part garage conversion.

21/01164/FUL – **37 North Road**. Erection of single storey outbuilding forming garden office.

21/01177/PAH – **37 North Road**. Application for prior approval for the erection of single storey rear extension.

19/00009/OUT Outline application for the erection of 4 no dwellings at **Mushroom Castle**. Pending consideration.

20/00001/FUL **The Royal Hunt, North Ascot**. Erection of 8 no 1 bedroom flats with associated parking following demolition of existing buildings. Approved (with Legal Agreement).

20/00503/FUL **Ascot Priory (St David's & St Christopher's)**. Alterations and extensions to St David's Nursing Home following demolition of non-original buildings. Extension to St Christopher's Care Home. Conversion of the South Wing and undercroft to provide 10 no. apartments. Associated works including car parking and landscaping. Pending consideration.

21/00220/FUL **Conifers, Long Hill Road**. Replacement of existing post and rail fence with 1.9M -1.0M variable height close boarded fence. Pending consideration.

21/00287/FUL **Palm Hills London Road**. Installation of remedial measures comprising a landfill gas ventilation barrier along northern site boundary. Pending consideration.

21/00772/REM – **Palm Hills London Road**. Reserved matters application following successful appeal against refusal of outline application.

21/00321/FUL **Firs Cottage Long Hill Road**. Demolition of existing detached double garage and erection of 2 bedroom detached dwelling with associated amenity space, parking provision and widening of existing vehicular access. Pending consideration.

21/00868/FUL **Larkfield Chavey Down Road**. Erection of 9 No. new dwellings and associated works following the demolition of 1. No existing dwelling. Pending consideration.

## Communications from the CDA

Three times a year we distribute, by hand, a newsletter to every house in Chavey Down. For those residents who are members of the Association we also send out regular emails to those to provide us with an email address, updating residents on subjects that are relevant to us such as activities that are happening in the village or locality, community champion updates, information from Thames Valley Police, Winkfield Parish or Bracknell Forest Councils which may be of interest or may affect us.

We wanted to take a moment to check in with you all to see whether this is the best way of communicating with you. Do you read these printed newsletters? Would you prefer them to be emailed? Would you prefer a Chavey Down Facebook page to members of the Association? We know that some people in the village do not have emails so we really want to hear from you too. Please let us know your thoughts/suggestions by contacting the CDA at 38 North Road or emailing us at the email address above.

## Chavey Down Association AGM

We are hoping that we will be able to hold the Chavey Down Association AGM (and annual update) this year and, subject to no Government restrictions in force at the time, we are planning on holding this on **Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 7.30 pm**. Please be assured that we will be following all health and safety protocols on distancing, spaced seating, the wearing of face masks, etc.

All members of the Association and residents of the village are welcome to attend. Our AGM is always attended by our local Borough and Parish Councillors, and it gives us a great opportunity to discuss pressing matters. Please do put the date in your diary and come along and join us an informative and enjoyable evening and the opportunity to catch up with friends and neighbours.

## Proposals for Alterations to the rules

Members may submit proposals for alterations to the rules of the Association. These must be received by the Secretary by the last day of February 2022. No proposals can be taken after this date or at the AGM. The current rules are on the CDA website which is [www.chaveydown.co.uk](http://www.chaveydown.co.uk).

## Nominations to Stand for the CDA committee

Our rules require us to seek nominations for the 4 officer positions (Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer) and up to 7 other members. If you wish to nominate someone, then your nomination must reach the Secretary by the last day of February 2022 (by email or to 38 North Road). If you are nominating someone, they must be a member and please ask their permission first. We are keen to welcome new volunteers so if anyone is interested in joining us, please do contact us using the email above or telephone the Secretary on 886903.