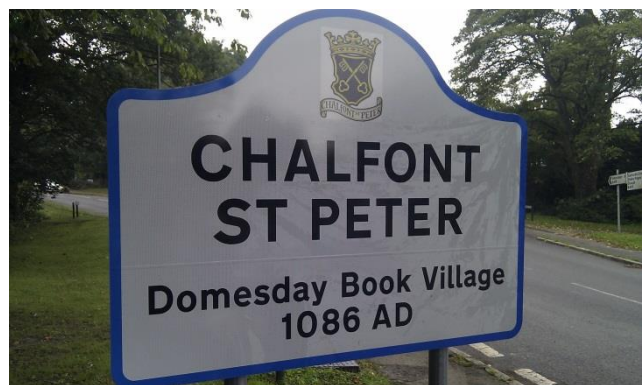


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**Chalfont St Peter Village Voice - March 2016**

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**MASSIVE New Development Plan - Green Belt Threatened**

**SENSE4CSP** is working in partnership with your Parish Council for a better deal for Chalfont St Peter. There is a meeting on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March, in the CofE Academy in Church Lane**. Councils are now jointly developing a new Local Plan which identifies areas for development for the period 2015 to 2036. The new plan will include a much larger development quota in Chalfont St Peter. This means our precious green belt is under sustained attack by the government and the developers.

With Chiltern District Council's Core Strategy (up to 2026) no longer in place, the District Councils of Chiltern and South Bucks are currently consulting on a new Joint Local Plan, to cover local development from 2014 to 2036. This new plan has to include an even larger development quota than the Core Strategy did – this means our surrounding green belt is under direct threat.

The impact on Chalfont St Peter could be devastating – the sites that have been put forward for discussion by CDC equate to over 50% of the current built area of our village.

*Please consult CDC's website to see this new Joint Local Plan consultation document. The maps on pages 38 and 49 of this document show the proposed sites in CSP. (A hard copy is available to view in our library)*

Our residents must now decide what development our village can manage, where we want this development to go and what type of development we would like. Proper consideration of the issues across the entire district, as well as in CSP, is essential.

*This public consultation started on 18th January and will run until 5pm on the 14th March, when all representations must be logged with CDC.*

Our village volunteers are already stretched, and we need assistance with this vital project if to manage it well. If you agree that CSP must protect the green belt as far as possible, and manage the impact of essential development in our village, please consider offering your assistance for the following 6 weeks to help prepare CSP's response. If you work fulltime and are not able to assist, please at least volunteer to assist with leaflet distribution in your immediate area. The small working party of 8 volunteers cannot do this alone...

Offers of assistance can be made by emailing the Parish Council clerk, Debbie Evans at [clerk@chalfontstpeter-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@chalfontstpeter-pc.gov.uk). *(Please note that Debbie and her staff are working against the clock on this consultation and will not be able to engage in correspondence)*

If you wish to remain informed as we move forwards, please ensure that you join SENSE4CSP's mailing list (by sending an email titled 'Subscribe' to [object@sense4csp.org](mailto:object@sense4csp.org)). You can also consult their Facebook page, the Parish Council's Facebook page, its Twitter account or their website.

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**FAIRTRADE COFFEE MORNING** In the Parish Church Hall, Church Lane. - 10am – 2.30pm on Saturday, **2<sup>nd</sup> March**. Soup and Roll lunches available! Please support them.

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**MARIO'S BARBER SHOP** has opened in the High Street, opposite Budgens car park in the comfortably refurbished premises. Mario, who lives in Chalfont St Peter, has over 22 years' experience and offers a high quality service which includes luxury shaving. Opening times are 8.30am – 6pm, but the shop is closed on Sunday and Wednesday. It is nice to have the shop occupied again.

**THE Gerrards Cross Sailing Association ("GXSA")**, we hope you will join us

The association was formed in 1965 and has around 180 members. Their maritime interests are extensive and relate to anything that floats of various genre, the related technology, history, places of interest and world- wide destinations. Members may actively cruise, race, charter or simply potter on the river - others mostly enjoy the camaraderie of the weekly talks and social events.

Meetings are held during the autumn and spring on Wednesday evenings at the Memorial Centre in Gerrards Cross. The large modern hall and bar opens at 7.30pm to enable members and guests to meet informally before and after the meetings. Talks start at 8:15pm and typical attendances are between 70 and 90. Visitors are very welcome - £5.

Each meeting is normally an illustrated talk presented either by an invited professional speaker or member. Topics are wide ranging and amongst others include yacht cruising, seamanship, navigation, meteorology and environmental issues. Past programmes can be seen on the programme page on the web site.

The next talk is: **Wednesday 2nd March** - Linda Crewe-Gee - /Girl's Guide to the Southern Ocean  
Linda Crewe-Gee realised a dream when she joined Tecla, a traditional Dutch tall ship, for a voyage from Auckland across the Southern Ocean via Cape Horn to the Falkland Islands. Although no novice, this was very different from the sort of sailing Linda had previously experienced. The four permanent crew and nine volunteers needed true teamwork, a lot of energy, and occasionally no little nerve. Wild weather, hard physical work and odd mishaps notwithstanding, the voyage fulfilled her friend's parting blessing: /"May the ocean be beautiful, awesome and kind"./ Come and hear her inspiring story.

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#### **The Good Citizen Award Scam**

**This is a message sent via Thames Valley Alert. This information has been sent on behalf of Action Fraud (National Fraud Intelligence Bureau)\* <<https://www.actionfraudalert.co.uk>>**

#### **ACTION Fraud** (Action Fraud, Administrator, National)

Action Fraud has been receiving reports of an advanced fee fraud whereby suspects phone a member of the public and claim to be calling on behalf of the UK (or British) Government Grant Department.

They go on to state that the individual has won a Good Citizen Award – of typically £8,000 – and that the grant can be released for a fee (of around £210). Fortunately, very few members of the public have lost any money as a result of this scam but have reported to Action Fraud in order to help build a picture of this fraud and protect others from falling victim to it.

#### **Protect yourself**

There is no genuine 'Good Citizen Award' scheme in the UK that operates by cold calling "winners" and asking for an upfront fee to release a grant.

If you receive a call that claims to represent such a scheme, it is a scam. End the phone call – do not give out any personal or financial data.

If you, or anyone you know, have been affected by this fraud or any other scam, report it to Action Fraud by calling 0300 123 2040 or visiting [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk)<<http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/>> [crafts@workaid.org](mailto:crafts@workaid.org)

**DRIVERS REQUIRED** [www.bucksvision.co.uk](http://www.bucksvision.co.uk) <http://www.bucksvision.co.uk> \*CHALFONT DIVISION\*

DO you have an hour to spare twice a month? Bucksvision is a local charity for the blind and partially sighted and they are looking for volunteer drivers.

They hold social meetings twice a month and require drivers to collect members from their homes and take them to the meetings in Chalfont St Giles. They cover Chalfont St Giles, Chalfont St Peter, Little Chalfont, Seer Green, and Jordans.

If you are interested, please contact Val Robbins (01753 885752) OR Janet Holding (01494 872525).

**CALCOT MEDICAL CENTRE, Chalfont St Peter - job vacancies**

**\_Receptionist\_**

Calcot Medical Centre is looking for an approachable, confident person required to work Monday and Friday afternoons 1-6pm and additional cover as required.

We are a friendly team, working under pressure. You will need to have a calm, approach and have excellent communication skills.

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**\_Experienced Medical Secretary/PA\_**

Hours: 34 hours

Mon, Weds & Thurs 8.30am – 17.30pm

Tues & Fri 8.30 – 13.30

Dr Allan & Partners are looking to recruit an experienced, skilled and motivated Medical PA to work in a GP Surgery. The applicant needs to be able to work efficiently in our strong and dynamic team to provide secretarial support to a personal list of patients alongside their GP and the Nursing team.

We are a friendly team, working under pressure. You will need to have a calm, flexible approach and have excellent communication skills.

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To request an application form for either of these roles, please send your CV and covering letter by 26th February 2016 to [sonia.szlachcic@nhs.net](mailto:sonia.szlachcic@nhs.net) <<mailto:sonia.szlachcic@nhs.net>> or please write to:

Miss Sonia Szlachcic, Practice Manager, Dr Allan & Partners, Hampden Road, Chalfont St Peter, Gerrards Cross, Bucks SL9 9SA



**Maureen Marsh has created this lovely card that can be used for many occasions. It can be purchased from Chalfont Office Direct in Market Place.**

## **WORKAID Spring Programme, 2016**

**Wed 6 Apr 10 - 12.00:** Crafts and Coffee Saturday 9 and 30 April 10.00 - 3.00pm:

**Create a Sketchbook, Janet Edmonds - £50.00** Wed 20 April 10.00 - 12.00:

**Willow Weaving for Beginners, Anita Osborne - £6.00**

**Wed 4 May 10.00 - 12.00: Crafts and Coffee**

**Thurs 12 & 26 May and 9 & 23 June: A Stitch a Day, Janet Edmonds - £60.00**

**Wed 18 May 10.00 - 12.00: Love Token Heart Book, Paula Watkins - £6.00**

**Wed 1 Jun 10.00 - 12.00: Crafts and Coffee**

**15 June 10.00 - 12.00: Beautiful Wire Insects, Sue Taylor - £6.00**

**All sessions include tea, coffee & biscuits**

**Venue is WORKAID, The Old Boot Factory, 71 Townsend Road, Chesham, HP5 2AA 01494 775220.**

**A warm welcome to everyone**

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### **CAN YOU HELP**

**On Monday 15th February 2016 between 5.10 pm and 5.25 pm a burglary occurred at Sandy Rise, Chalfont St Peter. The offenders have gained access and stolen electrical equipment.**

**If you saw or heard anything suspicious in the area of Sandy Rise please contact PC 5348 Nick O'Hara, Taplow Local CID via the Thames Valley Police non-emergency number, 101 and quote crime reference 43160045803.**

**If you don't want to speak directly to the police you can contact the independent charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 101 or online at [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org) <<http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org/>>**

**No personal details are taken, information is not traced or recorded and you will not go to court.**

**Please consider a few simple prevention steps to your property:**

- 1. Keep windows and doors shut, locked and in good condition**
- 2. Property mark your valuables with a UV pen or forensic property marking kit, then register on [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com) <<http://www.immobilise.com/>>. Make a note of all model numbers and serial numbers of all electrical items.**
- 3. Use a timer switches to make your home look occupied in the evenings**
- 4. Perhaps purchase a fake/simulated TV device which lights up a room like a real TV.**
- 5. Ensure car keys are safely stored away from the front door**
- 6. Keep tools and ladders locked away out of sight.**

**For more Crime Reduction tips and information please visit our website [www.thamesvalley.police.uk](http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk) <[https://www.tvpcommunitymessaging.org/rmwebportal/rm\\_desktop/www.thamesvalley.police.uk](https://www.tvpcommunitymessaging.org/rmwebportal/rm_desktop/www.thamesvalley.police.uk)> and click on the 'crime prevention' tab.**

**Alternatively contact Thames Valley Police on: 101**