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The **Clifton Chronicles** is published 11 times a year and distributed to each of the 1650 houses in Clifton. The Chronicles is produced and distributed entirely by a friendly team of over 60 volunteers.

There are lots of events coming up: teas in the Church Hall, a Food Truck Event, The Scarecrows and the Farm Run. Do participate and enjoy being part of our lovely community.

All contributions and information from clubs, societies and general community interest items are welcome, the editor reserves the right to make decisions on content. Please e-mail contributions to: chronicles@clifton-beds.co.uk

As always the Chronicles is available on line: www.clifton-beds.co.uk

Kathy Blackmore, Editor

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Dear Friends



The Harvest season is upon us and I am grateful that Clifton All Saints School will be helping to decorate the church with Harvest gifts and they will help lead the singing at the Harvest Festival along with the Church choir. I hope and pray we will have plenty of gifts to share with the Need project and the Prebend Day Centre in Bedford.

Harvest is a time of reaping and sharing. As I walk around the farmland paths I see odd onion bulbs still on the top of the soil which in the past would have been gleaned by the poor. We still live at a time when not everyone has the same as their neighbour. Natural disasters, the effects of climate change, war etc. rob people of their homes, food and natural resources.

St Alban's Diocese is supporting Uganda this year and helping chicken farmers if you feel you would like to support this cause here is a link to find out more:

<https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/parishsupport/growing-community/harvest-appeal-2023/>

Whether the need is close to home or far away we all have a responsibility to care and share.



Every blessing Revd Caren

All Saints' Church, Clifton From the Registers



Christening

10th September Riley

Wedding

2nd September Beth Graham and Alex Philpott

Burial of ashes

14th September Roy Bignell

Messy Church—October 22nd

Church Hall, 10:30 am

- ✓ Craft activities for all the family
- ✓ Stories and songs
- ✓ Hot lunch
- ✓ No fixed cost- donations welcome
- ✓ No need to book



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Benefice Service
Sunday 29th October
10.00 am Clifton



All Saints' Church Clifton Services



Sundays:

11.00 am Parish Communion 1st, 3rd
Family Service, 2nd
Morning Prayer, 4th

10.30 am Messy Church 4th Sunday (Church Hall)

6.30 pm Evensong, 3rd Sunday

10.00 am Benefice Service 5th Sunday at Clifton, Haynes or Southill

Mondays:

Toddler Church, 2nd and 4th Mondays, 2.00 pm

Wednesdays:

10.00 am Holy Communion or Morning Prayer

For details of church services see: <https://www.clifton-beds.co.uk/>

CLIFTON GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME

(CGNS)

WHAT DO WE DO?

Most of you who have lived in the village for a little while will know of our existence and probably have a good idea of what we do. But with a lot of new folks in the village it feels like a good time to let you all know exactly what that is.

The CGNS is run by volunteers and there is a small committee which meets about 3/4 times a year to monitor and review our performance and suggest changes if and where needed. Basically we aim to offer practical help to anyone living in Clifton. This could involve taking folk to and from appointments at the GP's surgery, hospital, hairdressers, collecting prescriptions or perhaps visiting loved ones in hospital or a care home. We also offer a telephone befriending service to anyone who might be feeling a little lonely and needs to hear a cheery voice at the other end of the phone. There is, of course, our fortnightly tea and chat sessions at the Church Hall (see opposite) which is extremely popular and great fun for both villagers and volunteers alike.

We are always on the look out for more volunteers particularly drivers and phone holders. So if you have some spare time and are looking for a new challenge please ring the number below and leave your details and we will get back to you. Folk who are already volunteers enjoy the experience of helping others and giving something back to the community.

Don't forget if you need our help just call.....

07817 614654

..... and one of our co-ordinators will do their best to help. And to assist us in meeting requests please try to give at least 24 hours notice.

CGNS Tea & Chat on Wednesdays

Church Hall, Stanford Lane, 2.00 - 4.00



- ★ 11th October
- ★ 25th October
- ★ 8th November



2nd & 4th Wednesdays each month

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Clifton WI



Well ladies, what a treat our afternoon with Jo, from Discolicious turned out to be. Jo gave us an insight into the start of her career to her current business, together with recipes and ideas on using local grown seasonal vegetables. Thank you Jo for a great afternoon along with all the delicious food we got to taste.

October 4th brings us a tale of "derring-do". Local author David Daker will be relating the exploits of Squadron Leader Victor Ekins DFC. We are looking forward to this event, it promises to be an enthralling tale. Just to confirm visitors are welcome.



In November our meeting will be on the 1st when Clifton WI enters its next century: it is the month of our 101st Birthday!

It will be an afternoon of fashion with designer Amanda Sutherland. There will be items for sale, thinking ahead, possibly Christmas gifts? Tea ladies: Pat Pollendine, Louis Mullen and Janice Flaherty. Visitors welcome.



Meetings 2.00-4.00 pm at the Community Centre, visitors are always welcome.

Lesley 01462 231657.

Clifton Neighbourhood Plan



It has been a while since the last Neighbourhood Plan bulletin was published in The Chronicles. Sorry. Nevertheless, behind the scenes things have still been marching onwards, albeit not quite as swiftly as we would have liked. So, here's the news:

Following our consultation last year, all the residents' comments have been considered, (yes, all 266 of them), and where appropriate they have been incorporated into our Plan.

We then applied for a grant to pay for an independent examiner to look at our plan and decide if it was sound. The grant took a while longer than we had expected to come through. Quite a while in fact, long enough to come through when we were within a whisker of paying for it ourselves.

The "Health Check", (which is what it is called), came back a couple of weeks later and despite being 20 pages long, was mostly positive but also contained suggested ways we could improve our chances of getting it through the official examination. This is what we are working on now. It will take a little time because it is important to ensure that changing one small part of the Plan doesn't affect another part.

After this, the next stage is for it to be put out to a further consultation by CBC, before we appoint an examiner who will be chosen from a shortlist of three suitably qualified independent people.

Then we wait whilst the examiner thoroughly checks the Plan for flaws.... (This is a big job, so it may take some while!)

Assuming the examination is successful and only minor changes required, a formal referendum will be held. This will be your final say on whether the Plan is to be adopted and thus form part of the local planning process.

A simple majority vote will decide the outcome.

Our website address has changed and we can now be found on Clifton Parish Council's new website:

www.cliftonbeds-pc.gov.uk

or you can call us on **07711 687456**.

Our email address is still **planforclifton@gmail.com**

Thank you from your Neighbourhood Plan team!



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Just give us the month or months in which you wish to sponsor, your name and the dedication which can include a specific date. If you wish to remain anonymous and don't wish to give a dedication that is fine too. Your chosen donation can be made annually or as a one-off. Details of each month's sponsorship will be published in the Clifton Chronicles and on the church pew sheet.

To mark your special occasion in this way please and help us keep our church safe contact: benefice.admin@clifton-beds.co.uk

Church Floodlighting Sponsors for October

Month	Sponsor	Dedication
October	Not published	In loving memory of Kevin Barry Kilby.

Poppy Appeal 2023

The Poppy Appeal will officially start on 26th October. We plan to sell poppies in Clifton outside the Tesco local shop on the weekends following this date to Remembrance Sunday.



Would anyone like to come and join our team of volunteers in selling poppies for this worthwhile cause? We man the stall in shifts - mostly an hour at a time. If you can give up an hour of your time to come and help, please contact me on 01462 632754 or 07778429766.

Many thanks, Denise Panton

Churchyard Working Parties

This year we are repeating our new approach! We are going to have regular Working Parties on the morning of the second Saturday of each month between March and October.

Final date for 2023:

7th October

9:30 am - 12:30 pm



Do come along to help, bring tools if you can, enjoy working together and refreshments will be served!

Our churchyard is a place of quiet contemplation for many people who come just to 'be' or to remember loved ones, your help is invaluable in providing them with the peaceful space they seek, thank you.



Clifton Walking Group

The Clifton Walking Group is a friendly bunch of local people who like to walk in the local area and chat along the way. We go out most days for about an hour, and once a month do a longer route of about 6 to 8 miles. We also arrange social events over the year which has been rather limited of late, but as restrictions are lifted we will organise more of these.



If anyone is interested in joining us please contact Suzanne on:
ionsuzanne@gmail.com or 07933 709006



Samuel Whitbread Academy

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Year 11 & Year 13 students at Samuel Whitbread Academy celebrated a great set of GCSE, A Level and BTEC results in the summer. The results this year were more in line with the 2019 grade boundaries, as is the trend nationally, and represent a suitable reward for all the students' hard work and dedication.



This year there were a number of individual success stories at the academy with numerous GCSE grade 9s. These include Nadia Ahmed, Daniel Batchelet, Nathan Cant, Jack Sharp and Andy Zheng who between them managed to gain 40 grade 9s, a Distinction Star in BTEC Media, as well as four grade As and a B in Further Maths. There was a similar strong performance from the students studying BTEC awards this year, with 20 students achieving a Distinction Star in Engineering, Enterprise, ICT, Media, Sport or Health & Social. I am really proud of this year group; they have been through a lot over the last few years and they have come out the other side with a great set of results, through a lot of hard work and determination. Whether they are staying on in the sixth form, going to college or starting an apprenticeship – I wish them all the luck in the world.

There were also a number of individual Sixth Form success stories, with numerous A Level A* and A grades, including Head Student Amy Hutchinson, with two A*s and two As, who is off to study Law at the University of York, and Louie Burgess, with three A*s and an A, who will be embarking on an Open University degree in maths, whilst starting work. There was a similar strong performance from the students studying BTEC awards this year, in Applied Science, Business, Engineering, Health and Social Care, ICT, Music Tech, Performing Arts, Media and Sport, including Sam Edwards who achieved a Triple Distinction* and is off to the University of Bath to study Sports Coaching. This year group have been amazing role models for all of the students at Samuel Whitbread. As well as achieving a great set of exam results, they have also taken part in numerous school productions, such as the recent performance of Les Misérables, and performed at a national level in several different sports, including football, rugby and netball.

Nick Martin, Principal

Scarecrow Festival

A massive thank you to everyone who came to our Scarecrow Festival over the weekend we hope you've all had a lovely time walking round our village. A massive well done to all those of you who made a scarecrow they all looked amazing. We would like to announce the winners:

Adult Category:

- 1st Place = The Lion King (£50)
- 2nd Place = Extreme Ski-Crow (£30)
- 3rd Place = Drink up me hearties, yo-ho (£20)



Child Category:

- 1st Place = Little Mermaid (£30)
- 2nd Place = Bee Behiving Badly (£20)
- 3rd Place = The Child (£10)

The Scores

Adult Category

The Lion King	280
extreme ski-crow	160
Drink up me hearties, yo-ho	129

Just-Us	115
The Incredible Hulk	82
Mr Mercury	58
Hank	33
Mr Tumble	31
Ironman	27
KenCrow	25
The Clifton Witch	21
Mr & Mrs Beach	15
Bangers & Mash	13
Crow Catcher	11
Amazing Grace	10
Neil Deal	9
Snoozy Suzy	9
Clint Clifton	9

Child Category

Little Mermaid	127
Bee Behiving Badly	117
The Child	105

Tiger who came to tea	87
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Happy Campers	55
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Farm Run

Clifton Bury Farm

Saturday 14 October

Entry forms on-line & from Baxters

5k & 3k routes

Off-road (tracks/grass)

Start Times: 5k—12.00 / 3k - 12.05

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Christmas Toy Appeal Salvation Army, Stotfold



All Saints Church Clifton is again supporting the Salvation Army Stotfold's Christmas Toy Appeal. This is a very worthwhile cause to support less fortunate children in our area.

Gifts are requested for children from birth to 16 years. There is guidance on the Salvation Army's website as to suitable ideas but presents should be: brand new, unwrapped and any toiletries should ensure non allergic ingredients if possible.

Donations may be left in church any:

Sunday or Monday between 10-12 noon

Last date for donations is Sunday November 26th.

Thank you.

Light Up Clifton 2023 2nd December: 4.00-7.00 pm



It's back! Just a couple of months before the Light Up Clifton crowd close the roads near to the duckpond and the village starts to enjoy its first taste of Christmas. The date for your diary is December 2nd 4.00pm until 7.00pm. This year it is planned to be bigger, brighter, busier, and basically bursting with brilliant things to do.

- ❄ Santa will be there of course – **free** to children
- ❄ More games to play – **free** to children of all ages
- ❄ Live music – free to listen to. (thanks to John at The Admiral)
- ❄ Countdown to the tree lighting at 5.00pm – **free** to chant along with
- ❄ Carol singers from All Saints Academy – **free** to enjoy.
- ❄ Singing from Samuel Whitbread Academy students – **free** to gasp at their professionalism
- ❄ Food and drink from The Admiral, together with grub, hot drinks and Christmas gifts from lots and lots of stalls

What's not to like? We look forward to seeing you there.

Merry Christmas!

CLIFTON PARISH COUNCIL

Can you help Clifton Parish Council to reduce traffic speeds at school times and help us get further road safety measures in our village? Concerns with regard Road Safety are regularly raised with us. In previous years Clifton had its own volunteer Speed Watch group which provided data that was used to help the Parish Council secure the 20mph scheme introduced around Samuel Whitbread Academy and also the 20mph scheme in New Road and the traffic calming tables there.

We no longer have our own group but have been invited to join a joint Speed Watch scheme with Langford and Henlow villages. Group members will monitor traffic speed at key locations and report speeding vehicles registration numbers to Bedfordshire Police. You will be trained in how to safely operate the equipment and asked to undertake a few short sessions (30/45 minutes) each week when you are available. For safety reasons sessions are not run in inclement weather!



If you feel you could help or would like further information please contact Kerri our Parish Clerk at "parish.council@clifton-beds.co.uk" and she will coordinate with the joint group to help get you involved.

Steve Langton Chairman, 07721 885672

Pilates in Clifton

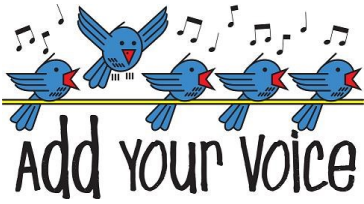
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The Henlow Singers are actively seeking more members of all ages, abilities and voice parts. You do not have to be able to read music, but it would be an advantage, and there is no audition required, just come and try us out! You may not have sung for a while and feel 'rusty', but singing is good for the soul, makes you happy and is great exercise. You also do not have to live in Henlow, as we have members from several of the surrounding villages and towns, and lifts can be arranged.

We are a very friendly community (not church) group, who sing mostly classical and sacred choral music, and rehearsals are fun, relaxing and social.

Rehearsals are every Monday from 7:30 - 9:00pm in Saint Mary's Church, Henlow SG16 6AN, beginning again on the 4th of September 2023, but you can join in the following couple of weeks from then. We perform twice per year in the same church: a Christmas concert this year on 8th or 15th of December (TBC) and a Spring concert on 22nd of March 2024, after which we break up for the summer. We also sometimes sing Christmas Carols at Jordan's Mill one afternoon in December. We would love to see you there as a member or in the audience.

Please contact Mrs Beth Hutton, music director at bhutton966@gmail.com or on 07891 504994 as soon as possible if you are interested in joining the Henlow Singers, so that we know how many singers to expect. We look forward to hearing from you!



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Tickets are £85 per person and include a drinks reception, three course dinner, after dinner entertainment, DJ, silent auction and raffle.

Purchase your ticket here:

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Clifton Planning Applications Update

Central Beds Decisions at 12th September 2023



CB/23/02831/FULL – 28th August – 32, Clifton Road, SG17 5AE. New storage building and parking layout. **Awaiting Decision.**

CB/23/02568/FULL 2nd August – 16, Spring Road, SG17 5RE. Single storey rear extension. **Awaiting Decision.**

CB/23/02323/FULL – 13th July – 35, Church Street, SG17 5ET. Single storey rear extension. **Decided.**

CB/23/01992/FULL – 16th June – 174, Clifton Road, SG17 5AH. Erection of 2 single storey dwellings. **Awaiting Decision.**

CB/23/01902/FULL – 8th June – 64, Church Street, SG17 5EY. Two storey side extension. **Decided.**

CB/23/01344/FULL – 26th April – 39, Shefford Road, SG17 5RO. New bungalow at rear of land. **Awaiting Decision.**

CB/22/03825/FULL – 29th September – Railway Steamer SG17 5AH. Demolition of existing building. Erection of single retail unit with front parking. **Awaiting decision.**

Tony Hyde – Clifton Residents' Association



Act of Remembrance War Memorial 10.45 am 12th November, 2023

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World Mental Health Day

Tuesday 10th October



Every year 10th October marks World Mental Health Day to raise awareness of mental health, drive positive change and encourage discussions about looking after our mental health. This year the theme is **'Mental Health is a universal human right'**.

At Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity, we have a number of services that can help those feeling isolated and alone or struggling with their mental health.

If you feel you need one-to-one support, our Social Prescribing service can help. Our team of Community Wellbeing Champions help people take control of their health and wellbeing and help people to connect with their local community, improve physical activity, and empower them to make decisions to support their health.

We have a range of Green Social Prescribing activities and courses available that are free to attend and help people to spend time in nature and look after their wellbeing.

Our Community Agents make home visits to older people living in towns and villages across Bedfordshire to help them with free support and assistance. Our Good Neighbour scheme supports groups to provide a 'safety net' for their local area, responding to requests from residents in need of a bit of extra help. We also provide wellbeing walks which are free and open to all.

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MIND

You can access lots of information on the MIND website, including tips for everyday living with mental health and for staying well at work.

Visit the MIND website (www.mind.org.uk) to find out more about looking after your mental health, the local support available and about World Mental Health Day.

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Samaritans

If you feel like you need to talk to someone, you can contact the Samaritans. Call 116 123 any time, from any phone for FREE. Find out more: www.samaritans.org

Mental Health Foundation

The Mental Health Foundation website has some tips on talking about your mental health, and talking to others about their mental health so you can have useful conversations and help each other. Visit www.mentalhealth.org.uk for more information.



Find out more about Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity and the ways we can help people struggling with their mental health at www.bedsrcc.org.uk or call us on 01234 838771.

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24/08/2023 Haycock Gardens

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03/08/2023 Undisclosed

BLACKMAIL

04/08/2023 Undisclosed

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06/08/2023 Harwood Lane

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27/08/2023 Harwood Lane

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