

July and August 2020 Look Out contribution.

Annual Parish Assembly *report in brief...*

Sadly owing to Coronavirus, this year's meeting was cancelled. The meeting isn't a Parish Council meeting, but a gathering of all our village organisations to give updates on what has happened throughout the year and a get-together of our villagers, to meet old friends and make new ones. Anyway, we'll look forward to next year's.

Parish Council News *in brief...*

Again owing to the Coronavirus, we had to have our meeting by email, but hope that our next meeting in July can either be done observing social distancing or by having a virtual meeting. The minutes of our latest meeting on the 26th. May are posted on notice boards and on the website and if you would like a hard copy, (also available in large print or Braille), please let our Clerk know: Mrs Diane Jacob, tel: 07907 63 11 72 or e-mail: wickhamstpauls@hotmail.com

Here is a brief summary of what was discussed.

Trees planting on the Village Green

Owing to the lockdown, the planting will now be in autumn, which is one of the best times of year to do it.

Nature Trail.

This is finally complete, (hooray and three cheers to all involved). Well done to Bev Trew and her team.

Recreational Equipment

Concerns have been raised about the gaps between the slide steps and also the run-off at the end of the slide. Whilst they does comply with safety regulations, we have taken the matter with the manufacturer, so bear with us.

The Victory Inn.

When the Victory Inn does reopen, there may still be restrictions applicable for social distancing and that the grounds of the Inn may not be sufficient for the volume of custom. The Parish Council recognises this and in support, it was agreed to allow the Inn's customers to 'picnic' on the Green and be allowed to put overflow tables on the Green, subject to any government advice is adhered to. *(Best wishes Kevin, you're sorely missed)*.

Long Gardens.

We had received concerns about speeding through the A131 Long Gardens. We will be in touch with Highways, but it will be a long haul.

We now have a vacancy on Wickham St Pauls Parish Council. If anyone is interested in joining us please contact the Clerk for an application form.

Maintenance.

Our Parish Council handyman, Bethany Rippingale, has done a sterling job of painting and preservative treating the benches around the village. This is part of our summer maintenance and along with the grass cutting on the Green, done by the Cricket Club, our village is looking splendid. Well done and thanks.

Flag Flying Programme.

1 July	Virgin Islands Day	Virgin Islands
4 July	American Independence Day	Grand Union

5 July	Cayman Island Constitution Day	Cayman
9 July	Anniversary of the White Ensign	White Ensign
10 July	Start of the Battle of Britain Day	RAF
14 July	Bastille Day	Tricolore
17 July	Birthday of the Duchess of Cornwall	Union
22 July	Birthday of Prince George	Union
4 August	Cook Island Day	Cook Island
15 August	Birthday of the Princess Royal + VJ Day	Union
26 August	Battle of Crécy	3-lions
28 August	W.St.P.'s lady resident with the most birthdays	Wickham Flag

A full list of our flag flying days is posted on the village notice board and on the W.St.P. website.

The St. George flag will be flown most of the time in between other appointed flags. The W.I. flag will be flown on the second Tuesday of each month and the Wickham St. Paul's flag will be flown when there is a home cricket, providing it does not clash with other flags.

Belchamp Morris (including the 'Wickham Chapter')

We are still under curfew, but are continuing to practice at home.

Appeal: We need to replenish our sticks, so if anyone has access to any Hazelwood we can coppice, please let me know. We also need pheasant feathers, so if you can get hold of any (although it's not the right time of season), please let me know. Derek 269284.

We're looking for **ladies** and **youths** to join us, musicians or dancers. Do come and join us, when we return to normality.

Look us up on belchampmorrismen.co.uk email us at: info@belchampmorrismen.co.uk

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