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Editors Note

We've had a few problems this month and to save your dedicated Observer team many red faces we have put together this special web based version; Why not print it out for yourself - it could go on to be a collector's item!!! Seriously though, we are a bit of a hapless bunch trying to do our best, and we rely upon your contributions. Please continue to support The Observer, and we'll see you in print again for September

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Iwade Observer

August 2015

Iwade Health Walks

This group meets each Thursday at 10:45 at the Village Centre, outside the pharmacy, in Iwade. The aim is to have an enjoyable walk around the local countryside, improve wellbeing and have a natter!

We use a variety of routes always starting from the pharmacy and try to walk away from the roads as much as possible. Walks are usually between 3 and 4 miles in length and we generally finish up at The Woolpack for the benefit of our social health!

Like to try a session? (no charge, or commitments - just turn up when you fancy some company) Contact Jan on 01795 471173, or by email at: jan.a.morris@btinternet.com, or simply turn up any Thursday.



Photos of one of our recent walks through the fields surrounding Iwade.

IWADE VILLAGE COMMUNITY

MARKET AND FAMILY FUN DAY

Dog show
Inflatables
Craft & food stalls
Dance displays
Competitions
Tombola
Pocket money games

IWADE VILLAGE HALL
Sunday 9th August 2015
10am-2pm
FREE ENTRY

For more info, please visit
www.iwadevillagehall.co.uk,
or call 07724 862744.

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Iwade All Saints Church Pop Up Art Show and Readings in a Country Church
Saturday 15th August 2015 11am to 4pm

Art showing from 11am to 4pm, bring paintings, sculptures for sale or show and meet other artists.

Readings: By the Sheppey Writer's Group and friends.

Subject: Mermaids Myths and Monsters

If you wish to read a short piece or two during the afternoon please contact James Apps email: cat-person@live.co.uk (mark email subject Myths)

Art can be brought at any time but please take it away if unsold at end of day.

This is a Sheppey Promenade 2015 event.



Stephen Plumb Our newly ordained Deacon

On July 4th, on a joyous occasion at Canterbury Cathedral, Stephen was ordained Deacon by the Archbishop of Canterbury. In such an awesome setting this was a truly memorable occasion as Stephen was supported there by many friends and family, and especially Dawn his wife.

After the ordination Stephen and Dawn hosted a lunch back in Iwade at The Woolpack which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Further celebrations took place on Sunday , when dozens packed the Church for



Stephen's first service in his new robes. This was followed by a bring-and-share lunch in the Church gardens when a magnificent lunch was again enjoyed. A great, and memorable weekend was had by all. As a village we are blessed to have Stephen and Dawn and are grateful for the quiet way in which they go about supporting this community. We wish them both well for their future.



Photos show Dawn and Steve outside the Cathedral, Steve in enjoying the sun in his new robes, and a surprise cake that 'spilled the beans' when it was cut at the shared lunch.



Tinkerbells Early Years

from Claire Stock

The children this term have been making the most of the fine weather in the garden. They have also been on bus trips and have been spending time up at our allotment tending to the fruit and vegetables that they have planted. In theme with this terms topic 'Healthy Living', the children took part in a sponsored walk around the Tinkerbells' garden which was enjoyed by all. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the children for taking part and their families and friends for sponsoring them.

We have also recently had our Sports Day which was a really enjoyable event and our school leavers have been preparing for going to school. Our school leavers also have their leaver's assembly and leaver's party to look forward to, which I'm sure will be both fun and emotional for all involved.

We would like to wish all the children an enjoyable summer break and good luck to all our children starting their new schools in September, we are going to miss you all. We are looking forward to welcoming lots of new children and their families to the nursery after the summer break when our topic for the term will be 'All about me'.

If you should require any future sessions and would like your child's name put on our waiting list, please to not hesitate to contact Donna on either of the following phone numbers 07592 544285 / 01795 425384 or via email enquiries@tinkerbellspreschool.co.uk Thank you.

Samantha Toms, the Iwade Health Centre Practice Manager has produced the following to help understand the roles of some of the staff you might be seeing.

NAME: Donna Wheeler

JOB TITLE: Advanced Nurse Practitioner

ROLE: I am able to see many patients that would traditionally see a GP. If you are worried generally about your health, have any sort of infection, feel anxious or depressed, or want help managing an existing condition you can see me for these things. I refer patients to hospital and also manage emergencies in sick children and adults. I am able to assess any patient that requires an urgent appointment and pass them onto an appropriate professional if I am unable to help.

OTHER INFORMATION: Apart from being a Registered Nurse since 1985, I also have an Honours Degree as a Nurse Practitioner that provided me with much of the education traditionally given to doctors. I also have an Independent Prescribing qualification so can provide you with prescriptions that I feel are necessary.

NAME: Ursula MacMahon

JOB TITLE: Practice Nurse

ROLE: General Practice Nurse duties including smears, blood pressure, wound dressings, immunisations & vaccinations, ear syringing etc.

NAME: Wendy Chiwawa

JOB TITLE: Practice Nurse

ROLE: General Practice Nurse duties including smears, blood pressure, blood tests, wound dressings, immunisations & vaccinations, NHS Health Checks etc.

OTHER INFORMATION: I have a special interest in childhood immunisation and travel health advice/vaccination.

Iwade Allotment Association

from Gareth Wiseman

Reminder to all Iwade Allotment Association holders that there will be a BBQ on the 30th August where we will also announce the best plot and judge the sunflowers giving a prize to the tallest and largest head. (A prize for the biggest head does not seem appropriate).

So get feeding with your secret formula sunflower elixir!

GIRLS NIGHT IN

Friday 7th August 2015
7:30-10:30pm

Tickets are £2.50 and are available in advance from Iwade Pharmacy, Iwade Village Does Facebook, Girls Night In Facebook page or by calling 07724 862744. Free drink on arrival

Stalls to tempt you selling jewellery, scarves, cosmetics and other essentials for ladies!

Treatments available for £5 include: waxing, head massage, manicures, pedicures, foot massages and many others!

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Good bye from Sue Nolan. (or just au revoir!)

The idea of Tinkerbells started from my home in 2001 when I was having a conservatory built. The name came from my granddaughter, she had attended a childminder who had 'Tinkerbelle' in a magic jar. I started in 2001 with 3 children. My daughter left her job to help me, it soon became known about Tinkerbells and we increased our number to 10 children, that was when Nina joined us, who some of you will fondly remember.

In 2004 we were fortunate enough to come into Iwade Village Hall, our child register was increased to 24 and staffing to 6. It was the start of a scary and exciting adventure

I have made many friends and acquaintances over the years, I am still surprised when children, now taller than me (which isn't that hard) remember, with some fond and funny memories, coming to Tinks, some even give me a hug!

Tinkerbells Early Years strives to teach and support children in their early years with confidence and knowledge for their future. It is a hard job, both physically and mentally, but rich in rewards and memories.

Tinkerbells now employs 11 staff and each has a deep passion for their work. We have helped support them through courses and gaining higher qualifications. Donna has not long completed 3 years at University to gain her Early Years Degree. Staff, family and friends were there to help Donna achieve her goal, financially, being there as a shoulder to cry on or laugh with and being a massive support at work, by listening to some amazing essays that Donna spent many nights doing. Childminding, and putting up with Greg's cooking (sorry Greg) etc. to enable Donna to achieve her degree and wear the gown and cap! I think everyone would like to congratulate Donna and well done to everyone for their support.

When I started Tinkerbells I never dreamed we would be where we are now. From the day we opened we were registered as a GOOD setting by Ofsted with OUTSTANDING in many areas, last December we had our Ofsted Inspection and received OUTSTANDING, this is an extremely difficult grade to achieve for a pack-away setting so a massive well done to everyone, I would like to thank all of my staff (old and new) for their hard work, passion and dedication.

Well, this is my last term with Tinkerbells; it has given me many good friends, fond memories (& grey hair). I will truly miss all the staff, the children, our team building days, sports days, graduation, leavers day out and the nativity, which always made me cry with pride from the effort and confidence our little ones made.

It is with reluctance that I leave Tinkerbells, but, as some of you know, I have had multiple surgeries on my back and my body just says no more even though my heart says yes!

I have left the reins in the very capable hands of Donna and my wonderful staff. I would like to thank them for 11 wonderful years, including parents, children and people behind the scenes for helping me to achieve my dream.

Thank you. Sue Nolan

Pop - Up Art Exhibition Saturday August 15th

All Saints Church, Iwade

A 'shout-out' for local artists! Once again the church is hosting a 'pop-up' art exhibition, on Saturday August 15th from 10:00. Bring along anything that you'd like to exhibit in the quiet peaceful surrounds of our village church.

No fees - 'just for the craic' and possibly the odd sale or two! Last year saw some very talented artists from Iwade and further afield show off their work in a relaxed location at an event that was hugely enjoyed by all that came and had a look.

The exhibition is of course open to all, and again there is no charge - just the opportunity to pick up a very reasonably priced original piece of art. Teas and refreshments will be available during the day - why not take a breather from the toils of the weekend and come and have a browse with a cup of tea and a slice of homemade cake?

NOTE THE DATE - AUGUST 15TH AT 10:00 - IN ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, IWADE

To Nice and back by banger!!

from Dan Childs

My wife and I have been Iwade residents for almost 10 years now, and as many of you will know I was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis (MS) in 2011. Since our honeymoon in March 2013 my mobility has become quite severely affected. There is no cure yet for MS so we want to help raise as much money as possible for the MS Society to help sufferers and help with the continuing research to one day find a cure.

So to raise funds we are taking part in the Boombanger Cosmopolitan Rally at the end of August. We must be crazy driving all this way in a 13 year old Volvo; Rouen (for registration) to Le Mans to Paris to Beaune to Val D'Isere, through Italy to Monte Carlo and ending up in Nice. Oh! and back home to Kent again! If you want to see the website and read more about the challenge you can look at:- www.boombangerrally.co.uk. Our car is going to be designed / sign written by someone who has been an Iwade resident for over 10 years. Look out for us!

Debbie and I would really like to raise £1 per mile for the journey to Nice and if we could include the journey back it would be even better!

If you would like to support us in raising funds for the Multiple Sclerosis Society please visit our justgiving page at :- <https://www.justgiving.com/Magic-Sparkle/>

(Ed's note - Good luck Dan and Debbie have a great trip - hope the Volvo holds out!)

Iwade Village Hall Update from Joa - (Acting Secretary)

Instead of getting on with my day job today, I've been somewhat caught up in the excitement of helping to organise the current Committee's first ever Family Fun Day. (Ed's note - Oh! how the other half live!!)

Ideas have been bounding around all day with things we can do and what we can offer people to ensure they have a great time. Some super ideas were suggested and I really hope you all come out on Sunday 9th August to support the event.

My personal favourite is the Little Dog Show, a first for Iwade I believe! It's not going to be threatening Crufts in any way, but for those of you with a pet pooch who fancy your chances, we will have categories along the lines of: Fastest sitter, best rescue/non-rescue dog, most decorated lead, young handler and best old/young dog. We'll confirm more nearer the time on our website and also on our Facebook and Twitter pages.

Alongside the dog show, we'll have some fantastic inflatables and a fair few stalls offering pocket money challenges like "hook-the-duck" and "bat-the-rat". A tombola is always a must for a summer fete and ours will be no different with tickets and prizes for both adults and children. Our normal market will also be running both inside and outside, so plenty to buy that you can eat, drink, wear, look at or give as a gift.

At the time of writing, we were trying to get a local dance troupe along for a short display, hopefully we will have succeeded in doing this!

In other news, we will be holding our 4th Girls Night In on Friday 7th August. Always a very popular evening with the ladies, so grab your tickets quickly! It's only £2.50 and that includes a cheeky glass of something too! For those who have missed it before, you can take your pick from a myriad of different mini-treatments available from local beauticians and holistic therapists. Each treatment will be £5 which is a perfect price to test the waters of a treatment or therapy you've always wanted to try. Amongst the treatments available will be head massages, manicures, pedicures, waxings, foot massages and many more. To add to your evening of relaxation, you can also do a spot of retail therapy with stalls offering beautiful fashion scarves, cosmetics, jewellery and of course, the more adult products! Tickets for ladies aged over 18 are available from Iwade Pharmacy and also via our Facebook and Twitter pages.

Coming in September, another new event for Iwade will be a Psychic Evening (you knew I was going to say that didn't you?) Joking aside, if you fancy an evening of spiritual readings, tarot cards and palmistry, then please come and join us on Friday 4th September. As before, more details will be posted on our website, Facebook and Twitter pages, along with posters around the village and maybe some leaflets through your door.

Lastly, don't forget that we have a lovely little village market on the 2nd Sunday of each month. We've had a few stalls missing over the past few months through illnesses and the like, but we've been busy finding new stallholders for you.

Want to keep up with what's going on at Iwade Village Hall? Like us on Facebook (Iwade Village Hall), follow us on Twitter (@iwadevillagehall) or just go direct to our new website www.iwadevillagehall.co.uk

If you want to hire the hall for an event, please email bookings@iwadevillagehall.co.uk or call 07724 862744.

See you there!

IWADE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Held on Wednesday 10th June, 2015

Present:

Cllr. J. Hunt – Chair
Cllr. D. Wastall
Cllr. M. Gale – Vice Chair
Cllr. S. Cheeseman
Cllr. S. Plumb
Cllr. L. Mitchell
Cllr. J. White
Cllr. P. Horner
Cllr. D. Gale
Lynda Fisher, Clerk
Cllr. P. Hyde
PCSO Matthew Link
Cllr. R. Clark
4 Members of the public

Prior to the meeting Kelly Upson and Vicky who work in the Contracts and Programmes Team at Swale Borough Council addressed the meeting. Kelly had attended to talk about the bin issues in Iwade. The Borough Council carries out inspections (100 every 4 months), the information is then taken back to the office and they look at the problematic areas. Cllr. Clark referred to an issue near Milton School; pupils cleared 10 bags of litter from the land surrounding the school site boundary. Vicky advised that she will be promoting community litter picks, which hopefully will educate everyone about the problem of discarded rubbish. The Chair commented that following a number of years of the Iwade's annual village clean-up it has become apparent that the litter problem has decreased as a result of it. Relating to non-emptying of bins staff from Swale have accompanied the contractors on their runs to check on the situation and they now have one extra vehicle out to take the brown bin run.

The Chair thanked Kelly and Vicky for their input and opened the Parish Council Meeting.

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting; apologies were received from Borough Cllr. Ben Stokes and the Community Warden, Nick Mayatt.

2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

No declarations. Dispensations are in place for Members relating to The Barn and Iwade School.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Proposed by Cllr. M. Gale and seconded by Cllr. Hunt, the Minutes of the Parish meeting held on the 13th May,

2015, were agreed and signed as a true transcript.

Proposed by Cllr. D. Gale and seconded by Cllr. Plumb, the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on the 13th May, 2015, were agreed and signed as a true transcript.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Gale and seconded by Cllr. Hyde, the Minutes of the Monthly meeting held on the 13th May, 2015, were agreed and signed as a true transcript. The Chair stated that whilst on the Minutes one of the Co-opted Members has resigned, Claire Jakins. We are still within the 35 day time period following the Elections and Pamela Horner has already shown an interest in the Parish Council. The Chair asked if everyone was in agreement to Pamela being co-opted on to the Council and this was agreed unanimously.

4. Visitors/Public Time

1. Visitors – No comments.
2. County and Borough Councillors – Borough Cllr. None present.
3. Community Warden (Nick Mayatt)/PCSO - The Community Warden's report had been circulated. Matthew Link, the PCSO reported that in May there had been a spate of sheds being broken into in Cormorant and the new estate. The Chair mentioned the issues with the Environment Agency bridge at the bottom of Mansfield Drive; Clerk to e-mail E.A. and copy the PCSO in.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

1. Twinning – No movement, take off the Agenda until something is heard. Action: Clerk
2. Parish lighting possible adoption by KCC – Clerk still awaiting a response from KCC; bring back to the July meeting.

6. Planning

1. 15/503482/FULL - Conversation of loft space with associated roof lights and new window to elevation - 24 Kingfisher Close Iwade Kent ME9 8LY – No objections.

7. Correspondence

1. Swale Borough council Local Plan Part 1 Examination – Noted.
2. Letter from NALC chairman to all parish and town councillors – Noted.
3. Electoral Review of Kent: Draft Recommendations – Noted that the Parish Council's comments have been taken into account.
4. National Rural Crime Survey – Noted; Members to respond individually, Action: All Councillors

8. Finance

1. Scooter Training – Nothing to report; leave on the Agenda. Action: Cllr. Gale/Clerk
2. Woodpecker Park Bus Shelter Quotes – place on August Agenda. Action: Clerk
3. Insurance Renewal 2015/16 – Proposed by Cllr. M. Gale and seconded by Cllr. White, all agreed to renew on a three year contract for the sum of £994.39p.
4. Village Garden Competition – Place on the January 2016 Agenda. Action: Clerk
5. Village Hall Renewal of Outline Planning Permission – Clerk to go back to Swale Borough Council to see if the Local Plan is rejected will it be possible to put this in?

6. Parish Lighting Renewal Quotes – Quotes have been received for 6 columns. In light of the healthy state of the finances it was proposed by Cllr. Hunt and seconded by Cllr. Mitchell, all agreed that £30,000 be spent on replacing the remaining 14 columns and £10000 be allocated for installing new columns in areas that they are needed. It was further agreed that the Council approach B.W. May, whose prices had been very competitive, to seek a quotation for this work.

7. Planters – Clerk to speak to Borough Cllr. Ben Stokes regarding compost. Proposed by Cllr. Hunt and seconded by Cllr. Mitchell, all agreed £450 for the purchase of plants.

8. Clerk's Hours – Proposed by Cllr. M. Gale and seconded by Cllr. Clark, all agreed to increase the Clerks hours to 16.5 per week and to take £2882 from the general reserves to cover the extra expenditure in the current year.

9. 2014/15 External Audit - Members approved the Asset Register as at May 2015. The Annual Return's Accounting Statement and Annual Governance Statement for 2014/15 were agreed and duly signed. The Explanation of Variances and Bank Reconciliation for 2014/15 were also approved, as were the year end accounts to the 31st March, 2015.

9. Iwade Localism Project (Swale Borough Council)

Agreed to look at holding another Localism Meeting; Clerk to contact Borough Cllr. Stokes and ask him to make the necessary arrangements; items for the Agenda

to include village parking, Pavilion and Playing Field and Allotments.

1. The Barn – Electricity all going through. The Trust met with Len Mayatt and Swale's Solicitor and a few changes to the lease have been agreed; all is ready to go with it looking to be transferred over the next four weeks. It needs Listed Building Consent and the Trust is now looking to obtain the services of an Architect to undertake this and a resident has kindly agreed to donate £1000 towards the cost.

2. Neighbourhood Plan – Met with Ward Homes and advised that the Parish Council is looking at Housing Needs. A further meeting will be arranged in September at which time it will become clear whether the Local Plan has been rejected; if this happens the land to the rear of the Church might go back into the Plan.

10. Reports from Representatives (Village Hall and KALC)

1. Hall – Cllr. M. Gale reported that the Hall Committee agreed the siting of a salt bin on the hall site. Clerk suggested that a hasp and staple and lock be purchased so that the bin can be locked in summer and then opened during bad weather. Members agreed £50 towards this extra cost. Cllr. Gale also advised that the Hall Committee will request a Risk Assessment and Insurance details from hirers if they want to use the garden for a structured activity.

2. KALC – Cllr. Wastall advised that at the meeting on the 1st June School parking was discussed; Brian Lloyd from CPRE spoke on Neighbourhood Plans; Ken Ingleton is still Chair and Peter Paige Vice-Chair.

11. Any Other Matters Arising

1. Cllr. Clark was advised the outstanding matters relating to All Saints Close will be dealt with hopefully within the next few weeks.

12. Next Meeting(s)

The next monthly meeting will take place on Wednesday 8th July 2015, commencing at 7.30 pm in Iwade Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 09.45 p.m.