



Dear Residents

The centenary of the end of the First World War will be commemorated throughout the land on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of this year – Sunday, 11th November 2018. Many communities have planned events and here in Chilworth you are invited to a special gathering at the War Memorial, opposite the Chilworth Arms pub on that day, commencing at 10:40am. There those who gave their lives and resources to ensure the freedom which we enjoy today, will be remembered. You may know that the sons of Chilworth Manor, the Willis Flemings, were among those who died in that war. You are all cordially invited to come along to remember the sacrifices made for all who now enjoy the benefits of a free society here. Whichever your faith or if you are of no faith, you are invited to celebrate our freedom by showing your support. You will be most welcome. Following the short remembrance event, refreshments will be available in the Chilworth Hall opposite the War Memorial.

Photographic exhibition commemorating the First World War

Local resident, John Garfield, is a keen photographer who has displayed his work to wide acclaim in prestigious galleries. He has an exhibition depicting facets of the Great War and this can be seen at the Hartley Library on Southampton University's campus. It is on the 4th floor and is available until mid-November during the library's opening hours. Admission is free but you will need photo ID to gain admission.

Solent City bid no longer being pursued - Roy Perry, our County Councillor and Leader of Hampshire County Council advises : I am pleased to report that the Government has now announced it will not be progressing the bid by Southampton, Isle of Wight and Portsmouth to create a Combined Authority based on those councils. In Hampshire we were worried this could have led to the formation of a Solent City and the breaking up of the county to the detriment of good services across Hampshire.

Borough council receives Gold Stray Dog award. Test Valley Borough Council has been awarded Gold Stay Dog award from the RSPCA or the fifth year in a row. As a result of this consistency, a platinum award has also been made. Awards are made for exceptional contributions to animal welfare, including bravery and outstanding.

Flytipper fined – Thanks to those who let me know and the Council's covert cameras, a flytipper was fined £200+ for dumping plywood and old shelves in Roman Road last month.

Recycling - Most of you will have received a copy, stuck to your bin, of the Borough Council's illustrated details of what is and what is not recyclable. So all types of paper and card are acceptable (except shredded paper) as are food tins and drink cans and empty aerosols. Particular interest is being shown nationally in plastic pollution and you will note that the only plastics which are recyclable here are plastic bottles. Thus other plastic packaging is non-recyclable. Food and drink cartons are not acceptable. Also note that much gift wrapping paper, whether it contains plasticised elements or not, cannot be recycled. Of course, should you choose to wrap presents with trendy brown paper, then that could be recyclable though it might depend on what else was used on it such as plasticised stickers.

Tracey's bees produce winning honey Tracey Hood has beehives in several local locations including Chilworth. She recently won the Millenium Bowl at the Romsey & District Beekeepers Honey Show for her honey. Let me know if you would like to obtain some. She also has honey gifts such as soaps, lip salves etc.

Dates for your diary:

Thursday mornings – TVBC Health Walks lasting an hour from North Baddesley Village Hall at 10:30am

Thursdays mornings – Bridge sessions from 10am until 1pm at Chilworth Hall

Thursday 15th November at 7:30pm prompt - Moviola at the Hall showing "The Bookshop" - England 1959. In a small East Anglian town, Florence Green decides, against polite but ruthless local opposition, to open a bookshop. Stars Emily Mortimer and Bill Nighy



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