## **Community News**

**WARTIME MEMORIES - MUSIC & TEA - 9 November at 3.30pm** at Holy Trinity Sunningdale. There is no charge but places must be booked so catering is planned. Sign up sheet in church or phone the office 01344 621886.

New Parking arrangements in RBWM carpark have now commenced after some delays with the operation of the solar power. Shoppers may enter their car registration into the ticket machine for three hours **free** parking up to 6pm. The businesses in Sunningdale have had the opportunity to ask for permits to allow them to park during the day. The intention is to improve parking in the shoppers car park for the businesses. Residents wishing to park near the station before 3pm may park along the A30 or in the station car park. The Borough Councillors stress this has been done in the best interest of the retail life of our village.

New flight path routes from Heathrow. More than 1000 people turned up at the public meeting in Ascot on 13<sup>th</sup> October to make their voices known to Heathrow management regarding the impact on residents in this area of the flight paths being trialled. Though the trials are due to stop earlier than planned, residents are very concerned that Heathrow may reintroduce noisy flight paths over our area.

You can contact HACAN ClearSkies, campaigning for those under the Heathrow flightpath', at hacan.org.uk or Heathrow Airport action website: heathrowairport.com/noise.

**Christmas Closure** – The Office will be closed from Wednesday 24 December until Tuesday 30 December. In Emergency ring RBWM out of hours service Christmas Tree collection will again be provided at the Recreation Ground

**RBWM out of hours** service to report any tree felling in our area, phone after 7pm on 01753 853517 or during the day 01628 683800

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**Dates of Parish Council meetings**: 4 Nov, 2 Dec, 6 Jan, 3 Feb and 3 March 2015 Planning Meetings: 18 November, 16 December, 20 Jan, 17 Feb, 17 March 2015 Parish Council office hours: Mon – Thurs 09.00 – 14.30. Fridays: 11.00 – 14.30 Contact: Sunningdale Parish Council, Broomhall Lane, Sunningdale SL5 0QS Tel: 01344 874268 e-mail: info@Sunningdaleparish.org.uk

# Sunningdale Parish Council

## November 2014

# 2014 CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AND LIGHTS

## FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER 5 – 7 PM

The Parish Council in consultation with the traders group are planning a crowd-pulling event to kick off the Christmas trading season in Sunningdale along the London and Chobham Roads.

The star attraction will be Sir Bruce Forsyth who will switch on the lights. The programme includes real reindeer and Christmas sledge.



Father Christmas, Christmas games, music from three local school choirs and the Quince Players in costume from their pantomime production of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

The event will commence at 5pm, earlier than in previous years so that you get the opportunity to visit our excellent shops, enjoy live music and some festive food and drink and enter into the magic of Christmas for you and your children at this community event.

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**Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal**. In this anniversary year the poppy appeal to support our servicemen and their families has special significance. Collection points outside Waitrose and in many shops.



### New Parish Councillor Ray Coogan

The Parish Council co-opted Ray to take up the vacant position on Council. He lives in Oakdene, Sunningdale.

"Born and raised in Ireland, my wife Mary and I have lived in Sunningdale for the past 18 years. Before retiring in April 2013 I worked in the IT Department of a FTSE 30 company as 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Relationship Manager, reporting to the Director of IT.

My technical background is programming and I have an extensive knowledge of developing, supporting sales, installing and maintaining systems and services. I also have strong experience and high level of capability in managing high level, high value 3<sup>rd</sup> party relationships.

I spent three years on the Board of Governors of Springfield Secondary in Havant and since retirement I have looked at various volunteer activities in the community including part-time help with the local mobile library and when I saw the vacancy for a Sunningdale Parish Councillor I decided to apply.

I believe that my overall work and social experience, gained over the last 64 years, added to my possibly unique Irish perspective, will be a valuable asset to the Parish Council. My interests are reading, travel, food and wine."



### Parish Elections 7 May 2015

All the positions on the Parish Council are open for re-election on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2015, at the time of the General Election. Some Councillors will be retiring and we hope new names will come forward at that time. If you would like to know if you are eligible and what is involved in being a Parish Councillor please do get in touch.

**Cycle shelter at Holy Trinity School**. The Parish Council is pleased to have organised the installation of a cycle shelter at the school with funds from RBWM and Participatory budget contributions. The PC paid for the funding short-fall.

### **Parish Business Plan**

The Parish Council is just embarking on a Business Plan which will set the priorities for the next 3 years. The completed Neighbour-hood Plan should mean that additional resources will be at the discretion of the Parish Councils for projects that the Neighbourhood Plan set out to achieve and others identified by Council such as installing solar lights in the RBWM car park.



We are offering you the opportunity to say what you think should be on our list of projects by emailing us with your ideas and no more than 200 words on why you think that is a priority. Some projects may be beyond the financial capability of the Parish Council, but we can at least explore the possibilities.

### **Medical Centre**

Many residents of Sunningdale who use the only GP Surgery at Magnolia House have expressed their dismay that on 23<sup>rd</sup> July the RBWM Rural Development Control Panel rejected the planning application for a new medical centre on the BEN Lynwood site. The Parish Council spoke in support of the new medical centre but the verdict of the Panel was that the application had failed to satisfy Green Belt policy requirements on Very Special Circumstances (VSC) and was contrary to Neighbourhood Plan policy EN1 which identified this area as part of a gap between villages to be retained. VSC must be demonstrated how, by building, the benefits delivered to the community clearly outweigh any harm caused and that this facility could not be provided in any other location.

Magnolia House surgery had been looking for some 10 years for a site to relocate given the inadequacy of the existing building for a growing population and expectation of more local services. BEN Lynwood, a charity which is currently constructing the Care Village on the site, has offered the land and the building for the Doctors Surgery – a time limited opportunity. We are working hard behind the scenes to ensure that this opportunity is not lost and that a modified application when it is ready meets the planning policies.

We invite you again to let us have your email if you would like to know when the new application is received so that you have the chance to comment and to show how the community feels about it. We will collect those emails for use only for your information on the Medical Centre. info@sunningdaleparish.org.uk