



Jacobs Well Newsletter

November 2021



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Editorial comment

Here we are approaching the end of yet another year. November usually marks that special time for the village with our bonfire and fireworks night. Unfortunately, due to the recent pandemic and cost this year's event has been cancelled. However, we hope that you find a way to still enjoy the festivities of the night.

Worplesdon Parish Council will be holding Armistice day events on the 11th November, please see the calendar for details of these events.

If you do have any news or notifications to be included in the newsletter, please feel free to contact me : Samantha Fisk (Editor) at - jwranewseditor@gmail.com or 07904263711

Jacobs Well Residents' Association

The JWRA Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held earlier in October, it was great to see those of you that attended. Some great questions and conversations were had around the topics that were brought up at the meeting around traffic calming, events in the village and threats to local buses to name a few. We would also like to offer residents who are interested in local topics the chance to become a committee member and become more involved in the village.

Also, the JWRA have put together a committee to organise events for the village for the future. If you would like to be involved with this, or perhaps have an idea that you would like to share, please get in touch with us.

If you have anything that you want to inform the residents association about please feel free to contact us at jwrachair@gmail.com

River of Life

River of Life Saturday 20th November 2021 10am for 10.30am

Our speaker this morning will be Andrea Tibbitts, a wonderful Counsellor and Friend of River of Life.

Ann Wright 01483 828994 Email: riveroflife.jacobswell@hotmail.co.uk

Jacobs Well Children's Christmas party is back!

Jacobs Well Village Hall

4th December 2021 3 - 5pm

Tickets £3.50 per child (Only 40 tickets available)

Bring your children to this year's Christmas party. We have Nerf guns, games, Tombola and goodie bags. Santa will be there to make sure we are all being good parents as well.

Please contact Emma Raggett 07815 881265 or via facebook [Facebook.com/JacobsWellResidents](https://www.facebook.com/JacobsWellResidents) for tickets.

Elm Nursery

Children's Farm open 10am - 3.30pm daily, no need to book. Last entry 3pm.

Farm Shop open 7 days a week from 10am - 4pm. Local meat, fresh fruit and veg, pies, cheeses and much more. **Fresh fish van** every Tuesday at 11:30am. **Elm Farm Café** Open 6 days a week from 9am serving brunch, lunch, cakes & coffee.

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River of Life

Come and find out more about the River of Life

Anne Wright 01483 828994

Christmas Craft Fair

The Jacobs Well Christmas Craft Fair is on Saturday 27th November, 10.30am to 4.30pm at the Jacobs Well Village Hall. Refreshments available including homemade cakes. Free parking and free entry. If you wish to sell at the event, please email Zoe at JWCraftFair@gmail.com, but we are close to capacity. Tables are £18 each, payable in advance. Follow us at www.facebook.com/jacobswellchristmasfair for updates.

Afternoon Tea has restarted

The next famous Afternoon Tea is on November 8th 3.00pm in the newly refurbished Village Hall lounge.

Working from home? Looking after small children or babies? Then take a break, come and indulge in comfort and style whilst high quality sandwiches and cakes are served at your table. Unlimited tea, coffee or squash is included. All this for only £4 per head.

The Afternoon Tea group is a not-for-profit organisation supported by volunteers. Profits are donated to local charities.

More information from Nick Collett 01483 821464 email nick@nfcoll.com

Worplesdon Parish Council (WPC)

Worplesdon Parish Council has, like many other organisations, found the last year challenging but the councillors and Officers of the Council (Clerks) have tried very hard to continue to deliver services throughout the various restrictions of the past year.

We continue to try and ensure that our parish looks as good as possible through the contracts for grass cutting and ensuring that the verges are cut regularly. We work closely with Guildford Borough Council and Surrey County Council and submit comments on planning applications relevant to Worplesdon Council. The planning application for Weyside Urban Village is due very shortly for consideration by GBC and will impact on the parish, especially the village of Jacobs Well. WPC has submitted comments to the planning application for this.

WPC are still in consultation with Surrey County Council regarding the new bus shelter and water garden (soakaway) to help alleviate the flooding in the area of Oak Tree Close.

We conduct regular visits to the playgrounds in the parish and maintain the fabric of other facilities in the parish. Our groundsman, Peter, works hard to keep paths and alleys clear in the parish.

WPC held a tea party to thank many of the volunteers that helped to keep the parish ticking over during the Covid lockdowns. It was attended by over 70 volunteers and was enjoyed by all. We continue to hold the Remembrance Ceremony each year in Harry's Meadow and this will again be happening this year on the 11th at 10.50am for those wishing to join.

There are still two vacancies on the Worplesdon Parish Council for representatives for Jacobs Well, if you would like to know more about these vacancies or the work that is carried out by WPC, please contact Amanda Creese on cllr.amanda.creese@worplesdon-pc.gov.uk or clerk@worplesdon-pc.gov.uk

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Bus Routes 34 & 35

Attention of users of bus company Arriva Route 34 and Route 35 (and 134/135 users). Surrey County Council (SCC) understands that Arriva UK Bus is intending to cease operating bus services in Surrey from mid-December 2021.

Following this announcement, I am delighted to learn that they are in advance stage of discussions with Falcon Coaches to take over their operations later this year. This is great news for both Arriva staff and bus service users.

I am very aware that many of our residents rely on these services to get them to work, school, medical appointments and to access a wide range of other services, Surrey County Council has been working with Arriva to achieve a positive outcome on behalf of all our residents. Locally, I will be pressing to ensure that routes 34 and 35, through Jacobs Well are maintained.

SCC remains committed to supporting public transport and making it as easy as possible for people to rely less on their cars.

Please contact Keith Witham for further information on keithwitham1@hotmail.co.uk

Surrey County Council

I was very pleased to attend the AGM of the Jacobs Well Residents Association and give a report on matters affecting Jacobs Well. It was the first "in person" village meeting in two years and it was really good to see people face to face again.

Flooding alleviation scheme, roundabout Woking Road junction of SaltBox Road

This site is with the County Council's flooding and highways teams to identify the best options available. They are going to carry out some local repairs to help manage the flooding, and will then be going to the design phase of a "rain garden" which is a nice name for a large soakaway, to make the area more resilient against surface water flooding. This is at its early stages so the local maintenance team will need to manage the situation until they have a better idea of the timescale and identify the funding required.

At the same location, Guildford bound, it is hoped to install a new bus shelter, which needs to be coordinated in conjunction with the rain garden project.

Road safety - Road Tables, Clay Lane

I advised residents in March that funding for this scheme, aimed at slowing down traffic speeds in Clay Lane, was approved by the Guildford Joint Committee. A scheme has been designed, and I'm happy to send any resident a copy of the drawings. The scheme should be constructed sometime between January and March 2022.

Speed limits

Also agreed earlier in the year, the section of Jacobs Well Road that has a 40mph should be reduced to 30mph. These proposals have to go through a legal process but are in hand.

The speed limit on the whole length of Salt Box Road was reduced in April from 60mph (national speed limit) to 40mph, with clearer signage, and residents have reported improvements.

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Trees

A number of new trees have been planted in local roads, including at the triangle junction of Clay Lane and Woking Road, as part of SCC's programme to plant 1.2 million trees across Surrey (one for each resident of the County) in conjunction with other organisations. Suggested locations are welcome and should be submitted to: trees@surreycc.gov.uk for consideration.

Grass verges

Two issues have been raised, the maintenance of grass verges and parking on grass verges. For the maintenance, Surrey County Council contracts Guildford Borough Council (parks dept) to cut verges in Guildford. In turn, GBC subcontracts that work in Worplesdon to Worplesdon Parish Council, whose ground staff carry it out. The Countywide contracts are up for renewal in 2022 and so discussions are being held with GBC.

For further information, please contact Keith Witham on keithwitham1@hotmail.co.uk

Guildford Borough Council

Update from Guildford Borough Council

Car Free Day: More than 24,000 people visited Guildford town centre when the car free Day was held in September. The total number of visitors is the highest since April, when we saw an unprecedented number of people hit the High Street. It's also an increase of 16% from the previous Sunday. Several roads were closed to make space for stalls and activities and help people to have a more enjoyable day out. Car free day is part of how Guildford Borough Council is using the £140,000 welcome back fund. The government scheme is providing councils across England with a share of £56 million from the European regional development fund. This is to support the safe return to the High Street and help rebuild after the pandemic.

Guildford is bidding for City status: The formal status of a city is given by the monarch and this year the Queen will be announcing new cities in England, Wales and Scotland. It's the first time in 10 years that towns have been able to make the case for City status.

Burpham Court Farm: Guildford Borough Council turned down a planning application to convert the agricultural buildings to four residential dwellings. The developers appealed this decision to the Planning Inspectorate who overruled Guildford Borough Council's refusal and granted permission to the developer for the conversion.

Weyside Urban Village (WUV): There will be a special planning committee meeting regarding Weyside Urban Village on the 20th October, and I will provide you with a report at the next meeting.

For more information about the above, please contact Bob McShee at bobmcshee@ntlworld.com

JACOBS WELL COUNTRY MARKET

Fallen leaves lying on the grass in the November sun bring more happiness than the daffodils in spring (Cyril Connolly)

No matter what the weather we are here in Jacobs Well Village Hall every Friday between 10am and 11.30am. Why not drop in and say hello and take a look at our wondrous range of cakes, savouries, crafts and greetings cards plus a range of seasonal plants and planted baskets.

Just a reminder - We have another away day this month. You will find us at Shere Village Hall on Saturday November 27th between 1pm and 3pm. Come and join us for an enjoyable afternoon. Finally, a big thankyou to everyone who joined us for the Macmillan Coffee Morning at the end of September. We raised £202.

Richard Mills - Telephone: 07759913311

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National Trust Early Christmas Fair & Coffee Morning

We are holding the West Surrey National Trust Early Christmas Fair & Coffee Morning in the Jacobs Well Village Hall on Saturday, 6th November 2021 from 10am-12noon. We are pleased we can hold this again after missing a year!

Any donations of raffle items, books, new gifts or cakes (on the day) would be very welcome.
Avril Garman: 01483 56187 or Jean Meredith: 01483 563793

Centenary of the passing of 'Abdu'l-Bahá

This year marks 100 years of the passing of a unique human being. He distinguished himself not for any social position or material characteristic, but for His selfless service to humanity. He was known as 'Abdu'l-Bahá, meaning "Servant of the Glory of God".

His was a spiritual life, in deed and in word. He exemplified the teachings of the Bahá'í Faith and guided it through difficult times as the Centre of the Covenant made by Bahá'u'lláh with His followers. He was honoured with a knighthood from the British Empire in April 1920.

He chose for Himself the title of "servant", and that is how He lived His life. Although ten thousand mourners of various religious backgrounds attended His funeral, millions today are inspired by His life and writings and strive to follow His sterling example in their daily lives. Join us for a commemoration of the centenary of His passing where a short film will showcase His life at Jacobs Well Village Hall, Jacobs Well Road, GU4 7PD on Saturday 27 November from 7 pm. Please RSVP to: hayetaskri@hotmail.com by 20 November.

For more information visit: <https://www.bahai.org/>

Elm Nursery

Elm Nursery in Sutton Green has everything you need on the run up to the festive period and for the big day. Order your free-range turkey now, along with beef, lamb or game and all the trimmings, all free range and locally sourced. Order in store or online at www.elmnursery.co.uk/christmas. Last day for turkey and meat orders is 1st December. It really does offer easy 'stress free' Christmas shopping and you will be supporting a local business too! Elm Nursery also has a huge range of high quality, British grown Christmas trees plus wreaths and gifts. Christmas trees ready for sale on the last weekend of November (27th & 28th).

The children's farm at Elm Nursery is well worth a visit if you have any animal lovers in the family! They have alpacas, goats, guinea pigs, free roaming chickens, pigs, Shetland ponies and a friendly donkey called Applejack. Food to feed the chickens is available to buy in the farm shop. It is an ideal venue for a low-key morning or afternoon out for young/pre-school children, without the pressure of a day trip. Entrance to the farm is £4 per person and under 2's are free. From Saturday 4th - Thursday 23rd December, there will be festive scenes on the farm. Father Christmas usually parks his sleigh for safekeeping until Christmas Eve. The sleigh is perfect for little helpers to sit in (and a fab family photo opportunity!). The farm is open every day from 10am - 3:30pm (last entry 3pm). No need to book.

In other news, Elm Farm Café has been newly refurbished and is open under new management for brunch, light lunches, homemade quiches, soups and cakes. Freshly made coffee and other hot drinks are on the menu too. The café is open Tuesday - Sunday, 9am - 3.30pm (closed Mondays) and is open every day during school holidays. Due to popular demand the café is open from 9am, so it's an ideal destination for the first coffee of the day (post school run?!).

Elm Nursery, Sutton Green Road, Sutton Green, Guildford, Surrey, GU22 0ES. Telephone: 01483 755559. Website: www.elmnursery.co.uk. Facebook: @elmnurseryfarm Instagram: @elmnursery

ST PETER'S SHARED CHURCH - 37 HAZEL AVENUE

COMING UP -

- 31st October, 6pm - Bereavement Service - a service to remember loved ones who have passed.
- 6th November, 9am-4pm - Christmas Craft Fair - come and have a look for some handmade Christmas gifts.
- 14th November, 10am - Remembrance Service - an all-age parade service.

Please check the front page of www.stpetersguildford.org for more upcoming events, a list of our monthly services and archived service links and news sheets.

SERVICES - At the time of writing this entry, we are still holding in person services alongside our online content. We have a weekly service of Holy Communion in church on Wednesdays from 11am and Sunday services every week at 10am (which are also livestreamed on our YouTube channel). If you would like to attend one of these services, you no longer need to book in beforehand. We do still strongly encourage masks to be worn while singing and walking around, but they may be removed while seated. A register of names and contact information may be taken at the door of Sunday Services.

For information regarding Baptisms, Thanksgivings, Weddings, Funerals or any of the above please contact St Peters Church Office on 01483 572078 / office@stpetersguildford.org Office hours are Tuesdays/Fridays 10am-2pm. Go to our website: www.stpetersguildford.org or contact your Vicar Kirsten Rosslyn-Smith on 01483 451908 (not available on Fridays)

Weather in Jacobs Well 2021

September 2021

Maximum Temperature	28C	(82F)
Minimum Temperature	3C	(37F)
Total Rainfall for the month	45mm	(1.75")
Highest Rainfall in 24 hours	12mm	(0.45")
Days with Rain	8	

Comparison with September 2020:-

Maximum Temperature	25C	(77F)
Minimum Temperature	1.5C	(34F)
Total Rainfall this month	15mm	(3.5")
Highest Rainfall in 24 hours	6.5mm	(0.25")
Days with Rain	13	

This month was mostly quite pleasantly warm, but becoming autumnal towards the end. SM

Calendar

Saturday 6th November - National Trust Early Christmas Fair and Coffee Morning - Village Hall - 10am-12noon

Thursday 11th November - Armistice Day Memorial - Harry's Meadow - 10.50am

Thursday 11th November - War Memorial Wreath Laying - War Memorial (corner of Queenhythe Rd/Clay Lane) - 10.50am

Saturday 13th November - Horse/Dog racing - Lounge Bar - 8pm

Saturday 20th November - Bingo - Lounge Bar - 8pm

Saturday 27th November - Christmas craft fair - Village Hall - 10.30am - 4.30pm

Saturday 27th November - Centenary of the Passing of 'Abdu'l-Bahá - Village Hall - 7pm (Please RSVP)

Saturday 27th November - R&B singer - Lounge Bar - 8pm

Tuesday 30th November - Sinatra-like crooning with Geoff Kaye - Village Hall - 8pm

Saturday 4th December - Children's Christmas Party - Village Hall - 3 - 5pm

Tuesday 21st December - a Merry Xmas with Jeremy Lassen - Village Hall - 8pm