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Churt Parish Council Newsletter June 2026

The June meeting of the Parish Council took place once again in the Village Hall hopefully for the last time and we are optimistic that we shall be back in the Pavilion in July. Thank you again to the Village Hall Committee for allowing the Council to meet in the hall for a few months.

Election of New Councillors

I am delighted to report the election of two new Councillors onto Churt Parish Council:

- Maggie Stock, whom many of you will know from her involvement in the Church, parish magazine and CADS and
- Tim Wright, a long-term resident of the Churt area whose children attended St John's School and who brings valuable business and financial experience to the team.

We all look forward to working with Maggie and Tim and are grateful to other candidates who expressed an interest in joining the team. We are so lucky to have such a wealth of enthusiasm!

We had a very busy agenda at the meeting so deferred the allocation of portfolios to the next meeting - no peace for the wicked!

St John's School CIL Funding

The CPC were pleased to support the application from the school for some funding from the parish CIL fund as a contribution towards the installation of new toilets - an overdue and well-needed investment.

You may have seen that Surrey County Council are undertaking a survey of comments on the proposed two phase highway safety improvement scheme around the school - please do have your say - [Have Your Say Today - Have your say - St Johns Infant School, Churt Village - Proposed Road Safety Improvements](#)

Pavilion Improvement Scheme

Jan Macavoy provided an update on progress in relation both to building progress and fund-raising activities. The project is proceeding broadly to plan and if the fund raising continues at the current rate there are plans to make further improvements. The "Buy a Brick" scheme has proved to be successful and was further promoted at the fete (see below).

Village Fete

Unfortunately, I couldn't make the fete as I was otherwise engaged in A&E in the Royal Surrey. I understand, however, that it was a huge success, helped of course by the lovely weather. We are grateful to James Newman for opening the fete, to our MP Greg Stafford for coming to Churt straight from his visit to Gibraltar and for kindly drawing the winning tickets for the Golden Brick and scouts raffles. Many congratulations to this year's Freedom of the Parish awards, kindly presented by Rob Douglas DL to Sarah Bourne, Gillian Devine and Sally Fraser. The fourth recipient Myra Johnson will be presented with her certificate at the Village Cheer event in December.

The stall at which people could "Buy a Brick" for the Pavilion or could buy a raffle ticket for the chance to win a brick, and thereby helping with its renovation whilst maintaining a reference to someone in perpetuity did brisk business and raised nearly £500 for the renovation.

Review of Churt Environment Charter

The CPC are planning to review the [CHURT ENVIRONMENTAL CHARTER | Net Zero for Churt](#) policy - please take a look and let us know how this could be updated and whether it is reflected sufficiently in the activities of the CPC.

The next meetings of Churt Parish Council and Recreation Ground Trust will be held in the Pavilion at 7.30pm on Weds 15th July. Everyone is welcome to attend but it is helpful to know in advance if you wish to make a presentation.

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