### AMPORT PARISH COUNCIL

# Parish Pages

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### THE PARISH PAGES GOING DIGITAL

We want to make this newsletter digital by December, so it will come directly into your email inbox. But we need people to sign up to receive news on the parish council website.

Sadly, we cannot sustain deliveries in paper format - delivering these is a challenge.

If you wish to continue to see and read these Parish Pages, please
Sign up on the website:
www.amportparishcouncil.org.uk

Also if there are individuals who need to receive a hard copy going forward, please contact the Parish Council .

There is a blue button on the right of the first page of the website that says SIGN UP FOR NEWS.



## **Any News?**

If anyone in the parish would like to write an article for the parish pages about something going on in the parish or something of interest in the parish that they think parishioners would like to read, please do get in touch!

We would welcome input and ideas for the Parish Pages.

Please contact: tessa@amportparishcouncil.org.uk

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#### Food Van on Amport Green

18th July

**Peppones Street Food** 

### WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH

#### **Breach Farm Brewing**

The Brewery is open every Friday and Saturday. There are food vans and events on the following nights in July: Thursday, 4 July - American Independence Day Party - Open 4 - 10pm Son of a Bun- Fried chicken burgers! Outdoor games!

Friday, 5 July - American Independence Day Party - Open 4 - 10pm Arty-Stan Pizza- Outdoor games!

Satuday, 6 July - Amport Village Fete (Brewery Closed) Our beer will be served at the Fete!!

Sunday, 7 July - Brewery Closed

Thursday, 11 July - Mug Night 4 - 8pm, run Club 6 pm

Friday, 12 July - Open 4 - 9 pm Peppone Street Food

Saturday, 13 July - Open 12 - 9pm Reggae Feast Catering

Sunday, 14 July - Open 1 - 6pm

Thursday, 18 July - Mug Night 4 - 8pm, run Club 6 pm

Friday, 19 July - Open 4 - 9pm The Tipsty Toastie- gourmet grilled cheese

Saturday, 20 July - Open 12 - 9pm The Funky Pickle- Canadian street food

Sunday, 21 July - Open 1 - 6pm

Thursday, 25 July - Brewer;s Guild meeting 6:30 - 8pm Mug Night 4 - 8pm, run Club 6 pm

Friday, 26 July - Open 4 - 9pm John the Greek

Saturday, 27 July - Open 12 - 9pm Arty-Stan Pizza

Sunday, 28 July - Open 1 - 6pm The Funky Pickle- Canadian street food



### **Amport School says goodbye to two teachers**

At the end of this summer term, Amport School says goodbye to Mrs Claire Mathias and Mrs Jo Cartridge. Both have worked at Amport CofE School for many years and have taught and supported many pupils and parents in their journey through primary school.

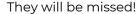
The school appreciates that past and present pupils and parents may like to say thanks, share memories, or wish them all the best in their new adventures. With this in mind, the school would like to invite you to share a relaxed afternoon at The Green on Monday 8th July between 3.45 pm-5.30 pm to say your goodbyes and good wishes. Refreshments will be served.

To commemorate their time at Amport School they would like to present Mrs Mathias and Mrs Cartridge with a memory book. If you want to contribute any memories or good wishes, please forward these to Sarah Pearce at **sflaherty@hotmail.co.uk** by Friday 5th July. They would love to hear how past pupils have been inspired to achieve professional and personal success or just how you're doing. They say primary school is the best years of your life, tell the school your memories from Amport.

A bit about Mrs Mathias and Mrs Cartridge...

The outstanding Deputy Head and Rowan class teacher, Mrs Claire Mathias, joined Amport in September 2010 and has taught Rowan's class (Year 5 and Year 6) ever since. She has taken Rowan class on 12 residential trips, which means that more than 240 children have (hopefully!) had the best week of their primary school life with her. She has prepared year 6 for 12 KS2 SATS tests and worked so hard to ensure they have the best start at secondary school. Most importantly, she inspires all the children and staff to be the best versions of themselves every day.

The fantastic admin officer, Mrs Jo Cartridge, started at Amport in 2009 as a Teaching Assistant and then HLTA. She then took a break from the school setting to work at the library, and in 2018, she returned to Amport to be our amazing Admin Officer. Mrs Cartridge always has a wonderful way of being able to answer everyone's queries and has administered a great many cold compresses and kind words to the children! Mrs Cartridge is an instrumental part of our school team and is always there to lend a hand to everyone.





### **June Meeting Notes**

Breach Farm Brewing has applied for an extension of its license to permit later opening and to hold events without needing to apply for temporary licenses. There was public participation, and views were expressed for the PC to consider.

The highways news is that National Highways has commissioned a report on the A303 / Sarson Lane junction and that we should be contacted by National Highways shortly.

The construction of the new hall continues. The underfloor pipes are being installed, and the floor screed has been laid. The screed will need to dry for a couple of weeks before the floor tiles can be laid. The cladding has been done and the windows should soon be fitted as the project moves towards the completion of the shell of the new hall. Funds to complete the build as far as possible are being collected in the community, but further fundraising is required. Donations can be made via the webpage.

Anyone in the community interested in serving on the Village Hall Committee, especially as treasurer or secretary is asked to please come forward. Residents of Amport Parish are particularly encouraged to apply to Mike Cleugh.

The Hawk Conservancy is holding a Dreamnight from 6 pm to 8.30 on 4 July at the HCT. This is an event where disadvantaged children and their carers have a free fun evening.

There have been reports of crime locally, usually at night and mainly from smallholdings and garages in the villages. This news is not welcome. Please can everyone be vigilant and ensure that doors etc are locked. If you see or hear any suspicious activity, please dial 101 and report the matter to the Police.



### **Councillor Vacancy**

There is a vacancy for a parish councillor on the Amport Parish Council. If you are interested in being a parish councillor and getting involved with everything related to the parish, please do get in touch.

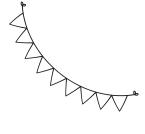
We are a friendly bunch, and there are only 10 meetings that you need to attend.

### **AMPORT FETE**

Amport Parish Council will have a stand at the village fete on July 6th. If you want to know more about the Parish Council, ask a question, or find out more about the Village Hall project, please pop past and say hello. The councillors will be manning the stand all day!







### PillHill Brook - SINC

You may not know that the Pillhill Brook is a SINC. That is a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation. SINC designation is simply a way of encouraging biodiversity conservation.

#### How did we get it?

We have Upper Clatford Parish Council (UCPC) to thank for applying to the Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre (HIBC) and successfully getting us the SINC designation. UCPC only applied for designation of a small section of the brook within their parish, but the HIBC decided to give it to the whole of the Pillhill Brook, quote "for its river habitat and the presence of otter and water vole (both notable species in Hampshire) along its length." We have had SINC designation since November 2019 (TV0609) but the HIBC only informed UCPC of their decision and UCPC just assumed that the HIBC had informed all other landowners. So we want to make sure you are aware of this now.

#### What does it mean?

It is non-statutory and doesn't appear to be aimed at the landowner, it appears to be aimed at public authorities. That's TVBC, for example, encouraging biodiversity conservation through its planning process. It

could help engagement with landowners and countryside stewardship schemes. There are many different interpretations of biodiversity conservation i.e. from Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre (HIBC) itself or Wessex Rivers Trust. With landowners keen to understand how they can best care for river habitat, our Pillhill Brook Association may be able to help define.



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If you have any events or other interesting information regarding the parish please do let us know so we can add it into the next newsletter.

CHAIRMAN: chris@amportparishcouncil.org.uk

If you are unable to attend a meeting but would like to raise a concern, please contact the Clerk by email at clerk@amportparishcouncil.org.uk or by

telephone on 01264 773796

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# MEETING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The Parish Council meets on a Monday at 07:30pm at the Amport School. Anyone is welcome to attend any of these meetings.

15 July 16 September 21 October 18 November



