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From the Rectory

Echoes of 1976 – for those, like me, old enough to remember that drought – as our lawns grow brown and threadbare like a worn out carpet! Unlike a carpet of course, as soon as we get a significant rainfall, the grass will revert to green once more. Much as we all moan about the ‘traditional’ English summer (wet and windy, with the occasional warm sunny day) this year has been so hot! We will see if, as so often, the weather turns as the schools break up...

Sometimes it can feel as if our faith is a bit like that brown lawn, especially at times like these current ones, with so much financial pressure on families. For Christians, prayer is our lifeline to God, and as we turn to him in prayer or contemplation in moments of stress or worry, there is a sense of release and unburdening, feeling rather like a gentle shower of rain on parched earth. If you are feeling overwhelmed at any time, remember our churches are open every day and provide an oasis of cool from the heat of the sun and a quiet space to rest in. I am always available to listen and support you and can be reached via the Office here through phone or email if you need someone to talk to.

Thankfully, the Findon School Pool opened in time for all children to be

able to use it before the end of term; many thanks to those who have worked so hard over this year to get it fit for purpose again, especially to Mick Dicker for the many hours he has devoted to the work on the pool. Now all that is needed is more volunteers to enable the pool to be run through the holidays. Bookings online!

As I write this, the pupils of both our schools are preparing to break up in the next few days. We wish them all a safe and happy summer break as we give thanks for the dedication and hard work of all school staff over this academic year – make sure you all get a good rest! My thoughts and prayers are with all young people as they await the results of public examinations. Remember you all did your best and whatever your results are, there is a new path for you to follow in your education and life ahead. The most important thing is to be happy and contented in who you are!

Have a wonderful summer, whether you are travelling or staying locally, and stay safe.

Every blessing, Helena

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The Fabulous Findon Ladies Charity Day

Another year, another successful charity day for the Fabulous Findon Ladies!

Organised by founders Katie & Maxine, the event was hosted by Findon Manor on a very hot Sunday, 13th July. The Fabulous Ladies of Findon gathered in force to put on another fantastic charity day - raising money for our village.

This year featured seven stalls by local small businesses, games and activities for the children, the tippie tombola, raffle, and even a dog show! Unfortunately, the weather was a little too hot for a lot of dogs, but still popular!

Findon Manor provided a BBQ and G&T tent for all our visitors to enjoy in its wonderful garden on what was a beautiful summers day.

The total raised for the Village was amazing, to be shared among our chosen charities/funds. £1000 has been donated to the Village Hall Trust for their ongoing maintenance and repairs and the rest has been split between the Swimming Pool Fund, Findon Relief in Sickness and the Wildflower Fund. And also, our personal fund for the Elf trail, which we are taking over this year.

November this year marks our two-year anniversary, and in that time we have supported every business which will have us, by visiting their establishments at quieter mid-week times. Already this year we have had a quiz, a curry, a lovely meal at Sylvan Oak and a skittles evening at the Black Horse. And we still have an afternoon tea at Cissbury Barns, a murder mystery evening at Findon Manor and a few Christmas events too!

The Fabulous Findon Ladies is open to any ladies who live in the village - we have a fantastic group of over 100 ladies, ranging from 23 years old to 80 years old! If you're interested in joining, we now have an app! You can either scan the QR code below or download the app - BuddyDo (it's free!) and search for FFLC...or if you're not confident with technology just ask any lady in the village, there's a strong chance they are in the group already!

Katie &
Maxine

**See page 7 to
discover how
much we
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With now only six weeks to go until this year's Sheep Fair, most of the plans are in place. All stalls have now been taken, both in the Marquee and outside. Entries for the Sheep Judging Competition are coming in and we expect a good attendance of farms again this year.

With the show potentially attracting up to 10,000 visitors over the weekend, the need for volunteers is more critical than ever. If you haven't already expressed an interest in helping over the weekend, even if it's just for an hour or so, please let us know at volunteers@findonsheepfair.org.uk. Then come along to the Village Hall on Wed 13th August at 7-30pm for the volunteers meeting.

As well as the volunteers, we rely very much on the generosity of local sponsors. One way of supporting us is to sponsor a section in the sheep judging competition. This year we have a couple of gaps to fill. Basically, for a £50 sponsorship, you can present the trophy to the winner of the section sponsored which will be photographed and a copy sent as a memory of the event. If you are representing a business or organisation, we will provide publicity through the website, programme and over the PA system. If you are interested, please let us know at sponsorship@findonsheepfair.org.uk

Findon Sheep Fair Committee

Tree Group Update

Matthew Ward - Findon Tree Warden

Watering Young Trees

First a plea to water any newly planted trees, it's been a tough year for saplings in the hot and dry conditions. Around 100 were distributed from our nursery to private individuals in the village and hopefully they are being cared for in their first year.

Community Orchard


We have been regularly watering the young fruit trees in the new community orchard, and, after a slow start the grass seed has germinated and formed a lush sward under the trees. **On Saturday 6th September we are planning to have an open afternoon between 2 and 5pm.** Come along to celebrate this new village amenity and hear about plans for its continuing development. You'll find us behind the village hall, follow the track to

the right of the car park past the preschool building. You can also view our tree nursery and maybe select one for planting later in the year.

Pond Green Sycamore

Earlier in the year a large limb was removed from a Sycamore on Pond Green, it had a large crack between the main trunk and a side branch. This was done for safety reasons as the limb would have fallen on the car park if it had split. We are now left with a rather lopsided tree which still has health issues. Connick tree specialists are carrying out a survey of it and will be reporting back soon. It could be that they will condemn the tree and it will have to be felled. This would actually create an opportunity to plant a sizable, more ornamental replacement in this prominent position in the village.

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Across Findon there are multiple bodies that make charitable donations to institutions or causes within the village and a recent suggestion made was to consider how better these can be coordinated to help create maximum benefit across the village. Clearly each body decides where their donation should go but that decision could perhaps be better enabled if we cooperated to share these donations enabling better informed choice. It would also have the benefit of greater transparency if these were both a historical record, let's say the last three years and available to the public. FPC can enable that approach via its website and will be looking to create such a facility in the near future.

The large sycamore tree on Pond Green had significant visible damage to one of its boughs that warranted its removal recently and on further inspection the tree trunk looked to have split. As a result, FPC and our Tree Warden Matthew Ward commissioned Connick Tree Care specialists to undertake a full survey and report on the condition of the tree. Unfortunately, the report has now confirmed that the tree is no longer stable and therefore represents a risk, with a recommendation that the tree is felled within the next three months. As part of the process FPC will advise South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) of this finding and then proceed with removal after submitting a formal application for the work. Sadly,

Cllr Sean Smith

this will leave quite an impression on Pond Green. In an attempt to ameliorate this, FPC is exploring the option of planting a partially grown replacement adjacent to the existing tree.

It is excellent news to see Findon Swimming Pool open again after significant donations from different groups across the village and hard work to pass relevant audits. Please visit their website to see opening times and to look at the excellent private hire options available. As always volunteers to support the pool, particularly those who can spare time to supervise the sessions (following the appropriate life-saving training provided) are always welcome. Speaking from years of experience, it is particularly gratifying to see the kids enjoying themselves and to recognise that this village asset contributes to saving lives.

Findonswimmingpool.co.uk

Nepcote Green Pond continues to develop and following the recent marine survey now hosts frogs and ducklings as well as copious butterflies, dragonflies and other insects. There have been further attempts to remove the duckweed to allow other pond plants to flourish which should over time reduce the coverage

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Of course, one thing Ambridge doesn't have is a monthly column in a local magazine – in fact, I don't even think Ambridge has a magazine. They need to come to Findon to see what we do. Neither does the Ambridge shop boast a volunteer WhatsApp group. We have recently started one and it is proving to be a very effective way to communicate. Thank you everyone who has joined the group.

Curiously, both Ambridge and Findon have surveyed customers recently to ensure that they are providing what their communities want. I wondered who copied who? Thank you to everyone who completed ours. The results were overwhelmingly positive, which is always reassuring, and thank you for all the suggestions that you made. Unfortunately, floor space

Jean Burden

prevents us from stocking more freezer food or special offers; the PO stays open long hours to support the shop volunteers and to maximise benefit to our community; and we already offer a delivery service – please speak to Angus if you're interested.

Well, Angus was certainly right when he predicted good weather last month. Customers and visitors alike appreciate the water station outside our shop, and our ice creams, soft drinks, wines and beers have been very popular. We have recently received a delivery of interesting-looking cocktail mixers and non-alcoholic cordials to tempt you ...

If you are planning a holiday, we stock euros, and can order other currencies for the following day (just show your ID), although why anyone would want to go abroad when it is so hot here beats me.

When you go into the shop, it's easy to miss the crackers, eggs, teas and coffees behind the door, so take a look next time you visit. And do go through to the back, where we stock all sorts of delights: a wonderful selection of greetings cards for every occasion, and an all-singing, all-dancing hot drinks machine that serves cappuccino, flat white, mocha, americano, hot chocolate, and – wait for it - water (I thought I'd save the best 'til last). We also stock newspapers, store cupboard foods, stationery, household essentials and first aid/health products. As I say, we pack a lot into a small space!

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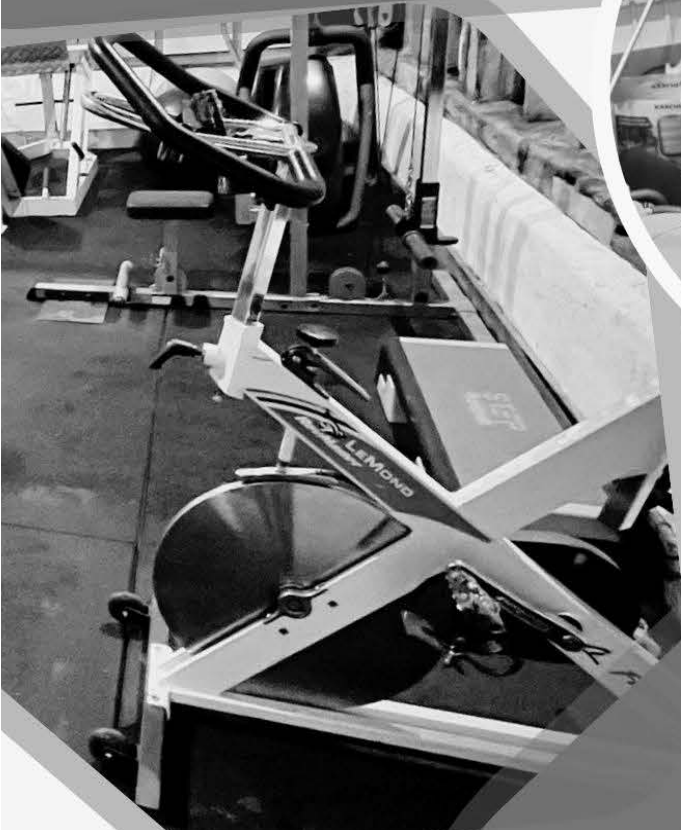
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A very big thank you to the '**Fabulous Findon Ladies**' who had a very successful event at **Findon Manor Hotel** with the weather to match, your efforts to raise funds for the village is very much appreciated and the contribution to the village hall will be well invested. Thank you.

There is much continued activity at the hall, with some new additional classes, which are also listed on our website, but they are:

Baby steps Dance Class has started on Saturday mornings from 9.30 – 10.30am.

Soccer Tots Academy starts on September 8th and will run on Monday mornings from 10.00 – 10.45am.

Tai Chi – a new additional class starting on Tuesday mornings.

Circuit Training Class – starting on September 11th and continuing every Thursday evening from 5.45-6.30pm.

Willow Making Workshops – To be run once a month, for 4 months starting on September 11th between 7.00 – 9.00pm.

Other Events and classes continue at the Hall, they include Chair Yoga,

Yoga, Keep Fit, Line Dancing, Pilates, Carpet Bowls, Art Workshops, Bead Magicians, Findon Garden Association plus many more – go on please take advantage.

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Need for Help:

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We hope you are all aware that the Findon Village Hall is run by a trusted group of individuals, who give their time to the community, by overseeing the operation and management of your community hall, all funds raised (which are very much appreciated) are reinvested in the facilities, which are available to most. THANK YOU.





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August will be our summer celebration, when we will enjoy a glass of Pimms, fruit cocktails and some 'silliness'. The

dress code will be 'summertime'. The competition will be a summer flower from your garden.

We will be off for a game of Croquet on the 12th August, no flamingos I promise!

Our new book group, the 2nd Edition had its first meeting on 16th July. The first book is Piranesi by Susanna Clarke.

Website – It has lots of news about our activities, sub-groups, and upcoming initiatives – Check it out.

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Keith Cyril Langridge 1940-2025 (Former resident of Findon Village)

Carolyn Morris

Our dear Uncle Keith sadly passed away peacefully at Worthing Hospital on 2nd July 2025.

Keith, his family and several generations from the past were former residents of Findon Village.

Keith's early days were spent in Elm Cottage (Elm Court flats possibly now?) with his siblings Jean (my mum), Barbara and David. He was the youngest of the four children, though their mother Alfreda May, sadly died when Keith was just 2 years old. Their father Cyril Henry Langridge, was a Saddler and Harness maker in the village, together with running the Ironmongers.

The family moved into Pony Farm and Cyril assisted with the renovation of the cottages nearby.

During World War II, Cyril was also a fireman.

In later years, they moved into the bungalow in Nepcote Lane and took over the Greengrocers business (from Arthur Brown), additionally growing and selling flowers as a Market Gardener. Keith assisted his dad in the

Greengrocers business and delivered the orders. Later, Keith was a delivery man for a Bakers too.

Keith also enjoyed performing amateur dramatics at the Village Hall.

Several generations of the family lived in Findon, running the original Black Horse Inn in the 18th century and Keith's Aunt Connie (Packham) ran the Village House Hotel.

Cyril retired from running the Greengrocers and with Keith and Mabel (Keith's stepmother) went on a 6-month trip to New Zealand to visit his brother David and family, who had emigrated there.

Keith and his parents later moved to the Bridport area, where Keith ran a sweet shop and they finally moved back to High Salvington. During Keith's twilight years, he lived in West Worthing, but his heart and fondest memories were forever in the beautiful Findon Village.

Keith's funeral will take place in Worthing Crematorium on Wednesday 6th August @ 2.30pm (Muntham Chapel).

We love receiving memories of Findon past and present.

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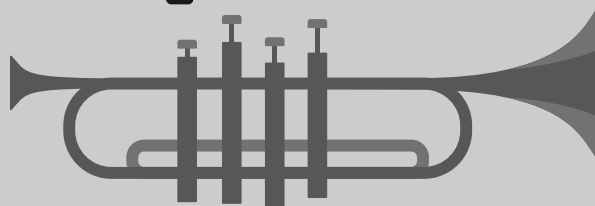
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Findon Planning Applications

Planning applications for Findon are under the authority of South Downs National Park and listed on the SDNPA website (www.southdowns.gov.uk).

Findon Parish Council (FPC) Planning Committee meetings are scheduled monthly to consult on planning applications received from the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA). Parish Consultation Letters (PCL) received from the SDNPA are displayed on the Notice Boards outside the newsagents and the Village Hall, and published on the FPC website (<http://findonparishcouncil.gov.uk>) along with the schedule of Committee meeting dates.



Please note that due to Findon News publication deadlines, some applications may have already been placed before the Committee. Residents should check the Notice Boards and FPC website regularly to view notices and meeting details.

Any enquiries should be address to the FPC Clerk - 01903 877225.

Since the last issue of Findon News, the following Planning Applications have been posted on the SDNPA website:

Discharge of conditions 11 (design stage construction report), 12 (energy measures), 16 (completion of archaeological works), 19 (surface water details), 21 (biodiversity enhancements), 22 (landscape and ecological management plan) and 24 (external lighting) for SDNP/20/00033/REF (SDNP/19/01876/FUL)

Soldiers Field House Soldiers Field Lane Findon West Sussex BN14 0SH
Ref. No: SDNP/25/02927/DCOND

Demolition of garage and erection of a single dwelling and associated works

Steepdown Cottage Stable Lane
Findon West Sussex BN14 0RR
Ref. No: SDNP/25/02549/FUL

Non Material Amendment (SDNP/25/01295/HOUS) - Alter roof from flat roof with lantern to pitch roof with rooflights.

30 School Hill Findon West Sussex
BN14 0TR

Ref. No: SDNP/25/02717/NMA

Discharge of Conditions 13 (Bin Storage and Management Strategy), 30 (Travel Plan) and 31(Boradband) for SDNP/20/00033/REF (SDNP/19/01876/FUL)

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The weeds, shrubs and stinging nettles have taken over here at the Sanctuary. We are needing some Volunteer Gardeners please. Would any energetic humans would like to come and help? (Tea, coffee and biscuits provided.)

We have two cats needing special homes. Garfield, a beautiful, 4 year-old ginger cat, is very friendly. He needs a safe garden. He was abandoned by his owners, who moved away three months ago leaving him and his brother behind, being fed by the neighbours. Sadly, his brother was recently killed by a car, while crossing the road. We also have Minnie, a white and grey 5 year-old cat, who must have a garden and is not fond of children or other cats.

A cat was recently given to us by Grove Lodge Vets, after having treatment for an

injured tail. He also had to be neutered and treated for fleas and worms. David from Billy Bears Rescue came in and microchipped him. He was accidentally let out just after he arrived and then disappeared. With posters up around the village, we had lots of sightings but no one could catch him. Then we had a call, telling us that he has been joining a couple of stable cats every night for an evening meal. Afterwards he would then climb up out of reach on the hay bales to sleep. He has a happy ending though! He now has been lucky enough to be offered a permanent home with the other two stable yard cats. Grateful thanks from Paws.

Stacey.

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15 The Oval
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Minnie (left)

Garfield (right)



Village Hall Diary August 2025

For one off events e.g. children's parties, meetings and weddings please email Elaine Dibben on bookingsecretary@findonvillagehall.net or visit www.findonvillagehall.net/home/hire-the-hall. Please contact organisers directly for further information about activities/classes. Their details are available on the Village Hall website - www.findonvillagehall.net.

Weekly	Day	Hall	Time
Just Yoga	Monday (Not 25 th)	Nepcote	10:30am
Yoga for Today	Monday (11 th & 18 th only)	Nepcote	16.30pm
Encore Choir	Monday (Not 25 th)	Chanctonbury	18.45pm
Keeping Fit with Enzo	Tuesday	Chanctonbury	9.15am
	Tuesday (5 th and 19 th)	Nepcote	9.15am
You Yoga	Tuesday	Chanctonbury	18.00pm
Line Dancing	Wednesday	Chanctonbury	10.00am
UDanceUK	Wednesday (Not 6 th or 13 th)	Chanctonbury	17.00pm
Cloud Nine Yoga	Wednesday	Nepcote	19.00pm
Strictly Dancing with Lisa	Wednesday (only 6 th)	Chanctonbury	19.00pm
Keeping Fit with Enzo	Thursday	Nepcote	9.15am
Carpet Bowls	Thursday	Chanctonbury	14.00pm
Tai Chi	Friday	Chanctonbury	10:00am
Cloud Nine Yoga	Friday	Nepcote	10.00am
Baby Steps Dance Group	Saturday	Nepcote	9.30am
Danceaholics	Sunday (Not 24 th)	Chanctonbury	18.30pm

Monthly	Date	Hall	Time
Meditation & Sound Healing	12 th August	Chanctonbury	7.45pm
Findon Village WI	14 th August	Chanctonbury	19.30pm
WI Crafty Ladies	18 th August	Nepcote	14.00pm
Bead Magicians	19 th August	Chanctonbury	10.00am
Parish Council Planning Mtg	28 th August	Nepcote	19.30pm
Findon Garden Association	29 th August	Chanctonbury	19.30pm
(August - Quiz night – ticket only)			

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 2nd August – FGA Summer Flower Show- Chanctonbury – 2pm

Saturday 9th August – Cinnamon Trust Cream Tea – Chanctonbury – 2pm

Wednesday 14th August – Sheep Fair Volunteers Information Event – Chanctonbury - 7.30pm

Friday 22nd August – FVHT Monarch's Way Choir Concert – Chanctonbury – 7.30pm

September

Friday 19th September – FVHT Film Night – **Burton**– Chanctonbury – 7.30pm

PARISH OF FINDON, CLAPHAM AND PATCHING

AUGUST 2025

All three Churches are open daily for private prayer.

There is a 10.00am said Eucharist in Findon Church every **Tuesday**,
and Morning Prayer every **Wednesday** and **Friday** at 9.00am.

Sunday 3rd August Seventh Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 10.00am 10.00am	BCP Holy Communion in Findon Church Worship & Praise in Findon Church with 'Hope Rising' Eucharist in Patching Church
Sunday 10th August Eighth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am	BCP Holy Communion in Clapham Church Eucharist in Findon Church
Sunday 17th August Ninth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am 10.00am	BCP Holy Communion in Findon Church Eucharist in Findon Church Eucharist in Clapham Church
Sunday 24th August Tenth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am	BCP Holy Communion in Patching Church Eucharist in Findon Church
Sunday 31st August Eleventh Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 10.00am	BCP Holy Communion in Findon Church Eucharist in Patching Church

FAMILY EVENTS:

	Next Messy Church – Tuesday 7th October 3.30 – 5.30pm in Findon Village Hall All children welcome with an accompanying adult for crafts, a story, singing and food
Lambs Tails – Parent & Toddler Group for babies, toddlers, & parents/carers. During August this will be held on Tuesday mornings, 10.30am at Findon Rectory. Contact Dom: fcpfamiliesworker@gmail.com	
Sunday 17th August – East Clayton Farm Visit Please bring own food and drink. Meet at the car park at 1.30pm for 2pm start. Donation requested. Animal petting, countryside walk and games. Please email Dom (as below) with names if interested.	

Baptisms	6 th July – Douglas Mouland and Elspeth Mouland 6 th July – Jordan Cossington 27 th July – Margot Avery
Funerals	15 th July – Joy Devereux 23 rd July – Anna Gatenby

Rev. Helena Buqué, Vicar, and Rev. Colin Cox, Associate Vicar:
c/o The Rectory, School Hill, Findon BN14 0TR.

t: 01903 873601 | e: findoncprectory@gmail.com

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