

## MARCH 2011 NEWSLETTER

### HS2 Consultation Underway

Consultation to decide if and where the proposed HS2 line should run is underway and will end in July. The Consultation documents can be found, <http://highspeedrail.dft.gov.uk>. As well as the government sponsored exhibitions, the nearest of which is at Calvert Green on 26<sup>th</sup> May, the Parish Council is organising a Public Meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> May in the Village Hall. This may seem a long way away but the document is very long and in some important aspects is remarkably vague. We are, therefore, hoping to clarify these vague points, which are mainly in the area of compensation, before then so that we can assist in the completion of the consultation questionnaire if people will find that useful.

### If you are for the railway or against it please take part in the consultation.

Chris Scott has proposed starting a history group to record information about the village and its past. To get this off to a great start Bucks Archaeological Society are coming to the village on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. They will be based at the Crown and will be undertaking a survey of the current village and of the site where the medieval village was situated.

If you live in one of the older houses and you would be happy to be visited on the day please let us know. There will be a more detailed flier going out nearer the day. Also, please look out all those momentos, photos, maps, cuttings and anything else throwing light on Twyford's past that you have stored away and would be happy to share and bring them along to the Crown on 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

### The Incinerator

Regrettably, despite the attempt to get the decision to give WRG preferred bidder status to build an incinerator at Calvert overturned, BCC's Cabinet ignored the wishes of over 26,000 local residents and gave WRG the green light. Planning permission has now been applied for so if you want to have your

say go to [www.buckscc.gov.uk](http://www.buckscc.gov.uk) follow the links to Planning and enter application number 11/20000/AWD. The last date for comments is 20<sup>th</sup> April.

### The Burial Ground Extension

Now that ownership has transferred to the Parish Council the extension will be levelled and fenced after any work that we decide to do on the medieval site is completed. The PC think that it might be a good idea to plant trees along the northern boundary which people could dedicate to loved ones buried in the graveyard and burial ground. Please let us know what you think.

### The Shop

Planning permission for the revised layout has now been granted and building work is scheduled to start in April.

### The Church Clock

The clock is now working again but the parish Council needs to invest in two new motors to get the chimes going once more. If we get a

reasonable quote from the makers this will go ahead pretty soon.

### **Some Sad News**

In the past couple of months Harold Hodges and Mary Horan have passed on. They will be missed.

### **Litter and Dog Mess**

Not a particularly nice combination. Two new, larger Litter Bins have been installed in the village. One at the Rec and the other at the bus stop by the Village Hall. These will be emptied by AVDC on a four weekly cycle and by Richard Simmonds if they are particularly well used.

There have been complaints about an increase in the amount of dog mess close to the shop and Village Hall. If your dog is one of the guilty ones please clear it up. As soon as the new shop is completed we will install a dog waste bin in an appropriate spot nearby. Until then please Bag it and Bin it!

### **The National Census**

This takes place on 27<sup>th</sup> March, you probably have already received the questionnaire so please remember to fill in on that day or as soon as possible afterwards and send it back.

### **Elections**

On 5<sup>th</sup> May you will have the opportunity to vote for your Parish Council and for a District Councillor to represent this village and others on AVDC. Please take the opportunity to vote at the Village Hall on the day. At the same time there will be a vote on the Government's referendum to choose between keeping the "First past the post" system of electing a Member of Parliament or changing to the Alternative Vote system where you are able to rank the various candidates in order of preference.

If you fancy standing as either a Parish or District Councillor then please talk to Andrea

Curtis, our Parish Clerk, or ring AVDC on 01296585807 for more details on how to stand.

### **The Bridge**

Despite numerous letters in the paper and others direct to Transport for Buckinghamshire TfB steadfastly refuse to give us any information about their plans.

### **Dates for Your Diary**

14<sup>th</sup> March - Parish Council

2<sup>nd</sup> April – History Day

20<sup>th</sup> April – Last day for comments on incinerator

29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> April – Royal Wedding Celebrations

5<sup>th</sup> May – Parish and District Elections

19<sup>th</sup> May – Public Meeting for HS2 Consultation

31<sup>st</sup> July – End of HS2 Consultation

### **Your Parish Council**

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### **Parish Council website**

[www.twyford-bucks-pc.gov.uk](http://www.twyford-bucks-pc.gov.uk)

Minutes and other useful documents and links can be found here.