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Editorial

Our late summer visitors have had a real treat this year with the combination of the gorgeous (mostly) September weather and the new businesses getting their feet under the table, so to speak.

The centre of the village appears to be as busy as ever at the moment and the evening dining outlets are suggesting that things are also going pretty well for them.

The school is back for the new year with new leadership and it is lovely to see the enjoyment of children and good crowds of parents alike at after-school football matches in Central Mead.

By all means forward your copy to others. They can receive their own copy by signing up at the bottom of the home page of the website -

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If you live in Godshill, work in Godshill or are visiting and want to contribute to next month's edition, please contact me.

All the best

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Bits & Pieces

SPEEDING THROUGH THE VILLAGE - There might be a glimmer of hope that the local constabulary are considering taking some interest in the issue. There is now a monthly newsletter from the local force - [CLICK HERE](#) to read it. In it they state their current priorities. Top of the list is "Traffic related anti-social behaviour. (To include speeding/obstruction/manner of driving)".

IW COUNCILLOR ANNUAL REPORT - At the weekend, Rodney Downer, our IW Councillor, walked around the village delivering his annual report to every household. A copy of this report is now on the Godshill Online website - [CLICK HERE](#).

CONGRATULATIONS TO TERRY CROW - September saw Godshill's Terry Crow make his 20th trip to the London Bikeathon in aid of BloodWise. Every year Terry has organised a group of cyclists from Godshill and around the island to take part. Besides the coach to get the group to London and back, there is also a second vehicle to take all of the bikes! At the end of the event, Terry was presented with a certificate and trophy to celebrate his 20 years.

GODSHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL - Did you know that they now have a great new website? [CLICK HERE](#) to go to it. There you will find just about everything you need to know about the school.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH - There will be an Animal Blessing Service this Sunday (October 7th) 11am at All Saints Church in Godshill. All animals and their human companions welcome.

SPITFIRE - Have you notice it's antics overhead during the last week or so. It's not every day that you gaze upwards to hear the roar of that merlin engine and see a plane doing rolls and looping-the-loop. Anyone know any more about this reminiscence of this month 78 years ago?

PROPERTY FOR SALE - The property market has been a little more buoyant with sales and a few additions to the market. There are currently only ten properties for sale in Godshill, [CLICK HERE](#) to see the full list. We also maintain on the website all those properties that have been sold or taken off the market, including the actual sale prices when they appear on the Land Registry. [CLICK HERE](#) to see them.

TWITTER & FACEBOOK - Don't forget that we do have a Twitter account - [@Godshilliw](#). It now has over 700 followers and we tweet daily! You can also find us on [Facebook](#). If we could find a few people interested in taking photos around the village then we might even consider setting up an Instagram page, could that be you?

Shops & Businesses

LEAL'S TEA GARDENS - From Carl and Annabel at Leal's:

Leal's has survived its opening in August. We've been busy, helped by the glorious weather, of course. The 'scone production line' and cake making have been in full swing and there are very few moments when something delicious isn't being baked! It's a lot of work but producing home baked scones and cake is well worth it, testament to this is some great feedback from customers.

We are planning to remain open after the summer season and customers will at last discover the full benefits of our gorgeous wood burning stove as the temperature drops. The decor will be adjusted for Autumn and Winter to make things a little more 'cosy'.

Our menu will evolve into something more appropriate for the winter months. Leal's will aim to cater as much for our locals as for the visitors with everything from a coffee or a warming bowl of soup to winter warming delights.

We have to say a massive thanks to all the people in Godshill who have supported us either with custom, or with words of encouragement - A huge 'thank you'! We've not got everything right first time and our gratitude also for your understanding in those first couple of weeks. We've taken on board your comments and improvements have been made.

Work is underway on a website and we should also be on Facebook in the very near future, once we can free up a little time to do it! It's been a lot of hard work so far.....but definitely worth it!

THE PANTRY - Sam has just gone a little oriental with some locally created homemade curry pastes. Always popular are the freshly made quiches such as Corgette, Tomato and Onion, available as small or large. On a Saturday morning, Sam opens nice and early (8:00am) and you can guarantee to find lots of lovely freshly baked goodies such as Bread, Chocolate Brownies and a selection Of Quiches. Also there is Dry Cured Bacon, Milk, Butter, Cheese, Veggies, Gammon Steaks, Tomato Ketchup, Breakfast Sauce and lots more.

Sam also stocks Margaret and Katherine's fabulous Twins Gluten Free mixes but unfortunately the ladies have announced that they are retiring. However, if you get in quickly, you might be able to place a final order. Don't forget that these mixes all come with a 6 month use by date. All orders are required by Saturday 6th October. The mixes available are Carrot Cake, Chocolate Brownie, Plain and Chocolate Sponge, Sultana Sponge, Fruit Scones, White Bread and Flaxmeal

Bread.

WORSLEY'S - Nana Pat's Sunday roasts have been going down a bomb. Last Friday they also restarted Pie Night which used to be a favourite in The Bat's Wing. From 6:00pm to 9:30pm they serve a selection of different pies each week.

WOODS KITCHEN - They hosted a highly successful live acoustic music evening on the last Thursday of the month and as a result have now booked Greg Barnes and Friends for seven Thursday night acoustic guitar sessions this side of Christmas. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information on their website. The same night they also launched their new Vegan Menu. Their Sunday Lunches are also getting rave reviews and you certainly have to book well in advance to get a table.

GODSHILL PARK FARM - The spectacular barn conversion which forms the new Godshill Park Barn is now having its final touches and the launch party is on Saturday 27th October from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. This bespoke venue will offer a tranquil setting for wellbeing retreats and provide five-star ancillary accommodation. Set in an area of outstanding natural beauty this is an exciting addition to the island's holistic wellbeing community. [CLICK HERE](#) for more details of the Launch Party on Facebook.

GODSHILL MODEL VILLAGE - You have just 4 weeks before the doors close for the winter. The last day is Sunday 28 October. All the figures are lovingly put into hibernation and the control system for the trains is dismantled and packed away in a dry store. The team then embarks on the winter works which are always both extensive and time-consuming. After all, there is a whole village to bring back to tip-top condition before the 2019 season starts in the spring.

Village Community Hub

The management committee of the Godshill Village Hall Trust charity met at the beginning of last month and this month, but no details are forthcoming other than a casual comment reporting that only discussions took place.

If anyone is able to attend these meetings and is willing to provide some details of the activities and plans, we would be very happy to share them here and on the website.

If you wish to volunteer to help this project or have any ideas or suggestions or want to get more information, contact Gareth Hughes (Email: Hello@godshillparish.co.uk or write to: Gareth Hughes, Westfield House, Shore Road, Ventnor, PO38 1RF).

Parish Council

Last month's meeting was held on 3rd September and there was another meeting this Monday. All councillors were present at the September meeting along with the IW Councillor and just 4 members of the public. Members of the public attending raised the issues of speeding, dog fouling, overhanging trees and road resurfacing.

Points of note from the councillors' discussions in September:

1. Improvements to the public conveniences would be discussed at the next meeting
2. No objections were made to three planning applications
3. Knotweed in Central Mead had been treated
4. Tree work had been completed on Church Hill
5. Community support would be sought for participation in Isle of Wight Day (but it seems they never got round to doing this according to one local resident)
6. Councillor Nigh reported that the final amount raised for charity by the Summer Fayre was £1,800 and that she was organising a

Christmas Market (8 December) with all stalls already fully booked

7. A document from Mr Farrow relating to the parish council website has been received and it will be discussed at the next meeting
8. IW Councillor Downer reported that drainage problems continue in Lessland Lane where he was also in receipt of a request of an additional bus stop. Hedge notices have been raised for the Dubbers. Speed monitoring in Sandford had shown 85% of traffic was within speed limit (40mph)

The next meeting is on Monday 5th November in Godshill Methodist Hall starting at 7:30pm. Everyone is most welcome.

[CLICK HERE](#) to go to the draft minutes of the September meeting and the agenda for the October meeting.

The only news we have from the October meeting is that it appears that there was only one member of the public present when the council was expecting a significant number of residents to attend in order to voice their opposition to a further planning application in Church Hill.

Recent News

Excerpts:

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Three suspected animal attacks in our area – witness appeal



The Neighbourhood Policing Team mentioned that in July, a commercial premises in Godshill, not sure which, suffered a burglary with alcohol being stolen.

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[St. Catherines View – 4 bedroom detached house for sale](#)



Lounge/diner, Kitchen/breakfast room with built-in hob & oven, cloakroom & utility. 3 double beds & a single, bathroom, separate shower & cloakroom.

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[Woods Kitchen first events – this evening and tomorrow morning](#)



Woods Kitchen is the newest place to eat on the High Street. After 3 years away, Teri Wood has returned to what was The Essex and is now open 7 days a week.

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Yarborough Close – 3 bedroom semi-detached house for sale



3 bedroom semi-detached house in sought after and convenient location within easy reach of local amenities, public transport links and local Primary School.

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Newport Road – 4 bedroom detached house for sale [SOLD STC]

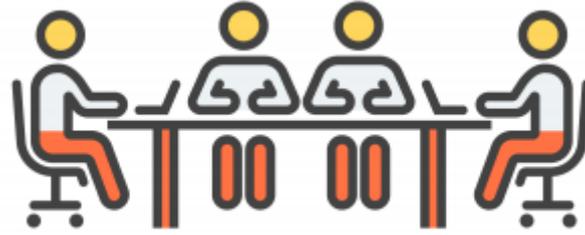


A substantial detached family home with spacious accommodation situated at the end of an unmade lane off Newport Road.

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