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Note from the editor

Thank you for opening the spring edition of the Whiteley Voice.

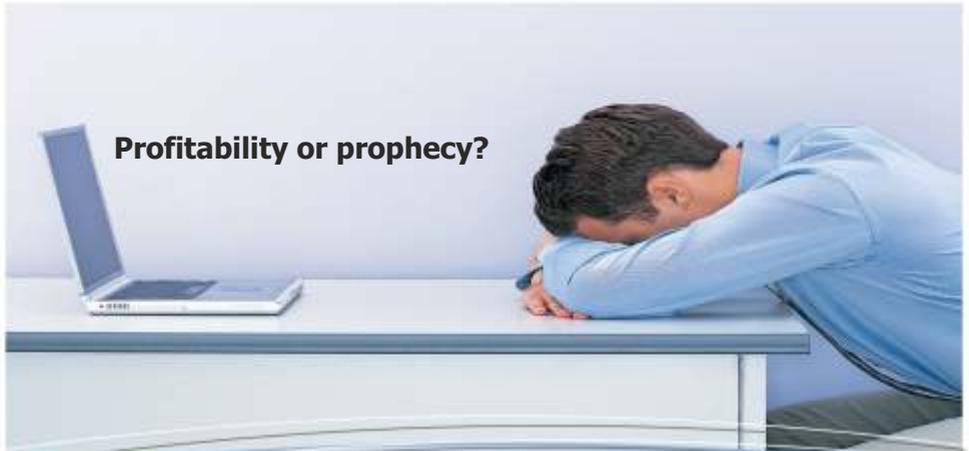
After weeks of wet weather it is great to see football being played on the recreation ground after a three month break. The picnic season began last weekend, with vast amounts of litter sadly! Warmer weather is definitely on its way and there are some great events planned for the next few months.

There is always plenty happening in the shopping centre, Whiteley WAGS have a bake sale in the centre on 29th March which will definitely be worth a visit, there is a French Market on 30th March, celebrate Whiteley at the Parish Assembly on 6th May and put the Meadowside Music Festival in the diary for 12th July.

Shaping up to be another great year in Whiteley!

A special thanks to Jeremy Parsons for the front page photo. Jeremy is a member of the Whiteley Photo Facebook Group, there are some fantastic photographers in Whiteley.

Editor Nicki Oliver



Profitability or prophecy?

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Whiteley Parish Council steps up a gear

On 1st May Whiteley Parish Council will change its name to Whiteley Town Council. This is to recognise the changes in the nature of Whiteley since the inception of the parish in 2003. Whiteley now has its own town centre and is set to grow further as it extends northwards during the next 15 - 20 years.

Whiteley Town Plan



During the coming months the Council will be preparing a town plan to replace the 2008 parish plan. A questionnaire will be delivered to every household as part of a special edition of the Whiteley Voice. We need as many people as possible to respond to ensure we plan for the needs of all Whiteley residents. The plan will cover issues including the shopping centre, roads, recreation facilities and North Whiteley.



Community defibrillator

The Parish Council is funding the purchase and installation of a community defibrillator. It will be sited near to the Council's notice boards at Meadowside Leisure Centre. The defib. machine will enable a lay person to treat a patient who has a heart attack. The defib. machine talks you through the treatment with telephone guidance from the Ambulance Service and is considered to be 'fool proof'. There is a 75% chance of survival if treated within the first few minutes of an attack, rates fall off by 7–10% with each minute that defib. is delayed. Let's hope it will never be needed!

Area K Street Lights

The street lights in Area K have at last been adopted. This means that Hampshire County Council is responsible for maintenance. Unfortunately there have been delays including the lights in the online reporting system. If you find lights are not working please report to the Parish Council clerk.whiteley@parish.hants.gov.uk and we will pass on the request for repairs.



Parkway yellow lines

Winchester City Council has agreed to install yellow lines along the narrow stretch of east Parkway. Vice Chairman of the Highways Committee, Malcolm Butler, spoke at WCC's committee meeting to raise concerns about the potential for displaced cars to park in residential roads, particularly Marjoram Way. WCC agreed to monitor the parking situation in residential areas.

Yew Tree Drive

With traffic calming and other mitigation measures now in place and complete, Hampshire County Council began, on 24th February, a three month trial opening of the Yew Tree Drive Bus Gate to all except HGV traffic.

Councillor Seán Woodward, Hampshire County Council Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment will be making the decision on whether to keep the road open.

Whiteley bus services

The Parish Council is aware that some of our residents rely on public transport which is not the best in Whiteley.

The current No 26 and 28/28A services are fully subsidised by Hampshire County Council and all subsidised services are currently under review.

To take part in the consultation use this link

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/transportconsultation2014>

It may be worth looking to see if any of your journeys could be taken by bus to help keep the services operational. Bus timetables are available on the parish council's website.

Dial a ride

Did you know there are community buses that serve Whiteley?



The bus is available to Fareham residents Monday to Friday more information on this link

www.farehamaction.org.uk/Dial-a-Ride.htm or tel 01329 223151

Winchester residents can book the bus on a Wednesday link here www.waca.org.uk/services/transport tel 01962 852602

Whiteley Parish Council Tax Increase

The Parish Council has agreed to increase its precept by 3.6% for 2014/15 this is to ensure there is sufficient capital to maintain and replace its numerous play areas in the future. The average increase for a Band D household will be £3 for the year.

Parish Rooms at Meadowside Leisure Centre

The Parish Council has a fully furnished board room and meeting room available for local organisations to hire. Contact the Clerk for more information.

A quick request about the Meadowside hedge

Please could we ask that routes through the hedge around Meadowside Recreation Ground are not used to access the shopping centre, it is damaging the hedge and is dangerous for those struggling through. Our groundsman has received complaints from 'trespassers' that their clothes have been damaged! There are plenty of nearby paths available that are much easier and safer to use!

Voice for Whiteley



Whiteley residents are welcome to join our lively Facebook group **Voice4Whiteley** we have around 950 members discussing anything and everything to do with Whiteley.

Contacting the Council



Residents are very welcome to contact councillors informally; formal enquiries should be made to Clerk Nicki Oliver

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Inclusive play for all



Whiteley Parish Council is working on a project to provide an extension to a very popular play area on Meadowside Recreation Ground to make more provision for children with additional needs. We would like to engage with as many children and parents as possible to achieve the best results for everyone.

We anticipate the play area will serve a very wide area, it is close to the new shopping centre in Whiteley which is highly accessible for all visitors and is becoming a very popular destination. If you have friends or family who might enjoy the new facilities please ask them to take part in the project.



We recently installed a supportive swing which has proved very popular, modelled here by a very cheerful Poppy West! We know there is a need for more inclusive play areas and want everyone to be able to play.

We will be looking for ideas and opinions through online surveys, emails, workshops and through our [Facebook Group Extraordinary Parks](#) which everyone is welcome to join.

Please contact the Parish Council with your email address clerk.whiteley@parish.hants.gov.uk or join the Facebook Group to help us design the best possible play area for everyone.

If you are reading this online [check out this YouTube video for inspiration!](#)

Nicki Oliver, Parish Clerk
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Whiteley Parish Council invites you to

Celebrate Whiteley

At the Annual Parish Assembly

6pm Tuesday 6th May 2014
Meadowside Leisure Centre

Find out what is happening in your community: schools, shopping centre and local organisations.
Meet the Mayor of Winchester and parish councillors.
Performances from Whiteley Primary School and Henry Cort Community College choirs, music ensembles and bands

Henry Cort Art Exhibition
Wine, soft drinks and buffet

Tel 01329 835019 for more information

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Whiteley swan by Jeremy Parsons

Karol Wicinski & 9 Peaks Challenge Team

The 9 Peaks Challenge is to climb the nine highest peaks in each continent in nine years. Whiteley residents Karol Wicinski has taken up the challenge and is fund raising to support the Royal Marines Charitable Trust Fund and other British Military charities.

The targets set for 2013 have been achieved with the ascent of Elbrus and Mt Blanc. Karol also set up a Challenge team and dedicated website for the project.



Plans for this year include climbing Kilimanjaro (Africa) in September followed by Aconcagua in South America in early 2015.

To support Karol and his team with their fundraising check out their website 9peakschallenge.com

The Henry Cort Community College Oceans of Opportunities at University...

On Friday 10th January, a group of Year 8 gifted and talented students from The Henry Cort Community College visited the University of Southampton as part of the 'Learn with US' Outreach programme. Enjoying a wave of opportunities, they worked collaboratively with students from Crestwood College for Business and Enterprise in Eastleigh and Mayfield School, Portsmouth.

The event was organised by Tian Barratt, Outreach Strand Leader (Science and Engineering) from the University of Southampton to raise the awareness of the options higher education has to offer.

Participating students thoroughly enjoyed the day and their comments reflected that:

"It has been fun and it has helped me understand more about university."

'I enjoyed learning about subjects we don't usually learn at secondary school.'

'I enjoyed the history because it is my favourite subject at school and it was great to look at it in more depth.'

Mr Phil Munday, Executive Principal said: *"We encourage our students to be articulate and enterprising. This superb initiative with the University of Southampton enables our students to actively engage with aspiring students from other schools and to learn from academics in a unique and stimulating way."*

Whiteley Rotary celebrate spring

Thank you to Rotary members young and old for the beautiful daffodils in the planter by the Thyme Avenue entrance to Meadowside.



Esmé, Sophia and Mason Butcher



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Whiteley Townswomen's Guild

Want to meet new people? Why not come along To Whiteley Primary School, Gull Coppice, off Yew Tree Drive, Whiteley on the third Wednesday of each month at 7.15 p.m. We have a varied programme of events and speakers. We have a craft section, reading group, gardening group, lunch club, cinema/theatre club & weather permitting, a walking group. New members and visitors are always welcome. Meetings always end with a cup of tea, or coffee and a chat. For more information please contact:-

Mrs Sue Hall (Chairman) Tel No: 01489 881721
or Mrs Chris Gray (Secretary) Tel No:01329 50705



Whiteley WAGs WI

We meet on the second Thursday of each month at 7.30pm at Whiteley Primary School. We have an interesting and varied programme of events as well as thriving clubs including Book, Walking, Craft and the very popular Dress4Dinner. Come along and see why the WI are making the headlines!



Celebrating 10 years membership



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Loveley

Whiteley markets are back. This month, we're going French on 30th March. Ooh la la.

Love Whiteley, provider of the Palmerston Road markets in Southsea join us on 12th April.

9.30am-5.00pm



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Locally

News from Whiteley Shopping

Spring is in the air! After an unprecedented period of rain and storms we are all looking forward to some warm spring days and evenings here at Whiteley. It's amazing to think that we will soon be approaching our first anniversary, so much has happened since launch in 2013, and more is on the way.

With the new season approaching we have a number of new names for you all to enjoy. Wagamama opened in January, which has been extremely popular, soon to be joined by Yo! Sushi and Monsoon Accessorize in March. That is not all, however, with two new independent retailers about to join the line up between Costa and Dean's Diner. To cap it all off we are close to securing a new climbing and soft play concept, an offer that I know will be hugely appreciated.

Perhaps the most exciting of all is the start of our leisure extension in the North car park. The nine screen Cineworld is signed up, along with Pizza Express, Coast to Coast and Nandos, and we are close to landing two further catering outlets and a 10,000 sq ft leisure offer.

Since opening we have also been committed to maintaining excellent environmental standards. I was delighted when we reached our first goal of zero waste going to landfill, with over 90% of all waste generated from Whiteley being recycled, the balance being used in energy recovery. Our solar panels are on course to generate sufficient electricity to power 60 Whiteley homes each year, and we are on course to reduce employee car journeys to Whiteley by 10% in our first year.

I look forward to working harder than ever to deliver a high quality shopping and leisure centre for everyone in Whiteley to enjoy. The team and myself continue to enjoy receiving your feedback via our Facebook and Twitter pages.

Neil Carter

Centre Manager, Whiteley Shopping

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Whiteley Parish Council and Whiteley Rotary present

Meadowside

Music

Festival

Saturday 12th July 2014

10am - 8pm

Meadowside Recreation Ground

Local bands and headline acts

Fair ground rides, Stalls

Catering and bar

Outdoor stage,

Indoor performance space

Love Whiteley Market in Market Square

See the Meadowside Music Festival 2014

Facebook page for more
information

News from Whiteley Church

Life has been busy at Church since the start of the year.

We continue to have close links with Cornerstone CofE Primary School. I enjoy leading a weekly assembly in school and a number of us are Foundation Governors. We organised a very successful quiz night for the PTA and Whiteley Church - it was a fun social event and raised £200 to be shared between us.



We're enjoying watching the bulbs come up in the Church Without Walls garden. Once the weather is a bit less wet we'll be back on the site for more planting and maintenance. Do get in touch if you'd like to help.

Open Door Cafe continues to meet on Tuesday mornings in the Community Centre. If you're new to Whiteley or you're newly at home it's a good place to meet new friends - just drop in between 9.45am and 11.30am.

We have started running monthly Messy Church 'First @ 4' on the first Sunday of the month from 4-6pm. We have craft and games based on a theme; a story and songs and then sit-down tea for everyone. So far we've had a great response - if you've never been, do come and join in!



The new toddler group 'Monday Minis' has got off to a great start. We're running the group on behalf of the Community Association and with the help of some Whiteley mums - it's a real partnership!

We offer toys and craft activities; a space for babies; tea, coffee, children's drinks and biscuits; and of course company! We ask families to give £1 donation if possible.

Please do get in touch to discuss baptisms, weddings or funerals or just for a chat. You can usually find me in the Community Centre on Monday, Thursday and Friday during the week, as well as at our service at 10.15am on Sunday mornings: as part of the Church of England, Whiteley Church is here to serve the whole community, not just those who come to worship on Sundays!

With every blessing

Philippa

Reverend Philippa Mills

Vicar of Whiteley minister@whiteleychurch.org.uk 07760 771667

Whiteley Pre-School

Whiteley Pre-School has been open for 11 years serving the community of Whiteley. There are 40 places available, from Monday to Friday, from 8.45am until 3pm, during term-time. They are based in the Community Centre, and have use of the main Woodlands hall, the garden and the Sweethills Room. The pre-school prides itself on being welcoming and friendly and supporting every child to reach their full potential.

Ofsted inspected the setting in December 2013, and have recently announced it as 'Outstanding' in all areas. They reported "Children are motivated by the imaginative and stimulating ways activities are presented, they are totally engaged in their learning", "Children feel safe and secure within the warm and welcoming environment" and "The pre-school is exceptionally well managed. Expectations for children's care and learning are high".

Sarah Tipton, the Pre-school Manager said "we are absolutely thrilled to attain this level, the staff and I look forward to continuing helping our children flourish and meet their full potential, we appreciate that all children are unique and we treat them all as individuals".

To arrange a visit to the Whiteley Pre-school, please contact Sarah on 01489 565717 or email sarah@whiteleypreschool.co.uk. To view the full Ofsted report, please visit www.whiteleypreschool.co.uk.

Whiteley Pre-school's Moto - through the eyes of a child:

Engage me,
Inspire me,
Teach me what to do.

Imagine with me,
Have fun with me,
Teach me something
new.

Challenge me,
Trust me,
Give me time to play.

Empower me,
Cuddle me,
Make me smile all day.



Cornerstone Church of England Primary School



At Cornerstone we have been surviving the weather; our new building has coped really well and the grass, newly sown has grown considerably.

We still get outside all the time in our much used wellies and waterproofs but are looking forward to a little sun.

The Ladybird class has recently been on their first trip. As part of their Into the Unknown explorers work they visited Selbourne to look at the Oates collection. They even had a go at pulling a sledge themselves and explored the zig-zag path rather than venturing into the Antarctic.

Shortly we will be holding our first book week which will begin with a visit to SEARCH in Gosport for a book and drama workshop linked to real historic and scientific artefacts from the museum. Our week will end with a pyjama wearing day during which we will read our favourite bedtime story.



We have been visited by a small part of the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra and have found out about some of the instruments and met some musicians

News from Whiteley Primary School

On Friday 7th February, Whiteley Primary School supported UNICEF's 'Day for Change'. This was linked to the school's focus on Rights, Respect and Responsibility - children across the school learn about the United Nation's Convention on the Rights of the Child. They consider what rights all children have, and how they can take responsibility to ensure that they respect the rights of others.

This year, UNICEF were raising money to help children around the world to have their Right to an Education. It is hard to believe that there are still 57 million children who miss out on this Right. To support UNICEF, and to raise awareness in school of the importance of education, we held a book swap. Children were able to bring in up to 3 books which they have enjoyed but no longer needed and were happy to swap with others. They then made a donation to take part in the book swap, and were able to choose a different book to take home. Our staff bakers, led by Mrs Sellars, also joined in with the fundraising by holding a giant cake sale at the end of the day.

£795 was raised in total for UNICEF. Using information from the charity, we have been able to show how that money could be used - we have raised enough to buy a water pump to provide clean water to a school, 2 bicycles to help children get to school, one 'school in a box' to help at least 40 children continue their education in an emergency situation, 10 footballs to support children's right to play, and 1000 pencils! This was a great achievement - thank you to all the families who supported the book swap and cake sale.

Date for your diary: Do come along and support the Friends of Whiteley Primary School Easter 'Bunny Run' on Saturday 29th March, 11am - 1.30pm. Plenty of family fun with inflatable, face painting, stalls, 'Bunny Run' token hunt and a wet weather Easter trail, this year, if you want to avoid the woods!



Whiteley sunset by Ruth Brown

Useful telephone numbers

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Burridge Cricket Club Email: richbundy@hotmail.com	01489 572929
Citizens' Advice Bureau (Bishop's Waltham)	01489 896376
Citizens' Advice Bureau (Fareham)	01329 237121
Dentist: Whiteley Dental Practice, Solent Business Park	01489 564203
Doctor's Surgery, Yew Tree Drive	01489 881982
Everett's Pharmacy	01489 565441
First (Bus Service)	02392 862412
Hampshire Highways	0845 850 4422
Hampshire County Councillor Patricia Stallard	02392 251484
Henry Cort Community College Head: Phil Munday	01329 843127
Le Club Francais: Sarah Browning Email: spbrowning@aol.com	01489 886858
Local Authorities Customer Services Centre: Fareham Borough Council Hampshire County Council Winchester City Council	01329 236100 0845 603 5638 01962 840222
Meadowside Leisure Centre	01489 577464
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Whiteley Guide and Brownie Groups Jacqui Dixon	01489 885748
Whiteley Wanderers FC www.whiteleyfc.co.uk	Contact via website
Whiteley WAGS Women's Institute: President: Chloe Bowler	01489 580922
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Deadline for next issue: 30th May 2014

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What's on in Whiteley?

- **1st Whiteley Scouts.** Beaver Scout colonies (6-8 yr olds) meet on Tuesday and Wednesday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm in the School. Cub Scout pack meets on Tuesdays from 6:30pm to 8:00pm in the school. Scout Group meets on Mondays from 7pm to 9pm in the Community Centre. Ian David 07808 301176
- **Active Seniors (50+)** meets every Friday (term time), at 10:00 to 12:00 in the Meadowside Leisure Centre. Linda 01489 881654.
- **Baby Clinics** held at the Community Centre 1-3pm on Mondays and 1-3pm on Tuesdays tel 01489 554942.
- **Merry Tots Sure Start Parent and Toddler Group** meets every Monday 1.15-2.45pm in the Community Centre tel 01329 834874
- **Open Door** coffee morning meets every Tuesday (term time), at 9:30am in the Community Centre.
- **The Rotary Club of Whiteley** meets every Tuesday at 7:30pm in the Meadowside Leisure Centre 07599 937252
- **Townswomen's Guild** meets third Wednesday of every month, at 7:15pm in Whiteley Primary School. Chris Gray on 01329 510705.
- **Whiteley Brownies** meet alternate Tuesdays at the Community Centre tel 01489 885748.
- **Whiteley Church** meets every Sunday, at 10:00am and 6:30pm in the Community Centre. Rev Philippa Mills minister@whiteleychurch.org.uk / 07760 771667
- **Whiteley Guides** meet alternate Tuesdays at the Community Centre tel 01489 885748.
- **Whiteley Youth Club** meets every Friday, at 7:30pm to 9:30pm in the Community Centre enquiries@whiteleyyouthclub.co.uk
- **Whiteley WAGS Women's Institute** meets second Thursday of every month, at 7:30pm in Whiteley Primary School. www.whiteleywags.co.uk Chloe Bowler 01489 580922.

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