

# Chinnor Parish Council

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### Council Tax 2010/2011

Chinnor Parish Council remains committed to preserving and improving the quality of life and community facilities in Chinnor. The Parish Council has not increased the precept for several years but has, this year, decided to make an increase of approx £11,000.00, which equates to about 5%. In the past year, the Council has taken a loan, repayable over 10 years, to complete the funding of the village hall extension and the increase in precept is specifically to repay this loan. The total precept for 2010/2011 will be £233,220.00, that will, as before be collected as part of the annual Council Tax by the District Council, the County Council and Thames Valley Police.

### Please note

New parking rules in the SODC car park on the High Street are:

Maximum parking  
8 hours 8am to 8pm  
and  
11 hours 8pm to 8am  
No return within 1 hour.

### Mill Lane car park hedge

The Council have been advised that the hedge at Whites Field alongside Mill Lane is dead and needs removing and re-planting.

The Council are in the process of obtaining quotes for these works, which will be carried out, all being well, in the autumn of 2010.

### Estover Way Wild Life Garden

A lot of work has been done on the Estover drainage area including the clearing of old grass, bushes and weeds, wild flowers seeds scattered and future wild flower and tree planting planned.

Nesting boxes have been erected and St. Tiggywinkles have said they may release some of their orphaned hedgehogs into the area. I am keen to set up an friends of Estover Way Wildlife Garden Group and would like to hear from any residents who would like to become involved. I envisage that the group would be involved in monitoring the wild life activity in the area and be part of the planning group for future development. Please contact me at the council offices:

Cllr Fiona Mantle Chairman Environment Committee: [fionamantle@chinnorparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:fionamantle@chinnorparishcouncil.org.uk)

### Chinnor Cement Works Development

We have been informed that SODC are still dotting i's and crossing t's with all the agreements associated to this application but they are hoping to complete these formalities within the next 2 weeks. We will keep an eye on this situation and keep you updated via the Pump as soon as we hear any more news.

### Whites Field MUGA

The MUGA is NOT a dog pound and **DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED INSIDE.** Members of the public have been seen tying their dogs up inside and have already been reported to the Police. This MUGA is for multi sports for use by all ages of people: **NOT DOGS!!** Please help keep Chinnor clean.



# THAMES VALLEY POLICE

## NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE HOT TOPICS – NEWS LETTER

### Nuisance Behaviour

Local young people are being given advice about the effects of their behaviour to the local community when gathering and acting inappropriately in any public place. Advisory/information letters have been sent already and should we receive any further reports relating to this kind of behaviour then robust police action will be taken. This is because the Chinnor Neighbourhood Team are receiving reports of noise, loud music, litter and displaying in vehicles around Chinnor Village. Every community resident has the right to a peaceful life and as such, we are taking positive action with our partner agencies to support the community to educate offenders and support those affected by this behaviour.

### Litter

There has been a dramatic increase of large amounts of litter, mainly beer cans, soft drink containers, food cartons and wrappers, cigarette packets discarded in the hedge rows at the Dr's Surgery car park area, Station Road. I personally counted 30 cans not including the squashed ones. This is not acceptable and makes the area look unsightly and unkept and scruffy. This is an area whereby many of the local public visit ie: The school, Library and Doctors. £80 tickets WILL BE issued if any PCSO or Officer see anyone littering.

### Speeding

Speeding is an ongoing concern and together in and around the Chinnor Neighbourhood, Together, with Road Policing, the Neighbourhood Team will be conducting regular speed checks enforcing fixed penalty tickets throughout 2010.

### Reporting crimes—URN reference number...

It is very important when reporting incidents of anti-social behaviour or other offences to obtain a URN reference number from the police officer on the phone, if you want the incident recorded .

### Dog Fouling

Dog Fouling is really bad around Chinnor. When I am on foot patrols this is not only very noticeable, but irresponsible of dog owners. Always be ready to clean up after your dog by taking a supply of bags. Make sure that you pick up the mess immediately, seal or tie the bag and place it in a waste bin. Dog mess is unsightly, unpleasant and can lead to toxocariasis in humans which can cause serious illness, even blindness. PCSO's (police community support officers) have the power to issue on the spot tickets for this offence, They are £80. It has been reported to us that dog walkers at night have been seen not picking up—it doesn't matter if its day or night... pick up please.

**WE WILL DO THIS – SO, PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG NIGHT OR DAY.**

### Thames Valley Police.....your neighbourhood

Please look at the website below and take a moment to log on to the site, search from "Chinnor" and see the updates from PCSO Jacky Madden for the Chinnor area plus lots of other useful information...

**<http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk>**