

THE PERRY HORNET

Your Perry Parish Council Newsletter July 2026 Issue 4



From the Chairman

Hello, I hope you are well and keeping cool. It's holiday time for many of us, but there's still lots going on in the village, as you'll see in this issue.

With one of my other hats (or helmets) on can I remind everyone to be extra careful with barbeques and flames of all types. The countryside is very dry, and even one rogue spark can start a fire, as we saw earlier this month.

See you around our lovely village!

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Next Perry Parish Council Meetings

Wednesday 9th September

Wednesday 14th October

All at 7pm, in the Grafham Water Sailability Clubhouse, Grafham Water Centre. For directions email clerk@perryparishcouncil.gov.uk, or ask any councillor.

Council Contact Details

www.perryparishcouncil.gov.uk,
telephone 077412978476, post **only** to 2
The Drive.

On the pull

The village is due to be weeded on the
27th of July!

Grafham Water Centre Discovery Club

The multi-activity Discovery Clubs are school holiday activity clubs for young people aged 8 to 16 years who want to try new activities or develop existing skills, meet new friends of a similar age and most importantly have fun! Young people will learn skills in water activities such as sailing, canoeing and windsurfing and also land based skills such as archery, climbing and high ropes.

The clubs run 9-5 on selected weekdays in July and August, and includes meals.

For prices and full details please visit <https://grafhamwater.cinolla.com/grafham-water/course/disco-club> or scan this:



Evolution of the Planters

Some of the Perry in Bloom planters are going to be upgraded, thanks to the sterling efforts of Councillor Pat Reynolds. If you'd like to volunteer to help Pat with this, please contact him on either 07732 840411 or Pja.reynolds@icloud.com. Many hands make light work of Pat's planters! (attrib. Confucius)

If you, or someone you know would like a copy of this newsletter in larger print, please contact the clerk.

Ex-strawdinary competition



The grand **Perry Scarecrow Competition** will take place towards the end of September. Prizes for Judge's Choice, Best Junior (under 18) Entry and Most Original Use of Materials. Full details on the website, noticeboards, and flyers coming soon to a letterbox near you. Less sartorially refined residents are advised not to sit in their front gardens for too long.

Tread Softly

If you use the footpath between Armstrong Close and Whitehall Way take extra care as the ground is very uneven.

This has been reported to the county council.

COMPETITION TIME!

The catchily-named What I Like about Living in Perry (in around 50 words) competition is still open. Congratulations to July's winner, **Pauline Swinden**

We haven't been here very long, a few months, almost seven
And I must say, I think we've found our little bit of heaven.
The church, the pub, the village and of course the local shop
So much to love it's hard to know just where the praise should stop.

So all I can say
Is we're here to stay.

Perry Baptist Church

Morning service each Sunday at 10.30am, Evening Service on the first Sunday of each month at 6.00 pm. Next two Evening Services: 2nd August and 6th September

Drop-in Coffee Morning: First and third Monday each month 10.00 am - 12.00 noon, free tea, coffee, toast and biscuits.

August and September Drop-ins: 3rd & 17th August and 7th & 21st September. Drop-in on 3rd August is our 'Summer Special' when we will have a free ploughmans lunch following the Coffee Morning.

St Andrew's, Great Staughton

During the school holidays there will be a single, rotating around each church, Benefice Communion service each Sunday at 10.00am which all are welcome to attend. Sunday 16th at St Andrews, for details of Little Staughton and Hail Weston (including cream teas!) please visit www.swhw.co.uk

Perry Objectophile Society

If you have issues with the Grafham Water Centre sign, please contact them or the council.

Bin Break

The red pill bin is enjoying a well-deserved holiday and will be back in late September.

