

# WGRA Westgate Residents Association, Chichester

Westgate, Henty Gardens, Mount Lane, St Bartholomew's Close, Tannery Close

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Dear Resident,

## Community Speedwatch

Chichester Police are actively expanding their Community Speedwatch programme and you may have seen some of our own Speedwatch team outside No. 19 Westgate using the speed radar device or 'gun' to monitor speeds at various times of day. This is no longer just a training exercise and several cars were caught speeding. Details of these were sent to the Police who, after verification, will send letters to the owners of the vehicles. We noticed that our presence in high vis jackets with speed calming equipment definitely had an effect on slowing down most motorists. Unfortunately this address is the only one on Westgate which we are allowed to operate from due to many safety issues / junctions / parked cars etc. down the length of the road.

We would like to organise regular use of the speed 'gun' but need more trained operators as we have mentioned before. It's not difficult to take the online training and here are more detailed instructions on how to join. Please give it a try!

1. Click the link [www.communityspeedwatch.org](http://www.communityspeedwatch.org)
2. Click Join Existing Group
3. Click on Chichester City Speedwatch Group
4. Fill in your details
5. You will be sent an email where you have to confirm the link
6. You will then be sent a further email with a temporary password - follow instructions to log in with that password.
7. Click on Finish Training to start the online course. You can stop and save at any time. It consists of a series of videos (it's useful to take a few notes) each followed by a multiple choice test.
8. Once you've finished the training, please let me know: [sec.wgra@gmail.com](mailto:sec.wgra@gmail.com)

The Speedwatch campaign will run alongside the Westgate Action Week 2019 mentioned in the July Bulletin which we hope to hold after the summer.

*Bebette Jones*

## Christmas Celebrations

Yes it's only July (!) but we have asked the Bishop for permission to use St. Bartholomews on Wednesday 11 December. We have not yet had confirmation but please mark your diaries and we will confirm as soon as possible.

*Brian Raincock*

## Brewery Field Community Open Day - Sunday 25 August from 12 - 4pm-

This event is sponsored by Transition Chichester and entry is free. The dray horses from Fullers Brewery will be back offering rides on the dray which were so popular 2 years ago. In addition around 15 local organisations will be present showcasing environmental activities in and around Chichester. These will include the Chichester Repair Cafe, local growers Veg Out, Manhood Wildlife and Heritage Group, Friends of Centurion Way and many others. There will also be a Teddy Bears' picnic and Caroline's Ice Creams will have their ice cream van there for you to buy delicious ice creams. Its a great family day so why not bring a picnic and make an afternoon of it! (For anyone who is not aware of this lovely field, it's just behind the Chichester Records Office with pedestrian access through the car park.)

## Chichester Scouts - a plea for a Treasurer

Chichester Scouts are looking for someone who has a couple of hours to spare each week (and that really is only two hours a week) as well as a bit of financial common sense, who might be prepared to act as Treasurer for the group. The current Treasurer has kindly stepped into the Chairman role but he is not allowed to undertake both roles, for obvious reasons. If we can't find a Treasurer, then the whole Scout group (including Cubs and Beavers) will have to close as we are not allowed to operate without one! Please, please think about whether you, or someone you know, may be able to help keep this much needed activity for young people going. Please contact Louise Higham via email to: [louisehigham55@gmail.com](mailto:louisehigham55@gmail.com)

*Louise Higham*

## Coming events / Notices

**WGRA Coffee Morning** - Every 1st Saturday morning of the month at the Crate and Apple. Just turn up between 10am and 11am and meet your neighbours. The next one is on 3 August

**Knitting and Social Group** - This continues through the summer on every Monday morning from 10am - 12 noon. Knitter or not, please come along and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea at the Crate and Apple. Organiser: Sally Lowe ([sallylowe10@gmail.com](mailto:sallylowe10@gmail.com))

**“Bavardage au Pub”** Last Monday in the month (next one is 29 July) at the Crate and Apple at 6.30pm. A relaxed hour or so speaking French. All levels welcome. Contact Jane Davies ([janedavies31@gmail.com](mailto:janedavies31@gmail.com))

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