

the kite



Well, that was a hot one!



I began the last issue of The Kite commenting on the glorious weather June had brought, and wow, did it stay with us! I hope for most people it created an ideal Summer and the perfect opportunity to enjoy some happy times with family and friends. Sadly, all good things come to an end and with the arrival of Autumn, comes change.

I highlight change because unfortunately that's what is happening at the Parish Council as Councillor Tony Burns handed me his resignation in August. Tony is moving to pastures new, quite a way from here, in lovely Cornwall. His work for the Parish Council has been exemplary and we would be in a much weaker position opposing planning applications and creating detail, were it not for the knowledge and diligence he has brought to every project. He will be greatly missed. I wish him and Jackie well in their new life and say a huge thank you for everything.

I'm pleased to say that progress is being made with the future of Roestock Hut in Colney Heath. The Parish Council met with The Scouts in July where ideas were discussed. We now need to make sure the best decision is reached that benefits the Parish and all its residents.

I'd like to take this opportunity to single out the sterling work that Mike Rawlins does for the Parish

Council. Mike is the Parish Council's appointed Neighbourhood Planning Officer. He is a volunteer and is unwavering in his commitment to all things planning. He works tirelessly behind the scenes with the support of Councillors to provide his own database of knowledge and detail, which is invaluable to every planning application we have to defend. His most recent work on a major document on Open Spaces and delivering a comprehensive reply to Hertfordshire County Council's Local Nature Recovery Strategy have the potential to become important assets for the Parish Council in defending applications. Let's hope so; the Parish needs all the help it can get dealing with the myriad of applications coming our way and we would welcome anyone who can volunteer to help.

I wish you a safe and happy Autumn.

Craig Tallents, Chair

Wild flowers on The Common © Nick Pettit, July 2025

YOUR DIARY DATES

Parish Council meetings: Thursday 30th October and Thursday 20th November at 7.30pm at Colney Heath JMI School. Residents are welcome to attend, particularly if you have an issue you want to raise.

Tyttenhanger Green Bonfire Night & Fireworks Party at Charles Morris Hall on Saturday 8th November. Tickets are expected to go on sale at 5pm on 27th October from The Plough Pub in Tyttenhanger Green. As a guide prices are £10 adults, £5 children and £25 Family Bundle (2 adults and 2 children). Sold on a first come, first served basis.

No rest for the busy

The planning team has been busy over the Summer compiling a further objection to the proposal to build 190 houses on the former Smallford Pits site. As many residents will know, this site was used as a dump for waste from the post-war reconstruction of London and also for waste from many other sources; it is not known exactly what was dumped there. Although the developers propose to decontaminate the site, the Parish Council does not believe that this can be done effectively and with no longer-term implications for residents and the local environment. The Parish Council also has major concerns with the impact on traffic on Colney Heath Lane, the potential for flooding and the loss of biodiversity on what is a designated Local Wildlife Site. This objection was informed by a thorough analysis of accessible open spaces carried out by Mike Rawlins, the Neighbourhood Planning Officer.

One of the criteria for designation as 'Grey Belt' is that residents should be able to access good quality open space within a short walk of their home. Mike's analysis shows that none of the areas of the Parish meets, or comes close to meeting, this. The Parish Council's argument is that, as the Smallford Pits site fails to satisfy this test, the site cannot be considered to be grey belt land and should therefore be rejected.

Progress is also being made on a further objection to build 30 houses on the White Barn site in Colney Heath. A new application to build 9 houses on land associated with the Crooked Billet has recently been submitted. The Parish Council will be objecting to this on grounds including road safety, the impact on the character of the village and on the two listed buildings nearby – and also the impact on the pub itself which has recently been designated as an Asset of Community Value.

Saying goodbye...

After 45 years in Colney Heath Village my wife Jackie and I will be moving to Cornwall in the near future. Leaving the village after this length of time will be a huge wrench, and we will be sorry to bid farewell to the many friends we have made. We have played roles in numerous local organisations, including the Parish Council, the Governing Body of the school, the Twinning Association, the WI and the Brownies. We have attended many social events, particularly in our younger years, including the biennial visits to Boissy-sous-St. Yon, quiz nights, barbecues, dances etc. We have indeed enjoyed a full life in Colney Heath!

Looking back over the years we have seen many changes, some good, and others less so. There has been little development, with the result that the village has very largely retained its open and rural character. In recent years the Parish Council has played an important role in defeating the proposals for large-scale developments, and has also submitted strong objections to a number of other development proposals in the parish, most of which await decisions. Regrettably, the Bullens Green Lane development was approved and is now well under way; further major developments seem inevitable, resulting in a loss of openness and visual appeal. Fortunately, The Common is safe from development and will continue to provide opportunities for residents and visitors to enjoy its benefits.



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Other notable changes have included an advance from the times when papers and confectionery were sold from the side of a van parked across the road from The Cock, the Post Office was in Park Lane and there was a supermarket where the current Post Office is sited. Bed and bath races were held annually, to the great amusement of the many spectators and to the benefit of the then four pubs.

What has not changed is the strength of the village community. This may be manifested somewhat differently from days gone by, but the sense of belonging to that community remains and hopefully will continue. We are grateful to all those who have contributed to our lives here. We will no longer be here in person, but we will take many happy memories with us. To our friends, and to all residents, we can say only this – we wish you well.

Tony Burns

What a glorious Summer

Having lived in Colney Heath Village for many years I've had the delight to share in some wonderful Summers. This one has been pretty special and its been great to see so many people out enjoying the weather and making the most of the lovely evenings. Two areas that caught my eye were The Common and the fields at Roundhouse Farm; both were full of amazing wild flowers (the arable fields having been left fallow), butterflies and birds for weeks on end. If you've also been out on The Common recently you will have seen that the next round of tree felling and maintenance has been completed. Trees that were marked dead have been felled and those with dangerous branches have been attended to. You will also have seen that The Common has had its cutback in preparation for the coming Winter. It's always sad to see the wild flowers go, but the work is absolutely essential in order to stay on top of the ecological management of the area – and anyway, for those who love the seasons, Autumn and Winter will bring forth a whole new landscape of interest.



Roundhouse Farm field © Nick Pettit 2025



Coursers Road © Nick Pettit 2025

Dressing-up Coursers Road

In June, Highways undertook further improvements and a surface dressing of Coursers Road in Colney Heath. It follows on from the much needed repairs to crumbling road edges and horrendous potholes completed at the end of last year. While the surface repairs were not a complete relaying of the road as many residents have been calling for, the road is much better to drive along. However, myself and Councillor Pettit will still be pushing for new directional signage, especially on corners, to be installed. Rest assured that we also haven't given up on pushing for the speed limit to be reduced to 40 miles an hour for the full length of Coursers Road. The road can still be dangerous if you are not familiar with it – and sadly it continues to attract speeding drivers and aggressive tailgaters. Any improvements that we can suggest and do will only benefit residents and visitors alike.

Voter Registration Canvass

Earlier this Summer, as part of the annual household voter registration canvass, St Albans City & District Council contacted every residential property in the district by letter or email to check whether the details on the electoral register are correct. Not all properties were required to respond, and the email or letter advised whether a response was required. If you do still need to respond, please respond promptly. The canvass ensures that the electoral register is kept up to date. It is important that residents make sure they can vote with District Council elections taking place in May next year.

If you've recently moved, or think that you might not be registered to vote at your current address, an individual registration form is available to complete at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote. Information about the canvass is available at www.stalbans.gov.uk/household-voter-registration-canvass.



Fly-tipping and dog nuisance issues

There are two subjects that often get shared by residents with Councillors – fly-tipping and dog nuisance. Over the past couple of months the Parish Council has had to remove three illegal dumps of rubbish on Warren Farm track. The overall cost has been close to £3,500, paid ultimately out of residents' pockets via their Council Tax. That's money the Parish Council could have used for something else. At the same time, the hot Summer has seen an increase in dog fouling on pavements and on Colney Heath Common, along with reports of nuisance barking during the day and evening. Here's some important information around both subjects for residents to understand and act on.

Fly-tipping

Fly-tipping is defined as the 'illegal deposit of any waste onto land that does not have a licence to accept it'. Anything from dumping a mattress or a bin bag in the street, to emptying a full truck of construction waste on public land is flytipping. Uncontrolled illegal waste disposal can be hazardous and be a major health risk – attracting rodents and disease. It can also damage watercourses and soil. Fly-tipping is a serious criminal offence for which you can be prosecuted or even imprisoned. Courts can issue unlimited fines and the right to seize a vehicle used to commit the offence. The Parish Council is aware of certain places in the Parish that flytippers keep using, and is reviewing ways to stop it happening. Please report all fly tipping at the Hertfordshire County Council website, whether you saw it in progress or not. If you see it in action, call 999 and report it as a crime in progress.

Dog fouling

There are estimated to be more than 8 million dogs in the UK. While most dog owners are caring individuals, there are some that seem to take little responsibility. Dog mess is the most offensive type of litter on our streets. It is unsightly and unpleasant – and poses several dangers. It can spread harmful bacteria and parasites – and can infect local water supplies. Contact with dog excrement can also cause a nasty infection called Toxocariasis, which can lead to dizziness, nausea, asthma, seizures and even blindness. Young children are particularly vulnerable due to their developing immune systems and tendency to put things in their mouths. In July, the Parish Council was informed that poo bags had been found in the

flower planters on Colney Heath High Street. On its own this is disgusting, but the fact that the planters are looked after by the Girl Guides raises serious issues around hygiene safety.

Anyone who fails to clear up after their dog can be issued with a fixed penalty notice of up to £100 and if the case goes to court it could cost the owner a lot more. The law also states that being unaware a dog has fouled or not having a suitable bag is not a reasonable excuse. Incidents of dog fouling can be reported at the Hertfordshire County Council website (see below) or to the police. The Parish Council maintains two 'poo bag' stations on The Common; the bags are free. We encourage all dog owners and dog walkers to use them – and ask that having cleared up your dog's mess to dispose of it carefully in the bins provided. Don't just leave it in a bush or hanging off a tree branch – someone still has to clear it up and it's incredibly unpleasant.



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Nuisance barking

Excessive dog barking in homes and gardens affects many residents' daily lives, particularly continuous barking (which is often part of a dog's natural defensive mechanism). Many dog owners are also unaware of the loudness of their dog's bark and how upsetting it can be, especially to young children. If you are living with excessive dog barking, start by speaking in a friendly manner with the dog's owner. If that doesn't resolve the issue, you can report the problem at the Hertfordshire County Council website (see below). A warning letter can then be sent to the owner and if the problem persists, the Council can issue a formal Noise Abatement Notice, or take legal action.

Fly-tipping reports and dog nuisance issues can be reported at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk

Learning isn't just for teenagers

When you hear the word 'college' you might picture school leavers heading off to start new learning for chosen careers. But here at Oaklands College, learning is just as much for adults as it is for 16 year olds. In fact, it's bursting with opportunities for adults to learn, create and achieve.

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Oaklands is also a friendly place to brush up on your essential skills with English, Maths and ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) courses offered for adults – many free to eligible learners, to help with everyday confidence, career moves, or further study. And we have two campuses to choose from – St Albans (opposite Colney Heath Lane on Hatfield Road) and Welwyn Garden City.

If you've been thinking about learning something new, October is the ideal time to take action. The Oaklands' Open Days are for everyone, not just school leavers. If you're interested in finding out more come and chat to our tutors and take a tour. Hopefully we will be able to help offer you a course that's right for you.

Welwyn Garden City Campus – Saturday 11th October 2025, 10am–3pm

St Albans Campus – Saturday 18th October 2025, 10am–3pm

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www.oaklands.ac.uk/news-events/open-events

Sign-up for Oaklands' free community email newsletter at our website to hear about new courses, events and the various ways to get involved. Oaklands College is here to help and support you to take the next step in your learning journey and enjoy every moment of it.

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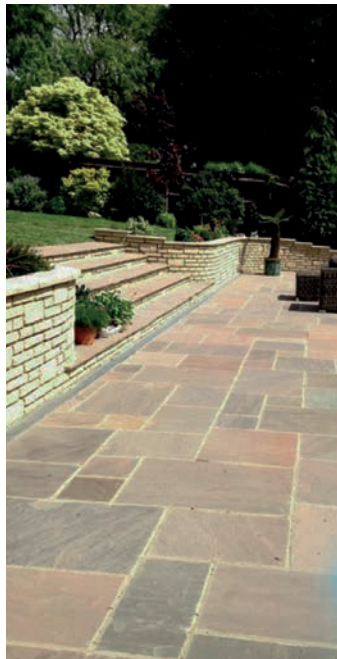


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The new Trust arrives

In June, we successfully applied to The Charities Commission to become a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) called The Smallford Station and Alban Way Heritage Trust. The current Society and new Trust ran until the end of September when the old Society was dissolved at a special 'double meeting' with members – the final AGM of Smallford Station & Alban Way Heritage Society and then the first General Meeting of Smallford Station & Alban Way Heritage Trust! The latter involved agreeing the name of the new Trust and constitution; agreeing the Trustees and Committee Members and a motion to accept the assets and responsibilities of the Society. We also unveiled a new logo for the Trust, designed by Jonathan Musk.

New Railway Posters

Recent other news is that we recently held a competition to design some new railway posters to be put on display at Smallford Station – and I'm confident that you'll love the winning entries. They look even better in poster size, so why not take a look at them at Smallford Station?



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Keeping in Touch

We are establishing a new email circulation list for the Trust. If you'd like to be involved and/or be kept up to date on our activities, simply email me at info@smallford.org providing your contact details.

Jeff Lewis, Chair

THE SCOUTS

Looking forward to our 40th year!

Since the last edition of The Kite, the Group has been on our Summer break. Cubs had a great weekend camp at Phasels Wood taking part in various outdoor activities, ending the term with a Chippy Hike, a great favorite with all the children. Scouts had their normal 'slippery slide evening' to conclude their activities. Beavers spent their last meeting litter picking in Roestock Park and playing games. We resumed activities in early September making the most of the last of the Summer weather by meeting outside. We then returned to the Village Hall, where we celebrated a landmark date – 40 years since I started Beavers in Colney Heath on 19th September 1975.

The Group Trustees Committee recently met with Colney Heath Parish Council to find a way forward with Roestock Hut. Options and ideas were discussed about how best to do this. The Parish Council has made it clear that any improvements made to the

Roestock Hut must be for the benefit of all the Parish and its residents. We will wait for further news and hopefully come back to the table to work out a successful solution.

Pat Hall, Colney Heath Scouts



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The importance of values – for all

The children and staff have returned to school refreshed after the glorious summer holiday. We are always pleased to welcome back familiar faces and extend a warm welcome to all of our new pupils and their families. At Colney Heath JMI School we have a set of values that we use as the guiding principles of our school life. September is when we reaffirm these in our assemblies with our children, staff, and through our work, with our families. These principles underpin our school life and we share them daily:

We are kind

Our children are regularly complimented on their kindness to one another, their good manners on trips and their positive behaviour around the school. We value this quality highly and know how important it is. Around our school we see the children support one another and exhibit kindness every day. Our well-established Buddy system that pairs Reception and Year 6 children together is a strong feature of our school – and enables all of our children to develop kindness.

We are involved

We expect our children to be involved – or as one of our Year 6 pupils puts it ‘to come out of the shadows and do something good’ – to make our world a better place. Last year our School Council took on a project to improve our school usage of paper towels and recycling. They also created a project to help one another to understand neurodiversity, including sharing an assembly and inviting a

speaker to join us. We encourage all members of our community to be involved in school events such as the highly successful Summer Fair.

We belong

Once a family join Colney Heath School, they are always a part of our school. We emphasise to our children that we all belong here, bringing with us our unique skills, beliefs and qualities to make Colney Heath a special place. Families have shared with us that they feel they belong when they see their experiences reflected in stories, art and extra curricular events. We use a principle of ‘Mirrors and Windows’ – every child should see a mirror of their own life in school, valuing their experience, and a window into somebody else’s life.

We are learners

Our staff and pupils are all learners. We know that learning can, and should be, tricky – it involves working hard to improve. In our school, we see adults model learning to children and then give them plenty of opportunity to practice.... sometimes getting it wrong, but trying again until it improves! As staff we too believe there is always plenty to learn. In the new year, the school will be joining Spiral Multi-Academy Trust, a collaborative group of other local primary school that believe we can ‘Shape a Better Future’ for all together.

Anne Clark, Head



AGM time

We had our AGM on 14th May, which was well attended, with guest speakers from our local neighbourhood police, who went through the three priorities that they are concentrating on. Two of these were in our area, which were preventing speeding on local roads and investigating reports of bad behaviour of Oaklands College students.

Questions were many and varied, from speeding cars coming off the longabout at Sleapshyde end, which is becoming more and more dangerous, to catching fly tippers in Sleapscross Gardens. SSRA will progress some of these points with the local Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC).

Our Chair went through the committee's activities over the past year. A huge amount of work had gone into mounting a defence to the application by Brett to quarry the old Hatfield Aerodrome at Ellenbrook Fields and which has been reported in the last few editions of *The Kite*. We are expecting to hear the decision of the Secretary of State on the application in the very near future.

We also discussed the future use of Horseshoe Field (the land on the Smallford roundabout adjacent to

Notcutts Nursery). There was a lot of enthusiasm among the residents to help transform the field into a community garden, hopefully with the support of local businesses and Oaklands College.

Our new committee was voted in and is now made up of 12 residents, the largest for some time. There seems no shortage of areas of activity and to ideally influence to the benefit of our residents. Whatever the decision is about the Ellenbrook quarry, we will be involved in either campaigning to get the site removed from the minerals plan if consent is refused, or setting operating conditions to create least nuisance to residents if it proceeds.

In terms of planning, there will be input required into developing the St Albans Local Plan, as well as representing the local community in Oaklands College Development consultations. There are nuisance issues such as fly-tipping, drug dealing, litter on footways and at bus stops, and speeding on our roads to follow-up with, as well as the flooding issues we saw last Winter.

And finally, if you would like us to email you with local news and you are not currently on our list, all you need to do is send us your name, address and email to info@smallford.org

Steve Ross, Secretary SSRA

THE WI

Always cooking-up a storm

The Women's Institute is famous for making cakes and jams, but we also like eating cake! In other words, you don't have to be a great cook to join us. At Colney Heath WI we have always supported local community events and, when appropriate, have run a refreshment stall. This year we were present at the Twinning Association jumble sale and Colney Heath JMI School Summer fete. And for those who don't enjoy cooking, they can provide amazing help serving and chatting – and generally being great ambassadors for the WI.

Our August meeting was replaced with a social get together at the Crooked Billet pub. Everyone enjoyed a lovely warm evening outside with a view across the fields, and with a delicious spread from Caroline to accompany the drinks. In September, we are back in the newly-decorated Village Hall for our autumn meetings. Subjects we will be hearing



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about will be, "Parkinson's Music Therapy" and "The Amazing World of Bees". Do check out our website www.colneyheathwi.com or visit our Facebook page to see what else we've been up to.

Amanda Furlong



Your Voice is given over to a person connected to the Parish to speak on a subject that others might be interested in. Here, **Helen Vaux**, talks about Bushido Hombu Karate Club and the benefits karate can have on mind, body and fitness, especially for families. She also teaches at the Club.



Karate: more than kicks and punches

Karate was something I'd always wanted to try. When I turned 40, I finally took the plunge and joined a beginners' course at Bushido Hombu Karate Club with my (then) primary-aged children. Fast forward nine years, and I'm still training twice a week and now even teach a weekly family class. What started as a hobby quickly became a habit.

When people hear 'karate', they often picture fight scenes from *The Karate Kid*. But the reality is much richer. Karate is built on three foundations: Kata (forms), Kihon (basic techniques) and Kumite (sparring). From there, you can explore what you enjoy most. Some people love the fitness; others focus on self-defence and confidence, or simply the joy of learning something new. For children, karate is fantastic for building focus – and it's great fun!

Being part of a dojo connects you with a supportive community that grows with you on your journey. We have lots of adults and children who have joined the club as a family. Training side-by-side as a family builds a bond as you share challenges and achievements together. It also creates fantastic memories and encourages a healthy, active lifestyle. I'm not a natural athlete, but karate has taught me that persistence matters more than talent. There's



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no pressure to compete (unless you want to), instead, karate is a personal challenge. It's also a brilliant way to clear your mind and de-stress. Most of all, karate has taught me that progress is more important than perfection – a lesson worth carrying into everyday life, no matter your age.

Whatever your age or fitness level, karate has something to offer. If you'd like to learn more about our dojo or try a class, visit our website and get in touch. We run sessions for children, teens, families and adults every Monday and Thursday evening at Wheatfields Primary School in St Albans. We'd love to welcome you and your family to the dojo and share everything karate has to offer.

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Regular Weekly Activity

Wednesdays (in term time) Smartees 10am – 11.30am

Regular Monthly Activities

First Tuesday Craft Group 8pm – 10pm

First Thursday Community Cafe 10am – 12pm (see poster opposite)

Second Tuesday Craft Afternoon 2pm – 4pm

Third Tuesday The Gathering 2pm – 3.30pm

Last Thursday of the month Knit & Natter 7pm – 9.30pm

COLNEY HEATH THEATRE CLUB

Shows now on sale

For the past 18 years, Colney Heath Theatre Club has been organising great nights out to London's West End and beyond to see top theatre shows with the ease of coach travel from Colney Heath Village and nearby locations.

On 16th July, the Club went to see The Witness for the Prosecution, the unique courtroom staging at London County Hall. It was a fantastic evening and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the performance. We are now looking forward to seeing Just For One Day

at The Shaftsbury Theatre – the story of the original Live Aid event in London and Philadelphia, with songs by artists such as Bob Dylan, David Bowie, Queen, Madonna and Elton John. The next show after that will be Kinky Boots at The London Coliseum in March 2026. It stars Johannes Radebe from Strictly Come Dancing and promises to be great fun. Tickets are currently available if you are interested.

If a stress-free evening at the theatre with travel from the Colney Heath area as part of the package appeals to you, contact Elizabeth Clarke at colneyheaththeatreclub@yahoo.co.uk or call **07870 701 118** for more details on ticket availability and future shows.

Colney Heath Theatre Club is a not-for-profit organisation working for the benefit of the local community.



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Magpies take flight

The new season is up and running at Colney Heath and there's a real buzz. Optimism is high and for good reason: the club's long-term commitment to developing young talent is really paying off!

First team fighting hard

The men's first team currently sit 12th in the table, but it's tighter than it looks, being just one point off eighth place. Momentum is also building with a Premier Cup victory at Kempston setting up a next round tie against either Aylesbury Vale or Tring. The FA Vase journey begins on 20th September with a trip to Little Oakley, where the lads will look to soar beyond the second qualifying round.

Ladies show their grit

Our Ladies team is also off to a good start. A great 2-1 win away at Southend United thanks to a Mia Simmonds brace, booked their spot in the next round of the League Cup. Next up, a Recreation Ground showdown with Athletico London Women on October 3rd at 2pm. League form is still finding its feet, with the team sitting 10th in the Eastern Region Women's Football League North Division.

U23s on fire

The U23 squad is setting the Suburban League alight. After a win at Berkhamsted and a battling draw at Chalfont St Peter, they turned on the style with a 5-1 demolition of Hartley & Wintney – and now sit at the top of the Division One North table.

Youth teams ready to shine

The U18s kick off their campaign in early September, starting with an FA Youth Cup clash against either Uxbridge or Leverstock Green. Across the Colney Heath Colts setup, hopes are high for another season of silverware and success.



2-goal Mia Simmonds © Colney Heath FC

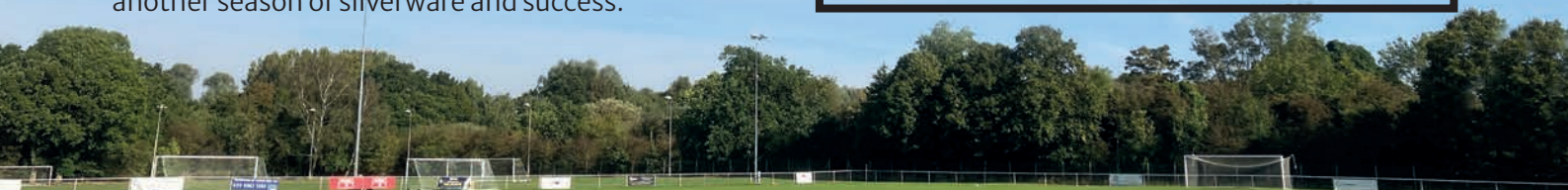
Community Spirit: A night to remember

The club comes together in October for a special charity quiz night in memory of Harrison Turner – a much-loved young man from our village who tragically lost his life in May. All proceeds will support the Essex & Hertfordshire Air Ambulance, who responded so swiftly on that heartbreaking day. It promises to be an evening full of warmth, friendship, and support for a very worthy cause.

Richard Smith, Chair, Colney Heath FC

STATEMENT FROM COLNEY HEATH FC

It hasn't gone unnoticed with everyone at the Club that the Village has recently been adorned with flags. We are glad to display flags during moments of collective celebration, whether during national football tournaments or occasions of royal significance. Beyond these shared contexts, we do not display flags for political purposes. Our pride lies in warmly welcoming players and supporters of all nationalities, faiths and backgrounds. What we celebrate, above all, are the bonds that unite us through the game we love, and not the differences of opinion that can set us apart.



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