

Wavendon Parish Council – Chairman's Report (June 2025)

Girlguides

We have been approached by Chris Hobbs in her quest to find volunteers to establish a girl guiding group (volunteers) in Wavendon. More at www.girlguiding.org.uk/volunteer or contact Chris at growth.gguide@gmail.com

Walton Road

Murray Woodburn from MK City Council Highways reports further delays. He writes

I understand that Cllr Wilson-Marklew was able to make the morning site visit to Walton Rd if it were on a Friday, as she would be able to arrange childcare, and I am in MK next Friday 13th, so I will approach her political assistant and see if we can do it next week – if that is convenient? As a further update, our supplier for the light up signs 'Swarco' has told us they are awaiting a component, which may take a further 4 weeks. We're rather disappointed about this, after being promised a different timescale, and we are exploring other providers – although the system specification will be the same.

It turned out she could not make that date, and another is now being sought.

St Marys CoE Primary School

As Chair of Governors at St Marys School I am really excited to inform you that Hayley Cook has been formally appointed as our new permanent Head of School from the start of the new academic year in September 2025.

As you may be aware, Hayley Cook has been currently supporting the school as interim Head of School and this will continue until the permanent role commences in September 2025. Hayley is really enjoying her time at St Mary's Wavendon and has already been making a real positive difference to the lives of children, families and staff. Hayley Cook has been working as the Head of Primary at Glebe Farm (another school within our IFtL family) prior to being at St Marys and it is a great opportunity to continue to build the links between our two schools. Mrs Kim Kemp will continue as Executive Headteacher.

As previously shared with you, Mrs Dicks has made the significant decision to retire at the end of this academic year. Mrs Dicks has served the school with unwavering dedication for many years, through its growth from a village school within the centre of Wavendon to its development into a large school centred in the heart of a growing community. We are all grateful for the leadership and commitment she has shown to all and wish her all the very best for her future.

We know you will join us in warmly welcoming Miss Cook to St Mary's and enjoy all the benefits this will bring the school, families and community.

The Big Lunch

Cllr Marlese Levermore and I attended the Big Lunch on Saturday 7 June. We expected the worst with the weather but with all the fingers that were crossed and praying for good weather we did it!

This working partnership has been so great for getting engagement for Glebe and Eagle Farm residents.









Parish Boundary Review – as it impacts Wavendon and due to be agreed at MK City Council on Wednesday 18 June.

Wavendon

That the MK City Council agrees to amend the external parish boundary with Walton reflecting a new boundary to the West of the Parish, following Ortensia Drive.

I circulated separately the full report and attachments.

Cllr David Hopkins

Chairman – Wavendon Parish Council