## June 2025 Newsletter

# VE Day Event/Annual Meeting of the Parish

A huge thank you to Chalford Sports & Social Club, Bussage and Chalford Hill schools, Chalford Band, Rene Tourtel-McMahon, Phillippa Lay and all the helpers/volunteers for all their contributions to the hugely successful Annual Meeting of the Parish and VE Day Celebrations.

# Another challenge for your Footpath Volunteers



The photo shows the decrepit state of the steps where the Public Right of Way along the side of the Toadsmoor Valley from Old Bussage joins Blackness – clearly the steps need some care and attention. At the time of writing, your Footpath Volunteers have spent a Thursday morning session working on the steps. We were surprised to discover the steps are set in a bank of soft earth, rather than the stoney ground we've encountered elsewhere in the Parish. As a result, we're investigating using long angle iron stakes to hold the steps firmly in place, and the task is going to take longer to complete than we thought. It will be worth it, though - when eventually finished, you will no longer need to scramble down the bank to get to the road!

## **Chalfest Coming Soon**

Hope you have your festival hat dusted off and ready to go – Chalfest is next month! We hope that the weather is as glorious as we saw through early May.

## Vacant Allotments Up For Grabs

Bag yourself an allotment and enjoy not only all the lovely fresh fruit and veg you can grow, but the camaraderie of fellow allotmenteers and oodles of fresh air. Call the Parish Centre on 01453 887204 to secure your plot today.

## **Grass Cutting Season**

It is the season when our groundsmen are busy keeping on top of the grass cutting around the parish. A schedule has been agreed by our Works Committee, so please be patient – we will be getting around to it all. Reminder to drivers of large vans not to park on the grass verges within the Parish.