

May 2025 Newsletter

Bussage Pleasure Ground Complete

We are delighted to report that on the 19th April the new play area was officially opened at Bussage Pleasure Ground. We hope that this brings joy to all our young residents throughout the summer and beyond.

A new vehicle for the Groundsmen!

You may have noticed that “Vera”, the much loved parish groundsmen’s land rover, has been retired. She served our parish well, but we have known we need (and been saving up for) a replacement for some time. We are thrilled to welcome our new vehicle! Smaller, more economical and very practical, our groundsmen are already running her through her paces. We are still thinking of a suitable name – any ideas welcome!

Safety work on Rack Hill

The photo shows the progress your Footpath Volunteers had made in five weeks of Thursday mornings on a safety fence on Rack Hill. The full job involved installing 21 fence posts and 20 3.6m rails. Carrying these, plus bags of cement and a post-hole borer down a donkey track to the site was a challenge well met, with thanks due to the Parish Groundsmen for taking them as far as the track would allow their vehicles to go, and to all the Volunteers for their hard work.

Thanks also to Kate, the owner of Sunnybank (the gate leads down to the house), who provided cups of tea and delicious cakes each week – we were tempted to make the job last another week or two! Kate also let us access her water supply for making our concrete, without which we would have struggled.



VE Celebrations – Update

Since our article last month the organisers have decided to add a tasty Ploughmans to the VE Day celebration event, which follows after the (free to attend) Annual Meeting of the Parish at Chalford Sports & Social Club on 8 May. Tickets are now £10 for all those wishing to attend the VE event and are available in advance from CSSC and the Parish Centre.