

'Formed by likeminded residents who love Dunchurch and its heritage and wish to protect and enhance its environment in order to make the village a better place to live in, work in and



**FRIENDS OF
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SOCIETY**

E NEWSLETTER NO 8

Dun Cow - promise to do better

Members may remember at the inaugural meeting that there was a general feeling that the Dun Cow exterior, an important landmark in our village was rather shabby, in particular the very poor neglected floral displays on both Coventry and Rugby Rd elevations. FODS sent a letter to the Chief Executive, Phil Urban (copied to all members) and this has produced a positive response as you will see below. This is confirmation that FODS is effective and will bring eventually very significant improvements to our village. We will be working with Craig, the very affable manager at the Dun Cow to complete the planned exterior planting scheme 2019.

Dear Ms Harris

Thank you for your email regarding the Dun Cow in Dunchurch. I have visited the site and instructed our gardeners to replace what is currently there, which I appreciate will not be a lot for the winter. I have spoken with Craig, the General Manager, who shares our belief that the Dun Cow is at the centre of the community and should be represented externally as such. We are planning a major refurbishment after Christmas and can assure you that Craig and I will ensure that the Dun Cow does the village of Dunchurch proud.

Should you wish to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me by email or on the phone number below.

Kind Regards

Calum Sims

Retail Business Manager

Vintage Inns

Our new Chairman has written to the Chair of the Parish Council about cooperation with FODS and we look forward to a positive response

Members Christmas Social Evening 20th December 2018

Dunchurch Social Club will provide exclusively their events back room and bar for the evening with Christmas music and pub fun – darts, skittles etc. 8pm start.

Dunchurch in Bloom

After the disappointment of the DPC turning down our floral proposal, we are pleased to report that plans are well advanced and in cooperation with local growers, Rimo. Our plan is being prepared to help village centre road facing properties with their floral displays on businesses, retail and residential properties for the Summer planting starting circa June 1st 2019. When completed this will make a huge difference to our village environment.

FODS International?

There has been lots to do since the inaugural meeting of FODS September 6th and so much has been done thanks to the wonderful enthusiasm and commitment of volunteers who have carried out many and various tasks even when on holiday – this sort of commitment is for me inspirational and I

thank members who have kept in touch from Florida, The West Indies, California, Madeira, France, Italy and Spain not to mention Cornwall! As an organisation we are so lucky to have such talented and committed members.

Christmas Coffee Mornings

Hold a FODS Fundraiser

at home or your office

Christmas Starts Here!

December 1st – December 20th

A FODS coffee morning event pack will be provided for organisers, which contains printed guest invitations and raffle tickets for a prize of a Luxury M & S Christmas Hamper and other prizes and a helpful event information sheet. All available now to pick up from Wanda Fashions

If you need any further information please contact Carol Seager

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If you are holding one of our fundraising coffee mornings, please take a photograph and send it to fodnews1@gmail.com We would love to include some pictures in our 2nd issue of the our Dunchurch magazine.