

YOUR CURRIDGE WARD BY-ELECTION CANDIDATES for PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

POLLING DAY 20 JULY 2017: CURRIDGE W I HALL

SANDIE ALLAN

I was born, raised and educated in West Berkshire and moved to the Hamlet of Oare 10 years ago with my family. I am a very active person attending a HIIT session every morning and a keen walker. I love vintage, up cycling and animals.

Having worked in the corporate environment for the past 30 years, the last seven of which was as a Governance Senior Manager. My responsibility was to develop, implement and enforce policies and processes to ensure a quality end result. This skill set and experience I believe is transferable to support the Parish Councillor role.

Oare is a very small community of which I would like to ensure has continued representation. I want to carry on the good work Mike Taylor has done for the past 30 years.

I want to ensure that Curridge, Oare and Chieveley, as rural communities, has somebody who understands the issues faced on a day-to-day basis, someone who can help the communities grow whilst maintaining the beauty of where we are, I am very passionate with regards maintaining rural village life as a whole.

LESLEY DICK

Lesley Dick has lived in Curridge for 27 years. She has just retired from teaching in the secondary sector after 43 years. She has a keen interest in the education of our local children as she was Chair of Curridge School governors for 17 years ; the school her three children attended. She owns a horse which she keeps locally, so also has a real interest in protecting the local bridleways and footpaths. She wants to represent the interests of Curridge and its residents to further improve our lovely village.

ERIC FRIEND

For the past 47 years Curridge village has been my home, apart for 8-years, where with my family we were residents in Dubai, UAE

My career background has been electro-mechanical. Starting with a 5-year Admiralty apprenticeship, followed with a period of Merchant Navy service as a ship's Senior Electrical Officer. Moving from Kent to Oxfordshire I obtained a post at Rutherford High Energy Laboratory, then on to Newbury College of F.E., as a College Lecturer, teaching electro-mechanical subjects. With my family I then took up residence in Dubai for an 8-year period, having been offered a post by the UAE Government as a Course Supervisor in the UAE technical-schools. On our return to UK until retirement, I worked as an MOD technical-Officer, serving on numerous USAF/MOD Bases. Principal tasks were ensuring compliance with safe-systems of work, contractual evaluation, financial controls & serving as a duty on-call officer for high-voltage & pressurised systems.

I served as a Chieveley Parish Councillor for a 10-year period up to June 2011, during which time I was able to provide input to the CPC regarding the non-compliance of contractor's obligations working the sand-extraction around Curridge. I was able to initiate the provision of a footpath between the WI Hall to Crabtree Lane. This footpath has allowed a much higher degree of safety for families walking too & from Curridge School. Due to the speed of traffic further footpaths are required.

Aims:- Sand extraction areas surrounding Curridge, to ensure contractors carrying out remedial work to the sand extraction areas complete their tasks in compliance with their contractual agreements. Continued quest for enhancement of safety for walkers in the village. Ongoing support for Curridge School & the Curridge Village Hall, which is a main focal-point for activities in the village.