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# DEBBIE IS WORKING HARD FOR KNAPHILL

**Debbie Harlow** has been a Woking Borough Councillor representing Knaphill Ward for the last 4 years, and is seeking your support for her re-election in 2018.

Debbie moved to Knaphill in 2005 when she took ownership of the Garibaldi public house, and very quickly got involved with the community by joining the Knaphill Residents' Association.

Debbie said: "I am very proud to be one of the founding members of the Village Show Committee. I am still part of the Committee and have played a very active role in the annual Knaphill Show for several years.

"Since being elected as a Knaphill Councillor, I have served on a number of Council Committees, including the

Licensing Committee of which I am now Chairman, Planning, the Housing Task Group, and the Victoria Square Development Committee."

The Knaphill Village and surrounding community remains very important to Debbie. She said: "I want to continue working with our Conservative Councillors Melanie Whitehand and Saj Hussain.

"Together we can ensure we secure the services and improvements we want so that Knaphill remains a pleasant environment in which to live, work or just enjoy life."

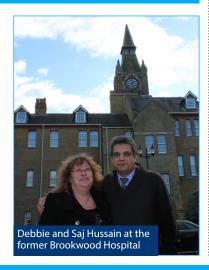


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# A MEMORIAL FOR FORMER PATIENTS

**Debbie Harlow** is currently investigating unmarked paupers' grave sites in Brookwood Cemetary linked to the history of Knaphill and long-term residents of the former Brookwood Hospital, many of whom had no family to bury them and were often buried in unmarked graves.

Debbie said: "My aim is to have these people, who often died in very sad circumstances fighting illnesses that were not understood, recognised with a memorial service and a plaque to mark their passing. I really hope that we can complete this project next year."



# REMEMBRANCE **WALL ACHIEVED**

Following pressure on Woking Borough Council from Knaphill Cllrs Melanie Whitehand and Saj Hussain, the Remembrance Wall has been created in the High Street in memory of Knaphill residents who have fallen in military conflicts.

Local people and schoolchildren can visit at any time and the Wall is especially meaningful on Remembrance Day when it is the focus of commemoration.

**Debbie Harlow** said: "Knaphill was the only village without such a memorial and It took enormous efforts by Melanie and Saj to establish this quiet place of Remembrance of which we are all really proud."

# **DEBBIE HAILS VILLAGE** SHOW SUCCESS

Conservative Councillor **Debbie Harlow** is very pleased to report the success of the Village Show once again this year, which raised £800 for the Alex Manners charity.

Almost half of this money was contributed by Knaphill Athletic's Beat the Goalie challenge. The show, held in July, was hosted once again by Mizens Railway in Barrs Lane.

"A big thank you to all local

residents and those from wider afield who came out to support the event, especially as the weather wasn't too kind on the day," said Debbie.

"These events really do reinforce our sense of community in Knaphill and it is great to see them from year to year getting stronger and stronger. Thanks also to Mizens Railway for hosting us once again, we are grateful for everything they do."

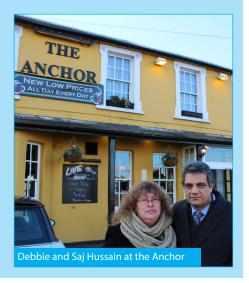


# **ANCHOR PUB SHOULD BE KEPT AS LANDMARK**

**Debbie Harlow** is actively working with a number of different interest groups to ensure that the iconic Anchor public house building is retained as a landmark in Knaphill, whatever decision is made on its future use.

Debbie said: "There are some outline proposals which have been presented, and we are working through the process to determine the final outcome. I will certainly keep residents informed of developments.

"What is for certain is that this building has been a fixture in Knaphill for hundreds of years. It was first recorded in 1785 when it was opened as a hotel. We want to make sure it is part of the village's future too."



## **News SNIPPETS**

#### **BREAKING NEWS ON** THE VYNE BOLLARDS

■ The recent consultation on the bollards separating Knaphill Village from Redding Way and the Sainsbury's Superstore resulted in a significant number of residents requesting their removal.

This is likely to be undertaken next year, subject to funding being made available by Surrey County Council.

#### **HANGING BASKETS**

Following pressure from Knaphill's Conservative Councillors Melanie Whitehand, Saj Hussain and Debbie **Harlow**, residents were delighted with the attractive hanging baskets which adorned the Village from early summer for the past two years. We look forward to seeing them again in 2018 as they are such a pleasing addition to the High Street.

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