

Could you be a Friend Of Hilderstone village?

In the past few weeks a new initiative has just started across the village.

It's not earth-shattering nor is it rocket science – it's just a simple idea that opens the way for any villager to become more involved in village life ... on their terms, in their time and to fit their skills.

The idea is all about becoming a **Friend Of** one or more of our specific village activities.

A lot of villagers have some spare time but are unable or unwilling to commit to joining one of the various village committees. However, most villagers do have an interest in improving village life when and where they can. Equally, all villagers have a preference as to which aspect of village life they want to become more involved in. **Friends Of** allows any villager to put forward their name and contact details to one of the village asset leaders to be part of a wider support group for that asset.

Putting your name forward does not oblige you to respond positively to every request for help from your chosen asset. You only help out if you are available and feel competent to assist in the specific task being undertaken.

Equally, your details are not shared by the different village asset leaders – so you will not be asked to assist in helping a project you have no interest in.

So far twenty villagers have come forward to be part of a wider support group for the village. That is a great start but like all initiatives it will need more volunteers over the coming months to actually make it a success.

If you want to become a Hilderstone **Friend Of** then please contact any of the asset leaders below:

Village Hall:	Jenny Crump	01889 505674
	crumpjennyann@hotmail.co.uk	
Roebuck:	Dom or Darrel	
	dominicpwalker@gmail.com (or just drop in!)	
Christ Church:	Roy Clark	01889 505676
	clark.roy2@yahoo.co.uk	
Speedwatch:	Richard Pilcher	
	hermitage@hotmail.com	
Village Market:	Jennifer Green	01889 505000
Children's Club:	Kate Murray	07974 988884
	hilderstonechildrensclub@yahoo.co.uk	
Summer Fair:	Phil Davies	01889 505725
Harvest Supper:	Phil Davies	01889 505725

We all want to live in a friendly, thriving and inclusive environment – so now is your chance to do just that by becoming a little bit more involved – go on, contact one of the asset leaders above – you never know you just might enjoy the outcome!