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Chale Pantry:

Every 2nd Friday, Village Hall 11-12 and every 4th Thursday, Chale Green Hub 11-12

Caravans

These have now been moved.

The PC clerk and I had a meeting with Highways and Island Roads representatives.

Street Trading Application

Application for: **Street Trading Consent – Frozen Magic, Chale Viewpoint Car Park, Blackgang Road, Niton, Isle of Wight**

Please note that when determining an application for street trading consent the licensing authority can only consider comments relating to the following:

- Public Safety
- Prevention of Crime and Disorder
- Prevention of Public Nuisance
- The Visual Impact

Please click on the link below to log in you will then be able to view details of the application and to submit any representations.

<https://publicaccess.iow.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=LicencingApplication>

The consultation period will end on the **15 July 2026**.

Please send any comments to licensing@iow.gov.uk

Hosepipe ban

As you may have seen in local media Southern Water has announced that a **Temporary Use Ban (TUB, hosepipe ban)**. This TUB will come into effect across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight from **00:01 on Friday 10 July 2026**.

The restrictions are being introduced following prolonged dry weather, which has led to significantly lower-than-normal river levels, particularly in the River Test, a key source of water for the region.

Residents are encouraged to start reducing water use as soon as possible ahead of the restrictions becoming enforceable. The ban includes stopping the use of hosepipes for activities such as:

- Watering gardens and plants, this includes non-commercial allotments and vegetable gardens
- Filling swimming pools, hot tubs and paddling pools
- Washing cars and other vehicles

Southern Water has advised that some customers, including those registered through the **Priority Services Register (PSR)**, will be exempt from the restrictions.

Bonfires

I have had some complaints about bonfires in the villages.

It is advisable not to have bonfires on very hot days but if people feel they do need to have a bonfire during the summer on their property, please be considerate of other property owners. If possible, choose an appropriate time of the day when people are not using their gardens for recreation or washing is out or when there is a breeze that will travel smoke.

e.g. evening is usually better and consider where the breeze is taking your smoke.

Food and Health survey

The survey aims to improve our understanding of how people across the Island access, afford and prepare food, as well as the factors that influence food choices. Findings will be used to inform future work through the Isle of Wight Food Partnership and help shape local services and support.

Survey link:

[Food and health survey - Isle of Wight Council](#)