



ELLESBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL



**SUNDAY 7th MAY 2023**

**1:00pm - 5:00pm**

**Ellesborough Village Hall**

**To all Parishioners, please come along  
for an afternoon of Royal Coronation  
celebrations...**

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# The Village Chalkboard

## Community events at Ellesborough

THE KINGS  
CORONATION  
PARTIES  
DUNSMORE  
6<sup>th</sup> MAY

ELLESBOROUGH  
7<sup>th</sup> MAY 1-5pm

WADDESON  
MANOR  
FORGET-ME-  
NOT DISPLAY

17<sup>th</sup> APRIL to  
1<sup>st</sup> MAY

VILLAGE LITTER  
PICKS  
ELLESBOROUGH  
Sun 26<sup>th</sup> March  
11am

DUNSMORE  
25/26<sup>th</sup> MARCH

K&EHS  
PLANT SALE  
13<sup>th</sup> MAY 10am  
VILLAGE HALL

MEETINGS 8pm  
7<sup>th</sup> MARCH (AGM)  
4<sup>th</sup> APRIL/2<sup>nd</sup> MAY  
SPRING SHOW  
3<sup>rd</sup> APRIL 2-4 pm

LONDON  
MARATHON  
FUNDRAISING  
COFFEE AM. &  
RAFFLE  
ELDRIDGE END

11<sup>th</sup> MARCH  
10-12.30

MOTHERING  
SUNDAY  
19<sup>th</sup> MAR. 10.45

EASTER FAMILY  
COMMUNION  
16<sup>th</sup> APRIL. 10.45  
Ellesborough  
Church

CHURCH TEAS  
SUNDAYS:  
ELLESBOROUGH  
start EASTER  
SUNDAY  
2-5 pm

DUNSMORE  
21<sup>st</sup> MAY / 18<sup>th</sup>

PARISH  
COUNCIL  
MEETINGS  
20<sup>th</sup> MARCH

17<sup>th</sup> MAY  
7.30pm  
Annual Meeting:  
25<sup>th</sup> MAY 8pm

CHILTERN  
LADIES  
STEWART HALL

1<sup>st</sup> MARCH  
5<sup>th</sup> APRIL  
3<sup>rd</sup> MAY  
2pm

COFFEE &  
CAKE  
VILLAGE HALL

17<sup>th</sup> MARCH  
21<sup>st</sup> APRIL  
19<sup>th</sup> MAY  
16<sup>th</sup> JUNE  
10-12 noon

ART SHOWS  
MS CENTRE  
POP UP ART  
4<sup>th</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> MARCH.  
10-5 & 10.30-4

BUCKS MUSEUM  
OPEN ART  
APRIL-JULY

DUNSMORE  
8/9<sup>th</sup> APRIL -  
EASTER EGG  
DECORATING

15<sup>th</sup> APRIL -  
BLUEBELL WALK

13<sup>th</sup> APRIL/30<sup>th</sup> MAY -  
LADIES LUNCH GROUP  
12 noon

**CHECK OUT IN YOUR MAGAZINE FOR MORE DETAILS OF:**

CHURCH SERVICES, KEHS MEETINGS, CHILTERN LADIES, WENDOVER ART GROUP, EXHIBITIONS ...  
& WATCH OUT FOR EXCITING EVENTS AT THE RUSSELL

# Acting Editor's Letter



## Ellesborough Magazine

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## Dear readers

It is with great gratitude to Allan Westray that the magazine continues.

Allan has stepped forward to edit the two Summer editions and I will compile the publication for December and February.

The request for additional editorial help is still open, if anybody is willing to assist we can accommodate you in the editorial rota, this would help bring in fresh ideas and spread our workload. Please let me know if you are interested.

For this issue we have moved on to a more main stream publishing software, hopefully the improved format is noticeable.

To improve our content it would be good to get more articles from residents, we are especially lacking personal stories. There is an opportunity to get to know more about the people living in the village and to share the experience through the magazine, again if interested please let us know.

Ellesborough Magazine is funded through its advertising, a grant from the parish council and the generosity of our readers' donations to our funds. If you want to support us financially our appeal for funds can be found overleaf.

Finally I would like to thank our excellent volunteers in running the magazine:

Judith Harper - secretary

Annabelle Hunting - Advertising

Richard Jennings - chairman and part time editor

Janette West - distribution

Allan Westray - part time editor

Tony Young - finance

Richard

Cover - Janette West

## **Ellesborough Magazine Appeal for Funds**

The Ellesborough Magazine aims to be self financing, we have some advertising income and a small donation from the parish council, but we require additional funding from our readers to cover our printing costs (about £2 per copy).

We would greatly appreciate a small donation to keep the magazine viable. Suggested minimum £10 per household:

BACS: HSBC bank sort code: 40-08-41 account number 61151614. Quarterly Direct Debit.

Cheques payable to: Ellesborough Magazine, c/o Tony Young, Homelands, Springs Lane, Ellesborough, HP17 0XD

Many thanks for your support  
The Ellesborough Magazine Committee

# Ring for the King

Bell ringers across the country are making plans to "Ring for the King" at his coronation in May and like so many towers Ellesborough needs ringers to achieve this aim.

There are about 6,000 rings of bells across the British Isles with over 38,000 bells but only around 30,000 ringers So we need new ringers on a national scale and more specifically at Ellesborough.

So why not take up this opportunity to learn to ring and be ready to "Ring for the King"?

Come to the Ellesborough tower on a Wednesday night to see what happens, look at our newly rehung bells and have a go at ringing?

Contact myself [jlesfloyd@gmail.com](mailto:jlesfloyd@gmail.com) to arrange to meet the ringers who will be delighted to welcome you into the tower.

Les Floyd

## Village Communications Keep In Touch

ELLESBOROUGH MAGAZINE  
4 times a year

ELLESBOROUGH MAGAZINE ON LINE  
[ellesborough-pc.gov.uk](http://ellesborough-pc.gov.uk)

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE  
[clerk@ellesborough-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@ellesborough-pc.gov.uk)  
email clerk to be on list

FACEBOOK - Your Ellesborough

WHATSAPP - Ellesborough Follies - friendly  
unofficial group

# David Carroll Your Local Councillor

Dear Residents

We have many challenges in life at the moment but I will continue to try and get action on issues in our community and continue to protect our area if possible. We are constantly under pressure to preserve the environment but with the support of many residents in our community I will certainly try to protect the great place we live in.

Over several years we have had many challenges in our area which we have managed to resolve together and will continue to do so if possible.

Many pot holes are hopefully being filled in our area which is a major problem at the moment and will be a continuous process and the verging at Coombe Hill needed attention.

It's a privilege to be your Councillor. I have always tried to remain a Community Councillor over the years and actually talk to residents which these days is very unusual and takes a lot of time but I think it is very important to do so.

Can I thank the many residents who contact me on various issues and the residents who support the very important activities in our community.

Regards David

## Coffee Mornings

Villagers are welcome to come for coffee and cake every 3rd Friday of the month at Ellesborough Parish Hall. The next coffee mornings are

17th March

21st April

19th May

16th June.

Come and join us, it's free of charge.

Elizabeth Hine

# John McKeown Ellesborough Parish Clerk



## APRIL 23rd 2023 London Marathon here I come!..... 3rd time lucky!?

It's been a long and very delayed journey to finally get to run a real (not virtual!) London Marathon and raise money for Young Minds.

The story so far.....many of you supported me 3 years ago when Covid put paid to the real deal of London and then Edinburgh marathons, and instead I ran 2 marathons round the garden and roads in April and May 2020, and then did the official 'virtual London' in Oct 20. Post-covid symptoms put the brakes on my real deal rollover place in Oct 2022 and so finally - injury and good health permitting - on April 23 2023 I will run for Young Minds **in London!!!**.....and we will then see if my body has any chance of doing the Edinburgh Marathon at the end of May which would complete the original 2020 plan.

### A short resume

I took over the position of Parish Clerk on the 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022 from Rex Norris who has retired from the position after a long and successful tenure. It has proved to be a steep learning curve and I am still picking up new parts of the job as we go along so do forgive me if I make a few mistakes on the way!

Originally from West London I have a long background in food manufacturing management ending this part of my career as a factory manager in Tunbridge Wells. I then went on to start my own business in retailing and owned two shops in Surrey for 15 years before I retired in 2018.

Married to Gill, I now live on North Lee Lane, and in between Clerking duties, am an active member of Ellesborough golf club. Other hobbies include playing guitar and cycling.

John McKeown

Liz Alexander's  
JustGiving Page



As many of you kindly supported me by sponsoring me, cycling with me and cheering me on from a distance in 2020.....it is with some trepidation, and ever mindful of the current economic climate, that I'm reaching out to ask if you may consider supporting me in whatever

## LETTERS

way you can this (last!) time around. My target is £750, which if I reach it, when added to the 2020 total, will mean you have helped me raise just over £4000 for Young Minds. This will make such a difference to the lives of young people and their families who are struggling to cope with mental health challenges.

There's no doubt that 3 years on the training feels harder than ever and my body (especially my knees!) are complaining! It will be a tough physical and a mental challenge and making it through the training without too many injuries is my first real hurdle. 26.2 (possibly x 2!) miles is a long way and that, plus training during the winter months, is definitely a tough mental challenge for me. When it's dark and grey, I really need to motivate myself to get the training miles in ..... but I do know there is a definite end to my mental challenge when I cross the finish line.

The amazing charity YoungMinds provides mental health support for young people aged 0 to 25 and, crucially, their parents and carers as well.

Mental health, especially for young people, is sadly an ever-present item in the news; most of us will likely have been affected by it in one way or another. When mental health challenges occur, asking for help can be one of the hardest things to do. Reaching out actually takes enormous courage, and as a young person, taking that first step can be even harder. YoungMinds

Textline offers young people free, 24/7 text messaging support with a trained volunteer. Knowing that the person on the end of the text will not judge and has specialist training to help young people, may be enough to give them the courage to take that first scary step.

Mental health challenges faced by young people often also affect the wider family. Many parents feel helpless, even guilty for not spotting signs of the struggle earlier, and also need support and guidance to help them provide support to the young person. Reaching out as a parent can also be hard, but again YoungMinds can provide free specialist advice and support through their Parents Helpline.

Anything, no matter how small, that you can give to help support the work of YoungMinds will be massively appreciated when my motivation may be in short supply, it will ensure I lace up my trainers and hit the road.....again!

Thank you so much in advance for your support.  
To donate:

Please scan the QR code or visit <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising-edit/liz-alexander2>

For more information on YoungMinds work please visit <https://www.youngminds.org.uk>

LIZ ALEXANDER

You are warmly invited to a  
**Coffee Morning and Raffle**  
**10.00-12.30**  
**Sat 11 March**



Eldridge End, Eldridge Lane, Butlers Cross, HP17 0YS  
For more info call Liz Alexander 07971 523904

This is part of my April 2023 London Marathon fundraising for Young Minds

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/liz-alexander2>  
<https://www.youngminds.org.uk>

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**YOUNGMINDS**  
fighting for young people's mental health

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# 200 Club winners since November 2022

## November

£100 26 Linda and Graeme Finch (In memory of Graeme)

£50 130 Lisa Pusey

£35 55 Kim Parrish

£25 9 Shirley Hinchcliffe

## December

£50 68 Matt Glover

£35 83 Richard Jennings

£25 11 Michael Hinchcliffe

## January

£50 89 James Francis

£35 60 Malcolm and Jenny Crouch

£25 38 Nicola Golding

## February

£50 6 Mary Robertson

£35 58 Jean Young

£25 107 Duncan Heyes

Ellesborough Parish Hall Committee comprising of Liz Hancock, Elizabeth Hine,

Paul Oldroyd, Sue Wells, Sally Withey, Gill White

Thank you for your support

# Two Psalms for our Times

As we move towards the Coronation of King Charles III, I wondered how many of you know where to look in the bible for a good summary of the biblical idea of what Kingship is all about. Turn to **Psalm 72** and you will read the following: 'Give the King your justice, O God, and your righteousness to a king's son.

May he be like rain that falls on mown grass, like showers that water the earth. In his days may righteousness flourish and peace abound until the moon is no more.'

Before I go on, I'd like to say that justice and righteousness in the bible are more like loving kindness, hospitality and care for others than the way we use the words.

The psalm continues: 'The king delivers the needy when they call, the poor and those who have no helper. He has pity on the weak and the needy, and saves the lives of the needy from oppression and violence.' (Needless to say, the king's subjects are to copy this behaviour.)

The other psalm that came to mind is **Psalm 31**. There will be few among us who are not in distress at what is happening in the world. We are wondering where God is. We want to complain to God for his absence and I remember that an ancient Israelite considered that people had a right and even a duty to complain to God when He did not seem to be keeping his part in the Covenant that he had with them.

Here is a verse from Psalm 31: 'Be gracious, to me, O God for I am in distress.' The distress vocalised in this psalm is real and serious. I suggest you read it. You cannot say to me, "Vicar, I have no Bible." Your phone will find Psalm 31 in a few seconds. By a not at all straight path, the psalm ends with the words: 'Be strong and let your heart take courage, all you who wait on the Lord.' How does the psalmist end there?

I suggest you pray the psalm and think about whatever answer you come up with.

I send my best wishes in these troubled times.

Rev'd. Janet Wales February 2023

# Kimble & Ellesborough Horticultural Society



Our monthly meetings are held at Stewart Hall. Members will be notified in advance of any Covid precautions.

If you are not a member but would be interested in coming to any meetings please contact Brian Butler (Chairman) at [butler@care4free.net](mailto:butler@care4free.net) or call him on 01844 342220 before attending. Please see our website for any updates.

## MARCH – STEWART HALL

7 15 pm **AGM**

Tuesday 7th

8 00 pm **2 FOR THE PRICE OF ONE**  
- Plants with at Least Two Attractive Features

Timothy Walker, former Director at Oxford University Botanic Gardens and now lecturer in Plant Sciences at Somerville College is always a very informative and entertaining speaker. He will look at plant features including flowers, fruit, scent, foliage and autumn colour.

## APRIL

**SPRING SHOW** at Stewart Hall: 2 00 – 4 30 pm  
Sunday 2nd

**Pest Recognition and Control**

Tuesday 4th

Andrew Halstead, author, lecturer and retired RHS Entomologist from Wisley will share his expertise and give a general talk on the more important pests of garden and glasshouse plants.

## MAY

**Ornamental Grasses**

Tuesday 2nd

George Lockwood trained at Capel Manor and is a passionate organic gardener and plantsman. He will explain when each of the plants shown flowers and what aspect and soil it needs.

**PLANT SALE at Ellesborough Village Hall,**

**Butlers Cross: 10 00 am Saturday 13th**

This is a great opportunity to buy locally grown perennials, vegetables and annuals. Come early - everything will be sold by about 11 am on past form.

## JUNE

**Give your Garden the Designer Touch**

Tuesday 6th

Maria Greenhill has lots of advice to give your garden a consistent style and show how water features, pergolas and other focal points contribute.

Meetings are held at 8.00 pm every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month (except January and August) at Stewart Hall, Little Kimble.

Visitors are always welcome.

**POP-UP ART Weekend**

**ART EXHIBITION & SALE**

Saturday 4 March 10am - 5pm  
Sunday 5 March 10.30am - 4pm

[popupartweekend.org.uk](http://popupartweekend.org.uk)

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Chilterns MS Centre  
Wendover, HP22 5LX

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# **MEET UP AND TIDY UP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**



## **LITTER PICK**

**PLEASE COME AND HELP CLEAN UP OUR VILLAGE**

**DATE: SUNDAY 26TH MARCH**

**TIME: 11:00**

**LOCATION: ELLESBOROUGH PARISH HALL**

Take pride in your community and come along to help with our bi-annual litter pick. We are looking for around 40 residents to spare a few hours. Please ensure you wear suitable clothes and footwear and bring gloves. You may like to wear a hi viz jacket/vest if you have one. Litter pickers and bags will be provided. For any further information, please contact Judith Harper on 01296 622033 or Janette West on 01296 696688.

**This event is supported by Ellesborough Parish Council and  
Buckinghamshire Council.**



# Your Village Hall Needs You!



## 200 Club Membership

This year has seen the refurbishment of the rear of the hall which contains a small kitchen/wc/ two Committee Rooms and extra storage space. Along with the infrared heating installed last year, wi-fi connection and new stage curtains, we really feel that the main hall has become a much more comfortable and attractive space. Our next project is the refurbishment of the toilet areas and so new support is vital in order to commit to this improvement. By joining again, or for the first time, an annual £20 subscription could make you one of the winners of two £100 prizes (May and December) and twelve prizes of £50, £35 and £25 each month.

We really do appreciate your support and hope you agree that this annual appeal is a significant one in helping to keep the historic and landmark village hall vibrant.

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### **200 CLUB – PLEASE ENROL ME FOR 2023-24 DRAWS**

- I enclose payment of £20 for 12 monthly draws APRIL 2023 - MARCH 2024 (CHEQUES TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO **ELLESBOROUGH PARISH HALL COMMITTEE**)
- **or** I have paid £20 by BACS to **Ellesborough Parish Hall Committee** Santander Account 78526700 09-01-55 **Please use reference '200 [your name]' THIS IS ESSENTIAL**

Name and address:

Email:

By providing your email address we can let you know if you have won, send you reminders and also let you know of any future events organised by the Management Committee.

Please send this form, with cheque or cash if applicable, Sally Withey, The Nook, 101 Chalkshire Road, Ellesborough, HP17 0TJ. Telephone 07810 878674 or email [ellesboroughparishhall@gmail.com](mailto:ellesboroughparishhall@gmail.com) to confirm your BACS payment.

*Thank you  
Sally Withey on behalf  
Of The Ellesborough Parish Hall Committee*

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**BBQ and Bar**

**Live Music**

**Tea, coffee and cakes  
(cake donations welcome)**

**Fun Stalls**

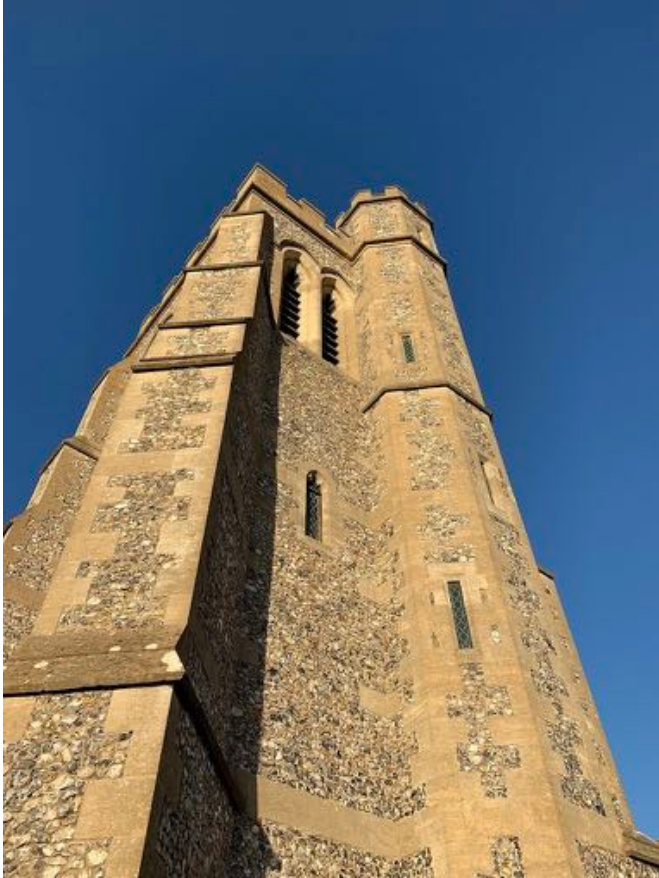
**Kids Treasure Hunt and Games**



Please note the car park will be closed  
Enquiries to [MattGlover@epcouncil.co.uk](mailto:MattGlover@epcouncil.co.uk)

[WWW.ELLESBOROUGH-PC.GOV.UK](http://WWW.ELLESBOROUGH-PC.GOV.UK)

# Church Services



## Church Services at St. Peter & St. Paul Ellesborough

*(Services in brackets and italics indicate services the people of Ellesborough are invited to at the other Benefice Churches)*

**5 March 10:45 Songs of Praise 'Lent'**

**12 March 10:45 Parish Communion**

**19 March 10:45 Matins (Mothering Sunday)**

*(19 March 9:30 'St. Nicks Kids' at St. Nicholas Great Kimble. This is a service for children from both Ellesborough and The Kimbles. Doors open 9:15)*

**26 March 10:45 Parish Communion** 2 April 10:45 Songs of Praise 'Palm Sunday'

*(3 April 8:00 p.m. Compline for Holy Week at All Saints Little Kimble)*

*(4 April 8:00 p.m. Compline for Holy Week at All Saints Little Kimble)*

*(5 April 8:00 p.m. Compline for Holy Week at All*

*Saints Little Kimble)*

*(6 April 8:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Communion at St. Nicholas Great Kimble)*

**7 April 10:00 Holy Week All-Age Prayer Stations – a service designed for both Adults and Children.**

*(7 April: 12 noon Service of Hymns and Meditations at St. Mary's Stoke Mandeville -45 mins)*

*(7 April: 2-3p.m. Stations of the Cross at All Saints Little Kimble)*

**9 April 10:45 Easter Sunday Family Communion**

**16 April 10:45 Matins**

*(16 April 9:30 'St. Nicks Kids' at St. Nicholas Great Kimble. A Service for children living in Ellesborough and the Kimbles. Doors open 9:15)*

**23 April 10:45 Parish Communion**

*(30 April 9:00 BCP Communion at All Saints Little Kimble)*

**7 May 10:45 'Coronation' Songs of Praise**

**14 May 10:45 Parish Communion**

**21 May 10:45 Matins**

*(21 May 9:30 'St. Nicks Kids' at St. Nicholas Great Kimble. A Service for children from Ellesborough and the Kimbles. Doors open 9:15.)*

**28 May 10:45 Parish Communion**

*NOTE ABOUT St. Nick's kids. This service starts with play stations for children and croissants and coffee for adults. This is followed by a period of worship for all age groups and then there are activities in specific age groups so that all have a thoroughly good time. Several Ellesborough families have already joined and a member of the St. Peter & Paul congregation is on the planning Committee. It is on the Third Sunday of the month. Doors open 9:15 and it ends at 10:30.*

# Simple Ideas for fun locally with children or grandchildren

*This time we are listing some simple ideas close to Ellesborough; next time we will be focussing on holiday & sporting activities and we will go further afield. Any suggestions would be much appreciated.*

10-4 Friday, Saturday or Sunday enjoy a bite to eat in the open air at **Buckmoorend Farm Kitchen**, then choose some goodies to take home in their Farm Shop (the shop is also open, serving hot drinks and ices, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10-6). Wander down the lane and across the road to peep at **Chequers** and admire Victory Drive which was planted by Winston Churchill after WWII.

At the bottom of Wendover High Street is **Heron Path**. This path leads to a stream with a small bridge ideal for Pooh sticks, a large grassed area, a playground and at the end of the path is a lovely duck pond (don't forget the bread..) On the way home enjoy a hot chocolate or ice cream at **Rumsey's Chocolaterie** in the High Street.

On Sunday mornings (the new) **Real Magic Books** in Wendover High Street hold Storytime at 11 o'clock.

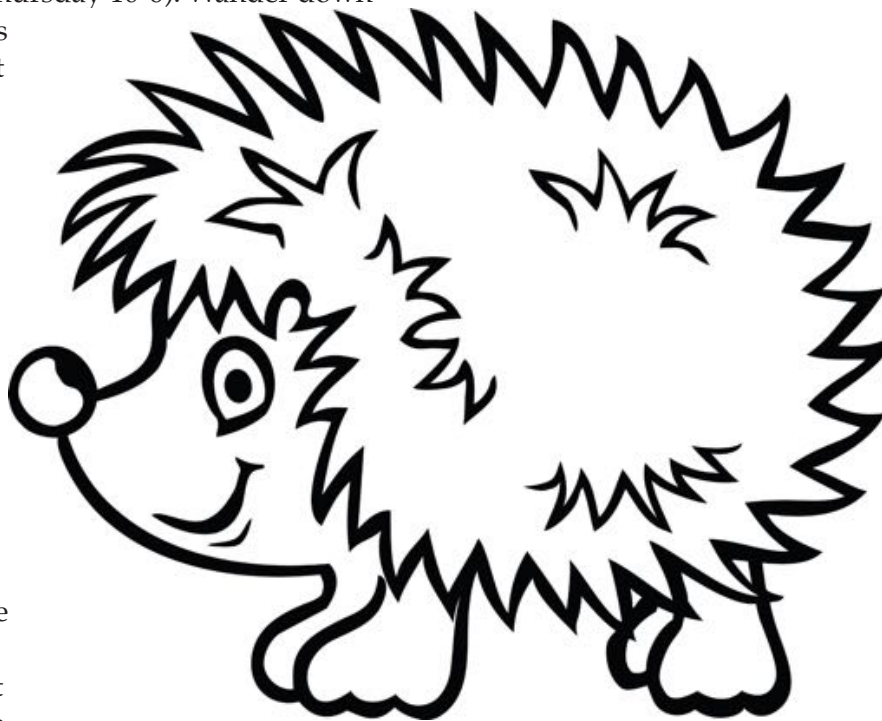
In **Wendover Woods** you will find the Gruffalo Walk, good playground facilities and a great café. For the more adventurous there is also **GoApe** where you can venture up into the treetops for treetop trails and zip wires. Quite expensive at £19 each. [www.goape.co.uk](http://www.goape.co.uk) for bookings.

In Tring you will find The **Tring Natural History Museum**, Akeman Street, Tring,

filled with a fascinating collection of stuffed animals and birds of every variety. The museum is free to visit and is open Tuesday to Sunday 10-5. There is parking behind the museum.

A trip to the **Aqua Vale swimming pool** Park Street, Aylesbury is a great favourite. There are flumes and a lazy river. Sessions are one hour 15 minutes. To book you must become a pay as you go member at [www.everyoneactive.com](http://www.everyoneactive.com). Once signed up, you can use their app and book very easily. Cost: £4.60 adults and children alike.

Open weekends and school holidays.



You can find **The Roald Dahl Children's Gallery** at the **Discover Bucks Museum** in Church Street, Aylesbury. Entrance is free. The main museum often puts on activities during school holidays. Open: 10-5

Monday-Saturday.

**Zoomania** is a soft play centre in Gatehouse Way, Aylesbury. Costs from £1.50 for babies up to £6.75 for children aged 5-11. Open: 7 days a week 9.30-5.30. Another soft play centre: **Whizzkidz**, Jefferson Way, Thame. Open 7 days a week 9.30-6. Cost: under 1's £2.25 up to 5+ £9.95. At each soft play centre one adult per child has free entry.

**Tiggywinkles** Animal Hospital, Aston Road, Haddenham. Rescued animals and birds, talks, activities. Winter opening times Monday-Friday 10-4 until Good Friday. Summer opening

# A Beautiful walk in the Chiltern Hills

**B**utlers Cross to Great Missenden  
with a country pub at both ends.



This walk is approximately 4.5 miles and follows along the ridge between Butlers Cross & Great Missenden, with the valleys carrying the A413 and the Rignall Road to either side.

The going is on marked paths and typical of the gently rolling fields and woods of the Chilterns, nothing too strenuous but sufficient to raise a thirst.

Regardless of the time of year or day, the scenery and views are spectacular, stretching beyond Wendover Woods to Mentmore, in the east, and to the tree lined ridge of Hampden House, to the west.

With the bluebell season not far away, this route includes some of the prettiest displays to be found locally.

There are a variety of paths that broadly follow the route, so the choice is yours.

Some key milestones to keep you on track, assuming a start from Butlers Cross.

Head to Little Hampden via Little Hampden Common.

At Little Hampden take the footpath that drops down into the woods again (look out for the Green Dragon hiding at the bottom of the dip).

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Head for Cobblers Hill Farm and join the South Bucks Way, heading to Missenden.

Take the route through Coneybank Wood and down to the railway line and under the bridge.

The bar at The Black Horse awaits you.

David Harper



If you have any favourite walks – please share them with Ellesborough Magazine

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## The Spire & Spoke Watlington OX49 5AD

A place to visit for many reasons in all seasons

We are based on the outskirts of Watlington at the bottom of Watlington Hill. From our spacious gardens you have a wonderful view of the Chiltern Hills and the White Mark or chalk mark. (Allegedly cut from the hill in the 1700s to give the local the squire the visual impression that the church steeple had a spire, and hence our name.)

As the eastern gateway to the Chiltern Hills with its network of foot paths and bridleways including

the national trail, the Ridgeway, many walkers, road cyclist and mountain bikers are drawn to the area.

In our eclectic scaffold board and corrugated steel panelled bar during the daytime we are a coffee and cake shop, served by well trained baristas, the usual myriad of coffees with an extensive choice of non-milks and our homemade cakes.

But wait a minute a metre or so from the cake display on a granite topped bar there are five ale hand pumps sporting different ales, four of which

are in the right place. We also do mezze platters plus melt in the mouth Camembert with dipping Sicilian flat breads.

In the summer months we serve Mr Whippy style ice cream cones or tubs with your choice of sauce and toppings or perhaps with a warmed up brownie. A favourite for children and grown ups alike.

Walking past the cycle racks and south facing outdoor covered seating areas there is a small bridge leading to a second garden. This is our



are locally brewed, plus the a tipple from Timothy Taylors in Yorkshire. For those not excited by the sight of a frothy pint there are top notch lagers and ciders plus an extensive wine list available by the glass. In these health conscious times we also have a non-alcoholic range of drinks including seven non alcoholic beers and gin cordials.

As you wonder into the (hopefully sunny) garden you can't help but notice the large domed wood fired pizza oven. Blimey a pizzeria as well! If you fancy a super thin, super crispy pizza you

private events area with giant teepee, with hard wood floor, fire pit etc.

So there you have it - part walkers & cyclists stop, coffee & cake shop, bar / pub, wood fired pizzeria, Mr Whippy van and events tent. It sounds eclectic but it all seems to fit nicely together.

John

# "ASHES TO ASHES"

## HEAVY DUTIES

Dustmen (or binmen, if you prefer) have got it relatively easy nowadays; at least compared with how it was back in the 50s, when it was my regular holiday job. In those days you had to go and dig out the bin from wherever the whim of the householder decided it should live: hidden behind the garage, inside a potting shed, down by the compost heap or wherever; then you had to heave it up onto your shoulder and stagger back to the waggon where you shook out all the rubbish before returning it to its home, scrupulously replacing the lid and closing any doors and gates, then on to the next house and the same jamboree again.

And don't think the bins were plastic with four useful wheels. No, they were solid metal which, in winter, could be full of clinker from a domestic boiler or, in summer, might release a swarm of wasps when you took off the lid. And actually lifting the bins took some doing. I would bend at the knees, keeping my back quite straight, grasp the handle with my right hand, tilting the bin away from me so as to get my left hand under the rim. Then I would straighten up, swinging the bin onto my left shoulder, all in one smooth movement.

As soon as you passed the gate, that was your house. The bins fell into 3 categories: the majority, which you could deal with yourself; heavier ones where you needed a lift up; and the real bastards where you had to tow it out.

## TOTTING

The tipping wasn't straightforward, though. On most wagons there were two sacks, either side of the footboard, one for old clothes and rags, the other for non-ferrous metal: aluminium ('allie'), brass or copper. You would check through the rubbish as you emptied it and anything - but anything - which could be sold went into the appropriate sack, even a three inch length of copper wire or a snot-ridden old handkerchief. At the tip this 'tot', as it was called, was stored in

sacks until Friday afternoon, when we used to get to the tip for the totting-up (dividing the metal into different kinds) ready to sell it to the 'totters'.

The money was handed to the driver, who divided it into exactly equal parts. If even tuppence was left over it was put into the money box to be added to the following week's takings. The lowest I remember getting was a pound, and the highest



over 4 quid, and this was the 50s, remember.

Quite often something interesting would be found in or next to the bin, and if it was your house you had first go at it, though the driver might ask you to contribute up to half a crown if he reckoned it was valuable. That happened when I found a beautiful old lamp stand, like a corinthian column, which is lighting up this page as I write. More often, though, I would sell it on, which I did with the two soprano saxophones and the full set of 18th century menswear I found a few months later.

# A PERSONAL RECOLLECTION

## CHANGING FROM THE BOROUGH TO THE RURAL

When I first started working as a dustman, and for the following two or three holidays, it was for the Wycombe District Council, and it was a relatively easy job. You had to clock in for 8 am, and you finished at 5 pm, wherever you were, starting at the very next house the following morning. What



this meant was that there was no incentive to work hard, and you spent a fair amount of time either in a transport caff or the pub.

But one day I was talking to a guy called Pat, who lived opposite me in one of the council houses in Sands, on the way to Lane End, and he told me that he worked for the Rural District Council, where they had a given round each day, which meant that they worked hard and fast, usually knocking off by two, which meant that he could get in four hours, in the summertime, working in the Swimming Pool in Wycombe. He talked to his boss the next day, and it was ok for me to switch to

the Rural there following week.

I found out during my first morning that the tot setup was the same as the one I was familiar with, with sacks hanging on the back. But when we made the first stop the driver handed each of us a lightweight allie bin. 'What's this lot then?', I asked. 'Oh, that's right', he said. 'They don't use skips on the Borough, do they? It would take us twice as long to get the round done if we worked like them. The skips hold as much as any bin, so all you have to do is take the skip with you and empty the bin into it.' That first day I had a little trouble learning the knack of transferring a full bin load to the skip, but after a while it was as though I'd been doing it for years. Another difference was that the Rural driver, known as Sheikh John, was more than happy to grab a spare skip and take on a house himself, whereas the Borough drivers drove and that was that.

## STUDENT DAYS

Now and again one of the other guys would slag me off as a student, saying I couldn't work as hard as them, or that I was taking money from ordinary working people like them. But it usually didn't last long, and it was clear that I could lift bins with the best of them. Sometimes, however, the fact that I was a student turned out to be in my favour, especially when I let them know that certain things - books for instance - had a monetary value and would take them away and return with the cash. Another thing I could do was deal with some of the more snobbish members of the public. One day, for example, I was leaving a property with Joe, the longest serving of the dustmen, on a very windy day, when the rubbish was being scalped by the strong gusts. We both had heavy loads, but Joe's was piled up six inches above the top of the bin. As we were leaving the property, a woman's voice called out 'Hey you've dropped something!' I placed my bin on the ground, looked round and saw a solitary eggshell on the path. 'Madame, I do apologise on behalf of my colleague here. Please, no thanks; we can't have this disgusting object defiling your home. Joseph, please take care of it, otherwise this good lady will think that we have no pride in our work'.

# “ASHES TO ASHES” contd

## EMPTYING THE BINS IN CAMBRIDGE

The day following my final examinations in Modern Languages I started work as a dustman for the City of Cambridge Urban District Council. I'd found out where the yard was, miles away from the central part of town, which was all that most students were aware of. The Manager, a friendly little man, listened to my story and offered to take me on, surprised that any 'grad' wanted to do some dusting.

Our round took in the whole of the centre. Three days a week I could walk to the start-point within 10 minutes. The first hour of work took place in a world of lifeless shops, cafes and pubs; then shutters would be taken down, railings unpadlocked, the pressure built up in the espresso machines, and soon the first students would be seen, blinking at the morning light.

While we were on the way to make the first tip, punts would be unchained on the two rivers, and someone would be handing over the deposit for the privilege of falling in the Cam to the great joy of day trippers ready massed on the bank at Kings.

Eventually just about everyone knew the work I was doing. By the end it wouldn't have mattered if I'd emptied the Vice-Chancellor's bin, but earlier there was the question of term still having 3 weeks to run. First thing one morning Bill, the driver, asked me which was my college. St John's, I told him. 'Well, we'll be there by eleven', he said, which worried me. The exams were over, but I

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was still officially 'in statu pupillari' and was not allowed to work.

As we approached the college I buttoned my shirt to the top, pulled up the collar, put on my dark glasses and tugged at the peak of my baseball cap till it covered my forehead. I walked down the passageway between John's and Trinity leading to the back of the kitchens, took the lid off the first bin and was just going to give it the lift when a

door opened and one of the kitchen staff came out carrying a container which he started scraping into my bin, saying 'Excuse me Mr Vaughan-Rees', I won't keep you long. Lovely weather we're having'.

My final memory of Cambridge is of bumping into

a long-standing friend in

my last week on the bins. 'Hi, Mike', he said, 'What are you up to?'. 'Working as a dustman. And you, Pete?'. 'Oh, I've got a show coming off in town.' Peter Cook, wonder what happened to him.

**Michael Vaughan-Rees**  
Ellesborough Lodge

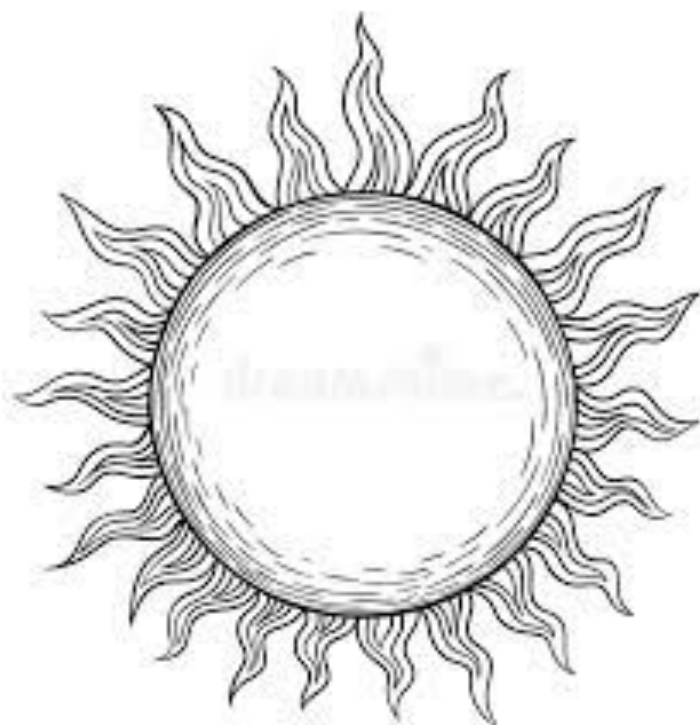


*St John's College Cambridge*

# GARDENING IN ELLESBOROUGH

Listening to the climate change pundits is a sure way to get even more confused about how best to garden in 2023: "Digging your garden beds is a no-no – it releases carbon". "If you know it is going to rain – empty your water butts on to the soil to make space to collect some more." "Forget about lawns – let them go wild". "Plant Mediterranean species". "Cover soil with a blanket of mulch or gravel".

A few years ago, someone asked to measure the methane gas emitted from our compost heaps for a research project, I cannot remember the result, it was no doubt not good environmentally, and maybe we should wear a mask every time we lift the lid! And so, the advice goes on and on. Probably in 2023 there will be heavy deluges of rain and bouts of Saharan temperatures, it is also probable that there will be neither.



All these are well meant comments and no doubt there is something to be said for all such suggestions. The reality for practical gardeners is that though our climate is changing, it is not a smooth transition and each location has its own soil characteristics and micro climate. Plan for a warmer climate, milder winters and springs and then, like this last winter, we have a whole string of hard frosts, the like of which we haven't had for couple or more years.

Obsessed with the national need to save energy and keeping costs down, with little thought of how cold it actually would be, we did not heat the section of the greenhouse that the Head Gardener (HG) uses to protect her collection of tender plants. So, to add to the carnage in the greenhouse (gone

are her aeoniums, penstemons, pelargoniums – scented and common and stelitzia Reginae) we have also lost a hebe, phormium and maybe some more Mediterranean plants that have happily survived in the open borders for several years.

Looking on the positive side, it is a good opportunity to rethink some planting schemes and to take into account the hazards the less predictable weather patterns require.

Another reason for some rethinking is that many of the garden features developed over the years are in need of renewing or at least patching up. Timber posts, greenhouse and border edging, some as much as twenty years old, are not what they were. Still, that is what gardening is all about: growth, death and renewal. Something to philosophise about and to keep us active in our dotage.

Right now, to cheer us on, the sun is getting warmer and daylight hours get longer. All those bulbs we planted in the autumn join the long-established seasonal swathes of, snowdrops, crocus, daffodils and the air is filling with the scent of flowering shrubs. It is good to get out in the garden.

TY February 2023

# ELLESBOROUGH GOLF CLUB

## THE 1920s

By the early 20's, membership of the club was recovering from the impact of the First World War (though several former members had not survived the conflict) and this supported the financing of a series of improvements in 1924, including the construction of new elevated tees, the relocation of several greens and the addition of a considerable number of further new bunkers and in 1926, the clubhouse also underwent a major refurbishment which included the enlargement of the dining room (which up until then could only accommodate 16 members at any time) and finally in 1927, electric lighting was installed. 1928 saw the club's first hole-in-one, on the then 8<sup>th</sup> (now 5<sup>th</sup>) and by a lady member – Miss L P Taylor – a feat which was not be equalled by the men until 1930! 1929 saw the purchase of the club's first motor mower and the installation of a golf ball cleaning machine in the clubhouse and over the next few years many of the members replaced their old hickory-shafted clubs with the new-fangled steel-shafted clubs, which it was soon agreed could be used in club competitions.

## COURSE EXTENDED

But success also brought its own problems with members then complaining both that the influx of visitors at weekends was resulting in very slow play and that the visitors "knowledge of the Royal and Ancient game and the courtesies thereof were of a very low order." Partly in an effort to address this problem, the possibility of leasing further land to extend the course to 18 holes was investigated with Dropshot Farm on the other side of the Missenden Road being pursued, but although the tenants were willing, what was now the Chequers Trust blocked the plans. The fields to the north, on the other side of the Wendover Road (where the second 9 were finally built) were also investigated but the club couldn't afford the asking price of £3000. In 1930 however, Mr Biegel, the owner of the land, reduced his asking price to £2000 and following one of the club's many Special General Meetings, it was agreed both to purchase the land and to form a company to take the ownership of the land and management of the club forward into a new 18-hole future.

## COURSE TOO DIFFICULT

The famous Scottish Open Champion and golf course designer James Braid was appointed to lay out the new holes for a fee of 10 guineas (and £3 plus expenses for subsequent site visits). He described the new land as "nicely undulating to make the play interesting" and advised the planting of four hundred beech trees and five corses of Corsican pines to define the new fairways and act as hazards. The original clubhouse remained, so the first three holes were



*OPEN CHAMPION HENRY COTTON IN RAF UNIFORM*

played on the old nine (currently 7-9) before crossing the road to play 4-12 before crossing back to play the remaining 6 holes of the old nine. Members however soon found Mr Braid's new holes far too difficult and several of his bunkers were quickly filled and grassed over.

# A HISTORY PART 2

Now the watering of the new 18-hole course became a further challenge so (as you do), a water diviner was appointed (and paid two guineas) and he accurately reported strong springs on both sides of the course with the spring on the new nine side being selected as the strongest and this remains the club's principle water supply (with water later piped under the road to supply the old nine holes as well).

By the outbreak of the Second World War in 1939, membership, which had been approaching 300, saw another dramatic decline as members



FORM AFTER CLUB CHARITY MATCH 1943

(and greenkeepers) were called up, with the resulting loss of income creating a further financial crisis. The closure of the entire course and club during hostilities was considered but, following a successful appeal for loans from continuing

members, it was agreed that the original nine holes would be retained for play (and grazed by sheep once more) but that the new nine must be temporarily abandoned and returned to grazing land.

## FLIGHT LT HENRY COTTON

By 1943 with war ongoing, membership was down to 94, the club tractor had to be loaned to a local farmer and the club professional once more took over course maintenance himself. He was given something of a boost however when the great Henry Cotton (by then two times Open Champion), then serving as a Flight Lieutenant at RAF Halton, offered to play him in a charity match in aid of the Red Cross.

## CADDIES' FATE

Membership slowly recovered after the war and by 1947 the new 9 holes were brought back into play. During the 1940's, golf trolleys put in an appearance, threatening the pocket money of the local boys who had been acting as caddies, and by 1949 there were so many trolleys on the course, that to confirm the caddies' fate, their shelter was converted to a trolley store for members. Winston Churchill had had little time for golf during the war, but his successor Clement Attlee was a keen and regular player at Ellesborough and on his resignation as PM in 1951 asked to continue with his membership and was made an honorary member.

## THE 1950s AUSTERITY

Inflation was rife in the early 1950's and thus the club's financial problems returned once more with an Extraordinary General Meeting in 1952, concluding that the subs would have to be raised by an eye-watering 25%, bar prices increased and a social committee established to organise fund-raising events. (These took a dramatic turn after a dance held at the Ellesborough Hall at which members had been charged 5 shillings for refreshments. After numerous complaints about the quality of the food, it emerged that the Club Steward and his wife had sub-contracted the catering for 3/4d per head and pocketed the difference - which led to their joint resignation). Further cost-cutting measures continued

# GOLF CLUB

## PART 2



*US President Bill Clinton's visit in 2001*



*Clement and Violet Attlee, after retirement residents in Great Missenden and honorary members at Ellesborough Golf Club*

throughout the decade - agreed at one Special General Meeting after another, including the abandonment of travel expenses for away matches and increases in Group Subscriptions (which then included: RAF Halton, Bomber Command and the Aylesbury Police) but, despite these pressures in 1957, it was agreed that the new Club Steward could have one day off every week, rather than working every day.

Fashions were changing too and the Club's standards of dress were soon under what would become a sustained attack with Ladies having to be reminded that they must "refrain from wearing slacks in the lounge on Saturdays and Sundays.

To be continued in the next issue...

# Evelyn Woodcock

## 92 years young and lived in the village since 1938

Evelyn Woodcock (nee Speed), our dear friend and neighbour is so aptly named with her surname as a keen birdspotter and naturalist. She has lived in the village since 1938 and has wonderful childhood memories of always being outside,

with her beloved dog Sam.

Even now Evelyn is still cat sitting for her neighbours and in the past has looked after rabbits too. As a child she did attend the local village school (now Guide Guide Centre) then moved to Stoke Mandeville School. She suffered a road accident at 6 years old and as a result of the trauma experienced memory loss and needed to relearn all skills prior to that time. I am sure that episode in her early life helped to form and develop the independent and resolute person that she is. I am often amazed at how much energy she still has and it was only just before Covid that she stopped going for her weekly swim but she still enjoys gardening, doing her Daily Mail crossword, making chutneys, marmalade and jams



playing in the stream by Chiltern Brewery looking for tiddlers. Evelyn used to take 2 lb jam jars to the stream and fill them up then carefully take the contents home where she would watch in wonder as the tadpoles turned in to frogs and then return them back to their habitat. She spent hours walking in the woods up Coombe Hill looking at the flowers, birds and wildlife and only coming home when hungry.

She has always loved animals and had many of her own pet cats and dogs. She is pictured above

plus delicious cranberry sauce which she gives to friends at Christmas. She recently showed me her original driving licence dated 1966 (the year after I was born) and is still driving today.

Evelyn is so knowledgeable about the village as she moved to No. 2 Terrick Row in 1938 and then to Elm Close in 1955. We have often chatted about the history of the parish and changes that have taken place over the years. Her first job as a 'tweeny' was at County Farm, Wendover where cooking and farming skills were taught and her

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duties included washing, tidying up and it was there she first used a telephone switchboard! She found this apparatus very interesting and enjoyed talking to people. Little did she realise then that she would continue to operate one in different parts of the country until she retired.

Evelyn had training at the Telephone Exchange in High Wycombe then was based at Aylesbury, followed by a short time at the Electricity Board before going to Stoke Mandeville Hospital.

One of Evelyn's most memorable moments was attending the first paraplegic games held in the summer of 1948 and observing the inspirational Dr Guttmann in action. The archery and javelin events were held at the front of the hospital

Station where she could feel and hear static firings, although based in an office far away from the secret operations taking place. It was here that she met Bruce who she married in 1957 at Ellesborough Church. See photo of Evelyn & Bruce (now deceased) in their garden below.

Before she retired she had one more switchboard job at Molins (now known as Hearing Dogs for Deaf People, Saunderton) which was more lucrative and she really enjoyed.

Both Bruce and Evelyn have travelled a lot in the UK and abroad. Evelyn's favourite trip was through Canada and the Rockies on a train from Vancouver to Winnipeg and she still enjoys watching Michael Portillo's TV railway journeys



and basketball took place in the sports hall. She enjoyed the camaraderie of the athletes and atmosphere so much that she used to help out on Ward 3X after work as a volunteer and knew everyone including Sister Radford with her elaborate headdress.

Evelyn then joined the Army – Royal Corp of Signals, thoroughly enjoyed 'square bashing' and after training was based at Northern Command H.Q. in York using an underground switchboard on a huge scale. Later on, she left the army and started working at Westcott Rocket Research  
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programmes. She also likes watching wildlife programmes including Spring & Winter Watch and Countryfile. She has studied the clouds and we often discuss the weather and changing seasons together. I mentioned to Evelyn recently that I think she is the oldest member of our community still living in the village at 92 years young. If anyone reads this article and thinks otherwise –

please let me know.

Helen Holman



## **SLOW- ROASTED LAMB SHANKS with MULBERRIES, WINE, LEMON & FENNEL**

**Enjoy this warming dish which is inspired by produce from the British countryside and perfect for family and friends. Also using lamb, which is significant during this Easter feast.**

**Serve with herby new potatoes and green beans.**

### **Ingredients (Serves 4)**

- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 4 lamb shanks
- 2 shallots (quartered lengthwise)
- 4 garlic Cloves, Crushed
- 6 sprigs of thyme.
- 1tbsp fennel seeds
- 1 large fennel ( quartered and fronds reserved)
- 120g mulberries ( or blackberries)
- 500ml red wine
- 700ml Veg stock
- 1 lemon (sliced)
- 1-2 tbsp redcurrant jelly
- Some salted butter

### **Method.**

1. Preheat oven to 130oC/ Gas 2.
2. Heat oil in oven/flameproof casserole dish and brown lamb shanks.
3. Add shallots, garlic, thyme, fennel, mulberries, wine, stock& sliced lemon
4. Simmer over a low heat, cover and transfer to oven for 2½ hours
5. Check meat is tender or give an extra 30 minutes.
6. Remove lamb shanks and fennel . Keep warm in serving dish.
7. Pace dish over medium/high heat and reduce liquid until it slightly thickened.
8. Pass through a sieve or blender into a clean saucepan and add red currant jelly, along with a few knobs of butter.
9. Mix well until you have a glossy sauce.
10. Serve sauce over lamb shanks. Garnish with extra mulberries, grated lemon and fennel frond.
11. Serve with herby new potatoes and green beans

Judith Harper

# Snowdrops and Daffodils in Dunsmore

Is it too soon to welcome Spring? Barring another unforeseen and hard cold snap, Dunsmore is looking forward to the new season. Our social calendars for the year are beginning to fill, and our gardens are starting to produce green shoots and early crocuses. Time to get out and dig those beds!

The Dunsmore Village Hall Association has announced its coming events for 2023. The first, just last month, was Bingo Night in the Village Hall. All were welcome for a round or two of bingo, interrupted only by delicious hot dogs from King's butchers. Tables were buzzing, players joyful, and prizes happily received.

**Events** planned for the remainder of the year are:

- March 25-26 Village Clean-up Weekend
- April 8-9 Easter Egg Decorating Competition
- April 15 Bluebell Walk
- May 6 Coronation Party (Village Hall)
- July 2 Summer Celebration on the Common
- August 20 Cream Tea at the Church
- October 6 AGM and Pub Night (Village Hall)
- November 18 Quiz and Chips (Village Hall)
- December 2 Theatre Trip to the Mill at Sonning – *High Society*
- December 22 Winter Warmer (Village Hall)

Additional details of these events will be distributed closer to the time. Should any residents wish to assist with any of these activities, please do offer your services. Chair Tod Weller is always happy to have your help!

In addition to the DVHA schedule of events, the **Ladies' Lunch group** has announced its dates for the year. Just a reminder: these lunches are held at noon in the Village Hall every month or two, and all are invited. Attendees are asked to

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provide something to share on the 'buffet', and two volunteers for each meeting provide assistance in setting up tables and chairs and clearing afterwards. Newer residents are encouraged, as this is a wonderful opportunity to get to know your neighbours better in a casual, warm environment. Please join us:

Thursday, April 13

Tuesday, May 30

Thursday, July 2

Tuesday, September 5

Thursday, October 26

Thursday, December 14 (Annual Christmas Lunch)

Reminder emails will be distributed prior to each event, and it's extremely helpful to let Vanessa Havard know if you will be attending. All comers are very welcome!



*Dunsmore Village Hall*

Check the Church of the Resurrection article in this magazine for dates of the regular Cream Teas at the Church. Your help is always accepted, and indulgence on the day is important to Church coffers!

# Church of the Resurrection, Dunsmore

We had a lovely Carol Service in December with lots of children taking part in the service, both by doing readings and by assembling the crib scene. The children (and definitely the adults) entered into the excitement of obtaining chocolate as part of the Chocolate Nativity story.

Our next service will be on Easter Day, 9<sup>th</sup> April at 9.30am and will a service of Holy Communion led by the Reverend Ian Ogilvie. We welcome all villagers to the service.

We have now finalised the dates for our three Cream Teas this summer, they will be on Sundays starting at 2.30pm and finishing at 5.00pm. The days are the 21<sup>st</sup> May, the 18<sup>th</sup> June and the 9<sup>th</sup> July. We will have gazebos at hand to shield you from the gloriously hot sun or the odd drizzle or downpour! Please note that we

only accept cash payment for teas at the moment. Our visitors always comment on the delicious variety of our homemade cakes, thank you to

everyone who has so generously supplied them over the years. Debbie Lee has sourced our cake bakers for many years and has now decided to step back. Thank you very much, Debbie, for all the excellent work you have done for the church, we are very grateful. Lorraine Smith has very kindly agreed to take over the reins so you may well receive an email in the next few weeks asking about cakes for this year.

The last few years have been very difficult for the church financially with loss of income from services and cream teas but with no reduction in our outgoings for rent, insurance and maintenance. These teas are a major source of income for us and we would like to

thank all those who come and support us and all those who provide the cakes and help on the day. We look forward to seeing both our 'regulars' and new faces this year.

## Cream Teas at Dunsmore Church



*Truly Scrumptious Cream Teas with Homemade Cakes & Scones! Free refills of tea & coffee*

*Do come along and join us and enjoy our friendly Chiltern Village—please bring cash*

**2.30—5.00pm**

**Sunday, 21st May 2023**

**Sunday, 18th June 2023**

**Sunday, 9th July 2023**

*Proceeds go to the maintenance of our lovely village church*

# British Legion Poppy Appeal 2022

This was the first year of using a contactless machine. I used one and Tod Weller for Dunsmore used one. He raised £232.57 of which £42 was from the contactless machine. So he had to carry a very heavy tin of money plus the rather large and heavy contactless machine. Hopefully next year the machines will be lighter and the public will be more familiar with using them. We shall hope to use more of them.

Our total collection for the 2022 Appeal was £2,200.76 which was very good and I thank you all for your generosity. As I mentioned last year, I intended to retire from being the village poppy appeal organiser,

I am happy to inform you that Fiona Tchen will be the new Poppy Appeal Organiser. I am most grateful to her for agreeing to take on this role.

**Diana Strathon**

Poppy Appeal Organiser

## School News February 2023



**Great Kimble C of E School**

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We have had a busy start to the new year, with lots of fun activities planned for the remainder of the term. Water Class are going on a trip to Hazzard Alley to learn about safety and the whole school are looking forward to 'Break the Rules' day, organised

by FOKS (Friends of Kimble), our PTA.

## Smokey Row

As the weather has started to become less frosty and wet, we have continued to enjoy our regular visits to our outdoor classroom, Smokey Row. As well as learning outdoor skills such as fire building, the children also use the outdoors to enhance the learning of core subjects. For example, practicing number facts using outdoor materials to represent these.

## Church News

The school has continued with Wednesday Worship at St Nicholas' Church this year, with the children performing songs, readings and stories to their families. We are excited that our school church choir is growing in number and the children are excited to sing each month at the St Nics' Kids Service.

At Christmas, we enjoyed being a part of the Carol Service. The children helped decorate the church by creating art work in school, with the help of the church volunteers. A number of children performed readings, which was pitch perfect. We are very proud of our links with the church and the support they also give the school.

## Fruits of the Spirit

During our Friday Collective Worship each week, a number of children are chosen from each class to receive a 'Fruits of the Spirit' award. These are awarded to children who have consistently demonstrated one or more of our school values of respect, thankfulness, endurance, forgiveness, love and hope.

## Talk for Writing

Have you heard of 'Talk for Writing'? It is an engaging teaching framework developed by Pie Corbett, which we are implementing throughout the school this year. It is powerful because it is based on the principles of how children learn. It enables children to imitate language they need for a particular topic orally, before reading and analysing it, and then writing their own stories. Why not check out our school website to find out more?

## Reading

The children at Kimble are enjoying using our newly updated school library. They are keen to share books they have read with their friends at school and the wider community. If you visit the newsletter page of the school website, you will be able to see their weekly recommendations. These are also shared via our Facebook page. Why not encourage the children in your life to read one of our recommended reads and let us know what they thought by commenting on the Facebook post?

## Social Media

Our school Facebook page can be found by searching 'Great Kimble School'. Please 'like' our page and share our news so we can celebrate our successes with the local community.

**Mrs Lodge, Head Teacher**

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# Wendover Art Club

Wendover Art Club meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month, between 7:30 & 9:30pm. The venue is St Anne's Hall, Wendover Christian Centre, Aylesbury Road, Wendover, H22 6G. Please note there is a charge of £10 for non members to demonstrations and £2 to Creative Evenings.

## March

9th Creative Evening – working on reflections from empty bottles. You will need to bring the empty bottles and we'll practice what is quite a difficult exercise. The media can be pencil, pastel or any other of your choice.

23rd Varvara Nieman – acrylic – still life . Some of you will be aware of Varvara's, energetic and colourful approach to painting and I'm sure this will be the same.

## April

10th Creative Evening – Painting negative

space. This like the reflections in glass is a tricky exercise and is open to any medium. For those who may be wondering, it's creating something by painting the background. There will be information to help us on our way.

15th Saturday workshop with Gary Spencer – landscapes. A workshop putting colour into our landscapes in acrylics. Nearer the date information on materials will be sent out with the booking form which should be filled out and returned asap to ensure your place.

27th Melanie Bird – framing. A start to finish of framing techniques by a local expert. Melanie runs 'The Little Bird Shop' in Wendover providing expert framing for your special pieces of work.

## May

11th Creative Evening – Shoes, boots and sandals. Definitely bring your own for this and we'll explore how to create a work of art from an ordinary or not so ordinary piece of footwear. So be prepared with a selection of pencils, ink, or paint for a bit of fun.

13th & 14th Spring Exhibition in the Wendover Library Room.

We'll be open from 10 am til 4.30 pm both days so pop the dates in your diary and make a point of coming to see the latest artistic creations. Prints, cards and original artworks will be for sale. No admission charge but donations welcome.

25th Creative Evening – Sketch-book evening – Show and tell. We're getting towards holidays and quite a few members carry sketch-books with them when away. It would be lovely to see and hear how other members use their sketch-books. So don't be shy, bring your sketch book and if you have a painting from the any of the sketches please bring them as well.

This is effectively the end of our indoor season. Depending on the weather we do organise outside painting sessions and if so these will be put on our website <https://wendoverartclub.co.uk> with the details.

Otherwise enjoy your holidays and happy painting.

The results of our January Creative Evening - Snowscapes

Arguably there is nothing more challenging than

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painting or drawing on white paper with black ink,, whether applied by pen, bush or stick. It's negative painting, that is rendering the spaces around the subect, at it's most difficult.

However Members met the challenge with humour and a great deal of success as the following pictures show.

## **S**now Scenes - below & overleaf





# The Chiltern Ladies

The Chiltern Ladies received a warm welcome at their December meeting, most were wearing colourful Christmas jumpers. There was so much to enjoy. The Produce Table was piled high with a wealth of good things to buy. Beautifully decorated Christmas cakes, scones and biscuits, marmalades and chutneys, herb oils and mincemeats, all home made by members, plus note books covered in beautiful Liberty prints making lovely stocking fillers. There was also an excellent Bring and Buy table with Christmas things available, and a fabulous raffle table.

The photographic competition of 'The Chilterns' [winner decided by popular members' vote], was won by Elizabeth Hine who received a brand new £50 note. Her photograph will grace the cover of our 2023/24 programme.

The speaker was Mr Lesley Grout who spoke about 'A Pagan Christmas', he talked about the many theories which might have helped to decide on 25th December as our Christmas day. It was very interesting.

E.H.

At the January meeting of The Chiltern Ladies, the Vice President Annie Adams chaired the meeting.

Members were given the dates of the Lochs and Glens autumn holiday and the date of our two day visit to Thursford for the Christmas Spectacular.

Day trips are being arranged to Hampton Court Palace, Kelmscott Manor - the home of William Morris in the Cotswolds, and Leonards Lee, the rhododendron gardens in Horsham, West Sussex. **Visitors are always welcome to join us on our coach outings, get in touch!**

No speaker is booked in January it is a members' meeting. This year the theme was members Keepsakes and Heirlooms. The exhibition had wonderful things on display and the owners gave a short account of the history of their keepsake. There was a really lovely old Teddy bear, a beautiful dolly, a Christening gown which had been worn by the member's mother - and children born in the family since, a miniature sewing machine in full working order, a Jerusalem medal,

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a beautiful ring made up from several other rings, and a prisoner of war diary accompanied by a piece of a Lancaster bomber. It was such an interesting way to start our new year - and we look forward to our new programme for 2023/24.

E.H.

The President, Elizabeth Hine chaired the February meeting of The Chiltern Ladies.

She very sadly gave details of **the passing of two of our members, Maureen Cornick and Sybil Goodson, both of whom were looking forward to celebrating their 99th birthday this year.** A minute of silence was held to give members a quite time to remember these lovely ladies who will be very much missed at our meetings.

The Speaker was Carole McCutcheon who spoke about her work as a volunteer at a school in Cambodia. 'Children from the rubbish dump'. Families actually live on vast rubbish dumps, plastic and food waste sent from Australia, New Zealand, Canada, and yes, from Great Britain. The children collect plastic bottles and tins and earn 60 cent for a black sack full, hoping to earn enough money to pay for food for their families or a few days education, many were without shoes.

Carole said she was not a teacher but a mum, just helping out at the school - Anlong Pi, 18 miles from the tourist town of Siem Reap and the Angkor Wat temple.

[It has sadly become a tourist attraction, coach loads of people arriving to take photographs of the children on the rubbish dump.]

At the school the children have to wash their hands and clean their teeth before lessons and they enjoy a simple breakfast and lunch. Carole buys the children flip flops to wear, and she supplies pens and pencils, simple books, puzzles and craft items.

The Chiltern Ladies made a donation to Carole's charity and our amazingly generous members raised a further £220 on the spot. **Well done ladies, and thank you from the children from the rubbish dump.**

Note, Great Britain no longer sends rubbish to Cambodia for 'recycling'.

E.H.

Winning photograph "The Chilterns" - opposite





# Ellesborough Parish Council

## Chairman's Note to Parish for Ellesborough Magazine March 23

### Dear Parishioners,

As the new Chairman of EPC, my first task is to thank our outgoing Chair; Debra Panikkar for all her dedication and commitment during her 3 year tenure. Debra did an amazing job balancing her work for the NHS and the demands of the Parish. I am personally very reassured that Debra is staying on as a Councillor and in particular continuing to help us manage the persistent impact of HS2. Thank you Debra.

Councillor Gordon resigned in January. I would like to thank Norman for all his help with parish business and in particular his commitment to speed reduction initiatives and liaising with Dunsmore residents. Norman;

we are now fully committed to helping the ducks of Dunsmore Pond and I am sure they are also grateful.

The Parish Council has a vacancy for a new Councillor, if you live in the Parish of Ellesborough, it could be you ! If you are interested in joining EPC then please contact the Clerk and we will be in touch.

Two hot topics in the parish continue to be speed reduction / road safety and the planning application for an affordable housing scheme on Chalkshire Road.

## Road Safety

Road Safety in the parish is something we all feel passionate about and the increase in traffic and speeding is of significant concern.

Community Speedwatch has been operating in the parish for many years now, and since the post Covid restart the number of volunteers has grown and on average there are 2 sessions carried out each week. We have 11 volunteers who go out in pairs for each 1 hour session. Our parish co-ordinator is Alan Cripps. Alan arranges sessions and ensures the camera is ready for use and the recording and reporting results from each session. Thank you Alan for your continued commitment to this important initiative.

There are 4 designated observation sites, identified and risk assessed by the Thames Valley Police Speedwatch Co-ordinator, along Chalkshire Road and Ellesborough Road. The majority of Speedwatch sessions are carried out on Chalkshire Road. While a physical presence on the roadside does act as a reminder/deterrent for speeding, this is a very limited amount of time hence the Parish Council are now investing in two new Mobile Vehicle Activated Speed Warning Signs.

The new devices, will replace the 3 previous signs purchased by the parish council around 10 years ago. They will be solar powered and can be moved around the 9 sites already operational in the parish. As well as indicating the speed of approaching vehicles, they are able to collect data in both directions, speed and volume of traffic 24 hours a day, and regardless of weather conditions. They are not cameras and therefore will not collect vehicle number plates so will not be used to prosecute speeding drivers. The data that we will collect from these units will enable us to further lobby Buckinghamshire Highways and Thames Valley Police for further traffic calming measures, in our Village.

In the meantime if you do have some spare time and would like to get involved in Community Speedwatch please get in touch with Cllr Withey or Alan Cripps (via The Clerk). There is a short online training programme

that you need to undertake before you can start, and then you will be partnered with another volunteer. Currently most sessions are midweek so it would be good to get some weekend sessions arranged also. The more volunteers we have, the more sessions we can conduct, and remind those who drive through the parish that we are serious about reducing speed.

## Affordable Housing Planning Application

The planning application for 6 affordable homes was submitted in September 2022. Bucks Council (BC) planning portal has been accessible since the validation of this application, and comments have been made by both local parishioners and statutory consultees such as the Highways Authority and Natural England. We were initially advised that the consultation period would close in December 22, however it was then confirmed, by BC, that comments would be reviewed up to the determination date. If you have not had the opportunity to pass comment, you can still do so on the [buckingham-shire.gov.uk](https://www.buckingham-shire.gov.uk) website using the reference 22/07562/FUL.

The BC planning team extended the determination deadline due to a high workload, and it is now understood that the application will now go to planning committee for a decision, in March 2023.

Ellesborough Parish Council submitted comments reflecting overall support for the proposal, with some focus on key areas which could be improved upon. Including the widening of the footpath alongside the proposed development to enhance and improve the quality of this well used footpath. Further observations included the design of the properties, construction materials, access and mitigating light pollution. There was also insistence that any phase of construction should be appropriately managed to reduce the impact on neighbouring properties. The full comments made by EPC can also be viewed on the BC planning portal.

Hastoe Housing Association (HHA), the applicant, have advised EPC that although they are awaiting the decision by Bucks Council, they have begun the tendering process with contractors, to allow construction to commence shortly after a planning consent is granted.

EPC have also been consulted by HHA on the wording and structure of the Local Letting Policy. EPC are committed to the fundamental principle that any affordable housing scheme, must give priority to the residents and local connections of Ellesborough Parish. This will be a contractual obligation that HHA have to follow when selecting any tenants or shared owners. This process is ongoing and EPC will be able to provide further update on this at the next Parish Council meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> March

2023.

## King's Coronation – Save the date

Finally, we are starting to plan for a Village event on the weekend of the King's Coronation. The team, which did such an amazing job for the Platinum Jubilee, are already scheming and will be in touch soon. In the meantime, please save the date for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023 and lets mark this rare event together.

Regards

Matthew McGrail

Chairman of Ellesborough Parish Council

In the first instance any contact to the Parish Council is always via The Clerk – [Clerk@Ellesborough-pc.gov.uk](mailto:Clerk@Ellesborough-pc.gov.uk)

## Solar Farm - Owlswick

### Extract of Buckinghamshire County Council Planning Meeting October 2022 - Approved

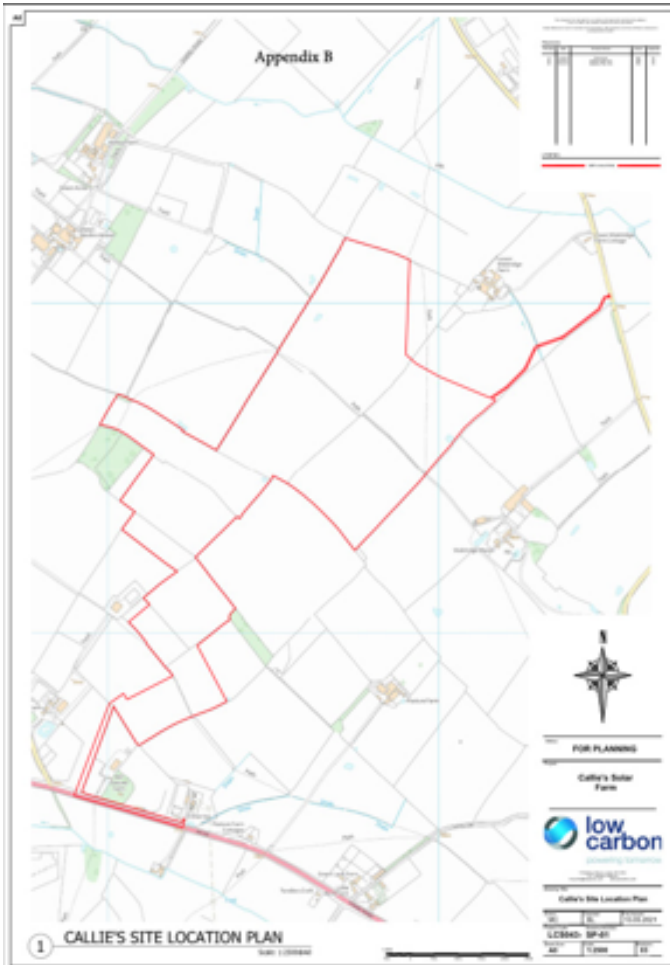
The site is irregularly shaped consisting of 11 separate fields predominantly in arable use with some grazing land lying between Owlswick Road and the A4129 Thame Road to the south. The southern area of the site occupies the rising southern bank of the river valley and the plateau of higher ground further south and ultimately links to the A4129 Risborough Road, from which access is proposed.

The solar panels are proposed to be placed on metal arrays arranged in rows, allowing for boundary landscaping, perimeter fencing and access. The panels will be laid out in rows across the site in an east/west orientation and will face south at approximately a 25-30 degree tilt. The panels are to be a maximum of 2.5m in height and the spacing between the rows would range between 3.5 and 9m.

The proposal includes internal tracks measuring 3.5m in width for maintenance purposes and will be constructed of crushed aggregate. Supporting equipment includes 1 DNO substation, 1 customer switchgear and 24 inverters.

## PLANNING

The grid connection will be at the local UK Power Networks Ilmer substation accessed from the A4129/Thame to the south of the site.



# Buckinghamshire Local Heritage List

Buckinghamshire has a rich heritage. Many of our key sites and buildings benefit from statutory protection as listed buildings or scheduled monuments. However, locally-important heritage sites, which contribute positively to the character and identity of Buckinghamshire, often have little or no protection, and over time these special places can be lost.

The Local Heritage List Project aims to identify and celebrate some of these important heritage assets.

## You can help by:

- Nominating a building, site or feature to be considered for inclusion on the Local Heritage List.
- Volunteering to assist us with survey and assessment work.

Our Project Officer may also be able to help you with additional information on how local groups, schools, and Parish Councils can get more involved

visit our website [local-heritage-list.org.uk/buckinghamshire](http://local-heritage-list.org.uk/buckinghamshire) for more details to sign up.

Contact:

[localheritageliast@Buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:localheritageliast@Buckinghamshire.gov.uk)  
c/o Buckinghamshire Council

## Planning Applications

- [Certificate of lawfulness for existing continued breach of condition 2 of planning permission WR/31/52 for a period in excess of 10 years from the date of this application](#)

Widnell Farm Rignall Road Little Hampden  
Buckinghamshire HP16 9PT

Ref. No: 22/07458/CLE | Received: Fri 09 Sep 2022 | Validated: Fri 09 Sep 2022 | Status: Unknown

- [Certificate of lawfulness for the change of use of buildings and land to use ancillary to the residential occupation of the adjacent house, Brockwell Farm](#)

Brockwell Farm Missenden Road Butlers  
Cross Buckinghamshire

Ref. No: 22/07449/CLE | Received: Wed 07 Sep 2022 | Validated: Wed 07 Sep 2022 | Status: Unknown

- [Householder application for construction of replacement front porch and single storey detached garage](#)

Bay Trees Ellesborough Road Butlers Cross  
Buckinghamshire HP17 0XF

Ref. No: 22/07303/FUL | Received: Sun 21 Aug  
2022 | Validated: Fri 23 Sep 2022 | Status:  
Decided

- **Householder application for construction of infill extension, alterations to fenestration and raised deck to side**

Pondarosa North Lee Lane Terrick  
Buckinghamshire HP22 5YB

Ref. No: 22/07682/FUL | Received: Wed 05 Oct  
2022 | Validated: Wed 26 Oct 2022 | Status:  
Decided

- **Erection of six 2-bedroomed affordable dwellings and associated works including access**

OS Parcel 1332 Chalkshire Road Butlers  
Cross Buckinghamshire

Ref. No: 22/07562/FUL | Received: Thu 22 Sep  
2022 | Validated: Tue 25 Oct 2022 | Status:  
Awaiting decision

- **Change of use of existing agricultural land of no more than 40sqm. to residential use for siting of 24 ground mounted Solar Panels of no higher than 1.5m**

The Beeches Fox Lane Dunsmore  
Buckinghamshire HP22 6QH

Ref. No: 22/07497/FUL | Received: Wed 14 Sep  
2022 | Validated: Wed 19 Oct 2022 | Status:  
Awaiting decision

- **Householder application for demolition of existing conservatory and single storey rear kitchen extension and construction of new single storey rear extension, single storey side extension to create larger conservatory, 1 x dormer window with Juliette balcony at first floor and new external steps and associated landscape works.**

Coombe House Wendover Road Butlers  
Cross Buckinghamshire HP17 0TZ

Ref. No: 22/08027/FUL | Received: Thu 10 Nov  
2022 | Validated: Thu 10 Nov 2022 | Status:  
Awaiting decision

- **Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed single storey garden room**

Sunny View 94 Chalkshire Road Butlers  
Cross Buckinghamshire HP17 0TJ

Ref. No: 22/07992/CLP | Received: Mon 07 Nov  
2022 | Validated: Mon 07 Nov 2022 | Status:  
Awaiting decision

# Ashridge Home Care working with local charity to promote independent living

The Chilterns MS Centre is delighted to have formed a new association with Ashridge Home Care, an award-winning local provider offering personalised one to one care to those who need it, so they can remain in the comfort of their own home.

As part of the association, Ashridge Home Care will be holding workshops at the Chilterns MS Centre offering guidance and recommendations on how users of the Centre can live fuller lives while maintaining independence. Qualified personal carers can offer much needed support so everyone can remain in the homes they have lovingly created with just the right amount of tailored help to make life enjoyable.

“Having the opportunity to work with the Chilterns MS Centre and be able to give advice and support about care options is fantastic,” said Trudi Scrivener, Founder of Ashridge Home Care. “Living with a disability or health condition can be extremely challenging but it does not mean you should not be able to maintain independence and live a fulfilling life. Having the support of a professional PA or carer who really believes in you, can provide confidence and motivation to be able to do whatever you want.”

“This association is an exciting opportunity for the Centre as it will provide our members with greater support options,” said Lou Grace, Deputy Head of Integrated Clinical Care at the Chilterns  
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MS Centre. “Both our organisations share the same ethos in seeking a good quality of life for those we support and maintaining independence, working together will be another step to us achieving that.”

The Chilterns MS Centre provides treatments and services to people with MS, helping them to live life to the full. In 2022 the Centre began a pilot programme to open up its services to people with other neurological conditions starting



with Parkinson's Disease and stroke survivors. If anyone with MS, Parkinson's or who has experienced a stroke feels they would benefit from the services offered then they should get in touch with the Chilterns MS Centre by phoning 01296 696133.

Ashridge Home Care is one of the few care providers to offer both hourly visiting care services as well as 24/7 live-in carers. All carers are highly trained and matched to an individuals' needs enabling everyone to stay in their familiar home

with just the right amount of help to make the most of life. Carers can help in all kinds of ways: household chores and light cleaning, personal support with washing and dressing, medicine management and much more. For a friendly and informative chat about support needed telephone 01494 917 344.

For further media information on Ashridge Home Care please contact Abbi Langan on Mobile 07799 347674 or [abbilangan74@gmail.com](mailto:abbilangan74@gmail.com)

## News from the Brewhouse

### Phase 1 finish line is in sight!

In our new brew barn, the new brewing vessels are in place, awaiting commissioning. Straight after, we will “christen” them with a suitable brew, something that harks back to our earliest days in 1980.

If you wish to know more, please subscribe to our newsletter (via our homepage ([www.chilternbrewery.co.uk](http://www.chilternbrewery.co.uk)) – please scroll down the

page a little), as we will be sending out more news nearer the time. The space created by the new barn enables us to increase capacity and improve efficiency. It replaces a section of our old barns and is purpose-built, using local suppliers and contractors and British Steel. With views to Coombe Hill, it is the completion of the first phase of our brewery expansion. It enables us to brew the beer needed to keep up with demand.

This new barn was part funded by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development. The



European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development: Europe investing in rural areas

### New brews and beers to launch in 2023

In addition to finalising the new barn and vessels, we have been preparing new beers and brewery foods.

We have a number of new beers, which we are looking forward to brewing in our new barn.

Among the first of these will be a special beer to mark His Majesty King Charles III's coronation. The beer will be available in draught and in bottle leading up to the event in May. We will be releasing more details in the coming weeks.



## Session IPA & Low Alcohol Beer

In line with increasing demand, we are also creating a low alcohol beer. We have brewed a few of these over the years, but this one will be a new, permanent beer to add to our core range. We shall also be re-introducing the first beer we ever released in a can – Session IPA.

Each of these beers will be brewed with malting barley grown on the Waddesdon Estate farms. This is news that we are thrilled to announce, as it has been a long-held goal, and this year will be the first when we can brew all of our beers with malt grown within sight of the brewery!

It is not just beers that we are preparing behind the scenes though. Many readers may have missed our brewery fudges and barley wine fruit cake? Our chefs at The King's Head are busy preparing and cooking these long standing 'staples' of our shop. We cannot wait to say that shortly, both the fudges and fruit cake will be available again, having been made in our kitchens at The King's Head. Details of when these are available will follow soon!

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## Wendover Antiques

It is generally thought that sophisticated artificial limbs have been developed relatively recently but in the 17<sup>th</sup> Century mechanical limbs were already in existence.

Terrible injuries on the battlefields of Europe in the 16th and 17th centuries led surgeons to design elaborate prostheses for lost limbs. These were usually made by armourers with moveable fingers which locked into place, enabling a soldier to grip his reins or sword. Later watchmakers made gears and springs to give more detailed movement.

This rare survivor at Cotehele in Cornwall is European, 1500-1699. In 1947 the Earl of Edgcumbe told the story of his father being woken in the night by a sound of someone breaking a window, the Earl groped his way in the dark, searching for a pair of pistols. Suddenly, he felt his wrist tightly gripped by cold fingers. Grappling himself free he fled back to his bedroom in horror. The next morning he discovered that the fingers belonged to the mechanical arm and that the burglar had been a cow, scraping her horns against the window bars.

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- Wednesday The Eighties Rewind** with Howard Bond
- Thursday The Sixties Rewind** with Cherry Waller
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- 1.00 Saturday Sport** Music plus local and national sports news
- 5.00 The Funk, Soul & Dance Show** Smooth, cool sounds with Deep Kundhi
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## Sunday

- 7.00 am Sunday Breakfast** with Simon Hill
- 10.00 Sunday Brunch** Classic hits and chat with John Reid-Hansen, including the **Wychert Vale Church Service** at 12.00
- 1.00 pm The Sunday Afternoon Session** with Andy Mitchell, including **The Acoustic Hour** at 3.00
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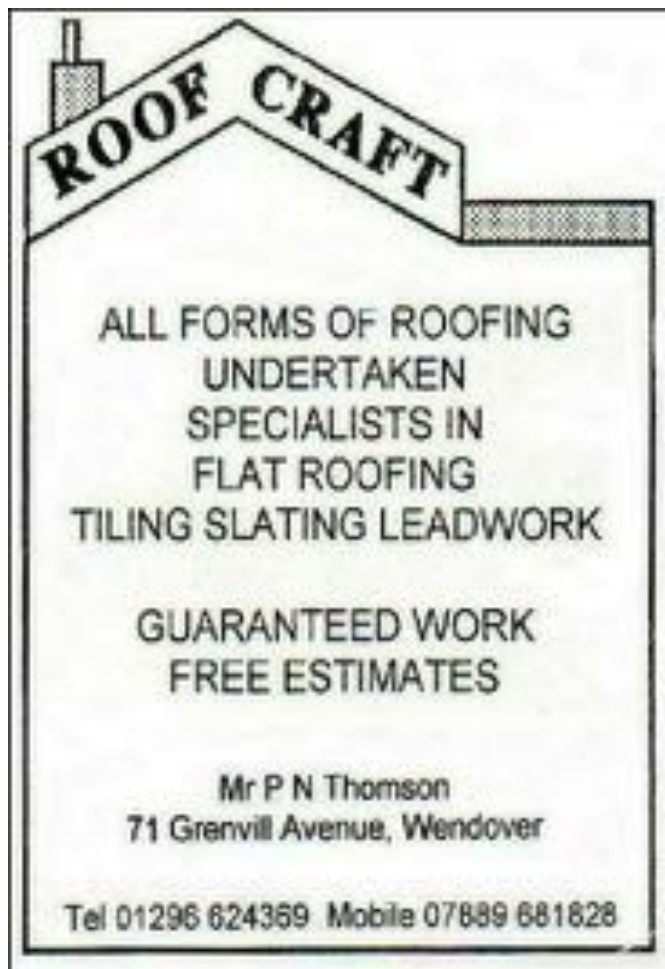
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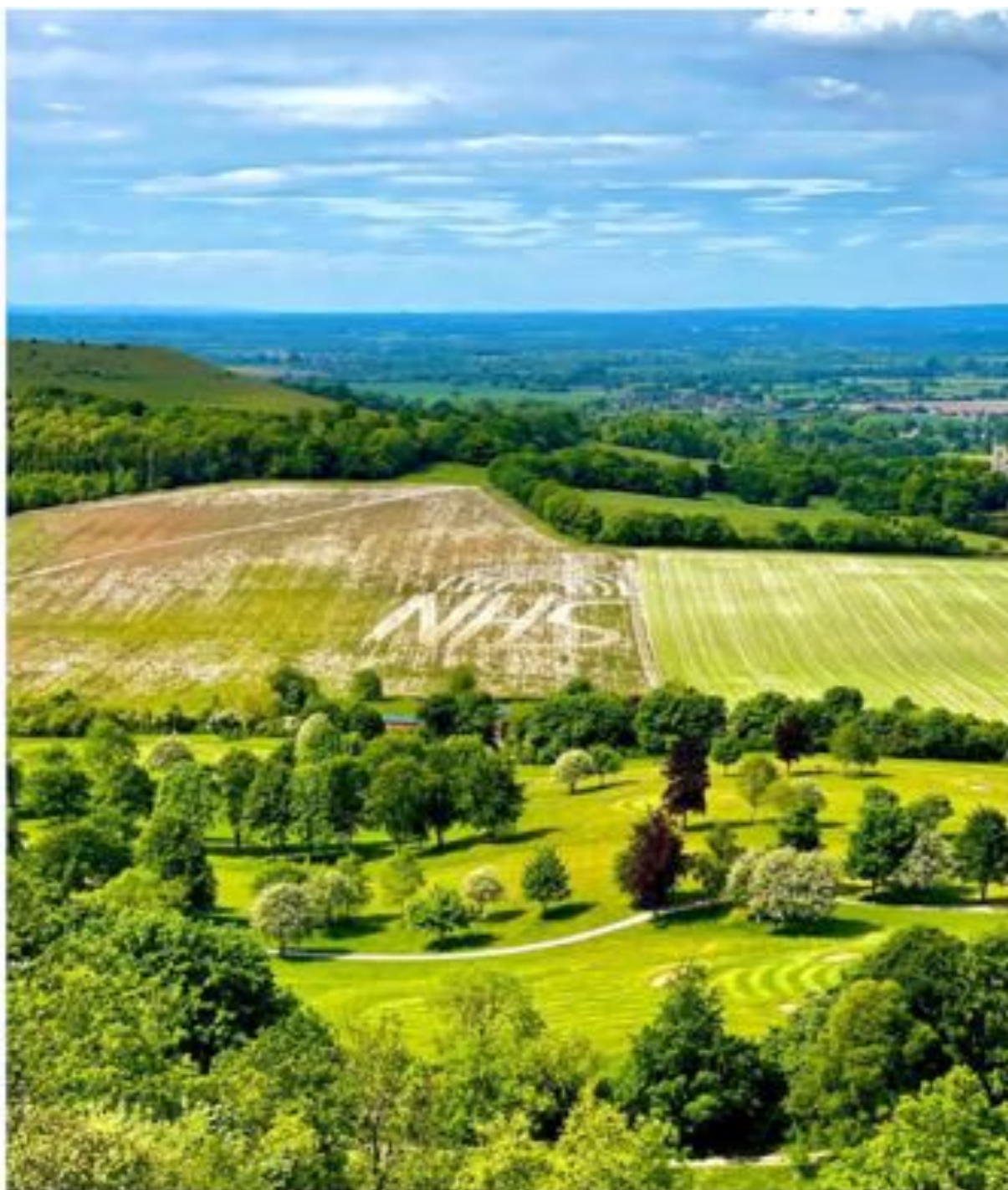
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