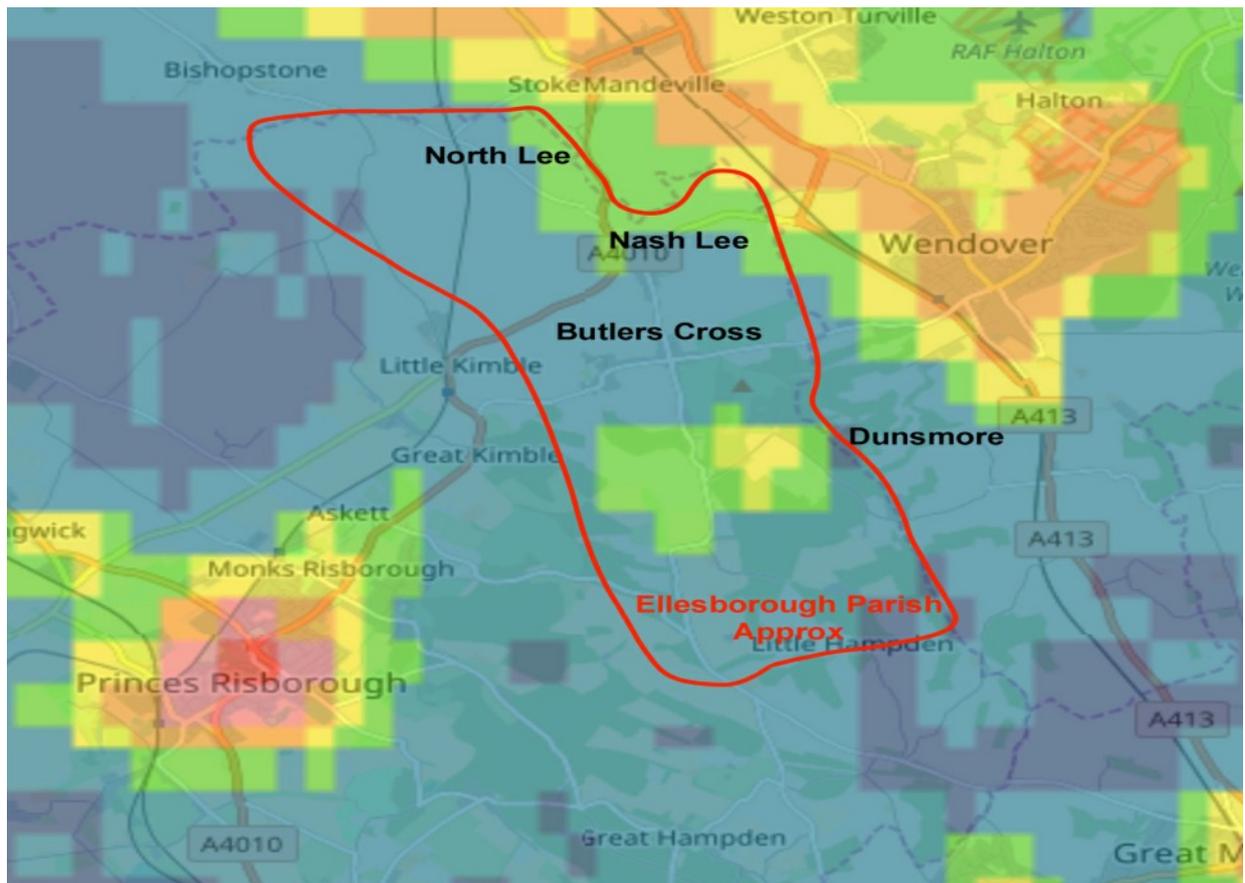


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## Chairman's Letter

I would like thank all our contributors to this quarter's edition. These include Michael Vaughan-Rees, David Barnett (Wendover Woods), Judith Harper, Fiona Tchen, and Shaun Ellis, as well as our regular correspondents in Dunsmore and from village clubs and other organisations.

We all wish Steph and Daniel Hares well on their imminent spring arrival!

The new season seems a long time coming..

**Richard Jennings**  
Chairman

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*Front Cover: Extract showing the parish of Ellesborough from  
the Light Pollution and Dark Skies Map of Great Britain*

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## **A note from the Editor**

I hope you will find the variety of subjects covered in articles and notices included in this edition of interest. As always we are dependent on a steady flow of interesting articles either by residents of the village and surrounding areas or other topics relevant to the village and its community from sources further afield. One way or another we are dependent on receiving interesting articles with good quality photographs for the success and usefulness of the magazine.

If you have expertise in a topic, have visited a place, or taken part in an activity, likely to be of interest to our readers, would you be prepared to write an article for a future edition of the magazine?

**Paul Couling**  
**edellesboroughmgz@gmail.com**

### **Village Notice**

Good luck to Alice, Tom and Joe on their new adventures away from The Russell Arms. Hopefully we will get an update from James Penlington on the plans for our pub in the next edition.

# Notices

## Ellesborough 200 Club Winners

### January 2018

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### February 2018

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Ellesborough Coffee Mornings are normally held on the third Friday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Maureen Audsley Room of the village hall at Butlers Cross. Everyone is welcome so please come along.

The Tea and Chat ladies meet on the second Wednesday each month 2pm-4pm in Ellesborough Village Hall. Everyone is welcome.

## Flag Days - 2018

Commonwealth Day	12 <sup>th</sup> March
Birthday of HM the Queen	21 <sup>st</sup> April
St. George's Day	23 <sup>rd</sup> April
Coronation Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> June
HM the Queen's Official Birthday	9 <sup>th</sup> June

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# CHANGE AT ELLESBOROUGH CHURCH

Revd. Jan Henderson retires as Rector at Easter and we shall then be in the process of finding a replacement not only for Ellesborough but the other two parishes of Kimble and Stoke Mandeville which form the Benefice. This will probably take several months. Meanwhile the usual pattern of services will be maintained with the help of local clergy and our own lay leaders.

Jan has served the parishes with absolute commitment and dedication during her 11 years in the parishes, 3 as a curate and 8 as the Rector. This was no mean task for a newly ordained minister, with Sunday services across 4 churches, the numerous baptisms, weddings and funerals to say nothing of administrative responsibilities. If all goes according to plan and the builders have completed works, her farewell service will be at St Nicholas Great Kimble on Easter Sunday morning at 10.45. This will be a service for the whole Benefice and there will be no service at Ellesborough that day. It will be a great opportunity not only to say thanks and good bye to Jan but also to experience the major improvements at Great Kimble Church.

A vacancy is a major opportunity to review the needs of the three parishes and we shall be encouraging all with an interest in the role of the church in the parish and its future to let us have their views as we prepare the selection process for a new minister.

During the vacancy responsibility for the church lies with the churchwardens and the PCC.  
We can be contacted as follows:

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## 2017 Poppy Appeal

This year the parish contribution amounted to £1,663.90. This was not as much as last year but still a very creditable collection.

The Legion helps so many ex-servicemen, especially those with Post-traumatic Stress. They can attend courses to help with this condition so that they can cope with life again. The Legion's Financial Capability team is another means of help for those in financial difficulties. All these conditions are a result of their wartime experiences and the Legion gives them various types of support to carry on their lives.

A big thank you to all those who donated to this worthy cause. I should like to thank all the collectors who go out in all kinds of weather and revisit houses when nobody has been there the first time of calling.

Diana Strathon  
Poppy Appeal Organiser

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the village to Linda and Guy Holland, and their children Amelie and Myla, who have just moved into Dropshort Barn.

## Notices

### Ellesborough Church Teas

The church will be open again for teas every Sunday and Bank Holiday from 2 - 5.30 from 1st April until the end of September.

Donations of cakes and/or help during these times always very much appreciated. Please contact Liz Norris 01296 615821 if you can help.

Church Teas have become very popular over the years with visitors from far and wide, as well as locally, and are a major source of revenue for the church and greatly assist the PCC in meeting the running costs of the church.

### Royal Air Force Centenary

This year celebrates the centenary of the Royal Air Force which was formed on the 1st April 1918, originally from the Royal Flying Corps which was formed during the First World War in 1912 the only difference being the change of colour of the uniform from khaki to blue, the SE 5 being their first Fighter aircraft which was only capable of flying at 70 mph at 6,500 ft,

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Doug Tilbury

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*Editor*

# Ellesborough Village Diary

**Bell ringing practice** every Wednesday evening 8.00 pm at Ellesborough Church  
**Ellesborough Silver Band** every Friday at 8.00 pm in Ellesborough Village Hall  
**The Ark Coffee Stop** every Thursday 10 am - 12 noon at The Ark

## March

1	Thursday	Wendover Library Reading Group	19:00	Reading Room
2	Friday	Mobile Library	12.15-12.30	Elm Close
6	Tuesday	K & E Horticultural Society	20:00	Stewart Hall
7	Wednesday	Kimble & Ellesborough WI	14:00	Stewart Hall
14	Wednesday	Tea & Chat	14:00	Village Hall
16	Friday	Village Coffee Morning	10:00	Village Hall
20	Tuesday	Parish Council Meeting	19.30	Village Hall

## April

3	Tuesday	K & E Horticultural Society	20:00	Stewart Hall
4	Wednesday	Kimble & Ellesborough WI	14:00	Stewart Hall
5	Thursday	Wendover Library Reading Group	19:00	Reading Room
11	Wednesday	Tea & Chat	14:00	Village Hall
20	Friday	Village Coffee Morning	10.00	Village Hall
27	Friday	Mobile Library	12.15-12.30	Elm Close

## May

1	Tuesday	K & E Horticultural Society	20.00	Stewart Hall
2	Wednesday	Kimble & Ellesborough WI	14.00	Stewart Hall
3	Thursday	Wendover Library Reading Group	19:00	Reading Room
9	Wednesday	Tea & Chat	14:00	Village Hall
15	Tuesday	Parish Council AGM	19.30	Village Hall
18	Friday	Village Coffee Morning	10:00	Village Hall
24	Thursday	Annual Parish Meeting	19.30	Village Hall
25	Friday	Mobile Library	12.15-12.30	Elm Close

## June

5	Tuesday	K & E Horticultural Society	20:00	Stewart Hall
6	Wednesday	Kimble & Ellesborough WI	14:00	Stewart Hall
7	Thursday	Wendover Library Reading Group	19.00	Reading Room
13	Wednesday	Tea & Chat	14:00	Village Hall
15	Friday	Village Coffee Morning	10:00	Village Hall
22	Friday	Mobile Library	12.15-12.30	Elm Close

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# Ellesborough Parish Church Services

## March to May 2018

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.45 a.m.	All Age Worship
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	10.45 a.m.	Mothering Sunday with Communion
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	10.45 a.m.	Sung Matins (BCP)
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	10.45 a.m.	All Age Worship with Act of Witness
Sunday 1st April - NO SERVICE AT ELLESBOROUGH	8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints, Little Kimble
	10.45 a.m.	Benefice Easter Communion at St. Nicholas, Great Kimble
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	10.45 a.m.	Sung Matins (BCP)
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00 a.m.	Five United at Butlers Cross Village Hall
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.45 a.m.	All Age Worship
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	10.45 a.m.	Sung Matins (BCP)
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion

Holy Communion (BCP) is held at 8 a.m. at All Saints, Little Kimble on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sunday of each month, and at 9 a.m. on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of any month.

### Further information and access

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## Doreen Ellis 1928 - 2018

Many readers will remember Doreen as a stalwart supporter of village events, tea-maker and bun-baker. Few will know her life story.

Doreen was born in Quetta in what was then Northern India, during a blizzard, on 4th March 1928 and came to England aged nearly five.

The family settled in the New Forest where her father was the Pony Club vet, her mother ran boarding kennels and Doreen and her sister enjoyed an outdoor life with lots of animals, riding and hunting.

Doreen attended Sherborne School for Girls where she made many life-long friends who, nearly eighty years later, remain in regular contact with each other.

She trained as a children's nurse and travelled while working as a nanny in Libya, Austria and the USA.

Returning to England, she worked at the children's mental health clinic in Hampstead, started by Anna Freud.

It was while travelling back from London to the New Forest that she met John, then a Captain in the Royal Tank Regiment. They were married in 1958 and would have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on 18th January.

As an Army wife she had homes in Fallingbostal and Osnabrück in Germany, Kuala Lumpur in Malaysia and Fort Knox, Kentucky before returning to England, initially to an Army quarter in Bushey.

The family then moved to Loosely Row, near Princes Risborough, and finally, in 1981, to 'Thornhaugh' in Ellesborough Road, Butlers Cross which Doreen loved.

She was forever torn between working in her large and productive garden and devoting her time to the local community and good causes, baking and making jams and chutneys to sell to raise funds.

She was a founder member of the Kimble & Ellesborough Horticultural Society and the children's playground group "Let's All Play" or LeAP, a dedicated fundraiser for Diabetes UK, PCC member, Poppy Appeal collector, village magazine distributor, church hedge cutter, litter clearer, Save the Church Organ supporter and the list goes on.

She was an active member of the WI and NADFAS and studied church architecture, visiting hundreds of churches all over the country - and prompting one exasperated friend to exclaim 'Not another b\*\*\*\*\* church!'.

She was thrilled to have been able to return to India and to Libya with friends and also to visit her family's former home in Dublin.

As well as John and her sons Shaun, Colin and Roger, she leaves grandchildren Eric and Maria.

Doreen's family thank all those who offered their condolences following her death on 2nd January, including those who were able to attend her funeral or joined us afterwards at The Russell Arms. She loved living here and being involved in village groups, societies and events, encouraging newcomers and younger residents to join up and join in.

# Kimble and Ellesborough Horticultural Society



## MARCH MEETING

7 15 pm      *AGM*      Tuesday 6  
8 00 pm      *Paradise Lost and Restored: 400 Years of Garden Design in Oxfordshire*  
Timothy Walker, former Director at Oxford University Botanic Gardens and now lecturer in Plant Sciences at Somerville College, returns to talk about the history of English garden design told through the development of the Oxford Botanic Garden since the 17<sup>th</sup> century.

## APRIL MEETING

*Aquatics for all*      Tuesday 3  
John Negus, garden writer and broadcaster, returns to talk about ponds including formal and informal designs, lilies, marginal and bog plants, construction, choice of fish and annual management.

## SPRING SHOW

*Spring Show* at Steward Hall: 2 00 – 4 30 pm      Sunday 8 April  
Come and enjoy some beautiful displays and delicious home-made cakes.

## MAY MEETING

*Trees, Shrubs and Hedges for Small Gardens*      Tuesday 1  
What are the best ornamental and productive trees to grow in smaller gardens and the most suitable hedges? These and the current latest thoughts on planting techniques will be discussed by Chris Day of Buckingham Garden.

## PLANT SALE

*Plant Sale at Ellesborough Village Hall, Butlers Cross:*      Saturday 12 May 10 00 am  
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 MEETING

*The Decline of Honey Bees and Solitary Bees*      Tuesday 5  
Dr Michael Keith-Lucas, a retired Plant Scientist from Reading University, is also an expert in bee-keeping and is sure to provide a very interesting insight into these fascinating insects.

Our meetings are held at 8 00 pm in Little Kimble's Stewart Hall. Visitors are always welcome free of charge. If you would like more information, please contact Brian Butler at [butler@care4free.net](mailto:butler@care4free.net) or ask any Committee member at one of the meetings. You can also visit our website for further details.

[www.bucksvoice.net/kehs](http://www.bucksvoice.net/kehs)

# News & Reports

## Kimble & Ellesborough W.I.

*Kimble and Ellesborough WI meet at Stewart Hall, Station Road, Kimble, on the first Wednesday of the month at 2pm. We love to have visitors and everyone is made very welcome. We have a speaker each month and of course there is always plenty of tea!*

*Joining the WI is a really good experience and a great way to make new friends, there are wonderful opportunities for everyone within the WI. Our Institute offers a £300 bursary every year so that one lucky member can go to our Denman College in Marcham, near Oxford to study something new, whatever she likes. But you have to be in it to win it! Come along and meet us we are known to be an especially friendly group - and it's free to visit.*

Kimble and Ellesborough WI met for their last meeting of the year on December 6th. The Stewart Hall was beautifully decorated for Christmas. The President, Mrs. Liz Malvisi welcomed 3 visitors and presented bouquets of roses to outgoing committee members, June Culliford, Elspeth Rutland and Claudette Aguillar. We learned the date of our next coffee and lunch meeting at The Swan, in Kimble.

Elizabeth Hine reported on a recent WI outing to Windsor Castle almost 25 years to the day since the 'Great Fire of Windsor'. We were there to see H.M. the Queen's Christmas decorations within the palace which has been a Royal residence since the time of King Henry VIII. She described the castle's lavish early 19th century State Apartments as an unrivalled sequence of rooms widely regarded as the finest example of late Georgian taste, an absolute delight, mainly designed and built for King George the IV, the King of Bling. He was not particularly interested in boring Royal duties and Windsor Castle became the most expensive secular building project of the entire middle ages in England. The State Apartments are where the H.M. the Queen hold receptions and banquets for visiting heads of state.

Time was allotted for lunch in Windsor and some Christmas shopping, most important. At the meeting members agreed that the castle's Christmas decorations however were not a patch on those of our own Buckinghamshire's Waddesdon Manor!

The speaker on that chilly and dark afternoon really cheered us up. Jeff Rozelaar told us about his childhood in Stepney, [now known as Tower Hamlets] in the East End of London. Bagels and Bacon. On the street where he was born there were bagels for sale on one side and bacon on the other. He remembered his first smell and taste of bacon and eschewing his religion frequently enjoyed the delights of a full English breakfast. He told us about his mother, a bus conductrix during the war. During an air raid, heavily pregnant with him she took a vote from the bus passengers, would they prefer to be taken to the nearest air raid shelter - or continue to their destination? Destination won. We laughed at a story about a tenement bath house when the walls were completely blown out by a bomb revealing to his mother all those bathing inside. He remembered, as many members did, playing on the bomb sites, playing soldiers around the Tower of London with real cannons, and playing cricket on Hackney Marshes in a real pea souper. It sounded like a wonderful and fun though

sometimes rather terrifying war time childhood. We enjoyed his talk very much and several members bought his book, also entitled Bagels and Bacon.

Members enjoyed mince pies and cake with their tea which hopefully means those ladies who came as our guests will come back in January. Visitors are always made very welcome.

A lower attendance than usual at the first meeting of the year of Kimble and Ellesborough WI, so many of our members had coughs and colds. After singing Jerusalem, the President, Liz Malvisi gave notice of forthcoming events including the monthly coffee mornings, and lunches at local pubs. £25 had been donated to the Scanner Appeal.

The Annual Council Meeting at the Waterside Theatre in Aylesbury will be on the 18th April, always a great day out eagerly anticipated by Bucks WI members. The speakers on that day will be TV presenter and gardener Christine Walkden, and, Dr. Natalie Welded, a marine biologist encouraging us to End Plastic Soup. WI members need no encouragement on this matter but her views will help individual WIs make their decision as to our 2018 Resolution Campaign. There will also be several opportunities to win a bursary to Denman, our WI college - provided you send your name and WI, on a post card please, to our Bucks Federation Office in High Wycombe. Margaret Couling will be our delegate.

Lots of lovely outings are being arranged for members and their friends during the year, which we look forward to.

Always a nice tea at WI, then, a fun quiz organised by Elspeth Rutland, always popular and enjoyable. We were sad to hear that Elspeth will be leaving us soon, moving closer to her daughter in Bicester.

The February meeting was very well-attended. The President, Liz Malvisi, welcomed everyone, including two visitors, and distributed cards to those members celebrating their birthday this month. She told us that, very sadly, our member, Pat Argue's husband had died following a road accident and condolences were sent on behalf of us all.

## Kimble & Ellesborough W.I. (continued)

Further details were given of the Annual BFWI Council Meeting to be held in Aylesbury. [See last month for details].

We heard that the Spring Group Meeting will take place on 25 April when we will be celebrating 100 years of Women's Suffrage. Finally an outing has been arranged to Chenies Manor on 9 May especially to see their renowned display of tulips.

Liz announced that the Denman College Appeal for funds to repair and maintain this beautiful Georgian building would close shortly. This information triggered a discussion about the possibility of moving National Headquarters to Denman and selling off the valuable London office site belonging to NFWI. Members felt it wrong that no information on this matter had been given to WIs although it had been featured in the National Press.

After the tea break local historian, Roger Howgate, treated us to a slide show of Kimble Then And Now, starting with a photograph taken in 1890 of Lady Rosalind Astley, the owner of Chequers at that time, talking to a small girl playing with a hoop while her pony and trap waited for her in the

background. The Kimble area was renowned for the high quality of its cottage industry of lace making and girls were taught the craft by a local expert. John Hampden himself actually lived at Kimble Manor for a period of time and one of his idiosyncrasies was to take his dog to Church with him!

A slide of All Saints Church, Little Kimble taken in 1805 was shown and it was interesting to note that in those days access to the Church was from the main Aylesbury/Princes Risborough road and actual entry to the Church was through what is now the vestry.

Roger showed a number of slides of village life during the first part of the twentieth century and these were particularly interesting for those present who came from long-standing local families as they were able to recognise local names and identify subjects in the photographs.

The next meeting is on Wednesday 7 March 2.00 pm as usual. The speaker's subject is entitled 'A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To Retirement'. As always, we will be pleased to see visitors who care to join us.

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## PRINCES RISBOROUGH MUSIC SOCIETY



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Princes Risborough Music Society is a friendly Society of about 60 members. Rehearsals are at Princes Risborough Secondary School on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 pm. New members are always welcome.

Please contact the Membership Secretary on 01844 344083.

We will be performing the Faure Requiem on March 18th 2018 at the Church of St Lawrence West Wycombe. This will be an afternoon tea Concert.

The Summer Concerts will be held at Longwick Village Hall on the 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of June at 7.30 pm. We will be singing a Concert version of the Mikado by Gilbert and Sullivan.

Tickets will be available from The Risborough Cook Shop, Art and Office, Information Centre in the Library, or at [www.princesrisboroughmusicsociety.com](http://www.princesrisboroughmusicsociety.com)

If transport is required, the Community Bus will be running. Please contact 07941963097

# Gardening in Ellesborough

## Notes from an occasional diary

Back from a winter break and ready to get started with clearing the now dead and decaying perennial plants left to over-winter and numerous other tasks. But no chance of setting foot on the soil. Heavy rain with hailstones and sleet, plunging temperatures and brisk to gale force winds varying from the bitterest northerlies through to the east and even full blown from the south. No big surprises but frustrating nevertheless. The gardening media experts writing their copy weeks ago recommend numerous “last chance to do this and that warnings” but these will all have to wait for the first return of “seasonal average” conditions.

When the sun does breaks through it is very definitely warmer and is daily arcing higher, reaching further into from the winter sunless shade and opens up across the garden, rapidly raising the temperatures in the greenhouse and the conservatory to the extent that the automatic ventilators start to open. So despite a few weeks of apparently suspended growth, plants are slowly but surely responding to the gradual but intermittently increasing temperature and the lengthening days. All the late winter and early spring flowers are putting on a brave show. Over the years snowdrops have colonised more and more areas and by lifting, splitting and planting in small clumps in the green just after flowering the areas are being further extended. Ours are the ordinary common snowdrops (*Galanthus nivalis*) but I am beginning to think some more exotic taller larger flowering varieties are worth considering. On the whole though the Head Gardener (HG) is dubious about investing in some varieties at quite ludicrous prices for short term effect and generally much prefers the home grown versions, they certainly do well in our soil.

Walking around with the HG on the first day without rain it is a delight to see just how much is happening. What a splendid show the snowdrops make, even more luminous on the gloomiest of days, together with aconites and hellebores lighting up even the shadiest borders. Cutting back the tough, fading, grim looking leaves of the hellebores is a chore but well worth exposing the flowers – and they will continue

in flower for several weeks yet. Given a good layer of mulch or leaf mould they will give years of value. There are tete-a-tete daffodils in sheltered pockets by the water-fall on the rockery, *Iris siberica*, cyclamen, primrose and primula. A large *Daphne Odoura* in a pot fills a sheltered corner with its intoxicating scent as does a mature *Sarcococca* – the Christmas box – we have planted a another variety, *Sarcococca confusa*, by the drive; on the other side is an established winter flowering honeysuckle. Looking more closely there are early flowers on the rosemary and of course yellow crocus which are taken by the birds. Against an otherwise bleak outlook there is colour from the various evergreens and as the breeze drops, scents fill the air.

Serious work will soon begin, although it has only been two or three weeks when nothing has been done in the garden, already the HG has been on her knees cutting back and weeding from the paths. A start has been made on cutting back ivy which clads one wall and next it will be the ivy growing down the walkway trellis and forms a moon gate, I try to get this done before the birds start nesting. Still to be done: clematis has to be cut back and roses pruned. So there is plenty to do – whatever the weather.

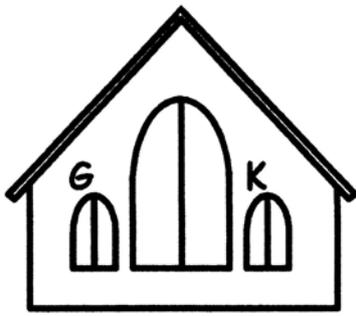
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## School News

March 2018

A big thank you to all the families who attended our Christmas Fayre in early December. I'm pleased to let you know that we raised just over £1860 for the school. It would not have been possible without the fantastic organisation by parents and the Friends of Kimble team who kindly volunteered their time to ensure the Fayre ran smoothly. Without our wonderful volunteers we would not be able to put on such fantastic events, so thank you to all involved.

### The Great Learners Trust

On the 1st January Great Kimble C of E School officially became an Academy and joined the Great Learners Trust. On a day-to-day basis there will be no changes for our children but the staff team are looking forward to the additional collaborative work that will be carried out between the schools within the Trust. We marked this historic change in January, when Rozalyn Thomson (Director of the Trust) came into school for a special assembly with the children. The Governors have also been busy planning how to recognise this special event in our school's history and we have put together a time capsule containing the history of the school, dating back to 1854, with photographs and contributions from the children.

### KS2 Expansion

In January, parents and local residents were offered the opportunity to come into school to see the architects' plans for the demolition of 'Springwood Cottage'. The plan is to replace the current bungalow with a new, single storey hall and two classrooms. If you would like to see these plans, please log onto the Bucks County Council planning website and search Great Kimble C of E School.

### Growth Mindset

This term we have been learning about the Christian value of 'Endurance' and the children have been learning how to develop a Growth Mindset. Extensive research has been done into the benefits of teaching children how to become resilient learners and understanding that challenging yourself is an essential ingredient to success. Some of the other key areas we will be working on this year are:

- School expansion to KS2
- Collaborative working with other schools and work within the Great Learners Trust
- Developing greater depth in Reading across the school
- Deepening the children's understanding of Christianity as a worldwide faith to nurture their spiritual and cultural development
- Further strengthening our Creative Curriculum
- The importance of good behaviour and teaching the children how to stay physically and mentally healthy
- Improving school attendance and punctuality
- Increasing learning opportunities outside the classroom.

### Sports

We are very fortunate to work closely with local schools to provide our children with additional sporting competitions throughout the year. This term Year 2 children played in a Unihoc competition at Princes Risborough School and a Tag Rugby competition at Cuddington and Dinton School. Our Year 1 children also

participated in a Basketball competition at Princes Risborough School and enjoyed putting their skills to the test. We are always incredibly proud of the enthusiasm and sportsmanship demonstrated by our children at these events.

### **Walk to school**

We are always looking at ways to reduce traffic down Church Lane and encourage children to walk. Mrs Walsh came to talk to the children during assembly about a new initiative we are taking part in called 'Wow'. The children brought home fact sheets with information on staying safe when walking to school and the benefits of exercise. We have seen an increase in the amount of children now walking to school and badges are awarded at the end of each month.

### **School trips**

One of our aims this year was to provide every child with a trip to the cinema or theatre, fully funded by FOKS. In November our Reception children enjoyed a trip to the cinema to see 'Cars 3'. Their excellent behaviour was commended by all staff and volunteers. Year 2 went to Aylesbury Theatre to watch 'George's Marvellous Medicine' and had a fantastic time, returning to school brimming with ideas to develop their writing in class. Later in the school calendar, Year 1 will be going to Aylesbury Theatre to see 'Awful Auntie' written by David Walliams. A huge thank you must go to FOKS who have kindly paid for all ticket and transport costs, enabling these additional trips to go ahead without the need for parental contributions.

### **Special Visitors**

Kindly arranged by parents, Year 2 had a visit from the Mayor of Princess Risborough and the children enjoyed finding out about his role in our community. We also welcomed a doctor and two nurses to talk to the children about their jobs and how they help us to keep safe and healthy.

### **FOKS**

Friends of Kimble School do an amazing job organising events to raise money for the children at Great Kimble. We have been fortunate this year to have so many new resources in school and to be able to offer exciting educational experiences for our children. This term FOKS have paid for new sets of dictionaries and thesauruses in Year 2 and an online Geography resource for all classes to use. Additional funds were also spent on reading scheme books to expand our current book bands. Plans for our Easter Fayre are now fully under way and money raised will be put towards additional resources in school.

From us all at Great Kimble School, we wish you a very Happy Easter.



# Dunsmore News

## Dunsmore – a wonderful hamlet in the Chilterns

We can, at last, look forward to the longer days of spring after some challenging weather conditions over the winter months. Thank goodness for our diligent gritting teams who manage to keep us connected to the wider world. We truly appreciate their conscientious weather watching and ensuing endeavours.

In January, Dunsmore was honoured by a visit from Lord Gardiner of Kimble, Parliamentary Under Secretary for Rural Affairs and Biosecurity, as part of the launch of the first Village Halls' Week. Members of the DVHA Committee welcomed him to our hall and made the most of the opportunity to convey what a valuable resource it is to this community. By giving him a broad outline of the activities which take place here, it was very apparent that the hall really is the hub of village life. Following his visit, Lord Gardiner penned a letter of thanks and congratulation to the DVHA Committee for 'fostering well-being and a community spirit in a secluded settlement' which the current Chair, Vanessa Havard, felt should be shared with the many villagers who have served in the past, those who organise cream teas, clubs and events, campaign for the good of the village, pick litter, clear snow or just run an errand for their neighbour. The unique community spirit here in Dunsmore is something of which all the inhabitants can be justifiably proud. Visit the website ([www.dvha.co.uk](http://www.dvha.co.uk)) to see Vanessa's 'Letter to the village' and photos.

Sadly, Dunsmore is looking rather dreary and rubbish strewn but spring brings with it an opportunity to join together for our annual spring-clean on 18<sup>th</sup> March. A separate dredge of the pond has been organised to complete the clean-up so that the village will be poised, ready to look beautiful again as the leaves unfurl and drab colours change to vibrant shades of green.

To lift the spirits until such times, the Dunsmore Village Hall Association organised a Pub Games Night at the 'Duck and Glis-glis'. With Chiltern Brewery's 'Beechwood' on tap and delicious Kings Farm sausages in rolls, the evening was bound to be a success but add an opportunity to play Darts, Bagatelle, Shove Ha'penny and Dominos into the mix and a fun evening was guaranteed. Some 20 or so villagers braved a wet and windy evening to socialise with their neighbours.

Other 'not to be missed' DVHA events scheduled for 2018 are:-

Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Village Clean-up Day
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Group Walk followed by bacon sandwiches and plant sale
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	'A Right Royal Wine Tasting' with Majestic Wines
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Midsummer Soirée at Springfield
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> August	Afternoon Tea on the Green
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	AGM with cheese and wine
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Quiz Night
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Winter Warmer

Full details will be released nearer the dates, so watch out for emails and fliers or check the website for updates. Meanwhile, if anyone has any plants they're splitting and could pot up for the plant sale, please contact Debbie Cooper.

## Church of the Resurrection, Dunsmore

Lots of people helped to decorate the church beautifully for the Christmas season with a theme of stars, holly and candles. We held two services in the church over the Christmas period; a candlelit carol service and a Christmas Day Holy Communion. It was lovely to see so many people in the church on both occasions.

Our next service is on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> March when we will have a Songs of Praise and a dedication of our new altar frontal. The frontal has been made by Paula Wilson using some very beautiful embroidery of flowers which have been donated to the church by Ros Wood. If you are unable to come to the service I hope you will pop into the church some time to look at the altar frontal which we will use during the spring and summer months.

We will not be holding a service of Holy Communion on Easter Sunday but you may go to St. Nicholas, Great Kimble (see details in this issue) or St Mary's in Wendover.

In less than three months we will be holding the first of our three annual cream teas and I hope that by then we will have clear blue skies and summer warmth. As usual you will find delicious homemade cakes and scones and free re-fills of your tea and coffee. The first one will be on Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> May and the other two are on June 24<sup>th</sup> and July 15<sup>th</sup>. We are keeping the new timing we introduced last year and will be starting at 2.30pm and running through until 5.00pm. 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.

THE CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

## Cream Teas



*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—all welcome*

*2.30—5.00pm*

*Sunday, 20th May 2018*

*Sunday, 24th June 2018*

*Sunday, 15th July 2018*

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

## Holy Week & Easter Services 2018

### Palm Sunday ~ 25<sup>th</sup> March



8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Little Kimble
10.45 am	Palm Sunday Service with Procession	Great Kimble
9.00 am	Palm Sunday Communion with Procession	Stoke Mandeville
10.45 am	Palm Sunday Communion	Ellesborough

### Holy Monday ~ 26<sup>th</sup> March

9.00 am	Holy Communion (CW)	Stoke Mandeville
8.00 pm	The Office of Compline	Little Kimble

### Holy Tuesday ~ 27<sup>th</sup> March

9.00 am	Holy Communion (CW)	Stoke Mandeville
8.00 pm	The Office of Compline	Little Kimble

### Holy Wednesday ~ 28<sup>th</sup> March

9.00 am	Holy Communion (CW)	Stoke Mandeville
9.00 am	Wednesday Worship with Holy Communion	Little Kimble
8.00 pm	The Office of Compline	Little Kimble

### Maundy Thursday ~ 29<sup>th</sup> March



9.00 am	Holy Communion (CW)	Stoke Mandeville
8.00 pm	Holy Communion (CW) with footwashing and <b>WATCH to 10pm</b>	Little Kimble

### Good Friday ~ 30<sup>th</sup> March

10.00 am	Benefice All-age Worship and Act of Witness <i>(followed by hot cross buns at The Ark)</i>	Ellesborough
12.00 noon	The Liturgy of Good Friday <i>Starting at 11.50am at The Methodist Church, Stoke Mandeville</i>	Stoke Mandeville
2.00pm	The Liturgy of Good Friday	Little Kimble

### Easter Sunday ~ 1<sup>st</sup> April



8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	<b>Little Kimble</b>
<b>*10.45 am</b>	<b>Easter Communion</b>	<b>Great Kimble</b>
6.00 pm	Choral Evensong ( <b>cancelled</b> )	Ellesborough

BCP = Book of Common Prayer CW = Common Worship

\* Please note this is Jan's last Service  
Please note that the 8.00 am. Service on 1<sup>st</sup> April will be at  
All Saints, Little Kimble **Not Ellesborough**

# AYLESBURY GLOW

When coming over the brow of Lodge Hill late at night we have all marvelled at the impressive glow from our neighbour Aylesbury. Princes Risborough also puts up a fair show.

I am sure most of us want to keep our rural character, and one way to fight back is to keep our skies as dark as possible. It's part of the personality of the area.

On the facing page is an extract of the Campaign For Rural England's dark sky initiative and shows the detail for our area at 1.30 a.m. over a number of nights in 2015.

<http://nightblight.cpre.org.uk/maps/>

I have highlighted Ellesborough Parish (see enlarged map on front cover) and you can draw your own conclusions as to where the brightest spots are.

It would be good to be extra dark at 1.30 a.m., let's keep the outside lighting to a minimum so that we can all enjoy our sky at night!

Richard Jennings



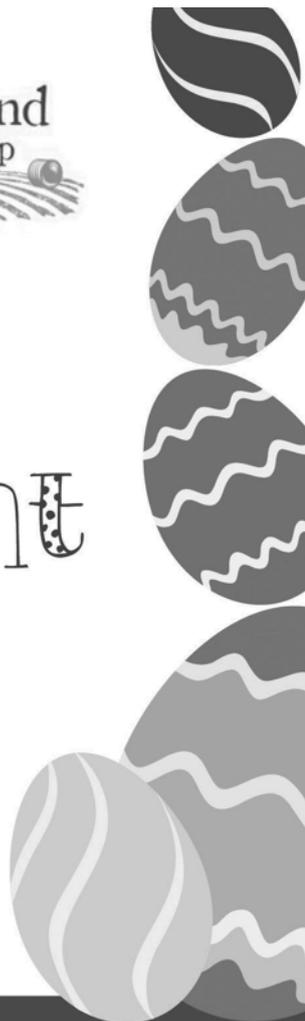
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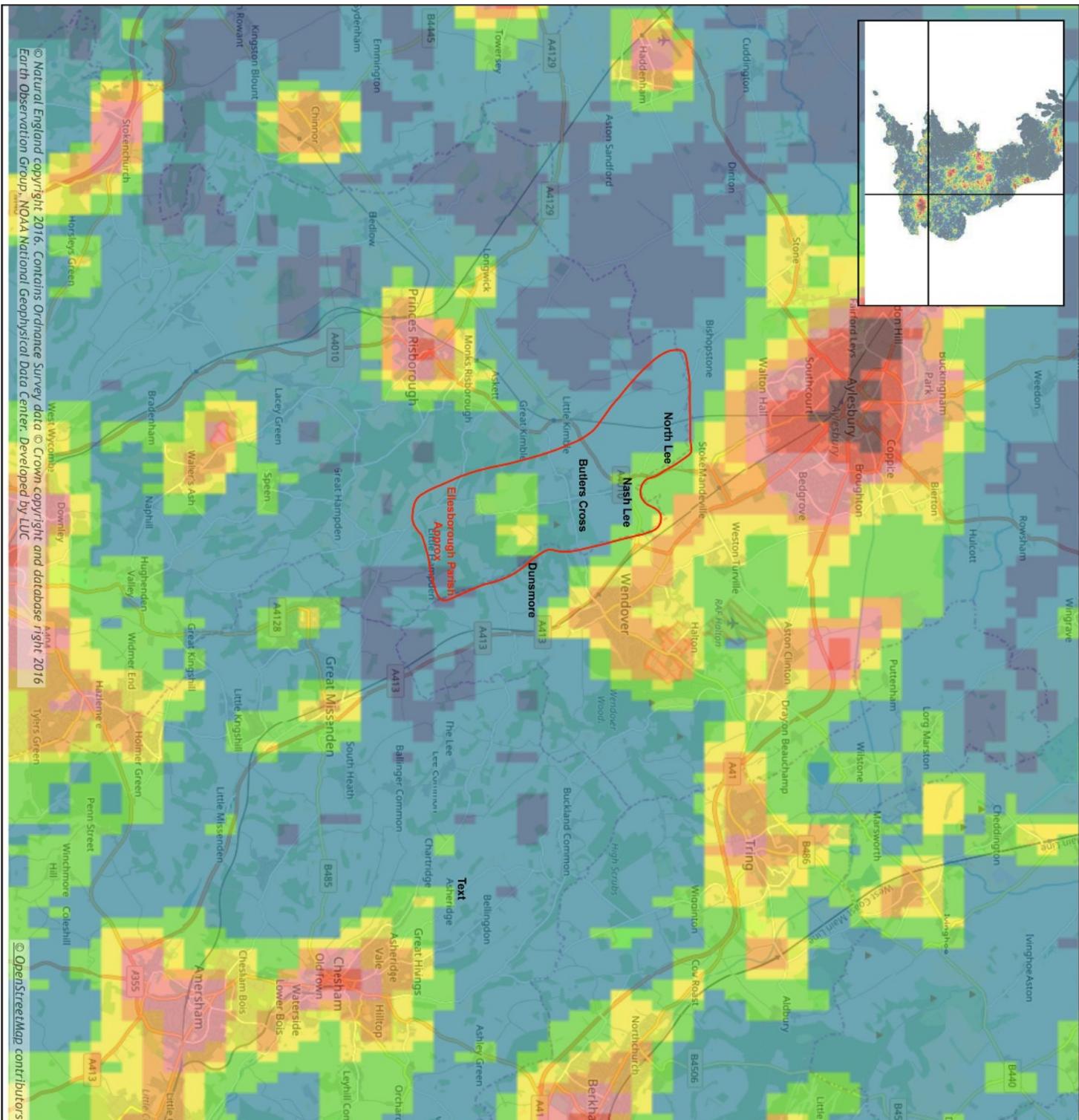
## Egg Hunt

Hop on over on **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April**  
**from 11am-3pm** for a fun family  
day out at Buckmoorend Farm.  
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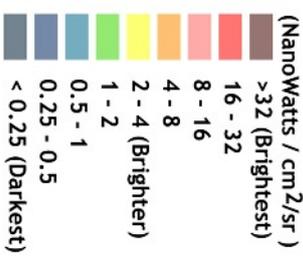
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## Great Britain's Light Pollution and Dark Skies

### Night Lights



Each pixel shows the level of radiance (Night Lights) shining up into the night sky. These have been categorised into colour bands to distinguish between different light levels. Please see the report for more information on this.

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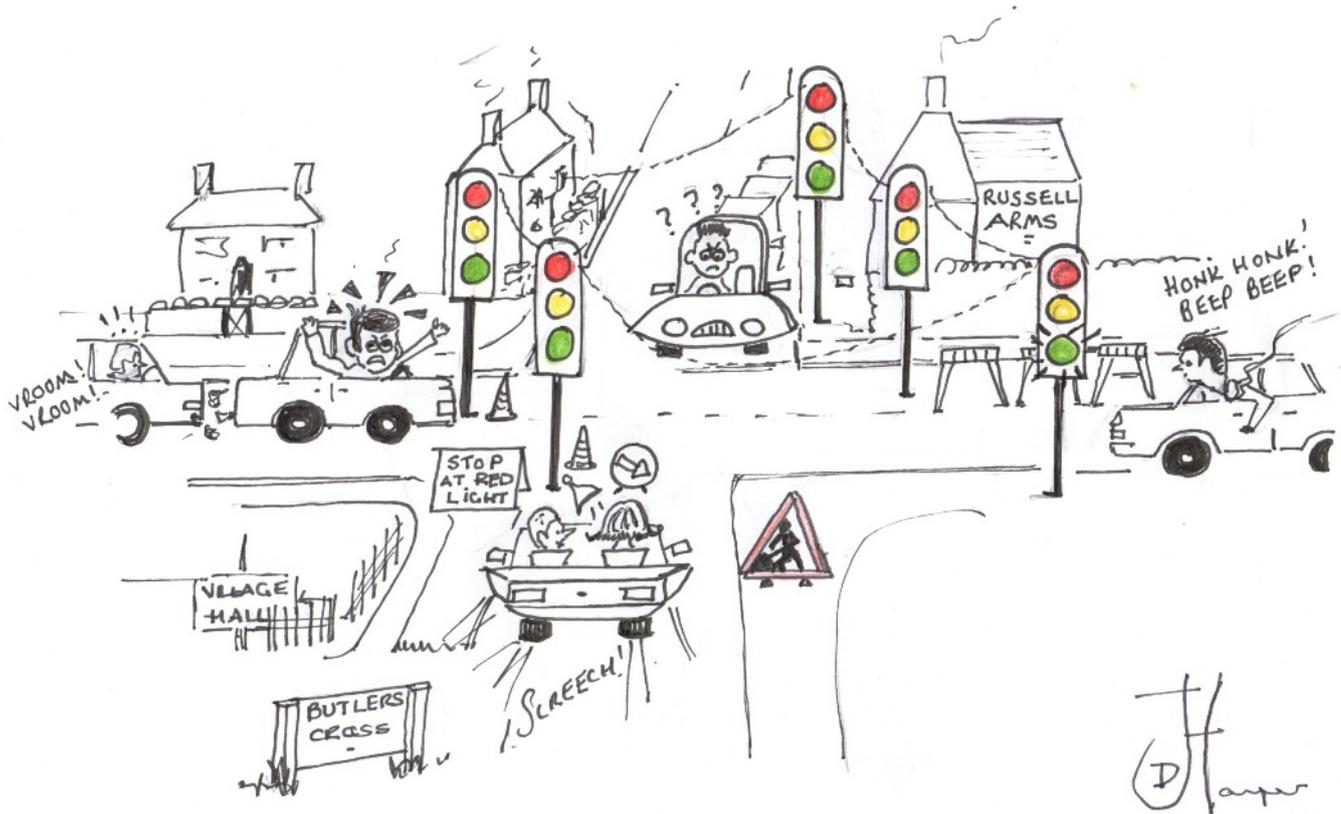


## The Skies over Butlers Cross



Photographs by Fiona Tchen

## Another View of Butlers Cross



Which celebrity switched these lights on?

## ENCOURAGING PASSENGER UPTAKE ON ELLESBOROUGH ROUTE



# Risborough Area Community Bus

Providing local transport for the local community

Princes & Monks Risborough, Longwick, Bledlows, Kimbles, Ellesborough and Speen

The Risborough Area Community Bus (RACB) incorporated Ellesborough and Butlers Cross into the timetable on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017. The Monday, Thursday and Saturday Hail and Ride services are proving popular with residents.

RACB Chairman Peter Johnson says, “We are pleased with the response so far from the Ellesborough residents who have welcomed the service we provide. We have also seen Princes and Monks Risborough residents using the Ellesborough route to visit family and friends.”

The Ellesborough route runs twice every Monday, Thursday and Saturday mornings to Princes Risborough via Monks Risborough, Askett and Kimble and returning via Little Kimble, the Lower Ickneild Way and Monks Risborough. An afternoon service is available by request on Mondays and Thursdays.

The first morning service commences at 08.50 from Princes Risborough town centre (outside the George and Dragon) arriving at The Russell Arms 09.08. A return service from Princes Risborough town centre leaves at 11.35 arriving at the Russell Arms by 11.53.

The service can be hailed anywhere along its route and the volunteer driver will be pleased to welcome you aboard.

Anyone can use the bus; concessionary passes are accepted and children under the age of 16 travel free, for anyone else a small charge of £2.00 per journey.

For more information please visit [www.racb.co.uk](http://www.racb.co.uk) or call our co-ordinator on 07941963097.

## Lounging and eating by the Red Sea

We bypassed the ready cooked breakfast stuff simmering under the hot plates, and started off with freshly chopped fruit salad, yoghurt and honey. But we couldn't resist following this up by heading to see Ahmed, the egg man, who was always ready to come up with a fresh omelette or a couple of fried eggs, expertly flipped over halfway through.

Jane's idea of fried egg heaven was learned from my half-Spanish grandson Lucas, and involves flash-cooking thinly sliced garlic before adding the eggs; so we got some from the kitchen that first morning ('garlic' sounds like 'tomb' in Egyptian Arabic) and handed it over to Ahmed, who took it in his stride.



A cup of tea with the eggie stuff, then coffee and a sticky pastry or two, and we were ready to face a tough day of gentle reading on balcony or beach, with only our all-inclusive lunch and dinner to break the dreadful monotony.

We had actually intended to spend a winter fortnight somewhere rather colder, in the Black Forest; but the company in question hadn't managed to fill their quota of passengers, so that was off. Then, strolling through Aylesbury early in December, we decided to see if Thomas Cook had any deals going; which is how we ended up at the Sunrise Holidays Resort, in Hurghada, on the west coast of the Red Sea.

The room we'd been allocated was on the ground floor. But, after a quiet word at reception, and an extra 70 euros added to my credit card, we ended up in a rather posh room on the 6th floor, looking down on the private beach below, with a pool scooped out of the sea, gently fed with chlorine-free salty water throughout the day and night.

That first morning I'd woken up at sunrise, around six. When I'd lived in North Africa it had been too cold to go swimming in wintertime, and I'd assumed this would be the case here in Egypt. But, as I looked down, I saw that someone was already having a pre-breakfast swim. So we walked down the six flights and were delighted to discover that the water was surprisingly warm. As we came out a few minutes later a friendly German guy told us we should bag our place for the day before all the best ones were gone.

Now I'd thought that this business of the Germans rising at dawn to place their towels on the choicest spots was a myth. No way, Jose. In fact, I discovered that some of them actually left things in their favourite spots the evening before! Now that is not on. As a seriously early riser myself I can go along with the morning towel assault; but hours before, that's grounds for serious friction. I was told one day that there had been actual fisticuffs between a Brit and a German one morning, though I didn't actually witness any untoward goings on myself. In fact, as a fluent speaker of their language, I got on pretty well with the various Germans I spoke to during the week, most of them being from the former East Germany, which meant that - since Russian had been the compulsory foreign language - few of them had any English at all.

The local people working on the beach were surprised to see me, a tourist, wearing a 'galabiya', which is the local word for what they call a 'djellaba' in Algeria. When I managed to tell them, in fairly halting Arabic, that it was a 'kaftan', from Turkey, they were even more surprised. (During the week I didn't hear a single tourist even have a go at 'hello', 'please' or 'thank you').

(I don't think I've written here about my problems with learning Arabic. Basically it has to do with the fact that I was first exposed to the language in western Algeria; just about the farthest point west in the Arabic speaking

world, meaning that the dialect would be very different from those of the Middle East. Pretty different, in fact, from that of Tunisia, just to the east. When I drove from Algiers to Tunis I discovered - when I wanted to buy two oranges from a man in the market - that the words for 'two' and 'orange' were entirely different in the two capitals!.

Not only that; this was in 1965, when most Algerians with any form of education could still speak excellent French, which meant it made no sense for them to put up with my elementary Arabic when we had another language in common).

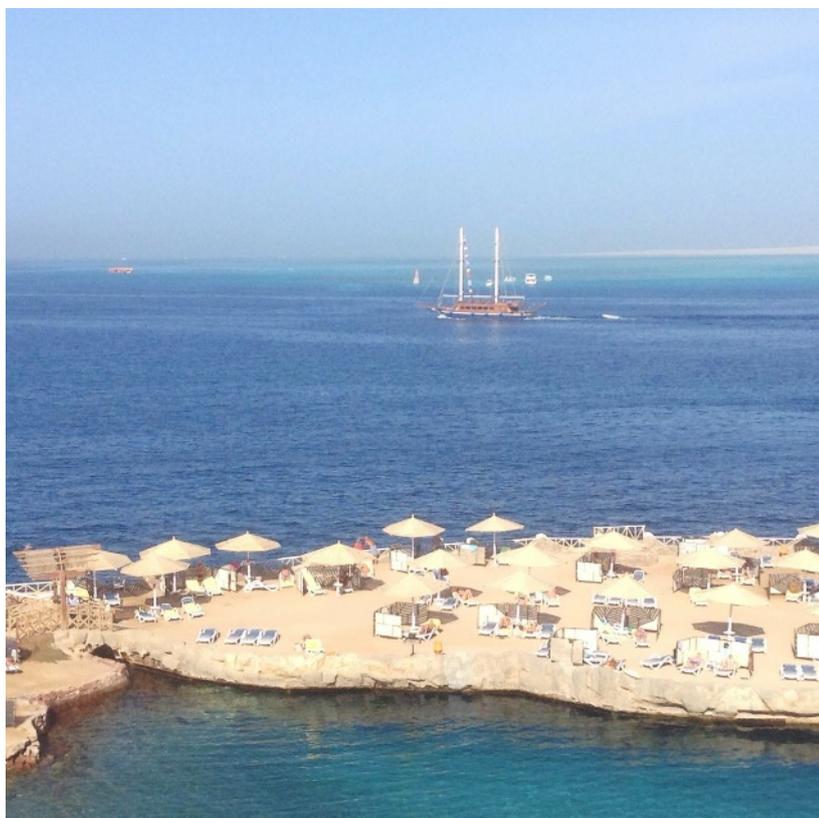
Anyway, within a couple of days, word spread throughout the hotel that there was this strange Englishman who'd lived in Algeria and was having a go at speaking Arabic. They eased me in gently, greeting me to see if I could make the appropriate return. (In Algeria one might have asked *kerak?* with *la bes* as a response. Here I heard a variety of different equivalents of 'how are you?', the most common being *ezzayek?*, to which you were safe responding *el hamdu lilla*, (basically 'thanks be to Allah', which works whether you're feeling good or not).

Often, when I asked 'what is this in Arabic?' I was just not understood, the question being one that was rarely asked, if ever. But I really needed to find out what the people here, in southern Egypt, would actually say.

It didn't help that the three Arabic phrase or course books I'd brought with me seemed to be based on different parts of the Arab world. When searching for the word for 'wine', for example, I found three words: *khamr*, *habiidh* and *libit*, of which only the third seemed to be understood in the hotel restaurant (though the word for 'red', *ahmar*, was what I had hoped for). So *libit ahmar*, *min fudluk* ('red wine, please') worked very well at dinner time, with *bira*, *min fudluk*, replacing it at lunch-time. *Shukran* was more than acceptable for 'thank you', followed by *jazilan*, if I wanted to go as far as 'thank you very much'.

I'm afraid it didn't get all that much farther; though, come the final day, I was able, with some care and attention, to come up with reasonable (and understandable) equivalents of 'everything here is delicious', 'thank you for everything' and 'we are going home tomorrow, unfortunately' (the last word, *ma'alessef*, having gone straight from Arabic into Turkish (in which I have a GCSE), along with *Insha'Allah*, 'meaning 'God-willing'; *salaam Aleikum*, literally 'peace be with you', though used as the most acceptable greeting; and *ma'ashalla* (God has willed, used - for example - to comment favourably on someone's baby or young child).

Anyway, the positive and friendly way my attempts at speaking Arabic were welcomed throughout the hotel means that, next time we go there for some winter sunshine, I will have made a serious attempt to improve my knowledge of the language; insha'Allah!



Michael Vaughan-Rees

## WENDOVER WOODS £4.5 MILLION TRANSFORMATION

UPDATE – February 2018

The Forestry Commission's Wendover Woods Forest Centre, near Aylesbury has just commenced work on its £4.5million re-development of the site.

The re-development which has been in the making for over 10 years, will include a brand new car park which will increase the capacity of car park spaces from the 220 currently available to over 500 and include the installation of an up to date ANPR camera car park system.

A new road layout will also be constructed including a new exit section to help remove vehicles from the main core area of the Forest Centre allowing it to become more pedestrianised and visitor friendly.

There will also be a brand new café developed in an idyllic setting overlooking the Chilterns, increasing both the internal and external catering space available for visitors to enjoy a drink and something to eat whilst taking in the fabulous views.

A new Information Point/ Welcome centre will also be developed as part of the project to provide visitors with help from Forestry Commission staff based at the Information Point.

### **Construction Work Update**

Kier Construction Ltd are the Principle contractors carrying out the work on behalf of the Forestry Commission. They have begun with what is known as 'Cut and Fill' of the New Car Park area, the New Café location and the new exit road section. 'Cut and Fill' is a method of making best use of the removed earth and reusing it on other areas of the site to level the ground. This reduces significantly the need to remove from the site of construction.

The New Car Park is taking shape and is almost levelled now. This levelling is expected to be completed in the next month.

The new exit road has begun to have the first base layer of stone installed and will be built up from this.





Construction of the new Café is also expected to start shortly.

The main refurbishment of the Information Point is due to start towards the end of February when additional welfare facilities will be brought on to location for visitor use.

### **New Play Trail**

The Forestry Commission have also been working on a project to install a brand new Play Trail. This is the first trail that the Forestry Commission is undertaking under the Framework and is set to be an amazing interactive walk in the forest for young people. Work is expected to start on this new Trail in March 2018.

### **New Go Ape Junior Tree Top Course**

Our partners Go Ape have also been busy with a construction of their own in the shape of a new Junior Tree Top Course will can be seen at the far end of the existing car park. Due to the course finishing where the existing car park is now, the finishing touches will not be completed until we get into the warmer months this year.

### **Communications**

You can keep up with the developments by logging on to the Forestry Commission website at:

[www.forestry.gov.uk/wendoverwoods](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/wendoverwoods) or check in at our Facebook page WendoverWoods.

For email enquiries please use [info@wendoverwoods@forestry.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:info@wendoverwoods@forestry.gsi.gov.uk)



# Veganuary and Februdairy

## - A Farmer's View

I myself enjoy all food stuffs. Nothing really is off the foodie spectrum for me. I am a livestock farmer and I enjoy eating meat. I love a good salad, I eat my daily requirement of fruit and veg, and I enjoy fish from time to time. I'm also an arable farmer producing ingredients in bread, beer, oils, biscuits etc. I would describe my diet as *almost* perfectly balanced.

Food can be an emotive topic. For some, cooking and eating is considered a hobby that is thoroughly researched and practised. There are others that are filled with dread and fear at the thought of food, through various intolerances or illnesses. For most, food is enjoyed through its compulsory part of our daily lives. A large part of the emotions connected with food stem from the identity that it can provide us with. It would not be socially peculiar to introduce yourself to others as a vegan, or a pescatarian, or a diabetic. It may be a dietary choice, or it may be a dietary requirement, either way it forms part of our identity.

Since we waded into 2018 (I think we've had about 2 days of dry weather so far), some of the most impassioned dietary arguments have been put forward by the vegan movement. There has undoubtedly been an increase in the number of people identifying themselves as vegan over recent years. A Vegan Society study found it to be an increase of 350 per cent in the 10 years to 2016. The downside to this movement though is that, as with all social movements, it breeds radicals.

Veganism has grown into a respected dietary choice, with proponents and activists preferring to cultivate resources and political allies along with celebrity endorsement, stressing non-violent engagements with those whose views differ from their own. Over recent months though, videos and reports have emerged of death threats to farmers, confrontations at abattoirs, and invasions of privacy that serve no purpose other than to threaten and intimidate.

A keen argument for veganism is that of the welfare of animals, and whether we as humans have a right to keep and kill animals for meat and dairy produce. The debate is wide and varied and one's stance on it will be based on a number of factors. I have seen videos of malpractice on farms and in abattoirs, and I am just as appalled as many would be. However you can't tar everyone in an industry as wide as the agricultural one with the same brush. If a teacher is found guilty of child abuse, it wouldn't be fair to view all teachers as such. My view is that we are rearing our animals for a product – the meat. I give them the highest standards of welfare because I know that to do so increases the value of the product. It is also a compassionate thing to do, and compassion in their rearing costs nothing.

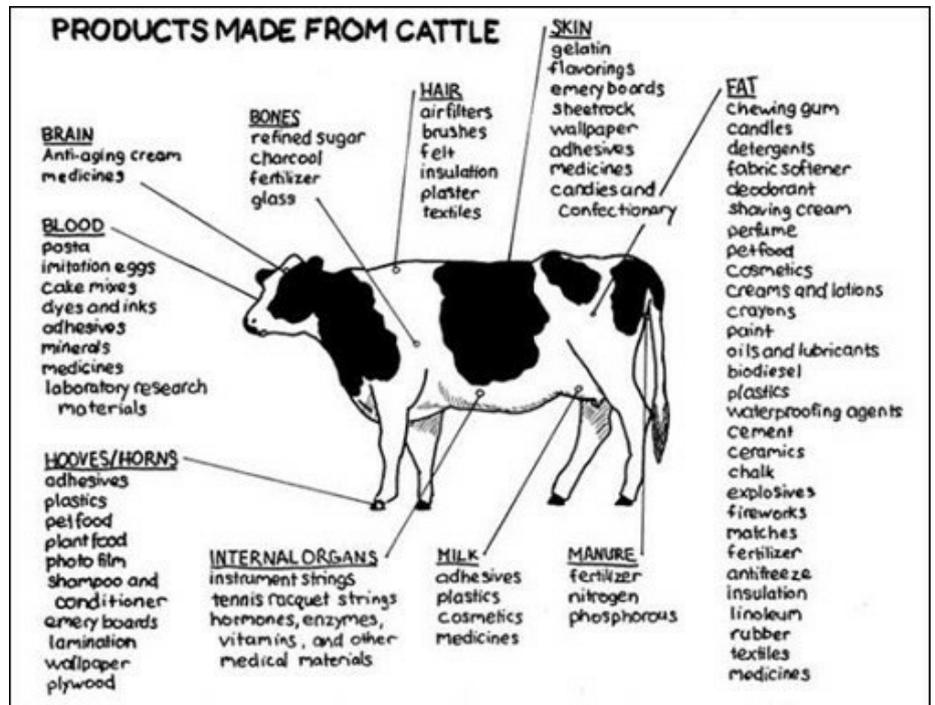


Many vegans and vegetarians purport themselves to be a voice for animals, which is apposite. This stance is what has led to the Animal Welfare Act 2006 and the Welfare of Farmed Animals Regulations 2007. I appreciate the argument put forward by some that no slaughter can be humane, but the Humane Slaughter Association suggests that "Slaughter can be humane if an animal is protected from avoidable excitement, pain or suffering" This is achieved through multiple processes involving the whole food chain, and as long as the practice exists, we think it's a good methodology to subscribe to. I certainly wouldn't want any of our animals being mistreated when they've left our care.

Another compelling argument for 'going vegan' is the perceived health benefits. Losing weight and lowering your cholesterol and risk of heart disease sounds great. However when you eliminate a certain food group from

your diet your body suffers. Vitamin B12 can only be found in animal products, and is crucial in making red blood cells – you can't live a healthy life without it. Synthetic supplements are essential, but they contain additives such as Magnesium Stearate, or use Palm Oil, contributing to deforestation, displacement of indigenous populations (Orangutans being a huge victim) and loss of biodiversity. The fact is that meat is a tremendous source of trace vitamins and minerals. It contains powerful antioxidants, and amino acids that contribute to good mental health as well.

A final, commonly used argument in the vegan vs meat debate is in favour of the environment. Cows produce a lot of greenhouse gases, they use up a lot of fresh water, and so on. However technology is moving on. We are not only using the livestock for their meat, we are harvesting their manure for natural fertiliser to grow more plants. Technological advances in construction allow farmers to capture the methane produced and put it back in the grid, buildings capture and clean rainwater for livestock to drink negating the need to draw from a freshwater supply, and nutritional science is enabling farmers to generate greater yields of dairy and meat produce through less food inputs.



A farmers business is to work the land as a method of production for food. We produce meat, and we produce plants for food too. There is an economic demand for both. So if the demand for one drops, farmers adjust their business to focus on the other. However there are fields and park lands on our farm, and many others, which remain untouched by mechanised agriculture. The livestock graze these fields and so they remain productive. With no livestock income from them, they would have to be ploughed up, destroying sites of special scientific interest and microhabitats that have existed for centuries, and replanted with other crops in order to remain productive. The Chiltern Hills have areas which are designated as being of 'Outstanding Natural Beauty'. These areas have been shaped and defined over many years, with farmed livestock being a major contributor.

Agriculture is adapting at an expeditious rate to meet the demands of the consumer. High standards of welfare are mandatory and traceability is paramount. Sustainability of our food production is becoming critical though. It is not just meat and dairy that we should be focusing on in a bid to improve the environmental impact that agriculture has. We are spoilt with choice at the shelves and it is contributing to huge amounts of food waste.

In my opinion the answers are simple. If you're worried about animal welfare, visit your local producers and find out the facts about their animals and how they're kept.

If you're concerned about the environment, please review how much food you buy and in turn throw away. Look at packaging, consider food miles and only buy what you need to avoid throwing it away.

Finally, a balanced diet is a healthy diet. Negating a certain food type may be essential for some, but in most cases a variety of different foods from the five main food groups is important in maintaining a healthy body weight.

Whatever you do though, please always remember to back British farming.

Daniel Hares



## Buttery griddled chicken with white beans and rocket pesto



Rocket is in season this month and you can plant your own from March to September. It is quick growing and robust, whilst its pungent leaves make it a wonderful vegetable in salads, or soups. It can be used to replace basil in pesto or as a bed for grilled poultry and fish. It has a milder flavour early in its season and don't be put off by home grown rocket which is speckled with holes – it's just as good as unblemished.

Rocket is rich in Vitamin A and C, iron, magnesium and potassium.

Serves 4 ( 105 calories each)

- 4 small skinless free-range chicken breasts
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 3 x 400g tins mixed white beans (such as cannellini or butter beans), drained and rinsed
- 50ml vegetable stock
- 75g wild rocket
- 25g fresh parsley leaves
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- 4 tbsp extra-virgin olive oil
- 40g pecorino, grated
- 30g unsalted butter

### METHOD

1. Place the chicken breasts between 2 pieces of cling film and, using a rolling pin, flatten until about 1.5cm thick. Rub with the 1 tbsp olive oil and season. Heat a griddle pan or frying pan over a medium-high heat and cook for 9-10 minutes, turning once.
2. Meanwhile, put the beans into a medium pan and cover with the stock. Season to taste and warm gently over a medium heat for a few minutes. Drain and tip into a bowl.
3. Whizz the rocket, parsley, garlic and extra-virgin olive oil to make a pesto. Stir in the cheese, season and mix with the warm beans.
4. When the chicken is just cooked, add the butter to the pan and fry until the butter browns and gives off a nutty aroma. Remove the buttery chicken breasts, then serve with the beans, drizzled with the butter.

## Wendover Art Club

Our meetings are in the Library Room Wendover at 7.30 pm on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.

We had a fabulous start to the year with the talk by the Art Historian Peter Humphrey and are at the moment looking forward to a demonstration by Cate Wetherall, who's speciality is pastel and the natural world.

March 14th we are having one of our working evenings trying to emulate Cate. As usual it's OK to just bring along something that you're working on.

March 28th Derek Daniells is giving a demonstration of 'Townscapes in Oils'

April 11th this will be trying out Derek's techniques for ourselves at a working evening

April 25th An evening of 'Pen, Ink and Wash' from our own reference materials

May 9th and 23rd when we keep our fingers crossed for good weather and try to work 'en plein air'



*Walk in a Summer Meadow by Lori North*

**May 19th/20th. Spring Exhibition – in the Library Room from 10 till 4 each day. There's no entry fee, so do come and browse and see what we get up to.**

We then adjourn for the summer starting up again in September.

Visitors are always welcome, we do make a small charge but there is tea/coffee and biscuits in the interval.

If you are interested in the Club, but can't get along to any of these meetings then do keep an eye on our website – undergoing an update soon in the hopes to be raring to go before September.

Meryll Coe  
Chairman

# Bucks County Museum

## Elisabeth Frink: sculptures, drawings, prints



Launch of Elisabeth Frink exhibition at Bucks County Museum 10 Feb 2018. Elisabeth Frink exhibition at Bucks County Museum showing Riace Figure III, 1986, by Elisabeth Frink © The Elisabeth Frink Estate from The Ingram Collection of Modern British Art



Goggle Head I, 1969 (foreground) and Easter Head I, 1989, by Elisabeth Frink © The Elisabeth Frink Estate from The Ingram Collection of Modern British Art



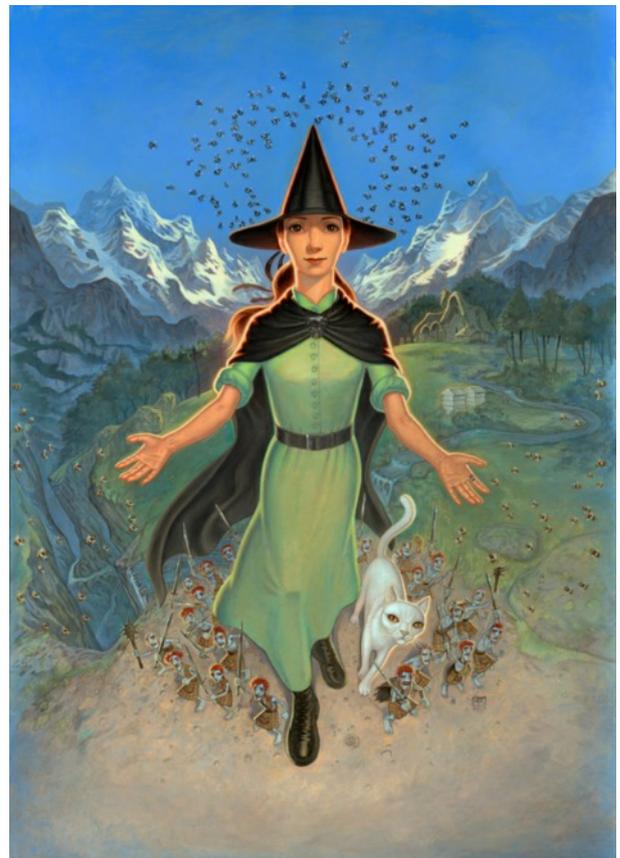
Eagle (lectern), 1962, Elisabeth Frink © The Elisabeth Frink Estate from The Ingram Collection of Modern British Art

## Meet the Saxon Warriors



Image courtesy Wulfhoedenas warriors

## Paul Kidby: Discworld & Beyond – the Art of Terry Pratchett



Terry Pratchett's *The Shepherd's Crown* © Paul Kidby

## What's on at Bucks County Museum

### **Elisabeth Frink: sculptures, drawings, prints**

**Until 21 April 2018**

A fabulous opportunity to see sculptures of animals, heads and human figures by the famous 20th century artist, Elisabeth Frink, who is well known for her life-sized sculpture of a black horse outside Lloyds Bank in Milton Keynes. **Entry by donation.**

### **Meet the Saxon Warriors**

**1 – 2 April, Easter Sunday and Monday, 11 am – 4 pm**

Meet the brave and fierce Saxon warriors, find out about their lives and watch them in combat. A special live history event for all the family. **Entry by donation.**

### **Family Cinema Screenings & Play Area**

#### **Easter Holidays**

Come along during the Easter holidays to our special family screenings of favourite films shown in the relaxed atmosphere of the museum. There will also be a play area for younger children and refreshments. **Check our website for titles, charges and dates.**

### **Shakespeare at the Museum**

**Saturday 21 April, 2pm – 4.30pm**

Twelfth Night performed in the museum garden by Unbound from the Queens Park Arts Centre, Aylesbury. No need to book. **Entry by donation.**

**5 May – 30 June**

#### **Paul Kidby: Discworld & Beyond – the Art of Terry Pratchett**

Terry Pratchett's 'artist of choice' Paul Kidby brings to life the author's famous Discworld novels with his stunning and imaginative illustrations. **Check our website for admission charges.**

**Bucks County Museum and Roald Dahl Children's Gallery, Church Street, Aylesbury HP20 2QP. For information and opening times call 01296 331441 or visit [www.buckscountymuseum.org](http://www.buckscountymuseum.org)**

The United Benefice of Ellesborough, The Kimbles and Stoke Mandeville

Administration Centre: The Ark, 28 Risborough Rd., Stoke Mandeville. Tel: 01296 615886.

Open Tuesday - Thursday 10am-12 noon.

Email - ark.office@gmx.co.uk

Rector: Revd. Jan Henderson Tel: 01296 612855

LETTER FROM THE RECTORY

Dear All

Spring is on its way. It seems to have been a very long and dark winter but, as I write this at the beginning of February, the snowdrops are already out. We have some primroses out in the garden and amazingly there are daffodils out in Aylesbury. The earth is filled with signs of promise of new life, if we take the time to see them. It is a time when traditionally we have a spring clean in our homes – clean out cupboards, wash curtains and go through those accumulated piles of paper. So it's a good moment to re-evaluate our priorities and maybe simplify and declutter our lives. Mothering Sunday on 11<sup>th</sup> March gives us an opportunity to express our thankfulness for mothers and the contribution they have made to our lives.

But this season is particularly about new beginnings. As winter fades and spring advances, the evidence is all around us. The bleating of new lambs, bulbs pushing their shoots up through the ground, tiny leaves unfurling. Easter Sunday falls this year on 1<sup>st</sup> April. This is the great Christian celebration of new life as we remember Jesus' death and resurrection. Let's celebrate by joining together to worship God, by having special family times & eating special food.

As you probably know Easter Sunday will be my last Sunday before I retire. So Neil & I will be celebrating the start of a new life back at our home in Kimble and there will also be a new start for the Benefice. We can read in the Bible, *For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.* Jeremiah 29 v 11. These are great words of encouragement for all of us as we move forwards. I wonder what God has planned for each of us?

We hope that my final service will be 10.45am at St Nicholas, Gt Kimble when we can celebrate the re-opening of the church after the completion of the re-ordering works. (Watch out for confirmation of that nearer the time). It has been a real privilege to have been ministering among you as curate and then Rector for the last 11 years. Thank you so much for letting me be alongside you during your everyday lives and at milestone events such as baptisms, weddings and funerals. I have met so many interesting and lovely people and will be taking with me some wonderful memories.

Thank you for your love and support over the years.

God bless each one of you

Jan.

**If anyone is interested in organising a new social group or continuing The Welcome Club, please contact The Rector.**

**Mustard Seeds** - A Sunday School for 5-11yr. olds on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month between 10.30am - 12 noon held at Butlers Cross Village Hall. Children learn about God through Bible stories, craft work, songs, games, drama and prayer time.

For details contact Liz Bonner (01296 748093).

**The Ark Youth Group**

The Youth Group meets at 7pm at The Ark on alternate Fridays. Please contact The Ark for further details.

## **The Ark**

The Ark is a pleasant, comfortable and well equipped venue for the many church ministries and meetings taking place there. The Ark is also used by several caring agencies within the community for their meetings. For a small fee The Ark may be booked for private functions when not otherwise in use.

## **Pastoral Care in the Benefice**

It is the aim and the privilege of the Pastoral Team to visit sick, bereaved, lonely or house bound members of the community. We are also happy to assist with transport for those who are in need of it. Please get in touch if you know of anyone who would value a visit and the support of the team, it is often the only way we get to hear of their needs. Similarly if you have an hour or two to spare a month and feel you could help with this important pastoral work, we would be glad to have you on the team.

For further information regarding Pastoral Care in the benefice please contact:  
Jan Henderson at The Ark (01296 615886)



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## **Update on St Nicholas' Project**

After some delays related to the archaeologist the work is now back on track and moving forward. By the beginning of March the font should be in its new position and the conservation work completed. The lighting, heating and redecorating should be almost finished and the work on the new floor starting.

The work will not be totally finished by the 1<sup>st</sup> April for Jan's last service but the outstanding items (eg connection to the mains drainage and installation of the servery) will not prevent us from having the service in the church.

We are pleased to announce that Bishop Alan, the Bishop of Buckingham, will be coming on Sunday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3pm to take a special service, hopefully including Kimble School, to celebrate the total completion of the re-ordering works.

**John Williams (1938 - 2017)**  
**The man we knew – by his son, John.**

On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 1938, Margaret & John Williams gave birth to John Williams.  
The man who grew into the friend we knew.

A child survivor of TB, with one lung removed, yet defiantly went on to win medals for 30 mile, plus, cycle races (excluding the 30mile ride there and back).  
That's the resilient and determined friend we knew.

As a 23 year man, he didn't think it odd to date Irene while secretly wearing pyjama trousers under his suit – after all it was cold outside!  
The geeky friend we knew.

In February 1964, after riding in the ambulance to Croydon Hospital in nothing but his pyjamas and slippers for his daughter's birth, he suddenly realised that ambulances don't give lifts home.  
He had to queue in the snow at the bus stop for his ride home.  
Several ladies, who worked for him in Boots the Chemist, were also queuing at that bus stop too.  
That's the embarrassed friend we knew.

The man who, in the cinema, flicked his cigarette ash into his suit trouser turn ups instead of making a mess.  
The suave friend we knew.

The man who said, "If I'm good enough to manage Boots in London, I'm good enough to run my own pharmacy businesses"  
That's the business savvy friend we knew.

The outwardly extroverted and confident man,  
but secretly insecure because of his inability to say anything other than his truth.  
The bluntly honest friend we knew.

The brother who immediately left his businesses unattended to fly to France and helped his sister, after her crippling fall from a balcony.  
The dependable man we knew.

A man who faked chastising letters from Her Majesty the Queen to the friend he persuaded to steal a monogrammed hand towel from Buckingham Palace.  
The humorous friend we knew.

Or writing letters to my best friend's father who was serving in The Falklands, bringing him up to speed that his family home had burnt down, his wife's surprise brother (a handsome younger man) had moved in the marital home to support her, his life savings spent on his 18 year old son's wedding to a 43 year old and his 16 year old daughter's surprise birth of a Rastafarian baby.  
That's the inappropriate but darkly funny friend we knew.

Sticking skull and cross bone placards in the next door farmers John Groom's vegetable patch reading "Grooms Grotty Greens", opposite placards in his own vegetables which read "Williams Wondrous Whoppers".  
The fun camaraderie in the friend we knew.

From funding Meadowcroft Youth Club playgrounds, to Round Table & 41 Club, or performing mind reading tricks at OAP homes.  
The generosity in the friend we knew.

Counselling, coaching & mentoring those he believed in.  
The support of the man we knew.

Dad's passion was flying. We often flew to Swansea market. On one occasion, after lighting his cigarette, he put the lit match back into the match box and then into his pocket.  
The erupting fire ball destroyed his trousers.  
That's the best Irish Jig dancer you'll ever know.

A man who called me "boy", as a child, yet taught me the ways of the world, flew me to Brands watch to watch the races or helped decorate numerous homes I bought.  
That's the father I knew.

I still have vivid memories of crying while sitting on his knee when I was about 4 or 5 – he was comforting me, holding me tight, with a smile, and giggling reassuringly.  
I'd been upset because I didn't want him to ever die.  
"I'll be around for a long time yet Son".  
That's the compassionate father I loved, the man you all knew,  
and a promise he kept as long as he could.

## Visits to Greatmoor Energy from Waste

Do you ever wonder what happens to the things you put in your waste bin? Your recycling is sorted and passed onto recycling companies, but what about your non-recyclable waste?

So far over 2500 visitors to Greatmoor Energy from Waste have found out.

All of the residual (non-recyclable) household waste generated in Buckinghamshire is now processed at the Greatmoor Energy from Waste facility, at Woodham, near Aylesbury. Greatmoor is operated by FCC Environment, in partnership with Buckinghamshire County Council.

Greatmoor has the capacity to treat up to 300,000 tonnes of waste a year (approximately 900 tonnes a day), waste which would otherwise have gone to landfill. As a result, it generates a minimum of 22 megawatts of electricity to the national grid – meeting the energy needs of around 36,000 homes.

This alternative treatment of waste will result in a saving to Buckinghamshire County Council of approximately £150 million over the 30 year life of the contract.

Guided tours of Greatmoor are available by prior agreement and at no charge. Visiting groups have included WIs, U3As, Rotary Clubs, Scouts, Cubs, Primary Schools, Colleges and lots of others.

A group visit to Greatmoor can be tailored to your requirements and will include a tour around the facility, which includes the control room (where you will be able to see the cranes loading the waste), a visit to the viewing hatch providing an exciting view into the heart of the fire, the turbine hall and the huge condenser fans, which is an experience not to be missed.

The maximum group size for a tour is 15. School visits are available for Key Stage 2 upwards.

Cllr Bill Chapple OBE, Buckinghamshire County Council's Cabinet Member for Planning & Environment, said: "Greatmoor is a great asset to Buckinghamshire, and I'd really recommend that people take this opportunity to see the plant in operation and find out how it helps us reduce the environmental impact of our waste while at the same time saving money."

Feedback from visitors includes "The tutor had a really good knowledge and explained it all well. The tour was such a good experience and really interesting. I think that all the general public should have an opportunity" and "Very informative but not too much sitting around so the children got bored or disruptive - they were kept engaged throughout"

If you aren't a member of a local group but would like a tour, why come to one of our open tour days?

Greatmoor is holding four public open tour days in 2018.

These are on the following Saturdays - March 17<sup>th</sup>, June 30<sup>th</sup>, September 22<sup>nd</sup> and November 24<sup>th</sup>.

On each day there will be tours, at 10am, 12.30 and 3pm. Please note that places are available on a strictly booking in advance basis only. There is a minimum age limit of 12 on open tours.

For more information about Greatmoor please visit [www.Greatmoor.co.uk](http://www.Greatmoor.co.uk)

# Ellesborough Parish Council Notes - February 2017

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Since the last magazine the Parish Council has held a Village meeting for Affordable Housing, a Parish Council meeting and supported the Ellesborough Silver Band Christmas Carol Concert with drinks!

Affordable Housing - we held an open public meeting on the 14th December to present the results of the survey. Over 100 responses were received which is seen as a very good return rate. The survey has identified a need for a small number of dwellings in the Village - around 5, however, we are still a long way off from getting approval for a scheme. There are a number of next steps;

1. Hastoes our Housing Association partner is arranging to have a meeting with WDC to understand what level of support WDC would give to a scheme. The meeting is pre the planning process and is an essential part to confirm that there is alignment of planning views.
2. We need all those who would benefit from affordable housing to register with WDC Housing. Without this it will be very difficult to get WDC to agree to the need. Please make contact via the WDC website.
3. Once Hastoes have had their pre meet with WDC, the Parish Council will review the feedback at our next meeting.

The Dunsmore internet issue that I mentioned in the last magazine may have been resolved by BT as they are 'thinking' about upgrading the green boxes that provide the wiring for the Village. Therefore the request for funding from the various Councils has been put on hold.

As we are all aware cars speeding through the Village is still an issue. Thames Valley Police are looking at the feasibility of introducing 'average speed cameras' in some areas across the region. If you travel on motorways you will have seen cameras that measure your speed between two points and then take an average of your speed. If you are over the designated speed limit on an average between those points you will get a fine and points. Whilst it is very early days, the Clerk has had discussions with the Police to better understand the plans and see how applicable they are to the Parish.

In our January meeting we reviewed the budget for 2018/19. As most of you will be aware, the Parish Council raises its funding via your Council Tax. The Parish Council have the responsibility for many areas of keeping the Parish in good condition including; maintenance of the playground, playing fields, cutting the grass verges, maintenance of the closed church yard, insurance, reviewing planning applications, employing a Clerk, fighting HS2, dog bins, allotments, benches, to name some of them! When setting our budget we review our ongoing expenses, and reserves we have in the bank, and any projects that we would like to consider. Due to healthy reserves, the Council have proposed a slight reduction in the budget for the next year, which should mean that the Parish Council part of the Council tax bill should reduce by between 3-5%.

The Clerk is progressing putting our Playingfields and Playground 'in trust' so that they are protected as communal spaces for the next generations.

Councillor Glover will be arranging a Village party on the 14th July at the Village Hall. The exact format has yet to be decided, however, I am sure it will start around lunchtime, include a BBQ lunch and music from the Ellesborough Silver Band. Please add this to your diary as it would be great to have as many people as possible attend.

The Clerk is building up a good list of email addresses of those living in the Parish. This allows the Council to continue to improve communication. If you would like to be added to the list, please send an email to [clerk@ellesborough.org.uk](mailto:clerk@ellesborough.org.uk)

Please note that the next Parish Council Meeting will be on 20 March 2018 at 7.30pm in Ellesborough Village Hall.

As always if there are any points you would like to raise you are very welcome to come to the start of any Parish Council meeting or alternatively contact our Clerk, Rex Norris in the first instance.

Rob Alexander, Chairman

### Planning Applications for Ellesborough Parish 17 Nov 17 – 20 Feb 18

For further information, contact Wycombe District Council 01494 461000 Website [wycombe.gov.uk](http://wycombe.gov.uk) or the Parish Clerk, 01296 615821, [clerk@ellesborough.org.uk](mailto:clerk@ellesborough.org.uk) quoting the application number shown below.

Application No	Address	Brief Description of Application	Decision
17/07906/MINAMD	Little Acre Cottage, Wendover Road, Butlers Cross.	Proposed non-material amendment to permission for demolition of existing flat-roof extension, thatched kitchen and store extension and side porch and construction of two storey side extension, new porch canopy roof and associated internal and external alterations (alternative scheme to pp 15/07755/LBC) granted under planning ref 16/06595/LBC.	Application Permitted
17/08220/VCDN	Manorstead, Risborough Road, Terrick	Variation of condition 2 attached to PP 16/08331/FUL (Householder application for construction of single storey side & rear wrap-around extension, together with alterations to bay windows and erection of detached carport and garden building) to allow alternative materials	Application Permitted
17/07718/FUL	Midwinter House Nash Lee Road, Terrick	Householder application for conversion and extension of the existing ancillary outbuilding into a residential annexe ancillary to the main dwelling	Application Refused
15/08466/FUL	Site of The White House, Ellesborough Road	Application for approval of details subject to conditions 3 (Surfacing Materials) & 7 (Tree Protection Plan)	Awaiting Decision

### Ellesborough Parish Council

The dates of Parish Council Meetings in 2018 are as follows:

16 January

20 March

15 May (Parish Council AGM)

24 May 18 (Annual Parish Meeting)

17 July

18 September 18 (Held in Dunsmore Village Hall)

20 November

## The Chiltern Brewery/The Kings Head

### Brewery News

The Chiltern Brewery has enjoyed a successful start to 2018, and wish to express their thanks to Ellesborough Magazine readers for their continued support.

Just one example of the successes achieved by The Chiltern Brewery in the past year was the limited edition 'Imperial Stout' range which saw extensive positive feedback online, with one influential reviewer awarding the 'Dark Coffee' edition a perfect 10/10, stating that it was *"one of the best Imperial Stouts I've had all through 2017 – and I've drunk lots!"*

In January, Head Brewer & Partner Tom Jenkinson announced what he described as *"an exciting development for The Chiltern Brewery"*, with the unveiling of the brewery's first ever low alcohol ale.

Tom told us that the beer, called Chiltern 1630, was *"the culmination of over a year of planning and development in our bid to achieve a low alcohol ale which while being under 2% ABV, still maintains the flavour and quality our customers have come to expect in our award-winning ales"*. Tom went on to state that although the ale has initially been successfully trialled at a few select pubs, it is now in the process of being made more widely available.

In January, the brewery were thrilled to be chosen to represent their home county of Buckinghamshire as a 'Tryanuary Champion'. 'Tryanuary' is a nationwide event which was launched four years ago to support the independent beer industry during the traditionally difficult period of January, with its focus being on trying new beers. On the 25th of January, Chiltern Brewery joined forces with West Berkshire Brewery to showcase the best of local, independent breweries across Buckinghamshire, Berkshire, and Oxfordshire on social media.

Throughout Spring, The Chiltern Brewery have an exciting range of their award-winning beers lined up for Ellesborough Magazine readers to enjoy. Their first beer of the season, called Pride of Bucks & Berks, is a charity beer that boasts smooth roasted malt flavours. Chiltern Brewery then plan to release their Nut Brown Mild (smooth & chocolatey) & Colombian Coffee Porter (Dark mocha flavours) beers in April, with the ever-popular Cobblestones (golden with hints of blackcurrant) featuring in May. Full details of their beers, including release dates, can be found on the Chiltern Brewery's website - [www.chilternbrewery.co.uk](http://www.chilternbrewery.co.uk). You can also keep up to date with the Chiltern Brewery by liking them on Facebook, 'chilternbrewery', or following their Twitter account, @ChilternBrewery.

The Chiltern Brewery have asked us to pass on their express thanks for Ellesborough Magazine's support to date, and look forward enjoying a glass of real ale with readers throughout 2018.

### The King's Head

The King's Head in Aylesbury has enjoyed a busy start to the year, spearheaded by their annual Celebration Of Beer festival. George Jenkinson, Managing Director of The King's Head, said, *"as well as visitors being able to enjoy traditional classic ales such as the Chiltern Brewery 300's Dark Old Ale (which is still delivered directly from traditional wooden casks!), we have also showcased some of the best of Britain's newer breweries, including Titanic, Bude, and Daleside."* Throughout 2018, the King's Head have made it their mission to continually highlight the best of British beer, with George simply stating, *"the beer is why we're here!"*

An exciting development for the King's Head has been the launch of their new 'pop up' dining room in the historic oak panelled 'Cromwell Dining Room', so named after Oliver Cromwell who it is believed was a regular guest in the early part of the 17<sup>th</sup> century, just as King Henry VIII had been before him. Executive Head Chef Paul Adams and his team will be hosting a series of special events in the Dining Room throughout 2018, starting with Mother's Day on Sunday 11th March. The Dining Room is also available for private hire, with full details available on the King's Head website (below).

Finally, George thanked all regulars and guests of The King's Head for their ongoing custom and stated *"we look forwards to a lot of exciting changes at the King's Head in 2018 and to raising a glass with you all soon - cheers!"*

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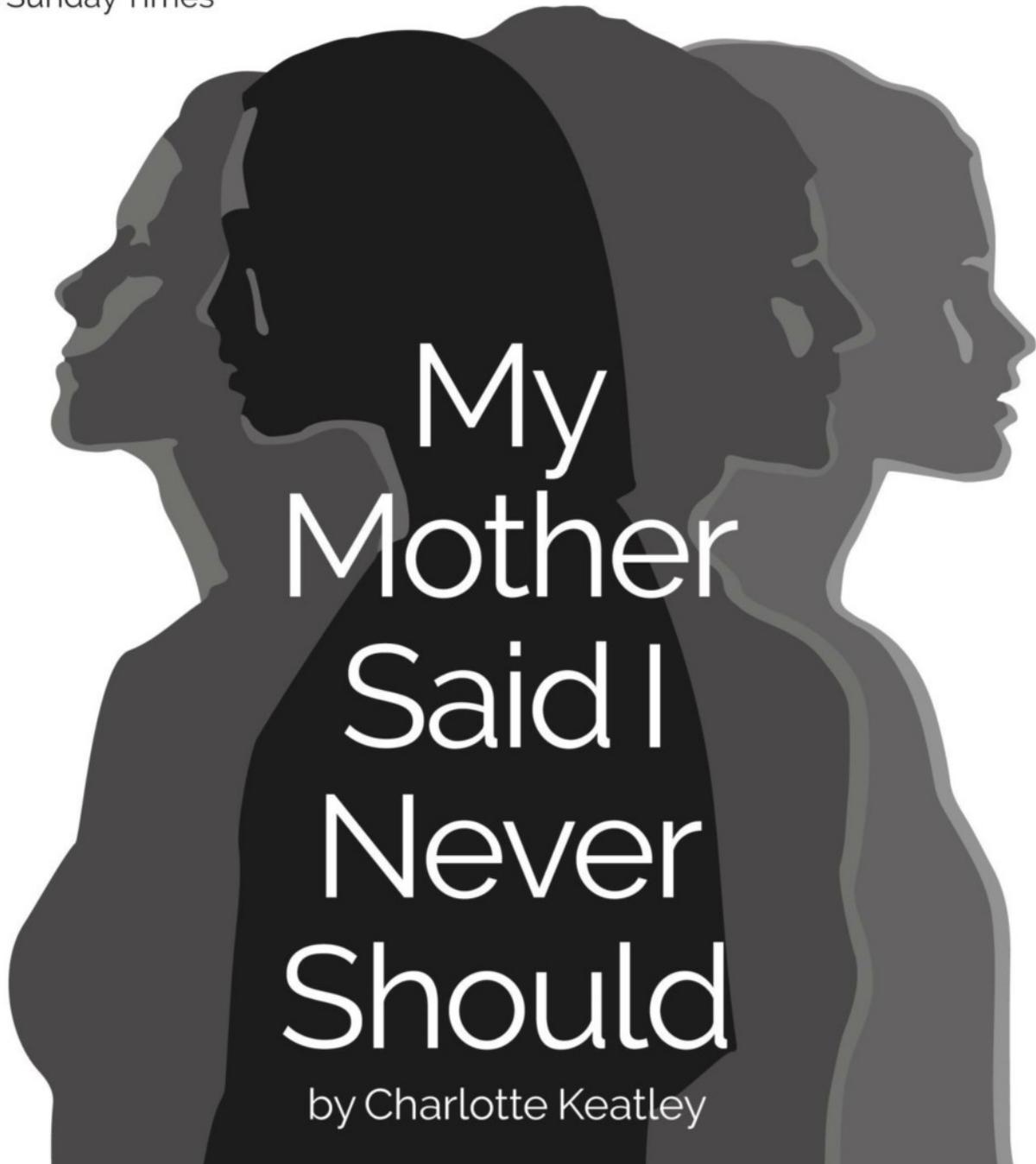
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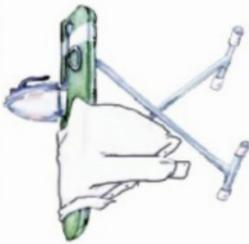
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