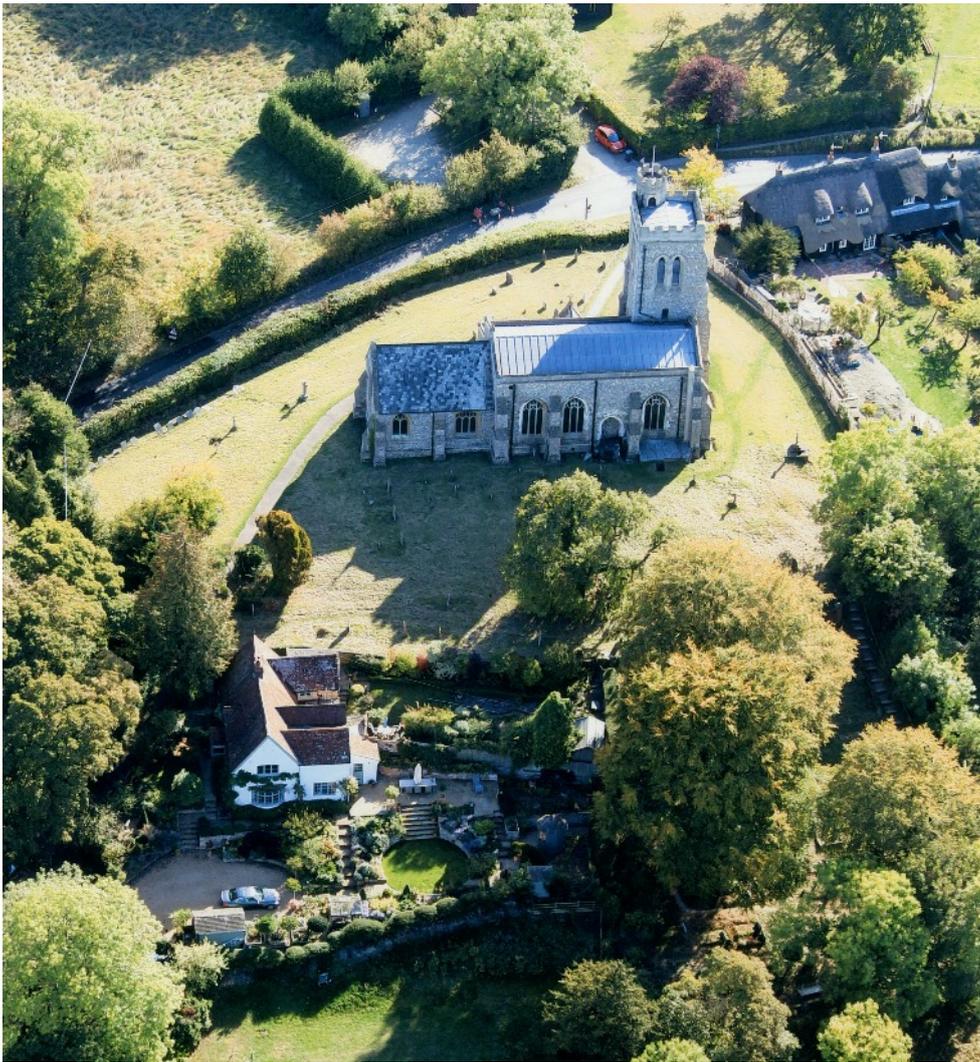


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Chairman's Letter

I would like say a huge THANK YOU to Julie Oldroyd for managing the distribution of the Ellesborough Magazine over the last 20 YEARS.

When I say managing: this involves splitting over 400 printed copies into counted bundles for distribution, adding any inserts and handing off the copies for our 15 distributors. Some extra copies are posted out to expatriate villagers in the wilds of Worcestershire and any left over dropped off at the local surgery and libraries.

Always reliable, gracious and patient (even when not everything goes to plan) Julie has decided now is the time to hand on on her magazine duties. We are very fortunate that Janette West has volunteered to take on the role.

So again thank you Julie for all the distribution work, hosting our committee meetings and making such excellent mince pies. Plus an extra note of thanks to Janette for taking on a vital role the magazine.

Our readers response for funds to cover the gap between income from advertising and printing costs has been fantastic, we will publish a summary of our accounts in the new year. In summary there is enough for our excellent editor Paul to continue to produce such a quality magazine over the coming year.

With best wishes,

Richard Jennings

Chairman

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Aerial view of Ellesborough Church kindly provided by Dary Sweeney

A note from the Editor

Ellesborough has the great fortune to sit in or on the edge of the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and I have included in this edition some extracts from the Chiltern Conservation Board's recently published Management Plan for the AONB for the period 2019-2023. The full document extends over 92 pages but is well worth reading, both for the information it contains, and the nature of the issues that this lovely and important tract of land faces.

I thank all contributors for their articles, photographs and notices and hope that where editing due to size constraints has been necessary I have not omitted any crucial details.

As always I will be very pleased to receive contributions for future issues, and aim and hope to continue to provide a variety of interesting articles in each edition.

With best wishes,

Paul Couling

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Ellesborough 200 Club Winners

June 2019

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140	Martin Holman	£35
91	Mr Franklin	£25

July 2019

45	Mike Hewitt	£50
86	Mr & Mrs Jennings	£35
96	Sybil Goodson	£25

August 2019

41	Tchen Family	£50
50	Alison Hewitt	£35
97	Mary Robins	£25 *

* prize donated to Parish Hall Funds

Ellesborough Coffee

Morning Dates

Ellesborough Coffee Mornings are 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.

Flag Days

10th November Remembrance Day

MACMILLAN FUNDRAISING FRIDAY 27th SEPTEMBER 2019

Another year is flying by, and with summer all but over, I am totally immersed in my annual fundraising for Macmillan. Jams and chutneys are in production, and I am slowly accumulating generously donated Raffle prizes.

On Friday 27th September, I'm hosting my annual Coffee Morning to coincide with Macmillan's World's Biggest Coffee Morning event. I'm sure it will be another fantastic morning. There will be opportunities to try reflexology, have a manicure, purchase accessories, gifts, cards, household and gardening bits and pieces. And as always there's the Grand Raffle, with an extraordinary number of prizes available again this year.

A team from the Aylesbury branch of Boots will also be manning a stall, providing information about their partnership with Macmillan, giving out samples of premium beauty products, and donating Fragrances to the Raffle!

So please, come along if you can... there will, of course, be plenty of tea, coffee, and home made cake!

I look forward to welcoming you.

Julie Needle

Bonnybrook, Risborough Road, Little Kimble, HP17 0UE

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Ellesborough Parish Church

New Minister. We are very pleased that the Rev. **Janet Wales** has been appointed as the new minister for the three parishes of Ellesborough, the Kimbles and Stoke Mandeville. See also a biographical piece in this edition. As the future shape of the benefice is being considered, the appointment is for three years. Janet has become well known in the parish over the past few years, first as a curate and more recently as a great help conducting Sunday services, weddings, christenings and funerals during the vacancy since the Rev. Jan Henderson retired. Janet will be licensed at a service at St Mary's church Stoke Mandeville on Wednesday 2nd October at 7.30 to which all are welcomed.

New Project. Plans for changes to the west end of the church have now been submitted and we expect to get a go-ahead over the next few weeks (the planning process grinds slowly on!). The project includes **indoor toilet facilities, an up-graded servery and easier access for disabled visitors.** Architect's drawings are on display in the church. As progressively greater use of the church is made available for church and community events, we have long needed to improve these basic needs. The cost of the project will be in the region of £40-£50,000. Substantial progress has already been made in raising funds, including considerable support from the Ellesborough Relief in Need Charity for which we are very grateful. Further grants will be applied for and we shall continue fund raising. Details of how we are progressing with funding and of our appeal for contributions to complete the work are shown separately by Paul Couling our Treasurer.

Over recent years there has been considerable upgrading of our ancient church, including a major restoration of the roof, re-hanging of the bells, new lighting and sound systems, mains water laid on, new heating boiler and very recently relaying of the car park. All this has been made possible by the hard work and generosity not only of our regular church goers but also by many within our village who value the building not only as a place of Christian worship but also as a beautiful community asset and part of our heritage that is being preserved and kept viable not only for this generation but those in the future.

Services this autumn. Another **Choral Evensong** is planned for Sunday 29th September at 6pm. This follows, by popular request, the wonderful service with a greatly enlarged choir earlier in the summer.

As the summer gradually drifts away it will soon be time for a very special **Community Harvest celebration** on Sunday 6th October at 10.45. See the separate notice.

The traditional **Remembrance Day Service** on Sunday 10th November is being rescheduled to start at 10am instead of 10.45. This will allow the laying of wreaths which follows the church service at the war memorial by the Parish Hall to coincide with the national two minute silence at 11am.

Then as Christmas approaches there will be a repeat of the great family **Christingle Service** on Sunday 1st December at 10.45. See the separate notice.

Other News. The ever popular Sunday afternoon teas has been extended to the end of October this year. Our thanks to all the volunteers serving teas and making cakes. Ellesborough Church must be one of the most visited churches in the Chilterns, not only for the excellent teas and cakes but also for the beautiful location and the mass of wild flowers in the churchyard, which seemed better than ever this year.

On Saturday 28th September we are delighted to welcome the Halton **Military Wives Choir** to a concert in the church at 7.30. See separate notice.

Tony Young.

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

September

1	Sunday	K & E Horticultural Society - Autumn Show	14:00 - 16:30	Stewart Hall
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
16	Monday	Parish Council Meeting	19:30	Dunsmore Village Hall
20	Friday	Village Coffee Morning	10:00	Village Hall
22	Sunday	Garden Open for Charity - Festival of Apples	13:00 - 17:00	The Plough, Terrick

October

1	Tuesday	K & E Horticultural Society	20:00	Stewart Hall
2	Wednesday	Kimble & Ellesborough WI	14:00	Stewart Hall
2	Wednesday	Licensing of Rev'd Janet Wales	19:30	St. Mary's Stoke Mandeville
3	Thursday	Wendover Library Reading Group	19:00	Reading Room
6	Sunday	Harvest Festival	10:45	Ellesborough Church
18	Friday	Village Coffee Morning	10:00	Village Hall

November

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
10	Sunday	Remembrance Day Service	10:00 - 10:45	Ellesborough Church
10	Sunday	Remembrance Day Wreath Laying	11:00	War Memorial
15	Friday	Village Coffee Morning	10:00	Village Hall
17	Sunday	Parish Lunch	12:30	Village Hall
18	Monday	Parish Council Meeting	19:30	Village Hall
24	Sunday	Village Litter Pick	11:00	Meet at Village Hall

December

1	Sunday	Christingle Service	10:45 - 11:30	Ellesborough Church
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
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A Message from Rev'd Janet Wales

I am delighted that I will have another three years of being associated with the Parish of Ellesborough. I have been asked to say something about myself I studied History at University in South Africa. I am an English speaking South African and my ancestors are almost all Scottish though I also have Manx blood. I taught History at various High Schools in Zimbabwe and both my children Christopher(35)and Roslinn (32) were born in Bulawayo.

We have been living in Weston Turville since 1991 when my husband David became Priest at St. Mary's. I started my own piano teaching business because I did not like the long hours teachers have to work in this country. We stopped classes at lunch time in Africa. I come from a musical family and had always played piano. I trained as a piano teacher with the Associated Board in Oxford. Later I took up the organ studying with The New School of Organ Studies.

I've always been interested in theology but when I was young, women could not be ordained. I enrolled at Ripon College, Cuddesdon in 2011 to train for ordination.

Paul has asked what I'm interested in in my new role. The answer is anything that will bring people together whether they go to church or not. We want the church used as a resource for the whole community. I love working with children. I myself was taught the fundamentals of the Christian faith as a child and that is a heritage which we would all do well to pass on and not leave to chance.

Ellesborough and the Kimble churches will be splitting from Stoke Mandeville at some stage. I don't think that will impact hugely on Ellesborough but a strong push towards financial sustainability is needed . Anyone who could take out a monthly direct debit to support the church, could you please contact Paul Couling. You are all very proud of your area. I want you to be proud of the financial viability of your parish church. The matter is urgent. The upkeep of such an historic building cannot be left to only a portion of the community. This is your parish church.

I look forward to meeting those I don't know and continuing to work with those I do.

Revd. Janet Wales

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal Collection will take place in Ellesborough District from **29th October to 9th November 2019**. The Poppy Appeal is the major single source of revenue for the Royal British Legion's Benevolent Fund. Last year our contribution to the Poppy Appeal was £2,135.00.

Remembrance Church Service will take place on Sunday 10th November at 10.00 am, followed by the laying of the poppy wreaths at the memorial at the cross roads at 11.00 a.m.

Diana Strathon
Poppy Appeal Organiser
Ellesborough District

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September to November 2019

Sunday 1 st September	8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.45 a.m.	Songs of Praise
Sunday 8 th September	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 15 th September	10.45 a.m.	Sung Matins (BCP)
Sunday 22 nd September	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 29 th September	6.00 p.m.	Choral Evensong
Sunday 6 th October	8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.45 a.m.	Harvest Songs of Praise & Children's Activity
Sunday 13 th October	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 20 th October	10.45 a.m.	Sung Matins (BCP)
Sunday 27 th October	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 3 rd November	8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.45 a.m.	Songs of Praise
Sunday 10 th November	10.00 a.m.	Remembrance Day Service followed by service and wreath laying at War Memorial
Sunday 17 th November	10.45 a.m.	Sung Matins (BCP)
Sunday 24 th November	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 1 st December	10.45 a.m.	Village Christingle Celebration

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 5th Sunday of any month.

Sunday 6th October Harvest Festival Service
at The Church of the Resurrection, Dunsmore at 6.00 p.m.

Further information and access

For further information about Ellesborough Parish Church and for access when the Church is closed contacts are:

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Notices



TEAS AND TOWER AT ELLESBOROUGH CHURCH

Afternoon teas and visits to the tower
(weather permitting) will continue every
Sunday until 20th October.

All the “Tea Team” look forward to seeing you

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Editor

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A message from our local County Councillor

I would like to give update on a meeting I organised with Bucks County County officers and with Ellesborough Parish Council Chairman and Clerk, on the lack of consultation from HS2 on the the proposed alterations of the Terrick roundabout and Nash Lee road. This proved positive, and views and ideas were given on how to alleviate any problems, based on local knowledge, these officers meet with HS2 contractors and will give our opinions; so now we have a dialogue in place.

We now have a new Prime Minister in place and can only hope he will stop HS2.

I want to give my thanks to the Parish Council for all the hard work they do on our behalf; and this is a perfect example.

David Carroll

If music be the food of love,
Sing on till I am fill'd with joy;
For then my list'ning soul you move
To pleasures that can never cloy.
Your eyes, your mien, your tongue declare
That you are music ev'rywhere.



Two of our newest parishioners are Mark and Tania Casey who moved from Vienna to Ellesborough last November to be closer to their families in the UK. Mark, a musician and psychotherapist, who hails from Cork, has been assistant organist at Cork Cathedral and later Director of Music at St Saviour's, Knightsbridge and the Priory and Parish Church in Totnes, Devon. He has also worked as an organist in Vienna, Munich and Toronto and has played on many of the Cathedral organs of England. As a conductor he has worked with Singers of London, London Cantata and the Wiener Motettencor in Vienna. He put together the latest choral evensong held at St Peter and Pauls with some amazing support from local choir members and volunteers from local choirs.

Our next choral evensong will be Sunday 29th September and we would welcome anyone who would like to be part of the choir to join us for rehearsals, please send an email to: ellesboroughchoir@gmail.com

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!

Kimble and Ellesborough WI met at Stewart Hall on Wednesday 5th June - the President welcomed a visitor and Claire Bignell from the Oxfam Charity shop in Princess Risborough who came to show us her Fairtrade goodies which members were able to buy. The WI are closely affiliated to Fairtrade.

Members were given postcards to send to their normal fashion retailer asking them 'What are YOU doing to tackle Microplastic Fibre Pollution'. Calling for an 'End to Plastic Soup' was the WI campaign for 2017.

A group of volunteers from Hughenden Manor will be coming to Jean and Tony Young's lovely garden in Ellesborough in June which is open to the public under the NGS, and our WI will be catering for their lunch.

The date of the next coffee morning at the Swan in Kimble was announced and the final details of our trip to the Cotswolds to visit Chavenage House for our summer Poldark fix were confirmed.

A craft workshop was arranged and an exhibition of members' crafts will be on display at the September meeting.

After the WI business Claire gave a fun demonstration showing us how to make a shopping bag from an old tee shirt, it was most effective, we should all be doing everything we can to avoid the use of plastic bags.

The speaker was Mike Dewey who told us about three of the lesser known country houses in South Bucks, and who lived in them. Some good ideas for a WI outing.

We had lovely weather for our July Meeting which was taken by Norma Cole as our President and her deputy were both away on holiday, she gave a warm welcome to everyone. Birthday cards were handed out to members who were happy to receive their cards.

Ruth Goodman, gave a report on her trip to the NFWI AGM at Bournemouth. This was an amusing look at the other side of a WI AGM as the meeting was fully reported on in WI Life magazine, we thank her for going and being our representative and were pleased she enjoyed the experience. We also had an interesting report from

Maggie Kaye on our WIs visit to Chavenage House which members thoroughly enjoyed as they were shown over by the owners of the property and told lots of tales relating to the house used in the Poldark series.

Our outings secretary told us about our trip to Frogmore paper mill in September and it sounds very interesting and includes a boat trip and a fish and chips lunch, so quite a few members have signed up for 11th September. Before that we have a craft workshop, a hessian flower making course led by Bev Russell at Stewart Hall. Further craft workshops are planned. All are welcome to our coffee mornings held each month at The Swan in Kimble.

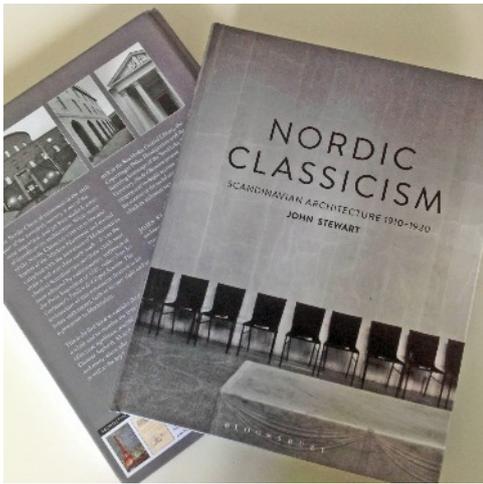
Members were reminded that our next meeting was our Garden Meeting in the lovely gardens of Jean and Tony Young on the first Wednesday in August at 10.30am we are grateful to them as we enjoy our coffee and the bring and buy stalls and raffle in glorious surroundings.

We were disappointed that our speaker did not arrive for his talk as he was abroad. Having found out the day before our committee got together several quizzes which we all enjoyed. After our cups of tea and lots of chat between members we all tried hard with the quizzes and thoroughly enjoyed our afternoon.

Sheila Tunstall gave a nice vote of thanks to Norma for taking the meeting so well. She wondered if this was a foretaste of things to come, but Norma did not seem to agree with that at all!

On the 7th of August we all had a very good visit to Jean and Tony Young's garden. We had 12 visitors and 25 members for a coffee morning with bring and buy and raffle. The garden was beautiful and looking all bright and shiny after the rain the night before. We are all looking forward to our next trip on 11 September to Frogmore Mill at Hemel Hempstead.

My New Life as an Author : Part 2, by John Stewart



Finally – I had a publisher. I could almost taste the champagne at my book launch...

Just as I was thinking that I might drop in to their London office to meet them, an email dropped into my inbox from the

Commissioning Editor, introducing the Production Manager for my book, who would apparently now take over and oversee its production and printing. She suggested six weeks for me to deliver the final text and illustrations, which seemed like a doddle - "Do you want me to let you know which images I'd like to use to illustrate the book? I naively enquired - "No - you need to source all the images yourself and obtain confirmation in writing from the owners of the copyright that they agree to the release of their image for publication internationally in all forms - I'll send you our standard release document, which you'll probably find useful". Suddenly six weeks didn't seem like such a long time.

If writing for hours on end brought on eye strain and headaches, it was nothing compared to spending the entire day scanning thousands of images on the internet, trying to identify their photographers, obtaining their email address and contacting them. Just like publishers, most ignored me, but the majority of those who did respond were delighted to have their photograph published for no more than a credit. By nearly the end of the six weeks, I had almost all the illustrations I needed and a large file of approval forms - only four were outstanding. I had sourced them in a Scandinavian museum, but they wanted 120 euros each to use them. By now my negotiating skills (begging) were honed to Olympic standard however, and I got the lot for 100 euros! I now proudly emailed the full package to the Production Manager a day ahead of programme - result! Unfortunately, she responded a week later that their Photographic Editor had rejected 12, as they were not of sufficient quality for publication. It's always upsetting to see a grown man cry...

Finally, everything was approved and the Production Manager emailed me to introduce the Printing

Manager, in India, who would be producing the book and I now commenced a long email trail between Terrick and Pondichery. The first process in India, to my surprise, was editing. I'd thought I might get some feedback on the structure, emphasis, comparative coverage or quality of writing in my book but all that happened (bizarrely) was that one of their team ran a spelling and grammar check over my text, (which I'd already done). I enquired about when we might discuss the design and layout of the book, to be told that the Commissioning Editor had already specified everything, and my further enquiry asking if I had to buy the book myself to find out what was proposed, was just ignored. Within a few weeks I was sent electronic proofs to read, check and return, and this process went through several stages before I finally approved the layout of the images (thus flexing the few muscles, which I was allowed to use). The Commissioning Editor suddenly got back in touch to discuss the Cover Image - finally - I was to have some input into the process. I suggested several images and, I have to say, their Art Editor came up with the best one, which we used. Soon all was ready, and the Production Manager informed me that the presses would roll, "sometime during the next month or two".

I was soon back writing and researching my next book and was taken completely by surprise, three or four months later, when the doorbell rang and a delivery driver handed me a rather heavy cardboard box. Within, direct from India, were several copies of my book, and I have to say, it was pretty special - finally holding a copy. The entire process had been completed without a meeting or even a phone call, entirely by email - the only hard copy document involved had been my contract with the publisher. There was no book launch, no signings in Waterstones, and 'Nordic Classicism' was quietly slipped onto bookshop and library shelves around the world. **Ellesborough Parish Church**

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Kimble and Ellesborough Horticultural Society



AUTUMN SHOW

Autumn Show at Stewart Hall: 2 00 – 4 30 pm Sunday 1 September
Come and see some beautiful displays including chrysanthemums and dahlias and vegetables and enjoy delicious home-made cakes.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Pin me to the wall and do what you want with me! How to Choose and Manage Climbers and Wall Shrubs Tuesday 3 September
Andrew Mikolajski, a horticultural consultant, writer and speaker returns to discuss how to make the most of climbers and wall shrubs.

OCTOBER MEETING

The Garden in Autumn and Winter Tuesday 1 October
Margaret Easter, an experienced photographer and speaker, talks to us about what to grow so that there are always some plants flowering from September to early March. The talk is based mainly on the plants grown in her Hertfordshire plantsman's garden.

NOVEMBER MEETING

Two Poppies - the Field or Remembrance Poppy and the Opium Poppy
Tuesday 5 November
This talk by Professor Sandy Primrose, scientist and author, will describe how these two poppies impact our lives today and those of our servicemen and servicewomen.

DECEMBER MEETING

Chiltern Woodlands Tuesday 3 December
John Morris, Director of the Chiltern Woodlands Project, will give a general talk about the Chiltern woods, their history, management, archaeology and their ancient woodland flora.

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 Charlie Taylor, Membership Secretary, at kehs.bucks@outlook.com or ask any Committee member at one of the meetings. You can also visit our website for further details.

www.bucksvoice.net/kehs

Gardening in Ellesborough

Notes from an occasional diary



The weather is never just right. At least it feels that way at times. Blisteringly hot at around 40c this July and heavy rain on and off with near gale force winds in the middle of August. Of course the English climate has always been highly variable, subject as we are to the Atlantic weather systems, the land mass of Europe and sudden blasts of hot air from North Africa. It has been both the delight and despair of the population. A Gallop poll of Londoners early in 1941 found that the weather depressed them more than the war-time bombing. Now apparently it is going to get even more complex, with 97% of climate scientists agreeing that we have caused climate change and had better get a move on doing something about it.

For generations the weather has been a gardener's roulette. The seasonal wheel spins: will or will there not be a frost, will it rain when we need it or will there be a drought, just how long will the heatwave last and should we be watering, and surely there is not going to be a hosepipe ban. At least we now have increasingly accurate weather forecasts for a day or so ahead, although in the rain shadow of the Chilterns these can be less than certain: rain in Aylesbury none in Ellesborough when it is needed. The Head Gardener (HG) fails to understand how any serious gardener can possibly think of leaving their garden and greenhouse for more than a day or so between February and late September. It is no go unless she has a really trustworthy stand-in, even then she can't really sleep easy. After one or attempts at longer summer breaks, the assistant gardener has given up daring to even suggest another. There is a big plus side, we have enjoyed magical times: a deserted Venice in the snow and we have found the Caribbean for the winter.

Thus far 2019 has been a roller coaster of a year. We had a mild winter and yet a late frost which meant virtually no plums, scarce an apple to be seen except on a russet and the very ancient old tree which has been slowly dying; is this year's extra-ordinary crop it's swan song? Will it survive yet another winter? Every year more and more dead branches have been cut out in the winter. Often we mull over plans for what we will do with the space when it finally gives up, but I sometimes think it has a final cunning plan for retaliation and aims to see us out.

There was a wonderful time in June when the peak of early summer flowers, shrubs and roses were probably as good as they have ever been. The weather was fine and, in the evenings especially, it was achingly beautiful to be out as the sun went down and the light changed moment by moment. These were the kind of still scenes in which to wonder at the sheer genius of impressionist painters somehow managing to capture such fleeting moments on canvas. Think Monet painting the same water lilies at the lake at Giverny time after time and no two the same, always the changing light.

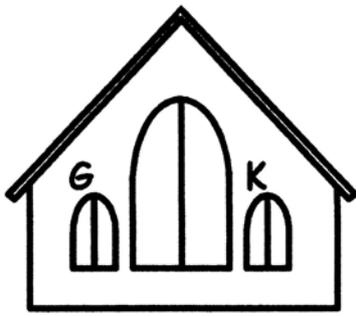
The HG was concerned as the summer peaked that she had not managed to get all her succession planting out as early as she would have liked. There was a short time of catching up as spent plants were lifted and replaced. Right now as we approach the end of August the high season colours predominate and we get a hint of the crescendo of early autumn colours soon to follow.

In many ways this year will be looked back on as the year in which encouraging wild flowers came well and truly into its own. I have never been asked so many questions from visitors about how we established and maintain our small wild flower meadow. BBC Gardeners World did a special feature on the subject and had an enormous feedback from viewers. There is no doubt this heightened interest is at one with these times of environmental concerns; the loss of habitats, declining insect populations.

It is almost twenty years since we seeded our meadow with wild flowers and planted a mixed hedge of indigenous shrubs and year by year it evolves, often with something new that has migrated in. Like the rest of the garden in high summer it is alive with bees, insects and butterflies of all description, sitting on the bench quietly amongst it all is a wondrous experience.

Next up is the environmental gardening enthusiast's interest is 'wilding'; the idea of deliberately letting or minimally controlling gardens as they revert to a wild state. Letting rotten wood fall naturally and compost itself into the ground, leaving wild grasses and 'weeds' to self-seed, leaving borders and lawns uncultivated. Come to think of it, much like our plot when we first acquired it over 40 years ago. Self-seeded trees and shrubs flapping against the windows. No shortage of wild life but visually very boring as the plant 'thugs' take over and dominate. But maybe this is the answer to gardening in our dotage – though somehow I can't quite see the HG being that keen...

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School News - Summer Term

July 2019

This term we made the most of the beautiful weather by carrying out lots of learning outside the classroom. Each class continued their weekly visits to Smokey Row and our gardening club took great pleasure in planting and growing peas, beans, potatoes, leeks, broccoli, courgettes and pumpkins. The children ensured they watered their plants every day and enjoyed taking home their produce to sample. A big thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Brown who continue to keep Smokey Row maintained for us and allow us to use this special place for outdoor learning. All our children benefit so much from our weekly trips there and many of our children say this is the best part of their week!

School Review of Great Kimble - In June we welcomed an external Independent School Reviewer to carry out an inspection following the same framework as OFSTED inspections. The school was judged to be **Outstanding** in the OFSTED areas of Leadership, Management, Personal Development, Welfare and Outcomes for Pupils. Teaching, Learning and Assessment were judged to be Good with Outstanding features and the inspector highlighted the following as strengths of the school:

- exceptional support from Governors
- very strong and highly effective leadership
- clear, shared vision for the school's future
- well maintained physical environment - despite the challenge of building works
- wealth of enrichment experiences on offer to the children, both inside and outside the classroom
- Learning Support Staff, who are well trained, well supported and have a positive impact on pupils' learning.

The children made a very positive impression on the School Reviewer and we are very proud of these findings.

Rotary Club Art Competition - In June we welcomed members of Princes Risborough's Rotary Club to join us for a special Collective Worship. They had previously invited our children to take part in a local art competition and several pieces of our children's artwork were displayed in a special exhibition. Out of the ten entries, five of our children won special awards and were delighted to receive certificates and prizes. A big thank you to 'Art and Office' in Princes Risborough for sponsoring the competition and providing such fantastic art prizes.

Road Safety - We continue to promote regular walking to school and recently participated in the national walk to school week. With the road resurfacing being carried out in the same week, we were delighted that many families rose to the challenge and walked across the fields to school. It was a great success and we continue to award monthly badges for children who walk every week.

Sports Day - Despite being one of the hottest days of the year, the children demonstrated excellent endurance during their Sports Day. Lots of fun was had by all and it was lovely to see children from each year group supporting and encouraging each other. Thank you to Friends of Kimble for providing refreshments and delicious cream teas which were enjoyed by all. A big thank you to Great Kimble Cricket Club who once again kindly allowed us to use their grounds and facilities.

Cherry Tree Nursing Home – In July our Year 2 class made a special visit to the residents of Cherry Tree Nursing Home in Saunderton. The children performed a variety of country dances as well as their dance from the Princes Risborough Dance Festival. This was followed by the children singing some of their favourite hymns and songs from school. The children really enjoyed taking part in this special trip and we have planned future performances and visits to the residential home next year.

Summer Fayre - Thank you to everyone who supported the Summer Fayre which is our largest fundraising event. It is always a huge undertaking to organise such an event and our thanks go to Friends of Kimble and many past and present families who came to support us on the day. We made a profit of £2,302 which is an amazing achievement and will benefit the school enormously.

Staff News - It is with great sadness that Mrs. Roberts will be leaving us at the end of this year. She has thoroughly enjoyed her time at Great Kimble and, after working here for 6 years, she now feels ready for a new challenge. She has been successfully appointed as a KS1 teacher at Barley Hill in Thame and we wish her all the best at her new school. In September, we will be welcoming two new full time teachers to Great Kimble. Mrs. Morris will be joining us from Monks Risborough as our new Year 2 teacher and Mr. Kaye will be joining us from Great Missenden as our new Year 3 teacher. They are very excited about becoming part of the team at Great Kimble and will bring with them a wealth of new and exciting ideas.

Staff News from Governors - We are pleased to share the news with you that Mrs. Cozadinos is pregnant. She is planning to take a period of maternity leave from October 2019. To ensure the continued delivery of high quality provision across Great Kimble School we have been working closely with the Great Learners Trust to arrange an interim Headteacher. We are delighted to let you know that Miss Needham, an experienced leader from the Trust central team, has been appointed. She has planned several handover days with Mrs. Cozadinos in September and is looking forward to meeting the parents and children in the new academic year. *Mrs. Walsh (Chair of Governors)*

Mrs. Smith - Congratulations to Mrs. Smith who recently celebrated 20 years at Great Kimble! She has certainly seen the school change and evolve over the years and will now see it through its expansion to KS2. Thank you for all your hard work, Mrs. Smith.

It has certainly been a busy year for Great Kimble Church of England School and we have continued to grow and develop. Once again we have achieved excellent results at the end of EYFS and KS1, with very strong outcomes in the phonic screening check. This year work finally began on our new building and, by the end of term in July, the roof was complete! The builders will be busy working over the holidays and we are looking forward to moving in and developing the new classrooms and outdoor space available to us. We have had a year packed full of exciting learning experiences and memorable trips. The children have progressed in so many ways and it is an absolute joy to see them consistently living out our Christian Values.

Mrs. M Cozadinos



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YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU - PLEASE JOIN OUR LITTER PICK!

PLEASE HELP VOUNTEER TO PICK UP LITTER IN AND
AROUND OUR VILLAGE

DATE: SUNDAY 24th NOVEMBER

TIME: 11:00

LOCATION: BUTLERS CROSS VILLAGE HALL

After such a successful litter pick last April, we thought we would make this a bi-annual event. Why not come along and volunteer this time around? Everyone who volunteered last time felt a great sense of satisfaction participating in this worthwhile community event. We are looking for around 40 residents to come to help pick litter for 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 Wycombe District Council.

Dunsmore Village News - A Quiet Summer in Dunsmore

With school holidays ending, the regular summer activities on our ridge have come to an end. Cream teas at the church have been a staple, as have the Ladies' Lunches. Our unsettled weather – cool, windy and rainy punctuated by very (**very**) hot and dry – continues, however.

The big event of Dunsmore's summer was the Family Fun Day, with games and a barbecue scheduled for 16 June on the Common. Unfortunately, that weird weather struck again, and the festivities were moved indoors to the Village Hall. Attendees enjoyed a barbecue done under canvas rather than open air, but everyone had a great time.

As this issue of the magazine goes to press, the Dunsmore Village Hall Association will have just hosted its second **Cream Tea** at the church. We're sure it will have been as successful as last year's, making more funds available for necessary repairs and maintenance. Thanks to the Church of the Resurrection Trustees for allowing us the use of the facilities and to all the bakers, workers and indulgers who helped make the day memorable.

The next event in the Village Hall is the **Ladies' Lunch** on 12 September at noon. There was an excellent turnout in July, and it would be wonderful if all those who are available join the group with something to eat and a willingness to share stories of their summer activities. Put 29 October in the diary, too, for the next chance to catch up with friends and neighbours.

The DVHA **Annual General Meeting** will be held on Saturday, 12 October, at 7.30 p.m. The year's activities will be reviewed, and Tim Lee, Treasurer, will bring us up-to-date on the state of our finances. Suggestions will be entertained for the coming year's events, so anyone who has ideas to offer should please come along and share them. The Committee which so loyally runs and supports Dunsmore's activities will be elected for the coming year. New members are always welcome, so if you'd like to give something back to the village, please contact the DVHA chair (dvha.chairman@gmail.com).

After the AGM, we'll indulge in a **Dunsmore Pudding Club**. Everyone is welcome to bring their favourite pud to share with friends and neighbours. To ensure a wide variety of goodies, please advise John Ladd (johnlynneladd@gmail.com) before 5 October of your chosen dessert. We will try to avoid having six plates of brownies and seven Victoria sponges! Come hungry and armed with your special indulgence. Anyone caught counting calories will be sent to the naughty corner.

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Directors: Rob East, Graeme Finch, Matt Glover, Richard Jennings, Matt Porter, Jamie Renison

Garden Open for Charity

National Gardens Scheme



The garden of 'The Plough' at the end of Chalkshire Road, Terrick, will be open for the eighth year under the National Gardens Scheme in 2019, on

Sunday the 22nd of September (Festival of Apples)

from 1pm to 5pm

The Plough, as the name suggests, is a listed former inn, built in 1750, and the garden surrounds the house, with a new orchard with many local varieties of fruit, planted a few years ago, behind it.

Delicious teas and cakes will be available, served in the barn, and jams, plants and apple juice from the orchard will also be on sale. The September opening will be a celebration of apples.

Admission - adults £4 and children free - dogs welcome!

Plenty of Free Car Parking available with access from the Nash Lee Road.

For further information, please see the NGS website or contact John & Sue Stewart on 01296 612477, or johngoldstewart@gmail.com

We are grateful for your continuing support as with it, to date, we have been able to raise over £10,000 for Macmillan and other nursing charities.

GROWING UP IN ELLESBOROUGH - TALES OF AN EXPAT

The Ellesborough Magazine has certainly revived memories for me of growing up in rural Buckinghamshire . Butlers Cross almost a century ago, as featured in the March edition; then John Audsley's letter in June with his recollections of the village through the 50s and 60s.

Although I was born in Little Kimble and grew up there, we had very strong connections with Ellesborough and regarded it as our village. My grandparents lived in Kimble Road, Ellesborough, and my mother, Joyce French (Lillywhite), had been a pupil at Ellesborough School. What a hike that must have been in all weathers - taking the footpath from the A4010 (Lower Icknield Way) across the fields, past the Radar Station, emerging opposite Southfield Cottages, over "the Cross" and on up to the school! Perhaps children from Dunsmore probably had a similar distance to walk? Definitely no childhood obesity then!

As John described, we largely made our own entertainment. Most weekends in Spring and Summer we'd walk across the fields to Ellesborough Church to tend the family graves. Sometimes we, too, would go fishing for sticklebacks in The Springs; other times, our route would take us by way of the millpond behind Bushey Leys and Bonnybrook. It was a magical spot. Willow trees clustered around the pool and in Spring the primroses and daffodils brought a riot of colour. We'd slide on our backsides down the steep banks into the stream below and picnic alongside the millpond, while sailing the small wooden yacht, complete with sail, which Dad had made for us. In this era of technological wizardry, spending weekends sliding down muddy banks and watching dragonflies dance in dappled sunlight would evoke sympathy from today's cool kids!

At a time when a fridge was a luxury, the sight of Mr Plested pedalling up on his ice cream bike was thrilling. John's absolutely right - it was a bicycle which incorporated a refrigerated tub, housing the legendary Plested's ice cream. Moreover, at the end of the Summer term all pupils of Stoke Mandeville School were treated to a free ice-cream, courtesy of Mr Plested. What a hero - and what unforgettable ice-cream!

Yet living on the edge of Kimble and going to primary and Sunday school in Stoke Mandeville didn't always work in our favour. Few of the homes in our vicinity were occupied by people with children so we quite envied the Butlers Cross children disappearing off in a noisy group to explore Nash Lee Road, the Springs or Coombe Hill. We were lucky to have a large garden with lawns worn down to tufts by our bikes and we had a good number of fruit trees to climb. The fields at the rear and to the side of our garden became our playground once the crops were cut and the bales were stacked; we always rearranged them to make "dens" and were invariably indignant when they were demolished and carted away, heralding the end of another Summer. Yet without other playmates, we grew restless in the school holidays.

Despite my parents' concerns, once I was in my late teens I would tramp off alone along the local footpaths and bridleways in Kimble and Ellesborough. I thought my home turf was amazing, in all weathers and seasons; I never tired of it. Walking "round the block" - down into Little Kimble, turning left by the War Memorial, then up to Butlers Cross, down to Terrick and back home - was a favourite at times of the year when the fields were sodden or muddy underfoot. One bright but cold day in Winter I walked through Kimble up to The Bernard Arms, crossed the road to go up by the Rifle Range (who knows how or why it came to be called that?), along the back of Beacon Hill, across the Chequers Estate, up on to Coombe Hill, where I spent some minutes watching children flying their kites before walking along the ridge into Wendover, back along "the switchback road" from Wendover to Butlers Cross, down to Terrick and then back to Kimble. Maybe it was the era in which we lived or the fact it was my home patch, but I never felt anxious or vulnerable, even on cold wintry days going up through "the boxes" on Beacon Hill when the sight of someone else walking was a rarity.

GROWING UP IN ELLESBOROUGH - TALES OF AN EXPAT (continued)

In Ellesborough itself, the Parish Hall had for many years been a focal point for various activities and regular dances. During the war there was a constant presence of servicemen stationed locally to protect Chequers. Some of these servicemen went on to marry local girls and settled in the area. As a result, the Ellesborough Branch of the British Legion thrived on a constant supply of young blood. In the 1970s an enthusiastic Entertainments Committee planned a busy social calendar for the year - Valentine's Dances, Pie 'n Punch Evenings, Poppy Dances - they were fun and popular, a safe place to go and no worries about getting home, so long as you went armed with a robust torch and avoided the ditches on the long walk back! When Marina Jones settled in the village, we ventured into holding fashion shows, in which we modelled her range of clothes, with profits on sales boosting our branch funds.

In 1972 it was announced the British Legion Women's Section would be launching a Miss British Legion competition throughout England. Presumably the purpose was to shine a spotlight on the British Legion in general and attract young women in particular to become members. The event would start at a local level, followed by a county heat, then a regional heat, culminating a few months later with a final in London to coincide with the Annual Festival of Remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall. But that's another story . . .

The advance publicity for the Miss British Legion Competition made it clear this was certainly not your average beauty pageant; not a swimsuit, sequined gown or tiara in sight! It was designed to focus on why you had joined, what was your contribution and the part Legion activities played in the life of your community. For those of us who had already paraded across the stage at the village hall as we modelled various outfits from Marina Jones's stock in front of our mothers and friends, it sounded like a bit of harmless fun. We knew our branch was vibrant and energetic; why not share our experience with other branches which might be struggling to survive and looking for ways to re-energise?

The first heat to determine the Vale of Aylesbury contestant took place in Waddesdon. I'm reminded by those with better memories that we travelled there by mini-bus. The competition was just part of a social evening, which went on to include some unique music-hall warbling. Some members of our Men's Branch could barely stifle their mirth and had to withdraw from proceedings to bring their hysteria under control! A memorable evening then, with the bonus that I was elected to go forward to the county heat, held a few weeks later in High Wycombe when I was elected to represent Buckinghamshire.

This was all good fun for our branch and a great excuse for another mini-bus jaunt, this time to the regional heat in Cambridge. On a balmy mid-Summer afternoon we rattled into Cambridge to be greeted by a delicious afternoon tea of strawberries and cream. Six counties were competing to win the Eastern Area title - Buckinghamshire, Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambridgeshire. My small but enthusiastic fan-base did me proud and cheered me into first place, sending me to the national final in London in the November.

Closer to the final, we learned the contestants would receive free return travel to London, together with their "chaperones" (!), with free overnight accommodation at an hotel close to the Royal Albert Hall. All would receive free tickets entitling them to seats in a reserved box at the Festival of Remembrance service in the hall. The Miss British Legion final would follow in the evening at a venue nearby. Cue for another mini-bus trip from Ellesborough!

The Festival of Remembrance was for me the absolute highlight of not just that day, but the whole year. My father, as an ex-Coldstream Guardsman, always watched the service on TV, but it's impossible to appreciate the sheer scale of the Royal Albert Hall until you're inside. We had such spectacular seats on the day and found it a humbling experience to watch young and old filtering down on to the floor of the

GROWING UP IN ELLESBOROUGH - TALES OF AN EXPAT (continued)

hall, all with the common purpose of remembrance. A great crescendo of music and voices gave way to total silence before the poppies gently rustled down from the dome. A truly unforgettable experience.

Inevitably, the competition final that evening was bound to be a damp squib by comparison! The judging panel comprised Frank Windsor of Z Cars fame and other similar "celebs". The compere was Nicholas Parsons - now well on in his 90s, but still broadcasting on Radio 4! I drew the short straw and was on stage first. What bizarre questions! As I'd studied languages and came from Aylesbury: "What's the French for duck, then?" Well - it was never going to be Mastermind! The competition tottered to a conclusion and Miss South Eastern Area was declared a worthy winner. Clearly she was the only one who'd done her fashion homework as she'd chosen an outfit with a mid-calf hemline, which apparently was suddenly on-trend. Probably went down a storm with the Fashion Editor of 'Woman' who was on the judging panel, but made the rest of us in our minis feel kind of rustic and a little gauche! Did it matter to us in Ellesborough? Not one jot! The enthusiasm of my faithful band of supporters seemed undiminished as they set off back to Ellesborough in their mini-bus. All a light-hearted adventure for me and my "groupies"; definitely a dim and distant memory now and a case of: Been there! Done it! Got the satin sash!

In the early 1970s I was working as a bilingual secretary with the marketing team at New Holland in Aylesbury and there was mounting enthusiasm in the country about our bid to join the European Economic Community. Edward Heath was the Prime Minister who was negotiating on our behalf and it was known one of his favourite watering-holes when he stayed at Chequers was The Shoulder of Mutton at Owlswick. Coincidentally my boss at the time called in at The Shoulder of Mutton and decided this would be a good lunch venue for groups of French farmers who would be visiting the New Holland factory.

On the very first of three scheduled visits our French guests were just finishing their lunch when Mr Heath turned up with a couple of security staff. It was my job to shadow him during his visit and interpret as and when needed. The farmers and their wives were eager to meet him and discuss the EEC. Mr Heath seemed equally keen to discuss farming methods with them and managed quite well with the language. His French accent and intonation was very "cut-glass" and so very British, but his rapport with the farmers was impressive. They crowded round him and our company photographer was struggling to get any decent shots of Mr Heath in the crush. We'd all been sworn to secrecy in advance, so our photographer was the only one to record the visit. He was hopping about, furiously clicking away with the camera. He'd call out "Cheese!" to try and prompt some happy smiles. As it happens, one farmer was just describing his cheese-making operation back home. "Fromage!" boomed Mr Heath, looking straight at the camera, his face wreathed in smiles - and then came the already-famous Heath laugh, his shoulders heaving up and down just like his Spitting Image double! How our colleague kept his camera steady I'll never know. He was laughing fit to burst.

For the record, in 1972 Edward Heath signed the treaty in Brussels which took us into the European Economic Community. On formation of the European Union in 1993, the EEC was incorporated and renamed the European Community. History in the making and sometimes living close to Chequers meant we actually got a glimpse of legendary political leaders. Interesting times indeed and we were blessed to have such a great community in which to grow up.

Hilary Sweeting (French)

Church of the Resurrection, Dunsmore

We held our usual three cream teas this summer and raised £855 towards church funds, this is our highest ever total. This year the sun smiled kindly on us most of the time and we were delighted to have a steady stream of walkers and cyclists as well as the many villagers and other people who drive up to support us.

An enormous thank you to everyone who supplied the cakes, many people comment on the very tempting array that we always have and some come from a considerable distance for this very reason. Also thanks to those who helped serve, wash up and tidy away afterwards. The teas have been organized by Libby for several years, this year with help from Debbie, and the trustees are enormously grateful for the considerable amount of time they give towards this event. As well as all the pre-teas planning, Libby is on duty from Sunday morning right through until 5.30pm when we have finished tidying up.

Libby is now going to take a well-earned rest from organizing the teas but we very much hope to see her next year sitting down and enjoying a cup of tea and some cake whilst chatting to friends.

Our Harvest Festival Service is on Sunday, **6th October at 6.00pm** in the church and will be followed by a harvest supper in the Village Hall at 7.00pm. As usual our monetary collection at the service will be donated to a local charity, this year the Cancer Care and Haematology Fund at Stoke Mandeville. In addition we will be collecting dried and tinned goods to give to a local food bank. If you would like to donate food but can't come to the service you may drop goods off at Jeni's house.

We will be holding our Carol Service on Sunday, 15th December at 6pm.

Princes Risborough Choral Society

Princes Risborough Choral Society is a friendly Society of about 50 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 346916

Future Concerts:

November 23 Hadyn's Mass in Time of War

- St Mary's Church, Princes Risborough

December 17 Christmas Carol Concert

- St Mary's Church, Princes Risborough

March 29 Concert of Choral Music with Tea

- St Lawrence Church, West Wycombe

Ellesborough Church - Toilet and Servery Project

The Parochial Church Council has for a number of years wished to improve the layout at the rear of the church - the west end of the building - both to provide an indoor toilet and to improve the servery, which although improved in recent years, is not ideal either for serving church teas during the summer months or for use during social and community events. We wish to extend use of the church for a wider range of activities in future with the aim, as mentioned by our new minister in her biography, that it becomes more firmly established as a focal point for the whole community.

If funds permit we also propose to restore the West Door and provide improved disabled access by reinstating a more gently sloping path from the church gate. The total cost of the project is expected to amount to £60,000 to £70,000, which includes £40,000 - £45,000 in respect of the provision of the toilet and creation of the improved servery with appropriate screening and some minor changes at the rear of the church.

We have now reached the position where we are able to embark on the project knowing that we have raised or been promised a significant part of the funding required for stage one of the project. We are therefore launching an appeal for donations to cover the balance of funding required for stage one with the proviso that any sum raised in excess of the amount required for stage one will be utilised to help fund the second stage (The West Door and improved disabled access) described above.

We have received several very generous donations over the past three months and taking these into account the current funding position is summarised below:

Donations and Fundraising income to date	£15000
Expected Fundraising Income - September to December 2019	£2000
Allocation from the PCC's Designated Funds	£10000
Expected Charity Grant	<u>£10000</u>
Total	<u>£37000</u>
Additional funds required to meet stage one cost	<u>£8000</u>

If you feel able to make a donation to this project please either send a cheque (payable to Ellesborough PCC) to Paul Couling, Treasurer, Ellesborough PCC, c/o Blundells Barn, Risborough Road, Little Kimble HP17 0UE

or make a transfer to our account with CAF Bank Limited, Account Ellesborough PCC; Sort Code: 40-52-40; Account Number 00082197

If you are able to Gift Aid your donation the PCC will be able to reclaim tax equal to 25% of the sum donated. If you require any further information please contact Paul Couling by email (pcouling@btinternet.com) or by telephone (01296 615835).

All funds donated to this project will be used only for this specific purpose.

We have now set in train the process of obtaining approval from Oxford diocese for these changes to be made, but on the basis of earlier discussions we believe that the proposed changes will be accepted, subject to possible minor amendments.



Great Kimble Church of England School

Love, Learn, Live

An academy of the Great Learners Trust



Wednesday 9 October & Wednesday 6 November 2019

9.30am – 12 noon

Great Kimble CofE School
Church Lane, Great Kimble
Bucks HP179TH
01844 346189
office@gkgit.co.uk
www.greatkimbleschool.co.uk

You are warmly invited to visit our outstanding school to enjoy:

A tour of the school to see our children in action.

Refreshments with Mrs. Cozadinos, Headteacher, at St Nicholas' Church.

A walk to our amazing outdoor classroom at Smokey Row (bring your wellies if wet!)



The RUSSELL ARMS
RUTLERS CROSS BUCKINGHAMSHIRE • SINCE 1763

As we enter the Autumn season, we are very excited to announce a number of new events that we hope the local community will enjoy and support! Starting off with a **new, monthly charity quiz** on September 3rd at 8:30pm and repeated on the first Tuesday of each month. Our charismatic quizmaster, Maria, will host an evening of friendly competition where everyone is welcome. Either bring a team of up to six people or join a table on the night! There will be a charge of £2 per person, half of which goes into a prize pot for the winning team and the other half goes to charity. Each month we will support a different charity, kicking off with Youth Concern for our September quiz. Feel free to join us just for the quiz or come earlier and enjoy a bite to eat. Either way, booking is highly recommended. We can't guarantee you'll win first prize, but we can guarantee an entertaining evening with plenty of laughs.

We are also introducing a **new Russell Arms Book Club!** Starting on October 29th at 8pm and meeting on the last Tuesday of every month, this is a great opportunity for anyone who loves reading or is looking to meet new people or share an evening out with friends. There's no membership fee. All we ask is that you reserve a place in advance of each meeting you'd like to attend and that members obtain their own copy of the monthly book choice.

From 19th to 21st September, join us to enjoy a bespoke **menu of seafood dishes** all freshly prepared by our talented chefs. Running alongside our regular menu, this special event will also offer suggested paired wines to complement each dish. Booking, again, is highly recommended as we are already taking reservations!

Finally, we have a fantastic event for all golfers in the form of **The Moogies Shield Golf Tournament** brought to you by The Russell Arms, The Black Boy, Oving and The Eight Bells, Long Crendon. The next opportunity to participate is on September 5th at the beautiful Aylesbury Vale course. Then, on October 24th at Studley Wood. Visit our website where you'll find more information and an enquiry form.

You can keep up to date with all our news and events on our website (www.therussellarms.co.uk) or by following us on Facebook (The Russell Arms) or Instagram (@therussellarms).

YOU ARE INVITED to the VILLAGE HARVEST FESTIVAL

**HARVEST
SONGS OF PRAISE
with
CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES**

**St. Peter & St. Paul Church, Ellesborough
6th OCTOBER 10:45a.m.**

A community service for everyone!

Sing favourite songs/hymns

Activities for children

*Bring a harvest picture, drawn by yourself,
& perhaps win a prize!*

*Please bring a tin of food,
for one of the activities, as well as any
offerings of non- perishable produce to give to
the charity food bank.*



Enquiries Tel. Revd. J. Wales (01296) 612936

CHILTERNNS AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY

The Chilterns Conservation Board have recently published their Management Plan for the period 2019-2024.

In launching this plan they have said:

“We are delighted to launch a new Management Plan for the Chilterns AONB. The Plan, that has been produced in partnership with a wide range of stakeholders, contains a comprehensive summary of the key issues facing the AONB and the policies and actions that needed to care for it.”

“Please do take the time to read the Plan, understand the pressures on the area and discover how we can work together to deliver more for people, for landscapes and for nature.”

We have reproduced below some of the introductory pages of the plan (reproduced with the permission of the Chilterns Conservation Board).

The full plan can be downloaded from the Chilterns Conservation Boards website:

<https://www.chilternsaonb.org/conservation-board/management-plan.html>



2. THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE CHILTERN

Special Qualities

The Chilterns' special qualities are considered so important, nationally and internationally, they require protection.

PANORAMIC VIEWS from and across the escarpment interwoven with intimate dipslope valleys and rolling fields.



Significant ancient hedgerows, hedgerow and field trees, orchards and parkland weaving across **FARMLAND THAT COVERS** approximately **60% OF THE CHILTERN**.



Relative **TRANQUILITY** and peace on the doorstep of **TEN MILLION PEOPLE**, one of the most accessible protected landscapes in Europe;



relatively dark skies, of great value to human and wildlife health; unspoilt countryside, secret corners and a surprising sense of remoteness.

Nationally important concentrations of **CHALK GRASSLAND**, extremely **DIVERSE IN FLORA AND FAUNA**, and home to some **SCARCE AND THREATENED SPECIES**. Once extensive, the chalk grassland now only covers 1% of the AONB mostly in small fragments. Species for which the AONB is particularly important include Chiltern gentian, wild candytuft, pasque flower, silver-spotted skipper and glow-worm.



One of the most **WOODED LANDSCAPES IN ENGLAND**, with **23% WOODLAND COVER** concentrated in the central and southern areas; **56% OF THE WOODLAND** is Ancient, a particularly rich, distinctive and prominent feature, including the Chilterns Beech Wood Special Area of Conservation; significant box, juniper and beech yew woods; many veteran trees and relict wood pasture.

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NINE PRECIOUS CHALK STREAMS,

a globally scarce habitat and home to some of the UK's most endangered species; associated UK BAP priority species include otter, water vole, reed bunting and brown trout; numerous chalk springs occur along the base of the escarpment.



An extensive and diverse **ARCHAEOLOGICAL LANDSCAPE**, including ancient parish boundaries, medieval field patterns and **IRON AGE HILLFORTS**; extensive remnants of woodland heritage including sawpits, charcoal hearths and wood banks.



A DRAMATIC CHALK ESCARPMENT,

a globally rare landscape type which gives rise to rare ecology and distinctive cultural heritage.



OVER 2000ha OF COMMON LAND, heaths and greens, **RICH IN WILDLIFE** and cultural heritage; **3700ha OF OPEN ACCESS LAND**.



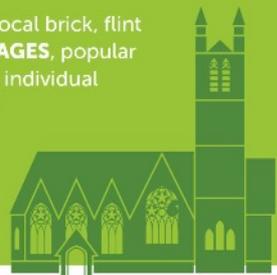
A dense network of 2000km of rights of way; two **NATIONAL TRAILS**, the Ridgeway and Thames Path; notable regional routes such as the **CHILTERN WAY** and the **CHILTERN CYCLEWAY**.



An **INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE** around wood-working, furniture making, chalk quarrying, brick making, and food production with windmills and watercress beds.



DISTINCTIVE BUILDINGS made from local brick, flint and clay tiles; many **ATTRACTIVE VILLAGES**, popular places to live in and visit; many notable individual buildings and follies including **STATELY HOMES, MONUMENTS** and **MAUSOLEUMS**; a wealth of **MEDIEVAL CHURCHES**, many built from flint.



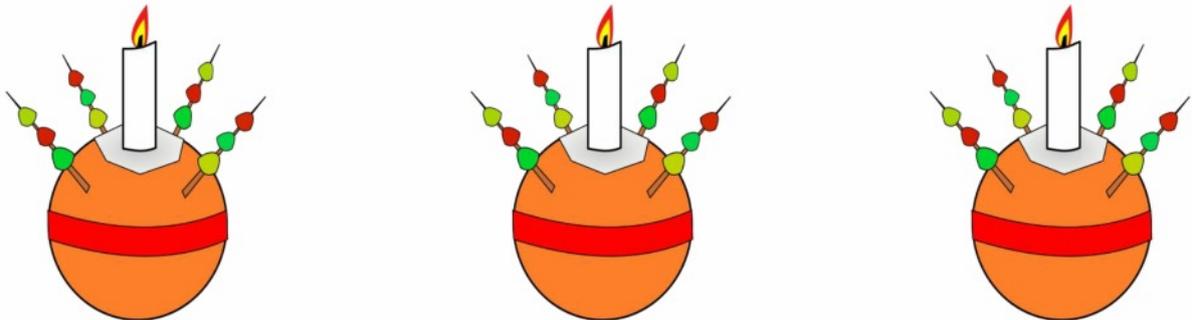
Numerous **ANCIENT ROUTEWAYS** and **SUNKEN LANES** including the Icknield Way, considered by many to be the oldest road in Britain.



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A Village Occasion

Christingle



Through our Christingle – The Children’s Society helps to support vulnerable children across our country.

We’d love you, your family and especially children to join our Village Christingle celebration

10.45 – 11.30am on Sunday 1st December

St Peter & St Paul, Ellesborough Church

A focus on family and children
Light your own Christingle candle
Enjoy some treats and refreshments

Take the opportunity to join this village occasion & celebration

All ages and all welcome –
even if you don’t normally attend church

Make it special – Make it memorable – Make a difference

Contact: The Children Society: Judith Harper (622033)

Buckmoorend Farm Newsletter - Harvest '19

We kicked off our grass harvest, making silage in June. Swiftly followed by hay making in late June to early July. We had a good spell of rain in between the two harvests which made for a good crop of hay.

The combine came out of the shed in mid-July and we harvested our Winter Barley. Yields were average which, in a dry and challenging year, is pleasing! Now, in early August, the weather has turned more unsettled, so it's a waiting game before we get going again on our Winter Wheat and Spring Barley crops.

We also hosted our first 'Walk the Farm' on 3rd August. The guided tour took in our free-range pigs, some information about the cereals we farm, a look at the box woods and our environmental schemes on the farm, a field picnic and finishing with some facts about the estate here at Chequers. We were so pleased with the feedback that we'll certainly be doing it again.



Our colleagues in the shop were delighted too recently, with their hard work being rewarded in the form of a Great Taste Award. We entered our plain pork sausages into the international foodie competition way back in May. They received over 12,000 entries, sent in from over 100 different countries. Of these products, less than 3% receive a 3-star award, and less than 10% receive a 2-star award, and approximately 25% of entries are awarded with 1 star.

We are pleased to announce that our sausages were given a 2-star award. The kitchen has also been so busy at weekends that we have expanded the opening hours; throughout the Summer holidays we will be serving hot food on Fridays too.

A final, friendly reminder (we know, it's way too early for some) that our Christmas turkey supplier has taken delivery of his stock and they are being free-range reared in Stoke Mandeville by the Pearce family. We sold out early last year, so don't delay in expressing an interest for this year's bird. We will also be hosting our first Christmas Market Evening this year – watch this space for dates and times and look out for special offers on gift hampers.

Opening Hours		
Shop	Wed - Fri	10 am to 6 pm
	Sat - Sun	10 am to 4 pm
Kitchen	Fri - Sun	10 am to 4 pm

BUCKMOOREND FARM SHOP, BUTLERS CROSS, HP17 0UT
(01296) 622472
www.buckmoorendfarm.co.uk

You are invited to
The Children's Society Annual Event

Afternoon Tea & Cake:

Fri 8th Nov. 1.30-7pm

Morning Coffee & Cake:

Sat. 9th Nov. 9.30am-2pm

"Fresh Eyes" Interior Designer for –
fabulous home accessories, furnishings,
gifts and decorations

Handmade Artisan Sterling Silver &
Gemstone Jewellery

Christmas & Greeting Cards

Christmas Raffle

Always lots of cake and company

@

Farthings, 25 Chalkshire Road,
Butlers Cross HP17 0TS

All very welcome!

*If you are a box holder - PLEASE bring your box or arrange a time to
return it to me.*

Contact: Judith Harper: 01296 622033/07709988969



What's on at Bucks County Museum this Autumn

Tudor Fayre

Sunday 8 September, 11am – 4pm

Experience Tudor life throughout the museum buildings and grounds with brilliant interactive historians and performers who will transport you back to Tudor times! **An Aylesbury Town Council event.**

Reincarnated Rubbish – Endangered and Extinct Recycled Art Exhibition

14 September – 2 November

An exhibition of amazing animal sculptures created from recycled cans by recycling artist Val Hunt.



Katie Surridge – Muir Trust Artist in Residence

23 September – 18 October

This year's Muir Trust Artist in Residence is Katie Surridge, a mixed media artist specialising in metal casting. During her residency, Katie will be exploring the archaeology collections and creating her own assemblages inspired by her finds. Open studio sessions throughout the residency – please check website for dates. The work that Katie produces will then be on display in her residency exhibition from November until January. For more information go to:

www.buckscountymuseum.org.uk/katie-surridge-muir-trust-artist-in-residence

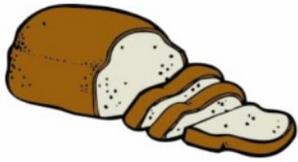
Touch Tour – Sports

National Sporting Heritage Day Event

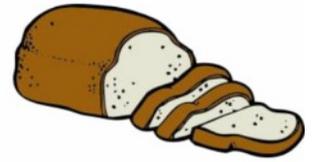
Monday 30 September, 11am to 2pm

For blind and visually impaired visitors to touch and explore sporting objects. Kop Hill Climb vintage cars will also be on show to sit in and rev up. **There is no charge for this event but please book a place through the museum website. For further information contact Siemma on community@buckscountymuseum.org**

For full details visit www.buckscountymuseum.org or call 01296 331441. Bucks County Museum, Church Street, Aylesbury HP20 2QP.



Irish Loaves



(Gluten Free Squash & Oat Loaf)

At the time of writing, we have just returned from Ireland where we enjoyed cycling and walking amongst the stunning scenery and coast line of South West Cork, Beara and Kerry - we were even blessed with sunshine! Apart from recommending this area of Ireland, I must share this recipe with you from one of our B&B hosts who served an array of homemade loaves for breakfast, including this Gluten Free Squash and Oat Loaf. Freshly baked each morning - especially for David who then took the remainder for his picnic lunch and has talked of little else ever since!!!!

Ingredients

300g mix of sweet potato and butternut squash – cooked (boiled), drained and mashed
300g Gluten free oat flakes
4 eggs
1 teasp baking powder
2 dessertsp sunflower seeds
2 dessertsp pumpkin seeds
2 dessertsp chia seeds
Some extra seeds for sprinkling on top

Method

1. Pre-heat oven 180oC /Gas 4 and line a 2lb loaf tin.
2. Mix the mash with the oats.
3. Beat in the eggs.
4. Add the seeds and baking powder.
5. Mix all together.
6. Spoon into the loaf tin and sprinkle with extra seeds on top.
7. Bake for 30 to 40 mins. Cool on wire tray. Remove from tin when cool.
8. Serve sliced with butter, jams or chutneys.

IF YOU HAVE A FAVOURITE SEASONAL RECIPE AND WOULD LIKE TO SHARE IT THROUGH THE MAGAZINE:

PLEASE CONTACT:

Judith Harper - jd25.harper@gmail.com

Peggy Jeffries - A Tribute

This is an edited version of the tribute describing Peggy's life spoken by David Champion (Grandson) at her funeral.

Peggy was born "Peggy Cartwright" on 30th of December 1924 in Chesham Bois, Buckinghamshire to Roland & Edith Cartwright. Her Father Roland was a well-known character around the local area who worked as a merchant and traded by delivering candles, paraffin and other household goods all around the rural villages with his horse and cart. He supplemented his family's meat rations by poaching in competition with the local vicar and policeman, which would have been fairly commonplace for many folk just a few years after the 1st World War had ended.

She lived in Rocky Lane, Wendover together with her parents and big brother Jeff before the family moved to Nash Lee Road in Wendover, where she was joined with a younger sister Daphne in August 1930. It was from this place that she would walk to school every day on her own, in all weathers, all seasons, all year for many of her younger years.

The family later moved home to Beacon View in Butlers Cross where she attended Ellesborough School up until the age of 14 years of age. On leaving school Peggy got a job looking after small children at a children's home in Kimble, with her further education and attendance confirmed at Wycombe College, she would travel by train departing from Kimble station. It would have been at around this time in her life when she was also working by helping out the nanny up at Chequers.

At around 17 years old (in 1939) she found work at The Forestry Commission in the local area. Her job was to assist in the selection process of suitable timber to be used for trials in the development of aircraft propellers - a new development for the British Military - that aircraft was "The Spitfire". It was also at around this point in time when she would have first met and then fall in love with her "Husband to be" Roy, who had come to work at the local bakery in Butlers Cross, and had found lodgings at Beacon View with Mr & Mrs. Brackley - (Auntie Nelly).

Roy & Peggy were married at Ellesborough Church (the church bells were not allowed during this time because of War), and this was just 20 days before her 18th birthday. Due to her young age, she was classed as a "Minor", therefore, permission had to be granted by

the Bishop of Oxford for them to be wed on the 10th December 1942.

Roy was ultimately called up to serve in the 2nd World War. He was initially in the home guard because of his "Reserved occupation" employed as a baker. But then Roy was sent off to fight for the British Army overseas against Hitler. Peggy was left at home to tend for their only daughter Margaret during this period.

After the war was over, Roy returned home and the family rented a Nissen Hut to live in which was located on what is now part of the Ellesborough Golf course. Peggy would collect the empty flour sacks from Roy courtesy of the Baker's where he had returned to earn a living to support his family. Peggy would wash, dry, and then sew them together to make "Rag Rugs" for furnishing their own home. Rationing was still in force for many years after the 2nd World War, and these essential skills and handicrafts remained invaluable and important to her for many decades to come. They stayed here in the Nissen Hut for a further 3 to 4 years until a house was built at number 4 Elm Close, Butlers Cross, which the family moved into with Margaret and their then very young second daughter Jessica now being the latest addition to their growing family.

A larger house was soon needed when a baby boy named Roland (after Peggy's own Father) came along some 6 years later, and a move to number 12 Elm Close then followed. Peggy continued to look after children throughout her entire working life. She had her own children and responsibilities at home, as well as being employed carrying out domestic duties for several local families who could certainly make use of her skills and services in their homes. A few of these families would later become dear friends as well as employers. This included Elsa Logsdail, who was the younger sister of the famous author Roald Dahl. She would spend over 20 years working for Elsa, but afterwards they spent far more years together as close companions, and as very good friends.

To celebrate Roy & Peggy's 50th Wedding anniversary, their children, Margaret, Jess, Roland & Andy organised a special "Surprise" to mark this memorable milestone - unbeknown to them, they enjoyed a celebration courtesy of Ellesborough Church but this time the bells did ring for them. Peggy loved this, no doubt she would have shed a tear or two as she sipped her Champagne

Peggy Jeffries - A Tribute (continued)

During the September of 1994 a special trip to Antwerp was organised, where Peggy accompanied Roy as they had been invited to attend the 50th anniversary "Liberation Celebrations" and they both spent an enjoyable 4 days in Belgium where the Regiment in which he served were given the freedom of the City of Antwerp.

Our beloved Roy sadly passed away after fighting cancer on the 23rd March 1999.

After Roy's passing, Peggy continued to live at her family home, number 12 Elm Close, Butlers Cross. She loved to read, she loved to go walking, she appreciated the arts and of course, she loved her garden and her fish pond. She especially loved seeing her family, her grandchildren, great grandchildren, and her friends.

Sadly, after being diagnosed with Vascular Dementia in 2007, many of these activities and pleasures enjoyed during her lifetime became more difficult for her as the years passed. In 2014 due to her deteriorating medical condition, and only wanting the very best of care for their mother, Margaret, Jessica, Roland and Andrew collectively took what would have been a very difficult, yet necessary decision to have Peggy looked after full time at Freemantle Court Care Home in Stoke Mandeville. A loving, caring residential care environment for the elderly which was at the time a "Brand new development" not far from her old family home in Butlers Cross. This is where she had been looked after by the professional team at Freemantle so very well until her peaceful passing on the 24th April 2019 - she was 94 years old.

St. Peter & St. Paul, Ellesborough

The Parish Lunch

In aid of church funds

will be held at Butlers Cross Village Hall

on

Sunday 17th November 2019

Tickets £14

Tickets will be available from 1st October

from PCC members

Wine and Soft Drinks available

Stop Single-Use Plastic

Sweeney's Budgens plan to be at the forefront of stopping single use plastics. Hopefully you will have seen some of our first steps in store, but there is much more to come.

1. Recycling

We have introduced recycle bins at the front of the store.

Fruit and Vegetable clear plastic packaging can be removed by customers once they have passed through the checkouts and we now have bins to recycle this plastic and associated cardboard wrapping. This is only available for fruit and veg products currently.

We have the facility to return to our distribution depot cling film, so customers can return to us CLEAN cling and place in the recycling bin provided. We also offer in association with TerraCycle a bin to recycle all brands of crisp packaging. In addition we provide a bin to recycle batteries.

2. Fruit and Vegetables

We stock a range of loose fruit and vegetables and have introduced paper bags to replace the plastic bags. If customers get behind buying more loose fruit and veg, we will be able to expand the range even further. We would like to stock more but we are mindful about preventing food waste from unsold products.

3. Bakery

Most of the bread and cakes we 'bake off' in store are unpacked and likewise most of our Rex Bakery (not sliced) is sold without packaging. Recyclable paper bags are available for customers that require packaging. Again, we are investigating how to increase this unpacked range even further.

4. Meat and Black Plastic Trays

Local farm shop, Kings Farm has been at the forefront of tackling the use of the dreaded black tray packaging (which is not recyclable). Kings Farm meat sold in Sweeney's Budgens is now sold in new biodegradable trays.

The majority of 'Farm Fresh' and 'Discover the Choice' fresh meat is now sold in clear plastic trays that can be recycled.

5. Tea

96% of tea bags sold contains plastic. Brew Tea Co, packaging is fully recyclable, including the tea bag. Their tea bags are made from soilon and the clear inner bags are made from Nature Flex both of which can get recycled in your Food Waste Bin. Clipper are plastic free, un-bleached and no GM pillow tea bags. Tea Pigs Made from corn-starch and 100% biodegradable - you can pop them in with your food waste collection where they will break down within 12 weeks (best avoid putting them in home compost, as they do need high heat and pressure to break down - which won't be met at home). They have also switched the inner plastic bag to a new wonder material called Natureflex which is made from wood pulp and suitable for home composting.

6. Plastic Water Bottles

We stock 'CanO Water'. CanO Water is an infinitely recyclable alternative to plastic bottles. Recycle your can and it will be back on the shelf in as little as 6 weeks. The can is also refillable and resealable. In addition to this, customers can request for their reusable water bottles to be filled up in store. Larger size waters are available in glass bottles.

7. Cleaning Products

We stock 'Method' range of cleaning products. Not only is Method cruelty free and environmentally friendly, Method leads the industry in the use of 100% recycled plastic in their cleaning and hand wash packaging. Alongside this, we stock the well-known Ecover products and we are about to expand the range.

8. Prepared Meals and Black Plastic Trays

Cook has moved its kids' meals from black plastic trays into easily recycled cardboard ones. Side dishes will follow imminently, and the two-portion meals change over later this year.

The Mediterranean Pie (Vegetarian) ready meals, made locally in Thame, have no black plastic trays.

Quorn (meat free) and Cauldron (vegan) also have clear plastic trays.

9. Wycombe District Council (WDC)

We will shortly be introducing containers and bags that look like plastic but are compostable. This is great news for those that make compost at home but unfortunately WDC does not accept these materials in the Garden or Compost bins and these containers must be placed in General Waste. We would encourage you to contact WDC or any of our local representatives to see if they will change this procedure and help save the planet from plastics.

We have many more very exciting developments to reduce single use plastics, so be vigilant when you are in the shop.

The Kimbles PCC

*All Saints, Little Kimble
St. Nicholas, Great Kimble*

Fundraising Events - 2019/2020

*14th September - Buckinghamshire Historic Churches
- Ride and Stride*

September - Gift Day Envelopes

12th October - Harvest Lunch

26th October - Quiz Night

29th February 2020 - Wick Trimmers & Poetry Evening

25th April 2020 - Aylesbury Opera - Opera Pops

Events planned - dates not yet confirmed:

John Hampden talk

Further Events Planned - see next edition

*Tickets available from Julia Northway (01844 342112)
and all PCC Members*

Please support our events - all proceeds to church funds

Wendover Art Club

Meetings are held on Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the Library Room, Wendover unless otherwise stated. There is an entry charge of £5 for visitors who are non-members.

September

11th AGM. When we've heard all the reports, accepted the accounts and elected the new Committee, we have a chance to socialise and discuss matters of import.

25th Mark Fennell RBSA, will be demonstrating his approach to portraiture with one of our members as his model. Mark paints mostly in oils and for portraits in the studio, but does enjoy the challenge of painting outdoors and capturing the light over landscapes.

October

9th This will be our chance to take what we have learnt from Mark Fennell and develop a portrait from our own photographs in our choice of medium.

23rd Susan Gray, a very popular local painter, will be demonstrating in acrylics. As Susan has been to us several times we are leaving the choice of subject to her. Rest assured it will be an enjoyable and informative evening.

November

13th Working evening along the theme of water and flowers.

27th A little relaxation with a DVD. Although this may not sound very inspiring it is a chance to watch an experienced and accomplished artist at work, one that we might not be able to see in real life.

December

11th Our Christmas Party. A chance for Members to let their hair down and indulge in a little light hearted quizzing over some refreshments.

A VISIT FROM ALPACAS



Alpacas are a rare sight in nursing homes. But here they are (see photo) visiting the Leonard Pulham Nursing Home in Halton. They even looked in on residents who wanted to see them but couldn't leave their rooms.

Events like this are an everyday part of life for Liz Jones, who has just celebrated 26 years as Activities Organizer at Leonard Pulham. Repeated inspections have praised the activities and stimulation provided for residents. Liz's role is crucial but she insists it's a team effort involving nurses and all support staff. It is not just that everyone is respected as an individual;

she says, "Our residents look forward to the interaction and activities. If their personal routines aren't followed sympathetically, they won't have a sense of well-being and they won't welcome the activity - and getting involved is always a choice for our residents".

Some of the activities on offer are what you might expect: quiz afternoons, whist drives, knitting circles, visits from Pets as Therapy dogs, entertainers. Perhaps more unusual are the interaction with local schools, visiting DJs, seated dancing, Tai Chi, exotic animals as well as a visit from Alpacas.

Liz, who lives locally, also take residents out on trips often using the Wendover Community Car and she and her two assistants spend time with residents who choose to leave their rooms only rarely. Everyday there is something going on. But Liz insists "There is no pressure, no cajoling. After all this is their home and you choose what to do in your own home".

In addition to Liz and her assistants, there are volunteers who help with quizzes, bingo etc. and act as befrienders. All of this takes detailed coordination but also imagination. "You have to try things and not everything works - an Elvis impersonator didn't - so you also have to have a sense of humour".

Caring for the whole person and not just providing for physical needs, is clearly a team effort. But no one would deny the contribution that Liz and her team makes to the well-being of Leonard Pulham residents.

Ellesborough Parish Council

Further Meetings scheduled for 2019 are as follows:

16 September, 7.30 Dunsmore Village Hall

18 November, 7.30 Ellesborough Parish Hall

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Speedwatch

We have taken possession of our Sentinel speedwatch equipment and have met with PC Turnham and we will shortly be out on the roadside having a practice run! If you are interested in taking part and helping please send your details to Rex Norris Parish Clerk.

Remembrance Day Service – Sunday 10 November

This year the Church service will start at 10am allowing us to meet at the War Memorial at the Village Hall at 11am bringing us in line with the rest of the Country. Our thanks to all involved in the discussions allowing this to happen.

Affordable Housing

Isobel Wright from Hastoe attended our last meeting, and informed us that all terms have been agreed with the landowner. Their architect is currently drawing up plans for the scheme. Isobel is going to advise us on timescales and will organize a consultation event for all to attend.

HS2

Vernon Loo, the Community Engagement Officer for our area, attended our last meeting with a member of the planning team from the main contractors Eiffage Kier JV (EK). We were shown plans for road alterations at Nash Lee Road and the Terrick roundabout. The meeting firmly rejected this proposal, as it will not solve the problem of the width of the road at the cottages with the types of vehicles anticipated to use the road.

We continue to support a relief road north of the cottages, which was proposed to the Houses of Commons and Lords.

Traffic plans for our area are yet to be produced and numbers of lorries are not known. Furthermore, we have some concerns that there may be increased traffic through Dunsmore due to the proposed traffic lights controlling traffic on the Wendover Road as it approaches Wendover. Please read the minutes of our last meeting, which go into more detail.

We are meeting with Nicola Gotzheim from EK, hopefully at the end of August and then, with Wendover and Stoke Mandeville Parishes, we meet with Vernon Loo in September. We will keep you updated.

Village Hedgerows and Paths

A gentle reminder to all who live alongside footpaths to keep their hedges and footpaths clear for all who use them. Also, on occasions footpaths have been blocked by parked cars, making it impossible for pedestrians to pass safely, I would ask us all to be considerate when parking.

Village Party

A huge thanks to Councillor McGrail and his team for making this year's Village BBQ a huge success. Thanks also to the Chiltern Brewery for the supply of drinks and Buckmoore Farm for the delicious food.

A reminder for those who have not yet passed their e-mail details to the Parish Clerk, you may miss out on important Parish news.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 16th September in the Village Hall in Dunsmore, please remember you are welcome to attend the meeting should you wish to discuss something.

Debra Panikkar Chair.

Planning Applications for Ellesborough Parish 14 May 19 – 14 August 19

For further information, contact Wycombe District Council 01494 461000 Website wycombe.gov.uk or the Parish Clerk, 01296 615821, clerk@ellesborough.org.uk quoting the application number shown below.

Application No	Address	Brief Description of Application	Decision
19/05752/FUL	21 Chalkshire Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for construction of 1 x rear dormer window.	Application Permitted.
19/06035/FUL	Coombe House, Wendover Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for demolition of existing conservatory and construction of single storey side extension with associated landscape works, single storey side extension to existing kitchen including raising part of flat roof, single storey rear extension to dwelling, 1 x dormer window with juliet balcony at first floor and garden room with associated patio.	Application Permitted.
19/06126/FUL	Boxfield, Ellesborough Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for construction of new pitched roof to existing bathroom extension.	Application Permitted.
19/06809/PNP6A	OS Parcel 2800, Chalkshire Road, Butlers Cross.	Prior Notification Application (Part 6, Class A) to erect 100sqm single storey agricultural barn.	Details not required to be submitted.
19/06783/CLP	Marlswood, Ellesborough Road, Butlers Cross.	Certificate of lawfulness for proposed single storey rear extension.	Awaiting Decision.
19/06677/FUL	Orchard House, Risborough Road, Terrick.	Application for construction of single storey rear infill extension and alterations to fenestrations.	Awaiting Decision.
19/06642/CLP	Chalkstone, Wendover Road, Butlers Cross.	Certificate of lawfulness for proposed installation of solar collector photo voltaic panels to front roof elevation and an air source heat pump with outdoor compressor unit at ground level.	Awaiting Decision.
19/06691/FUL	Marlswood, Ellesborough Road, Butlers Cross.	Siting of caravan on land for temporary period of two years.	Awaiting Decision.
19/06770/FUL	The Chiltern Brewery, Nash Lee Road, Terrick.	Installation of new building entrance to front, infill extension with erection of roof over part of existing ground floor & first floor extension over remaining mid and rear element. Installation of 4 x condenser units to rear, two new gates to rear & cycle storage racks to front.	Awaiting Decision.
19/05752/FUL	21 Chalkshire Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for construction of two small pitched roof rear dormer windows.	Application Permitted.

The Chiltern Brewery - August 2019

Chiltern Brewery News

There may not have been much of a Summer this year, but that hasn't stopped the fun at The Chiltern Brewery!

Visitors to the brewery have been kept refreshed thanks to the brilliant Session IPA, first brewed in 2018 and made even better for 2019. The use of new UK hop Olicana gives Session IPA a punchy citrus profile that simply can't be beaten. Although Session IPA has finished for this year, Tom Jenkinson, Head Brewer at The Chiltern Brewery, promised us that we will see lots more of it next year...

Tom also told us that 2020 will be "our biggest year yet, as we celebrate our 40th anniversary! We are currently putting the final details on our plans for next year and can't wait to share them with you all."

Visitors to the brewery in August can enjoy Chiltern Gold, a classic English golden ale. September and beyond will see the return of old-favourites Kop Hill Ale, Copper Beech and 300s Old Ale.

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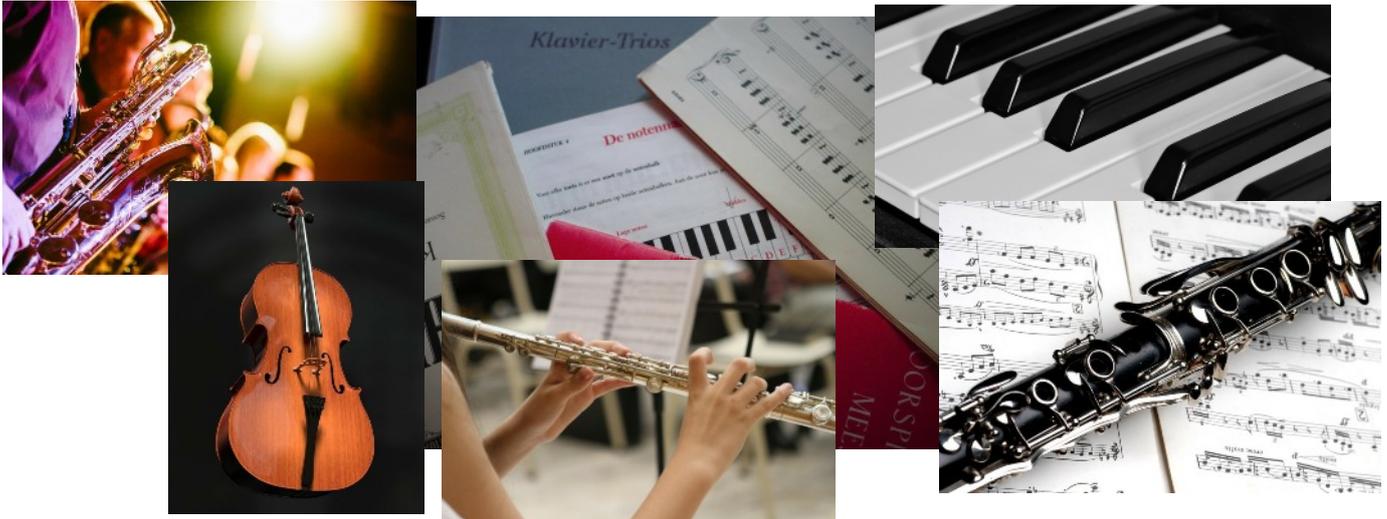
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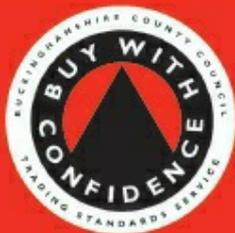
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