

EAST HENDRED *Bulletin*

Holloway to Horn Lane: the 2017 Exhibition at Champs Chapel



'Harvesters Resting' - oil painting by East Hendred artist T.F.M. Sheard 1898

Transport News

Buses will be permanently diverted within Didcot from the 28th May to enable the Orchard Centre to be extended. The existing bus stops at the Orchard Centre will close and buses will use Station Road, with new stops outside the Cornerstone.

Thames Travel have introduced a Hopper ticket, which means it is now much cheaper to make bus journeys that are wholly on Thames Travel or Oxford Bus Company services and which require a change, eg to the JR Hospital. The ticket gives two hours of unlimited travel for £4.20 adult/£3.00 child with as many changes as necessary. Remember that the village has benefited from a half-hourly service Monday to Friday since last July and hourly on Saturdays, but its continued operation depends on it being well used, as Oxfordshire County Council no longer subsidises buses. Direct services operate to Wantage, Grove, Faringdon, Harwell Campus, Didcot, Milton Park, Abingdon and Oxford.

Meanwhile, progress on the Science Vale cycle network appears to have ground to a halt. The parish council will press the new county councillor to ensure progress is made in determining the precise routes and building them, for which money was allocated several years ago.

Once again the Hendred Heritage team led by Jane Parker has produced a fascinating display of life in the last 100 years or so in Newbury Road and Horn Lane.

The Museum is open every Sunday until the end of October from 2:30 to 4:30pm

Read more about it on page 11.

Village Allotments

As you will see from the picture, the verdant Bowling Alley allotments create a pleasing sight in the village, as we head into the summer months. Our 23 allotment holders have been working all hours, it seems, to maximise the benefits of renting a plot. The mid-May rain showers were welcomed by many, to reduce the need to trudge between standpipe and plot with watering cans in hand. Whilst on this subject, I was given a tip by a local gardener some years ago, which I will share. Buy two identical watering cans, fill them to the same level and carry one in each hand to balance yourself; it is much better for you.

Renting an allotment is also very good for your longevity it appears. The age range of East Hendred's allotmenters is, I'm guessing, somewhere from 30 to 80+. The regular free exercise combined with eating fresh produce must be the secret to their good health. All of our allotments are currently under cultivation, but we do maintain a waiting list, so please contact a member of the Allotments Working Group (details on the last page) if you would like your name added to the list. Happy Growing!

Catherine Shortis



Planning News

The last *Bulletin* noted the three-day hearing for the Greensands appeal which had recently taken place starting on 28th February. A key issue was the 5-year land supply for housing, which although accepted for the Vale District overall was claimed by the appellant to be lacking for the Science Vale area which is a ring-fenced site in the Vale Local Plan. (East Hendred is within the Science Vale area which is an area of economic growth designated as an enterprise zone by central government). The inspector's report was produced after the inquiry and very surprisingly approved plans for the 75 homes, of which 65 are north of the A417. Although the Council claimed that the land supply within the Science Vale area was sufficient for 5 years, the inspector argued that this was marginal and the scheme's contribution to the marginal housing supply was beneficial and outweighed some slight harm to its landscape character, accepting that the site is immediately opposite the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). The Vale District Council is concerned about this decision given its impact on the acceptance of the Local Plan Part 1 and is considering a Judicial Review. The Parish Council is also very disappointed with this decision which seems marginal.

The draft of the Vale's Local Plan Part 2 has been published which lists potential development sites which will contribute to the housing target for the area. Over 20 sites were considered within the East Hendred parish, most of which were within the AONB. These were rejected at this stage with the only site affecting the parish being a proposed development of 1000 houses on the Harwell campus of which perhaps a third would be in our parish

(the remainder would be in Harwell village parish). This site is within the AONB and a similar site was rejected by the inspector for the Vale Local Plan Part 1. It will be interesting to see how the inspector for Part 2 will consider this large development. If it is rejected an alternative site for 1000 houses will need to be found.

As noted in the last *Bulletin* the Parish Council is very concerned about the safe design of a proposed shared foot and cycle way on the south side of the A417 which will allow residents in the third phase of the Pye Homes development to connect to the village facilities. Several residents have supported the Parish Council's concerns given the article in the last *Bulletin* and we have also had a meeting with Ed Vaizey, who has himself expressed concern about the safety of the planned footway after having viewed the site. We are awaiting a response from the Highways Department of the County Council and will continue to campaign get the design improved.

The last *Bulletin* also reported on the progress of the complaint we had raised with the Vale District Council concerning the poor procedures at the Planning Committee meeting at which the Pye 3 application was approved. This has escalated to the Minister for Housing and Planning and we are awaiting a response.

Very recently a consultation has been launched by the County Council to get approval for the 30 mph speed limit on the A417 from Featherbed Lane to a location west of the entrance to the Portway Close houses. The Parish Council is considering seeking an extension of the western end of the speed limit to include the 'Hendred dip' which is a recognised accident spot. The deadline for comments is 2nd June.

East Hendred Community Centre Snells Hall

At the hall committee's AGM in April, we reviewed the past year, which was a successful one for the hall.

Apart from the Hendreds Pre-school, which operates autonomously in its own purpose-built extension, the hall provides a venue for about 380 events per year, for people of all ages and a wide range of interests.

EHCC is a registered charity, independent of any other organisation and funds its operations by charging hire fees. Capital expenditure is funded by grants, wherever possible.

The hall is looked after on a day-to-day basis by the Wardens, Louise Simms and Dan England, who take bookings, keep the hall clean and secure and look after the garden.

The hall has a licenced bar, run by Dave Harper, and has the Gallery and the Committee Room, which are available for meetings and other events for smaller numbers of people.

With a modern kitchen, Wi-fi in all areas, a PA system, stage, lighting bars, a lovely garden with recently-refurbished, brick-built barbecue and all the usual facilities including baby-changing table and wheelchair-accessible WC, the hall is an excellent village amenity and has been available to the community for over forty years.

The hall committee runs the hall on a friendly basis, giving careful attention to matters of safety, administration and maintenance of the building as well as looking after the financial side.

We are looking for more committee members and if you would like to help with running this prime village amenity, please get in touch with the committee at snellshall@hendred.org



Snells Hall Wardens - Lou and Dan

from the chair

We welcomed a better attendance at the Council's annual meeting held at the end of April. This is an annual opportunity for residents to hear what the Council has been doing over the past year and to ask questions. A brief summary of the meeting appears below. Our County Councillor (Stewart Lilly) decided not to stand for the recent County Council elections; he was thanked for his regular attendance at Council meetings. We welcome our new Councillor (Mike Fox-Davies) and hope we can build a good relationship with him, particularly over the recent safety problems we have had with Highway decisions, mainly the planned foot and cycle way on the south side of the A417 (see last *Bulletin*).

Developments continue north of the A417 with the imminent completion of the Pye 2 phase and commencement of the Pye 3 development with two new accesses being opened up from the site to the A417 (Pye only have approval for one access point and the Vale District Council is asking their enforcement team to take action.) The A417 is a very busy road at certain times of the day and carries heavy traffic. Unplanned accesses onto this road are clearly potentially dangerous. We are disappointed that Pye Homes seem prepared to act outside the agreed planning process.

The Council had a presentation from a representative from Thames Water (TW) recently. The main part of this was the potential revival of the large reservoir between Steventon and East Hanney. TW are reviewing their demand requirements for the next 20 years or so and

recognising a shortfall in supply are looking at options, which include the reservoir. Another option is to transport water by pipeline or canal from either the Severn area or from the north of England where there is a more plentiful supply. Draft plans will be submitted later this year. The previous reservoir plan from several years ago was rejected due to a lack of evidence that it was the right option. If built, this reservoir would be one of the three largest areas of inland water in Great Britain. The northern part of East Hendred parish would be relatively close to the southern boundary of the reservoir.

The Council also questioned TW about the capacity of the current village sewage system to cater for the planned developments north of the A417 (Pye phases 1, 2 and 3 are planned to be connected into the northern end of the existing system.) In the past there have been problems with sewage blockages in the Couplings Close/White Road area where the pipework is relatively close to the surface. Removal of surface water in severe storms has also been an issue since in many parts of the village this disposal is via the sewage system.

Consultations continue on the Vale District Council Local Plan Part 2. As noted elsewhere the impact of the selected sites on our parish is mainly from the 1000 houses proposed for the Harwell campus, which if approved could lead to one-third of these in our parish. The infrastructure required to service this large development is likely to be on-site. The proposed site includes the area where there were originally around 70 prefabs (Aldfield site), all of which were in our parish. These were built in the 1950's at the time the Harwell site was developing; they were demolished 30 years ago.

John Sharp

Parish Council Annual Meeting

The meeting was held in Snells Hall on April 27th. It was better attended than previous annual meetings, perhaps encouraged by the offer of a glass of wine and cheese at the beginning. The chairman (John Sharp) gave a brief introduction to the Council's activities over the past year, noting that the Council was now up to full strength. The County Councillor was retiring at the forthcoming election and was thanked for regular attendance at Council meetings. A precept of £31,000 for the year 2016/17 had been decided, taking account of reduced funds from the County Council. Planning had been a major activity over the past year with over 40 individual applications to be considered. These included several for new housing; in particular the application for Pye phase 3 for 46 houses, which had been approved, despite objections from many villagers and the Parish Council. The Clerk (Julia Evans) outlined the finances of the Council over the year, with major expenditures on maintaining the village facilities, playgrounds, staff costs (including the cost of the lengthman) and grants to village and other organisations.

Charles Pappenheim described progress over the year with courtesy lighting, the *Bulletin*, website and village maintenance. An increased amount of the courtesy lighting

was provided by LED type lights with a significant reduction in running costs, as well as longer life for the bulbs.

Catherine Shortis outlined the progress in managing the allotments and the children's play facilities in the village. Stephen Webb described the transport requirements, including the bus services and reported some progress in deciding on local cycle routes. Andy Williams also presented a brief update on issues affecting the Hendred's part of Rowstock. John Sharp also noted recent activities with the Harwell Stakeholder Group of which East Hendred is a member.

Brief presentations were also made by those organisations receiving grants in the past year which included Snells Hall (new tables and chairs), Parochial Church Council (grant towards grass cutting in the churchyard), Sports Club (replacement equipment) and Hendreds Twinning group (assistance towards the individual charges for children travelling to Sarceaux). Written accounts of last year's activities of both village schools were available and briefly outlined.

The Pye phase 3 development includes 'affordable' housing. At the meeting it was pointed out that SOHA will give priority to local residents who wish to buy houses through shared ownership. See the advertisement on page 10 for contact details.

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1st Cuckhamsley Scout Group is going through a very exciting growth period with vibrant Beaver, Cub and Scout packs and adult volunteers, all meeting in Snells Hall, East Hendred each week.

We are now seeking a volunteer Group Scout Leader to support our adult leaders so that we ensure children and young people can continue to access all the fun, challenges, development and adventure that Scouting has to offer!

This manager-type role is about ensuring the effective running of our local Scout group, primarily working with our adult volunteers, parents of the group and the voluntary Scout Committee.

No previous experience of Scouting is needed but rather a people-focussed, enthusiastic attitude to support, guide and motivate our adult leaders to ensure our group sustains the ability to thrive develop further.

If you think you have the skills and appetite to help or are curious to find out more on how you can put something back into the community and leave a legacy for our future generations, please do get in touch.

Contact Chris MacGillivray-Edwards
(1st Cuckhamsley Committee Member)
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Farming Focus

The weather has been the overriding concern over the last couple of months. The winter period since October has generally been drier than usual and soil moisture stocks have therefore not been fully replenished. Following this, the period since mid-March has been exceptionally dry, and, with crops and grass growing strongly during this time, the soil moisture deficit is now starting to build alarmingly.

Spring droughts are much more damaging for us than they were a few years ago. Our crops were predominantly autumn planted and had the winter period to develop good root systems which enabled the plants to tolerate dry conditions in the spring.

We now have a much bigger proportion of spring planted crops. This is driven mainly by the need to control blackgrass, which is a serious weed that germinates mainly in the autumn, and which has become resistant to all available in-crop chemical control methods. By spring planting we can allow the weed to germinate and grow overwinter and kill it with Glyphosate total herbicide before we plant the spring crops.

These spring-planted crops have a much shorter growing season and need good soil moisture conditions so that they can grow rapidly and fulfil their yield potential.

It seems that climate change is giving us much more erratic weather patterns and it will become increasingly important to establish crops with minimal soil disturbance so that we don't 'fritter away' the stock of soil moisture with excessive cultivations before planting. Luckily our controlled traffic, scratch till system is already pretty good in this regard.

The dry weather has been welcome for the sheep flock, who have just finished lambing. As always this was done outside in the fields with minimal intervention. We were a bit worried pre-lambing that quite a few ewes might prolapse as they were in very good body condition and carrying a lot of fat reserves. As it turned out we only had a couple of prolapses which were easily dealt with.

The dry conditions have reduced grass growth and to ensure we have enough grass later in the summer we have had to graze the area of grass which was allocated for haymaking. Even so we will still be possibly short of grass by June/July and will be glad of the ewe's fat reserves which they will burn off to help produce enough milk for their lambs.

Julian Gold, Farm Manager, Hendred Estate

A few days after Julian had written this, the heavens opened and about 35mm of rain fell in 4 days. Better late than never!

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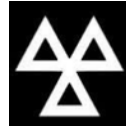
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The Hendreds Tennis Club Growing The Hendreds Game

The temperature might have been on the low side but spirits certainly weren't for the first of the 2017 junior tennis coaching sessions at The Hendreds Tennis Club.

The coaching sessions that ran between 5 and 8pm saw the start of an 11-week course being delivered by Tom Gibbons of *Growing the Game*. The time was split into three hourly-sessions that were tailored according to age group, with the first group being the smallest in terms of years (Reception to Year 2) and the coach-to-player ratio. Their size did not deter their enthusiasm.

The second (Years 3-5) and third (Years 6-11) groups were put through their paces with a number of footwork drills, before moving onto forehand and serving practice. Both sessions ended with a fiercely competitive game of 'Killer' where players took turns to hit forehand returns to

the coach, with the last remaining player being given the option to save their teammates who'd failed to return the ball, or beat the coach in a 1:1 playoff.

It was a wonderful sight to see such a high and enthusiastic turnout on our village courts. Let's hope the energy levels of the adult players don't let the side down when their lessons start in June!

Opportunities for all

If you are interested in tennis coaching for yourself, your children, parents, grandparents, or neighbours, do get in touch with the club at play@hendredstennis.co.uk. If we can't offer you something straight away, we may be able to offer you something in the future.

And don't feel deterred by injuries, fitness levels or age, as there are alternative forms of the game available that may suit you. Do let us know if this could be of interest to you.

Sport at St. Amand's School

Sport at St. Amand's is really fun! It is an amazing school. All of the children are kind, friendly, helpful and well behaved. Our PE teacher is Mrs Duggan, she is an amazing teacher. She used to be the deputy head teacher she then retired, but LOVED our school so much that she couldn't keep away, so she became our PE teacher!!! Sports include netball, gymnastics, tennis, football, dance, cross country (which is running a few laps around our field, but that's just the training!) - cross country is actually a tournament which we train for and compete with other local primary schools in the summertime! We do PE every Wednesday after lunch when you're in the higher end of the school and in the morning in the lower end of the school.

The higher end of the school do PE on a Thursday as well, at the moment we are doing football with Miss Bush and Mr Kennedy, they make PE lessons really fun!! We've also done fencing, gymnastics and ballroom dancing with our old PE teacher Mr Shorter.

There are clubs that take place after school! They are mostly for children from Rabbits class (age 6-7), Hedgehogs class (age 7-8), up to Red Kites class (age 10-11). They are really good and we do lots of extra activities including gymnastics, football, volley ball, netball, basketball, table tennis, chess club... and also tennis in the summer which Mrs Duggan teaches.

Once a year we have sports day. The whole school gets into their house teams and takes part in different sporting activities. At the end, whichever team has the most points wins and gets a medal. The sports that we take part in are things like the sprint, the relay race, long jump, obstacle course, throwing a beanbag as far as we can, bouncing tennis balls on a tennis racket for as long as we can, running with a wet sponge and seeing which team fills up the bucket the most! There is also a sibling's race, parent's race, teacher's race and lots more!!!

Estella Reeve Year 5



Netball team



Year 5 and 6 girls

Forest School

St. Amand's Forest School is fun and interesting because we can build dens and climb trees, we can see wild rabbits and find mini beasts to hold, and we get hot chocolate and biscuits! We learn how to tell if a plant or a flower is prickly and what rabbit holes look like.

I would like it even more if there was a rope swing

and if we could hold the wild rabbits.

Beatrice Reeve, Year 1



East & West Hendred Cricket Club

Senior Cricket - The 2017 Cricket season has just started. E&WHCC still run two Saturday league teams, a Sunday friendly side and a mid-week 20/20 league team. New players, young and old, are always welcome.

Junior Cricket - Due to popularity last year, we will be increasing to 3 junior teams this season at u11, u13 and u15 age groups. League games will be on Sunday mornings and mid week evenings. Training will be on Friday evenings 6:00-7:30pm. Coaching will be available for 9 to 15 year olds providing organised active team sport for boys and girls.

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St Augustine's Church



St Augustine's Church fete was held at the church a warm 27th May. A good number of people enjoyed the various stalls, delicious teas, music by the Hendred Ukulele Group and various games, including Splat the Rat and the increasingly famous East Hendred Micro Golf.

Gala Concert by 'Musical Banquet'

Saturday 24th June, 7.00pm in St Augustine's Church.

The ensemble 'Musical Banquet' have been performing since 2007 in venues including Dorchester Abbey, Winchester College, Lindisfarne and the Scottish castles of Brodie and Drum. Their passion is for Early Music and they will play a selection of pieces from the 16th to the 18th centuries featuring composers such as Henry Purcell, Thomas Morley, Thomas Campion, Giovanni Croce, Hans Hassler and others. Tickets (£10 each including a drink, no concessions, children free) will be available beforehand or at the door. Refreshments available in the interval – donations invited; in aid of the church.

Don't forget our coffee mornings in St Augustine's church from 10:30am on the last Wednesday in the month – that's Wednesdays 28th June and 26th July (we take a break in August). Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee, cake and a chat. Even if you are not a regular churchgoer, do come along.

St Mary's Catholic Church

The fifty days of Eastertide drew to a close with the feast of Pentecost on 4th June and we look ahead to the great feast days of the summer. For us, in East Hendred Catholic Parish, the next big event is Sunday 18th June, when we celebrate Corpus Christi, the gift of Jesus Christ of himself in Holy Communion. Large parishes muster town centre processions – there is one that goes right through the centre of Oxford and attracts hundreds of participants. Smaller parishes, like ours, celebrate differently. For us it will be the occasion when more than a dozen youngsters receive their First Communion. For this, there is a year's preliminary instruction and so it will be a real achievement for these children and their families when they are presented at the altar on Sunday 18th June. Most of the children are from St Amand's

School and, on Monday 19th June, they will appear once more in their finery for the School Mass.

On Corpus Christi, many families will be having special lunches and parties and so it is one of the occasions when St Patrick's, East Ilsley, has an earlier Mass and the Mass at St Mary's is at 11am, rather than the usual 9.30am. Because families are celebrating together, we then arrange, for a later date, a barbecue for the new communicants.

There are similar arrangements a couple of months later for St Mary's annual Patronal and Consecration Festival. Accordingly, on Sunday 13th August we shall be celebrating the Assumption of Our Lady with another 11am Mass, followed by an al fresco lunch.

My prayers for you and your families for an enjoyable and peaceful summer.

Fr Andrew

Ride and Stride

Looking ahead, the annual Ride and Stride sponsored church crawl this year is on Saturday 9th September. Churches of all denominations across the county and beyond, including all three churches in our village – St Augustine's, St Mary's, and St Amand's chapel in Hendred House – will be open to visitors on foot or bike. The money raised by sponsorship is split between the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust and the church of your choice. There are opportunities for the less energetic as well, to welcome visitors to the churches and serve refreshments.

Hendreds Twinning Group

Our Feast of Local Food (a delicious and varied Sunday lunch) in late March was a very successful fund-raising event as well as being enjoyed by the 60 diners. Julian Gold (Hendred Estate Manager) was a very interesting after-lunch speaker, talking about the benefits of their sustainable and "high-tec" modern farming techniques.

The proceeds gave a good boost to the Twinning Group's funds, assisting the offer of very subsidised places to accompanied school-age children going on the July visit to Normandy.

The weekend exchange visit to Sarceaux in early July will celebrate the 20th. anniversary of signing the Charter with this village near Argentan in Normandy. Everyone will be accommodated with French families, giving all a unique insight into French family life. A special celebratory meal is planned, complete with a firework display. Our group of 24 local residents and families will travel by coach from East Hendred to Sarceaux via the Portsmouth-Caen ferry. Our ages range from 8 to 81.

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The Village Museum Opens with New Summer 2017 Exhibition

Champs Chapel Museum of
East Hendred, in
Chapel Square

Open every Sunday
2:30 to 4:30pm

April 30th until October 29th 2017

Entry is free

The village museum opened on 30th April with its new summer 2017 exhibition entitled from 'Holloway to Horn Lane'. It is the fifth in the on-going 'Secret History of Your Street' project, and this year it focuses on Newbury Road and Horn Lane at the south end of the village.



Photograph of the opening on Sunday 30th April 2017

East Hendred with its ancient cottages and medieval streets has a wonderful historic spirit of place. Every street has its own particular identity within the village so we never feel we are repeating ourselves and this year's exhibition is no exception. Very excitingly, five years into the project, we are beginning to see the shape of an added dimension to the architectural sense of place. The stories that we find hiding in the walls of our Hendred homes display glimpses of the deeper connective spirit of the village community that really makes East Hendred the place that it is.

In Newbury Road at the turn of the 20th century there were two Edwardian painters of some national importance. They painted the rural life around them as if they knew they were waving a nostalgic goodbye to the old 19th century way of life whilst the 20th century brought two world wars, declining agricultural employment and the disposable society all of which changed Hendred life forever.

The exhibition charts how people responded to the changes and the adaptations they made to their lives.

Some commuted. Some worked at the race stables that opened up in the various disused farmyards in the village – two in Newbury Road. And in some ways life got easier: health and welfare, education, running water, electricity and the telephone were all new benefits of 20th century life. And for the tin cans and other new disposable items, the village got a communal dump at the top of Newbury Road in 1921, which stayed open until the 1930s when the council started collecting household rubbish in lorries. Life for most of us is undoubtedly better than it would have been over 100 years ago.

The exhibition looks back to lives gone and is a trip down memory lane. But don't pass it over as simply nostalgia: the secret history exhibition series helps us as a village to look forward to a positive future. It shows us that our village is constantly changing and evolving and has been for centuries. It also shows us that underneath this history of change and disruption, the community spirit of people in the village always remains as a shining constant.

We protect buildings by listing their significances. But as the

exhibition shows, not all of our valuables are in the architecture. As a village we could also choose to put a significant value on the invisible connective threads that make up our Hendred life. But in order to protect those threads we need to know what they are. Whether you have lived in East Hendred all your life or are newcomers, come and see our latest exhibition and help us learn what makes East Hendred such a special place to live in. If we know what we have, we can hold on to it and treasure it and pass its specialness on to generations to come.

Please come to the Museum and see the exhibition. Entry is free and the Museum is open 2.30-4.30pm every Sunday until 29th October at Champs Chapel (next to the Wheatsheaf Pub) in Chapel Square, East Hendred.

**PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR
VILLAGE MUSEUM**

**Your support is invaluable to us
and there are lots of ways you can
help.**

Come to the Museum for more details or contact Sonia Roberts on 01235 821796 after 6pm.

Springline Productions

Come and join the **Community Choir** for a performance at the "More than just a Beer Festival" in West Hendred on 17th June at around 3pm. **No Audition – Just Fun!**

There will be just 2 rehearsals at Snells Hall – you need to attend both:

Sunday 11th June from 3 to 6pm and

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Stop Press: Dick Whittington

The Panto is returning with rehearsals from October 2107 and four performances in January 2018.

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Downs Golden Age

Summer must be nearly here as our winter lunches are over and we are back to tea time meetings. On 9th March, Phil and Janet Harrison came for their annual visit to tell us about their travels. This time they gave an extremely interesting talk called "Guilin to Hong Kong". On 6th April we had a special Easter Tea with Hot Cross Buns, an Easter bonnet competition and a talk by Jane Stubbs on 'Corsets, Crinolines and Mangles'. Sadly there was not a large entry for the Easter bonnets. Judge Betty Holliday awarded 1st prize to Vicki's wonderfully created hat and a special 'Junior' prize to Raffie Jones, Susie's granddaughter, who had come to join in the tea. We had a very successful Bridge Day on Monday 13th March which, despite having fewer tables, still managed to raise a lot of money for the club. On 11th May, we had a talk on 'Hilarious Hats'.

Our annual tea at Hendred House is on 8th June – Election Day. We have planned an outing to Slimbridge on Thursday 22nd June, leaving East Hendred at 10:30. This outing is FREE for members and £20 for non members. To book your place please ring Gaby on 831065

The DGA meets on the first Thursday of the month at Snells Hall and we always welcome new members and guests. Its only £12 per year and that covers all the lunches and teas, speakers and subsidised outings. For more information please ring Susie on 833797 or email susie@monkscourt.co.uk



East & West Hendred WI

With Spring well and truly here and Summer on the way we have had and look forward to some really enjoyable and informative meetings. In April we had a talk on *The Antarctic – In the Wake of Scott and Shackleton*. Iain McCoubrey had been on a trip to the area and as well as viewing all the wild life had seen some of the places and dwellings used by these two men. It was fascinating. In May we heard about the Queen's Helicopters. In June we have a talk on medical detection dogs and in July we will be finding out about our jewellery and how to take care of it.

We also have events outside our meetings (extra curricular) like a Pimms and Puddings Evening, we have sports activities and a Quiz Night is being arranged for October to raise funds for this year's Charity.

If anyone is interested in coming along to our meetings please email jen@wpj.me.uk or visit our Website www.hendredswi.com



SUMMER IS HERE – JOIN THE WALKING GROUP!

We are a very friendly group who meet every Wednesday at 9.30 am usually at Snells Hall and always welcome a new face! We set out whatever the weather!

Our walks are usually from 2 to 2 ½ hours (about five miles) and nearly always include a coffee break! Shorter walks can always be arranged! Dogs welcome as well.

Approximately once a month we do a longer 10 mile walk with a pub lunch.

If you want to join us it's always best to ring or email first so that you know the length of the walk and sometimes we start somewhere different! So no excuses now that summer is here! Susie - 833797 susie@monkscourt.co.uk



WI member, Lesley Hunter with Prince Harry at 'The Patron's Lunch' celebrating the Queen's patronage of over 600 charities on the occasion of her Majesty's 90th birthday.

Hendred Stores News

As well as running Hendred Stores seven days a week, Martin and Louise Johnson are very active supporters of their chosen charities. Congratulations to Louise, who completed a five mile run on 26th March in just over an hour. She made over £200 for the Children's Hospice. Once again Louise and Martin are taking part in the London to Brighton Bike Ride on 18th June. The ride is in aid of the British Heart Foundation

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Planning Matters

P14/V2258/O – South Drive, Harwell. Outline permission to demolish the existing properties on the site and develop up to 120 new homes. The PC requested improvements to cycle routes and bus services to enhance transport links to the site. Awaiting decision by the Vale.

P15/V2328/O - Mather House White Road and Greensands. Outline proposal for 10 homes on the Mather House site and 65 homes on the Greensands site. Following refusal of planning permission, this application went to appeal, which was heard in March. The appeal was upheld, but it is expected that the Vale will seek judicial review of the decision. See page 2.

P15/V2560/FUL – Pye Homes phase 3. Proposal for a further 48 new dwellings on land north of the A417 east of Portway Villas. The PC objected on the grounds of harm to the AONB and impact on the A417. The proposal includes a narrow walkway/cycleway, along the A417 at the junction with White Road, which the PC considers to be dangerous and is pursuing it. Permission granted.

P16/V3195/HH - Bramley House, Featherbed Lane. Application for erection of 2m high sound barrier fence. PC objected to the siting of the fence. New plans were submitted which moved the fence. The PC had no objection. Permission granted.

P17/V0090/HH - 7 Croom Cottages, Wantage Road, Rowstock. Application for the erection of an Ancillary Granny Annex. The PC did not object but raised concerns about the size of the proposed building and the need for an additional parking space. A condition was requested to tie the building in to the main house. Permission granted.

P17/V0306/LDP - The Cobb, Muster Point, Featherbed Lane. Application for the temporary siting of a mobile home. This application is made under Permitted Development. The PC will not be consulted. Permission granted.

P17/V0558/HH and P17/V0559/LB – White Cottage, Cat Street. Application for new link corridor and conversion of outbuildings & garage to living accommodation. The PC had no objection to this application. Permission granted.

P17/V0734/HH – Ascension Cottage, Horn Lane. Application to convert existing garage to art studio, add garden room, storage shed and patio. The PC did not object but requested that the conversion remain subservient to the main dwelling. Permission granted.

P17/V0736/HH - Brambles, Rowstock. Application for demolition of existing conservatory to make way for single storey extension, internal alterations and a proposed vehicular access from A417. The PC objected to the new access onto the A417. Awaiting decision by the Vale.

P17/V0887/FUL - Orchard House, White Road. Application for the development of three new dwellings. PC objected on the grounds that the proposal was too large and out of character with the area. Application withdrawn.

P17/V1033/HH - Little Mulfords, Church Street. Application for a gazebo in the garden. The PC had no objection. Awaiting decision by the Vale.

P17/V1095/A - Sheephouse Barn, Reading Road. Application for Advertisement consent for Erection of signs. Under consideration by the PC.

P17/V1164/LB - Manor House, Allins Lane. Application for alterations to first floor layout; insertion of new ground floor window. No PC objection. Awaiting decision by the Vale.

Parish Council

Council meetings are held in Snells Hall at 7:30pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. An Open Forum, in which parishioners may ask questions, starts at 8pm.

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Planning Matters cont.

P17/V1261/HH - Bramley House Featherbed Lane. Application for proposed replacement outbuilding comprising garages, tractor storage, gym, games room and tack room. Under consideration by the PC.

P17/V1276/HH - Ivy House Horn Lane. Application for New dormer to rear elevation to increase size of existing en-suite bathroom. Revise internal layout to main bathroom. Under consideration by the PC.

P17/V1324/HH – Chapel Meadow, Ford Lane. Application for sun lounge and car port. Under consideration by the PC.

P17/V1440/HH - 5 Mt Pleasant Cottages. Application for formation of habitable room in roof space with rear facing roof light. Under consideration by the PC.

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June to 2017

June

8th DGA Tea
 17th Springline Choir, West Hendred
 18th Corpus Christi, St Mary's
 22nd DGA outing to Slimbridge
 24th Gala Concert by 'Musical Banquet'
 St Augustine's
 28th Coffee Morning, St Augustine's

July

7th - 10th Twinning Group visit France
 14th St Amands Fun afternoon
 26th Coffee Morning, St Augustine's

August

13th Patronal Festival, St Mary's

September

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What's On?

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From the Editor

Many thanks for all the contributions. I am pleased to be able to include input from young writers in this edition. I would like to receive more short articles about school and holiday events.
 Please can I have copy for the Autumn *Bulletin* by 8th August.

Angela Pawlyn
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 (except August and December)
Downs Golden Age
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