

# Villagers Gather to Commemorate Remembrance Sunday

The Act of Remembrance was held at 11am on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November at the War Memorial. A cold, clear morning saw a good turnout for a moving event.

The parade was led by the 1<sup>st</sup> Cuckhamsley Scouts, Cubs and Beavers with members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Didcot Downs Brownies, who were staying at Snells Hall over the weekend.

The service was conducted by Rev Pam Rolls and Mgr Andrew Burnham, with the Roll of Honour read by Lucy Hanna and her son, Oscar, and the Ode to the Fallen was read by Veronica Paget. The Last Post was played and the singing of "I Vow to Thee My Country" led by Brian Thomas, trumpeter of Wantage Silver Band.

In a reminder that several families still in the village today lost members in the two world wars, the wreath was laid by Denis Mulford, a great-nephew of the late Private Walter Mulford of the Coldstream Guards, who is on the roll: killed in action 18<sup>th</sup> July 1918.

Our thanks to Vicki Farrar-Hockley for excellent organisation of the proceedings and to her support team, including Will England, who operated the sound system, and Chris Bedford, Matthew Wild, Olly Dimbylow and friends for directing the traffic.

Following the service, Hendred Heritage invited everyone for a last opportunity to see the excellent exhibition, "Holloway to Horn Lane" and enjoy some refreshment at Champs Chapel museum – a fine finish to a moving occasion.



#### Hendred Sports Club Update

Exciting times are afoot at Hendred Sports Club down Mill Lane.

We recently established a new board of trustees and the club is in the process of becoming a registered charity. Our ambition is to increase participation in sports and leisure within East & West Hendred, Rowstock and the surrounding areas by having something to appeal to everyone.

When significant housing developments are approved, funds are allocated to improve local services. Consequently, we have some money available to invest in the club and we plan to at least match that by bidding for grants from national bodies such as Sport England, the Lawn Tennis Association, the Football Association and the English Cricket Board. Before we make any major decisions, we would like to know what you and your families think. Enclosed within this edition of the Bulletin is a Survey.

Please take a couple of minutes to fill this in which will help us formulate our plans. Written responses can be dropped in at the Hendred Stores or you can email your thoughts to us at *HendredSportsClub@gmail.com*.

We have lots to do over the coming months so anyone who wants to help out would be most welcome. We need help across the board from Finance, Legal, Grant Application and administrative skills to Tech, Sports Coaching and Ground Work. So if you want to get involved please let me know via the email address above.

Thank you from the Hendred Sports Club trustees: David Jones, Nicola Diggle, Simon John, Ivan Mulford, Steve Mulford & Dom McKenna.

Christmas Carols by Torchlight Champs Chapel Museum, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 4pm Mulled Wine and Mince Pies Please bring your own torch. Donations to Champs Chapel Museum

# East Hendred Heritage Trust

East Hendred Heritage Trust were able to help Concept Building Services, the building contractors working at Hine's Cottage in Horn Lane, in November. The contractors had no photographs of the cottage before the recent fire and had only images on Google Earth from which to work.

The Trust presented them with a collection of photographs of Hine's Cottage from their archives, some dating from the 1900's.

The photographs are shown being handed to John Sheldrake of Concept by Robin Hine. Robin's grandfather, George Hine, was born at the cottage in 1859.

# **Support During Power Cuts**

We hope that the recent power cuts in the village (both planned and unplanned) did not cause any serious difficulty. The Parish Council is going to find out the reason for the Coulings Close substation failure and the resulting power cuts on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> November.

In case of longer and unplanned power cuts, Scottish and Southern Electrical Networks, who own and run the power distribution network for our area, keep a Priority Services Register of people who may need support if the power goes off.

# **Allotment News**

For many years, East Hendred has had the benefit of the Bowling Alley Allotments, which are next to the path leading from Old Road. The land is leased from the Hendred Estate by the Parish Council, which manages the site, and 23 individual allotment holders currently rent their plots from the PC.

The allotment holders are a committed group of gardeners and the variety of crops and gardening techniques on display demonstrate horticultural skills, which everyone with an interest in gardening can learn from.

> The Panto is Back Make Sure You Get Your Ticket *Dick Whittington* 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>,& 20<sup>th</sup> January 2018



# Tickets will go on sale at the CHRISTMAS BAZAAR, SNELLS HALL

Saturday, 9th December at 2pm

From Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December, all tickets will be for sale at Hendred Stores.

#### **Ticket Prices:**

Thursday, Friday evening, Saturday matinee -£12 adults, £8 children (16 and under) Saturday evening - all tickets £12



If you join the register, SSEN will be alerted with your details if there is a power cut that affects your home. They will take action according to how severe the power cut is, and how urgent your needs are. They can call to check that you are alright or even provide emergency generators in case of longer power cuts.

After we mentioned the service in the *Bulletin* last December, 23 people in East Hendred joined the Priority Services Register. If you or someone you know would like to join, pick up a copy of the leaflet, "Get extra support during power cuts" from Hendred Stores, or view the leaflet at *www.hendred.org*.

Allotment holders have recently formed the Bowling Alley Allotments Association (BAAA) and have taken up membership of The National Allotment Society *https://www.nsalg.org.uk* which provides access to membership benefits ranging from gardening and legal advice to substantial discounts on King's Seeds. Memberships of Bowling Alley Allotment Association and NSALG aren't restricted to allotment holders - more information on this and membership benefits to follow in the next *Bulletin*.

We look forward to close cooperation between the PC and the BAAA to support the continued successful running of the allotments for the benefit of the village.



# Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2 - 4pm

The traditional village Christmas event

Father Christmas will be in his Grotto The famous Pre-school choir will sing There will be stalls and raffles Children's activities Atomic Mark's DOS Games brings you Christmas Lemmings, Myst and Gene Machine Grand Draw, with a chance to win your Christmas Turkey!

In aid of the village churches and the hall.

#### Parish Council News

# chair chair

Another year has almost passed and the Parish Council has spent much time on planning issues, particularly with the developments north of the A417. A key date was the Inquiry held in the early part of the year on the proposed housing development at Greensands, which the Vale District Council managed to lose, in spite of strong village opposition. A major concern for the Council is trying to ensure safe pedestrian access to village facilities for the future residents of the Pye 3 site, particularly children who will want to use playground equipment at either the Mill Lane site or at the Penney playpark. Unfortunately no equipment has been provided yet at the Pye sites north of the A417, which seems a major omission. The rejection by the Vale District Council's Planning committee on 13<sup>th</sup> November of the narrow footway was unexpected since Oxfordshire Highways had given their approval (short sighted in our view) but persistence by the Parish Council in objecting has been rewarded.

We welcome the Sports Club's initiative in using a questionnaire with this *Bulletin* to survey the village needs in the future, given significant funding on offer from the housing developments (see planning article) for improved facilities. A well developed and active village needs up-todate sports facilities to benefit both the youth and older members of the village. The Sports ground is owned by the Parish Council and leased to the Sports Club.

It is good news that an Allotments Association has been set up involving all holders. The Association will not only be able to act as a focus for discussions with the Parish Council but also provide the holders with benefits such as insurance for their plots and reduced prices for seeds etc.

With best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

John Sharp

#### **Planning Update**

North of the A417 there are 93 houses under construction or completed, with outline approval for a further 65 houses on the Greensands site (no progress since the last *Bulletin*).

Pye Homes have yet to establish an approved pedestrian crossing and linked footway for the Pye 3 development. Condition 8 of the planning permission excluded the originally planned two new bus stops, a change from a Toucan (cyclists and pedestrians) to a Puffin (pedestrians only) crossing and the narrow footway linking the south side of the crossing to White Road. The Parish Council had objected to this condition and it was heard at the Vale District Council Planning Committee meeting on 13th November. Dr. John Sharp (chair of Parish Council) and Mark Beddow spoke against the proposed condition, with emphasis on the narrowness of the footway (only 2m) and minimal sightlines for the crossing. Despite the crossing and footways having Oxfordshire Highways approval the Planning Committee was persuaded by the village speakers and rejected the application, which was excellent news. A key issue to them was the risk to children using the crossing and footway to go to school or to catch the bus to Wantage in the morning, given that children tend to go in groups, for which they argued the footway was unsafe. Following the meeting Pye withdrew their application and will presumably prepare a revised application with a safer crossing and wider footway (we await developments).

The proposed replacement of the Toucan crossing by a Puffin type will mean that cyclists will have to dismount before using the crossing and also wheel their cycles along the narrow footway, which does not encourage the use of cycles.

The local bus service companies also objected to the condition 8 application as it removed the two approved bus stops opposite the Pye 3 site since there was insufficient space to fit them in safely. They argued that bus stops were necessary on the A417 as they planned to introduce faster services between Wantage and Didcot which would not go through the village, so bus stops are needed on the A417 to allow residents to use these services. Following discussion between the Parish Council, the bus companies

and Oxfordshire County Highways it was agreed that bus stops could be provided opposite Portway Close (Pye 1) and funds were available to install these. The disadvantage is that the buses going through the village will not stop at these new stops on the A417 and residents will need to use the bus stops at the end of White Road. We understand that installation of these bus stops will await the introduction of the new services.

As noted in the last *Bulletin* there are plans to introduce a 30mph speed limit on the A417 for the stretch of road from Featherbed Lane to the entrance to the Portway Close development. This is linked to the planned crossing and will presumably await an agreed plan for the crossing and footway.

There has been some progress with the proposal for the Didcot Garden Town. As noted in the last *Bulletin* the core of East Hendred village is outside the so-called "area of influence", whereas most neighbouring villages are within it. We are still not sure of the implications of this.

The Vale District Council is progressing Part 2 of its Local Plan and the Parish Council is preparing its comments on the proposals. The main impact on East Hendred is the proposal for 1000 new houses on the Harwell Campus site (of which perhaps a third would be in our parish). The Harwell Campus is in the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and if this development were approved it would be the largest in any AONB in the country. A large housing development was proposed on the Harwell Campus site in Part 1 of the Local Plan and was rejected by the Inspector who reviewed the Plan, mainly on the grounds of it being within the AONB. The review of Part 2 of the Local plan by an inspector will take place next summer.

Housing developments come with Section 106 contributions which are agreed between the developer and the District Council. Some of the contribution goes on, for example, highways improvements linked to the development, but some is available for the benefit of the local community. The contributions for the three Pye developments targeted for local use amount to a total of just over £48,000 mainly allocated to improving sports facilities at the Sports ground. There are further Section 106 allocations associated with the Greensands development when it is finalised.

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#### Springline Radio Players

Springline Radio Players is part of Oxfordshire's most exciting and innovative amateur dramatic groups, Springline Productions which was formed in 2007. With numerous pantomimes, variety shows, village events and choral work under our belt, it was inevitable that the group would turn their hand to "Steam Radio" but use technology in the form of Sound Cloud, YouTube and iTunes to present its offering to a wider public base.

The idea of the Radio Players started several years ago but with the improvements in digital recording equipment including dramatic price reductions, coupled with a partnership with Gobo Theatre Foundation, a charity created to help, support, mentor and inspire young people in the theatrical arts, our first radio play was rehearsed in March and recorded and completed in April 2016. Our second radio play was uploaded to our social media partner, SoundCloud.com in December 2016.

The year 2017 saw the addition of two further plays -"Sherlock Holmes and the Blue Carbuncle" and a supernatural short story, just in time for Halloween, entitled "The Monkey's Paw". The latest addition is unusual in that all five parts are played by one actor!



Chris Bedford on the Radio! You can listen to all three plays online or download free by visiting www.SoundCloud.com and searching for Springline Radio Players.

If you would be interested in getting involved – no lines to learn, make-up and costumes to wear and you do not need to stand in front of an audience - then please contact David Hunter on DavidHunter1947@gmail.com.

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### Folk@Snells

On Saturday 28th October, folk music returned to Snells Hall. Those of you with long memories may remember Folk in the Barn run monthly by Dave Phillips. The Folk@Snells charity event for Crisis and East Hendred Heritage was a pilot folk event. Your local folk troop "Single Malt" and guest folkies Pete Joshua, Rowan Godel, Brian Syme and John Knowler performed and Heritage ran the raffle. Single Malt comprises Debbie Smith (vocals and whistle), Mark Beddow (guitar), Robin Hine (melodeon) and John and Mabel Kiervell (bodhran and vocals). We all greatly enjoyed performing live and the audience enjoyed the show (we believe). £235 was raised for the charities. Thanks also go to Amy Beddow on front of house, Sue Roberts and David Rolf on the raffle, Dave Harper on sound and his bar staff, and Will England for lighting. Folk@Snells will be back in the Spring (probably).





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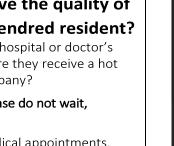
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#### The Walking Group Every Wednesday at Snells Hall 9.30 am

The walking group continues to go from strength to strength and there are always some new faces to welcome to our group. We have had some wonderful autumn walks admiring the stunning Oxfordshire scenery and colours. We've even found a new café at Childrey. Our longer walks take place about once a month, these are usually about 10 miles and most importantly include a pub lunch. On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December we are having our Christmas walk and lunch. This year we are lunching at the café in Ardington, but a walk first! If you are new to the village, recently retired or have a couple of hours to spare, why not join us on a Wednesday. We are a very friendly and welcoming group. We normally walk for about 2 ½ hours (approximately 5 miles) which includes a stop for coffee. Shorter walks can always be arranged. We normally start from Snells Hall but sometimes go on an excursion. So no excuses - see you at 9.30 at Snells Hall sometime soon! Whatever the weather!

If you want to join us please ring Susie on 833 797 – or email *susie@monkscourt.co.uk* to check where we are starting and the length of the walk.

# East Hendred AFC

The Football Club returned to running two teams again this season after the appointment of a new 1st Team Manager and some extensive recruitment of new players. At the time of writing our Reserve Team sit proudly at the top of North Berks League Division 3 and our 1st Team are 3rd in Division 1.

We have just completed the process to become a FA Charter Standard Club which will become a requirement for all clubs in our League eventually. Our two teams play in new shirts and socks thanks to our long-term Sponsor Karl Naylon of Oxford Spires Scaffolding. His continued support is a considerable help in keeping the Club going as he has also helped with the purchase of tracksuits for our players. We are also grateful to 'GC Interiors' and ' In Fine Spirits' for providing further sponsorship to buy warm-up tops for both teams.

We have some new young players some of which are sons of former players that played for us in the past and grew up in the village which is encouraging for the future. Steve Mulford

Chairman - East Hendred AFC

# Hendreds Twinning Group

We are expecting about 25 visitors from our twin community of Sarceaux near Argentan in Normandy over the **weekend of**  $7^{th} - 9^{th}$  **July**, **2018.** A full programme of visits and social activities is already being planned, and any local residents are welcome to join in some or all of these. The group travelling from France will include families with school age children and single people as well as pensioners, and all will stay with local hosts. It's an excellent opportunity to get to know some of our nearest European neighbours – Brexit or no! We are running one of the stalls at the East Hendred Christmas Bazaar on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2 – 4 p.m**. in Snells Hall, East Hendred. A variety of small floral table decorations and other Christmas-themed items will be on sale. The proceeds will be put towards the organisation of the July weekend, and also help to minimise costs here for our children participating in the July weekend. Twinning activities provide all with unique educational experiences of family life and French language.

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#### Church and Village News

# **Church Services at Christmas**

# Christmas Services in the Benefice of Wantage Downs

#### Sunday 3rd December – Advent Sunday

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# Christmas Services at St Mary's, East Hendred, and St Patrick's, East Ilsley

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 9.30am Confessions (St Mary's) Sunday 24th December – Advent IV Said Mass (St Mary's) 9.30am 11.15am Said Mass (St Patrick's) Christmas Eve 4pm Crib Service (St Mary's) (Children come dressed as characters in the Nativity Plav) Carols and Readings and the First 8pm Mass of Christmas (St Mary's) followed by refreshments Monday 25th December – Christmas Day 9.30am Sung Mass (St Mary's) 11.15am Sung Mass (St Patrick's) Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> December – St Stephen's Day Archconfraternity of St Stephen Mass 11am (with refreshments)

Service times are always available on the two church websites (easily accessible through the Churches tab on the *hendred.org* website), the notice boards at the churches, and in the weekly *What's On in The Hendreds* email.

### Carol Singing Round the Village with the Scout Group

We will be carol singing round the village on the evening of Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December. The Scouts will be collecting money to fund the distribution of a dozen Christmas boxes to those senior citizens who could do with a little help over Christmas in East and West Hendred.

All are welcome

We will assemble in the Wheatsheaf at about 6:30pm and finish in the Eyston Arms between 8:30 – 9:00pm. Carol sheets will be provided but please bring a torch.

Chris Harrison - harrisonchrisd@gmail.com 1st Cuckhamsley Scouts 07885 288422

# East Hendred Community Centre Snells Hall

With more than 320 bookings in 2017, Snells Hall has had a busy year!

Most of the bookings came from regular users, such as the Scouting organisations, Toddler Sense, Pilates classes, The Parish Council, DGA and the WI. Starting in October, Springline has had weekly bookings for pantomime rehearsals. Thirteen children's parties, four wedding receptions, four wedding anniversaries, three Christening parties, several adults' parties, a planning appeal and polling for local elections all put the hall to good use during the year.

A major maintenance item was the re-pointing of the brickwork on the south side of the hall and Snells House, which we plan to follow up by having the front of the hall re-pointed in the summer. Mark Beddow has recently done some great work on reducing damp problems in the back wall of the hall and the hardstanding in front of the Fire Pump house.

After many years of running the bar in a highly professional manner, David Harper has decided to retire from running bars, but will continue as Licensed Premises Supervisor. As well as administrating the bar and looking after electrical and other technical matters, David is a key member of the hall committee, on which he is also the DGA representative.

We are looking for someone to take over the running of bars at the hall, and anyone who might be interested should please get in touch at *snellshall@hendred.org*. Bars will continue to be available at the hall through the services of InFineSpirits, run by Kevin Hubbard.

Please come to the traditional Christmas Bazaar at the hall on 9<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm

(in aid of the village churches and the hall). We wish everyone a happy Christmas!

#### Church and Village News

### St Augustine's Church

Those arriving for the coffee morning at St Augustine's church at the end of September were shocked to discover that lead had been stolen from the roof over the Eyston Chapel and part of the south aisle, leaving the rafters bare. The Hendred Estate responded instantly to the call for help and put a tarpaulin in place to keep the weather out until repairs are completed. The church architect has written a specification for repair work and at the time of writing, quotes for the work are being sought.

Lead thefts are very common - do report anything you notice that might help avoid further incidents.

In October, we celebrated the harvest with one Harvest Festival service for The Hendreds School and another for the parish, followed by a delicious lunch in the church. Harvest gifts were sent to Wantage Food Bank. Later in the month, a group from St Augustine's went to Christ Church Cathedral in Oxford for a Parish visit. Our guide led us under Tom Tower, through Tom Quad and into the Cathedral, then to the magnificent Upper Library, where there are some 40,000 books on display - the remaining 60,000 being in storage elsewhere! Here the chief librarian told us of the library's history and showed us some of its treasures, including the famous Thomas Wolsey hat. We were allowed into the office once occupied by Charles Dodgson - Lewis Carroll - and glimpse its view over the garden of Alice Liddell's family. Then on to the Great Hall. where we partook of a marvellous tea, surrounded by imposing portraits. After a brief stop in the Cathedral shop, we returned to the Cathedral itself for Choral Evensong. Here after being greeted and welcomed by name, we gave thanks for a wonderful and inspirational visit - the perfect ending to a brilliant afternoon.

In November we repeated last year's successful fundraising Bingo night at Snells Hall. And now we are into the Christmas season, with a Christingle service for children of all ages at 5pm on Advent Sunday (3<sup>rd</sup> December), and a traditional country carol service of readings and music at 6:30pm on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Everyone is invited.

# East Hendred Catholic Parish

No love that in a family dwells, No carolling in frosty air, Nor all the steeple-shaking bells Can with this single Truth compare -That God was man in Palestine And lives today in Bread and Wine.

John Betjeman

Parish Visit to Christ Church

Services throughout December in the Benefice of Wantage Downs (East and West Hendred, Ardington and Lockinge) are listed opposite. These include the Crib Services on Christmas Eve at Ardington and West Hendred, Midnight Mass using the 1549 Prayer Book, at 10:00pm on Christmas Eve at Lockinge, and Christmas Communion at St Augustine's at 10:30am on Christmas Day.

There's no coffee morning at the end of December, but they start again as usual in the new year on the last Wednesday of the month (31<sup>st</sup> January and 28<sup>th</sup> February) from 10:30am in St Augustine's church. Everyone is welcome for coffee, cake and a chat. Even if you are not a regular churchgoer, do come along.

There are many 'Christmas Catholics' around. They, and any others who are interested in the Catholic Faith and the Christmas story, are more than welcome at our Christmas masses. It is advisable to arrive in plenty of time because neither St Mary's nor St Patrick's is particularly large.

Whether or not you make it to Church, may I take this opportunity of wishing you and your families, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year? **Fr Andrew** 

# **1st Cuckhamsley Scouts**

This term the Scouts are working towards their Skills Challenge badge. They have learned to sew, make jam, repair a bicycle puncture and have been undertaking a physical fitness challenge. We have a night hike planned for later this month, a visit from the local Police and a Christmas party with 10-pin bowling and chips! For Remembrance Sunday this year we were joined by a Brownie pack from Didcot after their Snells Hall sleepover.

We will be carol singing round the village on 18<sup>th</sup> December (see previous page). The money raised will

help to fund the dozen Christmas boxes that we prepare and distribute to senior citizens in East and West Hendred each year. Partly as a result of our window display in the village shop, we now have a new and enthusiastic Assistant Scout Leader, Conor Taylor, who is keenly working his way through training and a great addition to the team. Next term we will start planning and training for the Annual Expedition where the Scouts will go backpacking and navigating in unfamiliar territory. Chris Harrison harrisonchrisd@gmail.com 07885 288422



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Many villagers will recall the award-winning wines which have been produced over the years since the vineyard was originally established by the pioneering MacKinnon family in the 1970's. The Bells took over in early 2014 and have now been through four seasons of grape production, with an average of around 2 tonnes of grapes each year being made into wine by contract manufacturers. Most of the grapes are used to create sparkling wine, which is a slow process, using the traditional double fermentation method, with the 2014 "Hendred Brut" (which is delightfully crisp and dry) finally being ready earlier this year. There is also a "Hendred Rosé" wine available, made from the 2014 Pinot Noir. Madeline Angevine vines, which in the past have produced still white wine from the vineyard, have been re-planted and this wine should be ready by summer 2019.

Hendred Vineyard wines are also available from Hendred Stores and other local retailers including Q Gardens.

The vineyard is located at the bottom of Allins Lane in East Hendred at the intersection with Reading Road (OX12 8HR) and parking is available. Please visit our website at *www.hendredvineyard.co.uk* 



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### Downs Golden Age

On 7th September it was the AGM and tea. Niall Duggan stepped down as Chair and was thanked by the Committee and members for all his hard work. Vicki Farrar-Hockley was voted in as the Chair and Stella Belcher as the Vice Chair. In early October it was the last tea time meeting and once again we welcomed Phil and Janet Harrison to give us one of their entertaining and informative talks. This time it was "Let's go to Iceland" and we certainly weren't disappointed with their travel tales and wonderful photos. Winter arrives in November and it's back to lunches which are always more popular than tea! We had a packed hall and served a delicious Shepherd's Pie and veg to over 60 members. Many thanks to Salvador, Barbara and Jeni for their efforts. The committee provided apple crumbles for pudding. After clearing up we were entertained by Cyril Mannion who

gave a very amusing and informative talk on "*An Airline Captain at Work*". On 7th December it's our festive Christmas lunch and Salvador and his team will provide a sumptuous meal followed by trifles made by the committee. There will be musical entertainment with Michael Evans and a visit from Santa and presents for everyone! On 4<sup>th</sup> January it's another lunch and entertainment by The Post Office Strummers. The club is currently going from strength to strength with lots of new and enthusiastic members.

The DGA meets on the first Thursday of the month at Snells Hall and we always welcome new members and guests. It's 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

We continue to have very social meetings and some informative speakers. Our Summer Party in August was a great success with almost a full complement of members. Kevin Little, our speaker for the evening entertained us with 'Tails of a Fishmonger' and would have gone on all night if we had let him! September we heard about the work of Style Acre, our Charity for the year and October we had a fascinating talk entitled 'Intriguing Oxford' inspiring many of us to go and 'look again' at this our local City.



WI members enjoying an afternoon playing Aunt Sally

In November we have a 'Have a Go' craft evening with some organised activities and some not so and we finish 2017 with our much enjoyed visit to Hendred House in December where Ali Eyston offers us the hospitality of her home and helps us to celebrate the coming Christmas Season.

2018 will start with our 97<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party where we have a talk entitled 'Rag Bag and Cocktails' and February we will be learning about 'Scam Awareness'.

Other than our Thursday Evening meetings we have met regularly for coffee at various venues, often nearly taking over the coffee room.

In September we had a very sociable afternoon playing Aunt Sally against Wantage WI in one of the garden of one of their members. We finished the afternoon off with a lovely tea and of course it didn't really matter, but the game was drawn so all sides were satisfied. The return will be in 2018!

Finally, we held our Charity Quiz in October in aid of Style Acre. We had 14 teams and a good time was had by all and we raised £700. Thanks you to everyone who contributed by helping and attending.

We always welcome visitors to our meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month in Snells Hall so please do come along if you are interested in finding out more about our group. All we ask is a small donation at the door.

We also have a website *www.hendredswi.com* or you can email *jen@wpj.me.uk* for more information.



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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 Parish Council had no strong views on this application but requested improvements to cycle routes and bus services to enhance transport links to the site. This application has lapsed.

P17/V0736/HH - Brambles, Rowstock. Application for proposed demolition of existing conservatory to make way for single storey extension, internal alterations and a proposed vehicular access from A417. The Parish Council objected to this application because of issues with the new access onto the A417. Permission has been granted.

P17/V1776/HH - 3 White Road. Erection of single storey side extension. The Parish Council had no objection to this application. Permission has been granted.

P17/V2002/FUL - Pye Homes phase 3. Amendment to condition 8 relating to the pedestrian crossing and the footway on the south side of the A417. The Parish Council objected to this application on the grounds of public safety. The application was refused at Planning Committee on 13<sup>th</sup> November and was subsequently withdrawn.

P17/V2232/HH - 7 Croom Cottages, Wantage Road, Rowstock. Variation of condition 2 on application ref. P17/V0090/HH - increase in size of Annex. Permission has been granted.

P17/V2285/HH - 8 Mill Lane. Single storey rear extension to create new kitchen. New porch to front elevation. Internal remodelling of existing layout. The Parish Council had no objection to this application. Permission has been granted.

P17/V2417/HH - Tree Tops 16 Mill Lane. Front and rear extensions to existing bungalow. The Parish Council had no objection to this application. Permission has been granted.

P17/V2632/HH - The Cottage, Horn Lane. Amendment to a previously approved application for a single storey rear extension. This will not be visible from the road. The Parish Council had no objection to this application. Permission has been granted.

P17/V2836/HH - Valentine, Cat Street. Two storey side and rear extension. The Parish Council had no objection to this application and welcomed the provision of two car parking spaces. This application has not yet been decided upon by the Vale.

P17/V3002/HH - Berenice, The Lynch. Replace block built garage with new timber garage. This application is still being considered by the Parish Council.

# **Parish Council**

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

Clerk to the Council: Julia Evans, Moorcroft, Greenway, W. Hendred Tel: 833466 Chairman: Dr John Sharp, Inish Fail, Orchard Close Tel: 833367 **Deputy Chairman:** Roger Turnbull, Monks Court, Newbury Rd Tel: 833797 Councillors: Christian Bedford, Penny Green, Cat St Tel 07966 661298 David Jones, Holly Hock Cottage, Cat St Tel: 07782 326065 Charles Pappenheim, Willow House, Horn Lane Tel: 835014 Catherine Shortis, Oak Barn, Old Rd Tel: 820284 Selby Stocks, Portway, Reading Rd Tel: 821740 Stephen Webb, Chapel House, Chapel Square Tel: 833395 Andy Williams, Victoria Cottage, Newbury Road, Rowstock Tel: 832527

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AONB:J SharpHarwell Liaison: J Sharp, S WebbOCC Transport: S WebbSnells Hall:R TurnbullHoward SpicerFund:Ann Taylor, Diana Wheeker

#### Refuse Collections -Christmas Dates

**Green Recycling Bins:** Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> December Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January

**Grey Landfill Bins:** Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January

Brown Garden Waste Bins: Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January

(No garden waste collection during week of 25<sup>th</sup> December)

# Information

#### HENDRED STORES & POST OFFICE Opening Hours: Monday to Friday:

Monday to Friday: 6am - 6pm Saturday: 6am - 4pm Sunday: 6am - 12 noon

POST COLLECTIONS Weekdays

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#### REFUSE COLLECTION Christmas - see below Weekly on Tuesday: Food Waste

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#### Planning Information

Planning application details can be found at www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk

Decemb	er 2017 to February 2018		Regular Events	<b>Church Services</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Car 7 <sup>th</sup> DG	istingle Service, St Augustine's ols by Torchlight, Champs Chapel A Christmas Lunch ell's Hall Christmas Bazaar	Monday	<b>Scouts</b> 7–9pm, Snells Hall (Richard Tingley, 07771 545006)	Parish Church of St Augustine of Canterbury
15 <sup>th</sup> Car	ol Service, St Augustine's ol Singing round village (Scouts)	Tuesday	<b>Beaver Scouts</b> 5.25 – 6:25pm, Snells Hall (Vicki ,833544)	Rector: Rev. Elizabeth Birc Tel: 833235
24 <sup>th</sup> Crib Service, St Mary's January			<b>Cub Scouts</b> 6.30 – 8pm, Snells Hall (Mhairi, 820249)	Usually the Sunday service is at 10:30am, but
4 <sup>th</sup> DG, 18 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> Dick 31 <sup>st</sup> Cof <b>February</b>	DGA Lunch <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> Dick Whittington - Springline Panto <sup>st</sup> Coffee Morning, St Augustine's b <b>ruary</b>		Walking Group 9:30am, meet at Snells Hall (Susie Turnbull, 833797) Hendred Ukelele Group	please check the noticeboard at the church door, see What's On in Ti Hendreds or go to wantagedownsbenefice.c
	fee Morning, St Augustine's	Weekdays	Dave Parry (07796 674 147) Pre-school, at Snells Hall	Catholic Parish of St Mary
What's On? To receive the <i>What's On in The</i> <i>Hendreds</i> email each week, send an email to <i>events@hendred.org</i> You can see the What's On messages at <i>www.hendred.org</i>		Monthly	9 to 12 noon and 12:00 to 3pm Mon-Fri Tel: 831555 www.hendredspreschool.org Snells Hall Committee Meeting 7:45pm, Snells Hall Gallery, 1st Tuesday	Priest-in-Charge: The Reverend Mgr Andrew Burnham Tel: 01235 835038 or 07976437979 Email: <i>aburnham</i>
			Parish Council Meeting 7:30pm, Snells Hall Gallery, 2nd Tuesday	<ul> <li>@portsmouthdiocese.org. or</li> <li>Hendredandilsley</li> <li>@portsmouthdiocese.org.</li> </ul>
From the Editor I would like to include as many contributions from parishioners as possible. If you have an event or information that would be of interest to others in the parish, please send the details to me. Please can I have copy for the Spring <i>Bulletin</i> by 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2018. Thank you Rachel Sutton <i>bulletin@hendred.org</i>			<b>Coffee Morning</b> 10:30am, St Augustines, Last Wednesday, (except August and December)	<b>Sunday Mass</b> 9:30am St Mary's, East Hendred
			Downs Golden Age Snells Hall, 1st Thursday (see page 13) Women's Institute 7:30pm, either Snells Hall or West Hendred Hall, 3rd Thursday (see page 13).	The Bulletin EDITOR Rachel Sutton bulletin@hendred.org
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