

EAST HENDRED *Bulletin*



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Act of Remembrance

Sunday 14th November 2021

Each successive year it seems that yet more East Hendred residents attend the annual Act of Remembrance at the village War Memorial.

This year the service was led by Fr Andrew Burnham from St Mary's church. The Last Post and Reveille were expertly played by bugler Brian Thomas of Wantage Silver Band. The exhortation to 'remember them' was read by Glanville Preston, and the names of the fallen were read by Steve and Nickie Tilbury.

David Knight (who served in the Royal Navy Fleet Air Arm) laid the wreath for the village and Councillor Sally Povolotsky for the County Council. Sylvia May laid a wreath for those who died at Kohima and

Dair Farrar-Hockley for the Falklands. Wreaths were also laid by Richard Tingley and the Scouts.

After the service, refreshments were served by volunteers from East Hendred Heritage Trust.

Thanks to Vicki Farrar-Hockley for organising this event, and also the Poppy Appeal house-to-house collection across the village, as she has done now for over 20 years.

As is now traditional, the roads at the War Memorial were closed for the occasion. It is perhaps a sign of the times that one of the volunteers who was redirecting traffic was asked whether she was a 'protester'; and that another driver when told that the Act of Remembrance was in progress said 'I know, I'm listening to it on the radio' – but did not seem to realise it also takes place at War Memorials across the land (including just 50 metres away!)

Good News about Buses!

Covid may have curtailed many plans, but one thing expanded significantly last year, and that was the X32 bus service through East Hendred on the A417. Given everything that was going on in 2020, you can certainly be forgiven if you haven't heard yet that we now have a half-hourly service to Wantage, Didcot, Oxford centre and the JR Hospital. We also now have an evening service to all those places (late enough for pub trips), and a Sunday (including evening) service to Wantage and Didcot.

Timetables are available at <https://www.oxfordbus.co.uk/services/THTR/X32> and I

can also recommend the Oxford Bus app for timetables and live information. If you use the bus semi-regularly there are inexpensive, flexible multi-trip tickets that can be used over many months, available with the Oxford Key smart-card. <https://www.oxfordkey.co.uk/smart-card/>

With a reasonable number of passengers aboard, buses can provide transport at a much lower carbon-per-mile cost than cars. To make buses attractive, it is essential that services are frequent and reliable. Let's hope that the new X32 service attracts more business as it becomes familiar!

Sarah James

Message from our local County Councillor

I cannot believe it's the final *Bulletin* of 2021 already and what a turbulent year for many of us. With Covid still lingering, just a reminder to get your boosters/vaccines when reminded by the NHS and also your flu jab, and I would like to give a huge thanks from us all to all our local residents who work in our Health and Social Care services, it's been another year of immense pressure, thank you!

No one can have missed how important the COP26 event in Glasgow is for the future of our planet, but what can really happen to change at the pace we need to mitigate against climate change? As I write there haven't been any very significant promises that fill me with confidence from our nation's leaders.

Thankfully the new alliance of Liberal Democrats, Green and Labour Party members now leading Oxfordshire County Council recognises that we have a huge part to play in delivering positive climate change. Globally leaders are being asked for national plans to cut emissions, and this will mean changes for everyone. Changes to the way we move, what we eat, what we consume, as well as significant improvements and innovation in transport, industrial processes and emissions and of course energy creation, in fact our whole way of living needs to be more "eco conscious". The biggest impact we can have is here, locally, working together for a better environment for all our futures. We can hit targets quicker than entire nations and work with each other to make a better place to live.

Oxfordshire is unlike any other county, with eleven Nobel prize winners produced by our universities this great county founded modern chemistry, invented the world wide web and produced a vaccine against Covid. It's also the seat of innovation and research into newer greener technologies. We are home to a unique eco system of research and development that will change the world we live in. Our county has a vital role in delivering positive changes to our planet and together we can lead the way, every single one of us.

Your county leaders intend to facilitate this change, but it is clear that tackling global warming will require huge adaptations to our lifestyles and we need the support of all our residents and communities to do this.

We understand that the public wants us to act decisively and positively to secure a safe, healthier and sustainable future. It won't be easy, and we will be asking for significant reforms to decarbonise transport, reduce

reliance on fossil fuels for heating and energy, enhance our natural environment for increased carbon sequestration, and tread lightly on our environment around us.

You have our commitment to change but we cannot do it without YOU. Every one of us will need to do our bit, because without a united approach we won't succeed. This is the tipping point. Together we can make a cleaner, healthier and safer future for all.

I would like to point out one of our county's schemes, run by our fantastic Fire and Rescue team - 365 Alive: we have published a guide to safer walking with children especially now the evenings are darker and we all need to reduce traffic in the village!

<http://www.365alive.co.uk/cms/>

Meanwhile I am setting up several local initiatives alongside the Hendreds Environment Group:

Community Larder - a membership based food waste reduction programme

Regular Village Swishing events (like a swap shop) to reduce material and clothing waste

Funded the repairs from my Councillor Priority Funding of the Snells Walkway to ensure access to the woods and also encourage children to walk and cycle to school (no cycling on the walkway though please)

Wild flower and bio diversity positive plans for a verge between East and West Hendred as part of my OCC verges and plant-life programme (start Spring 2022)

Assembly for all eco groups and parish councils to share good practice around sustainability and environment starting February 2022

Finally, having visited St Amand's Rabbits class, helping students getting started with composting food waste and even their own wormery!

If you would like to get engaged with any of these initiatives please do email me on

Sally.Povolotsky@Oxfordshire.Gov.Uk

You can also find me on Facebook at - [@sally4hendredsandharwell](https://www.facebook.com/sally4hendredsandharwell)

It's my honour to serve you all and make sure our Division is on the map when it comes to central decision making.

*Cllr Sally Povolotsky
Hendreds & Harwell Division*

Hendred Apple Day

16th October 2021



Bowling Alley Allotment Association hosted Hendred Apple Day this autumn which generated over 200 litres of fresh organic juice from fruit trees and orchards around the village. Thanks go to Nickie and Steve at Hendred Stores for providing the venue; to Hendred Press for loan of the press; to the Cubs for helping on the day; to Mel and Martin Griffiths at Plough Farm for providing tasty apples for blending and to the many villagers who came along with their own apples and returned home with bottles of their own delicious juice. (More about allotments on Page 11.)



from the chair



The village continues to emerge from the pandemic with near normal life returning for many people. The Remembrance Service at the War Memorial was well attended. The Downs Golden Age is now back to Snells Hall for its monthly meetings. The WI is returning to Snells Hall for its meetings next year and the December meeting is to be held at Hendred House as usual. The Parish Council met in Snells Hall for the November meeting, the first face to face meeting since early 2020.

We note the resignation of Dominic Hardisty from the Parish Council due to pressures of his work. We thank him for his contribution over several years. The Council now has two vacancies which we hope to fill in the New Year once the Vale District Council has given us permission to co-opt.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Norman Francis, a well-known personality in the village and an active

supporter of Hendred Heritage and DGA. His talks on local history, as well as guided walks around the local area will be sorely missed.

Good news about the improved bus services with the X32 service now picking up at the Plough, together with a half-hourly service to Wantage, Didcot, Oxford centre and the JR Hospital.

Our County Councillor's initiatives are welcome. The proposed Community Larder scheme (a membership-based food waste reduction programme) looks interesting and worthwhile. Let's hope enough volunteers sign up to make it viable.

We note Rev Orazio' Camaioni's departure from the benefice and thank him for his contribution to the village. We wish him and his family well.

The politicians are promising us a "normal" Christmas. We hope this applies to our village and no more restrictions are introduced at the last minute. We will soon be in 2022 and hopefully a year with Covid under control countrywide.

With best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

John Sharp

Planning Update

Since the last *Bulletin* the Parish Council has commented on the revised Plough application. This version is much improved and deals with many of the Council's previous concerns. We understand that the Vale Conservation Officer is also more likely to accept this latest scheme. The Parish Council has raised some issues which include lack of parking close to the Oak room, to avoid cars being parked on the highway, and removal of the gate planned in the wall facing into Chapel Square, as pedestrian access to it would be difficult given the steep slope. The reduction in height and width of the proposed club house is welcomed as the street scene from Chapel Square will be unchanged and the impact on neighbouring properties will not increase. However, there is a request that the clubhouse is lengthened westwards to allow better storage facilities. The original planned office unit for village use has been replaced with a

dwelling which will reduce car parking issues. This latest application now shows the reconstruction of the existing listed cob wall in its present location, which is welcome.

At the Harwell Campus, an application known as Fermi Gate for offices, laboratories and light industrial uses has been made. The Council has not seen the Campus Master Plan which should outline this and other planned developments and their interrelationship on the site. The Council has responded with a holding objection.

Significant concern has been raised about the development of the former Esso Research centre at Milton Hill into a distribution centre with five commercial buildings with access and servicing arrangements. The Council has put in a strong objection based on several factors, including problems with local traffic and that it is contrary to a number of local policies. The newly formed Rowstock Residents Association has also objected, mainly concerned with the additional traffic created which would travel through Rowstock.

East Hendred Community Centre – Snells Hall

The hall is returning to full pre-Covid activity levels, with our regular users either meeting again, or booked from January. The hall is currently being booked for plenty of children's parties.

Caution continues to be advised, with the use of hand sanitiser and keeping the number of people in the smaller rooms limited to a practical minimum.

A very enjoyable Cheese and Wine evening was run at the hall by Nickie and Steve from the Hendred Stores in November. We look forward to more of those!

Springline Productions are rehearsing weekly for their February production with their usual enthusiasm.

Because of the normally jolly and crowded nature of the Christmas Bazaar, with singing and people mingling together, caution has led to the Bazaar being cancelled this year.

We hope to run an Easter Market in April 2022.

Looking after this fine old building and providing a venue for the village can be very satisfying. If you would like to help, do get in touch at snells.hall@gmail.com.

Iris Langmead

We were sorry to hear of the death of Iris, who was a very active member of the hall committee for many years. Iris was well-known in the village and her wonderful garden was a pleasure to see during Open Gardens events. Iris made a bequest in her will to support the hall which is much appreciated.

Recycling Christmas Trees

The Vale will be collecting Christmas trees from the corner of White Road and Coulings Close on Tuesday 18th January.

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Springline Radio Players

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Since the last *Bulletin* we have added "The Lost Lamp of Lorrata", a home-grown play by Karen McKivitt – think Brief Encounters meets Aladdin, and "Box and Cox", a play written by Neville Teller, a BBC 4 writer and producer and provided to us by the author on a royalty-free basis.

In post-production are four more plays all of which will be available on the website. They range from "Great Expectations" by Charles Dickens, "Shade" a play about the infamous murderers, Burke and Hare, to "Hard Times" a play for three females which will be directed by Emma Hawkins, formerly the cat in our Dick Whittington pantomime, and the sequel to "The Lost Lamp", and, just in time for Christmas, "Felicity's Festive Frolics".

Please get involved as a writer, director or voice artist and contact SpringlineRadio@Gmail.com or visit <https://SpringlineAmdram.Podbean.com>

Hendreds Tennis Club - Update

We have had a great summer of tennis, culminating in the Annual Mixed Doubles Tournament in September. After some great matches on the way Mark Kirwin and Lisa Reade met the formidable Boddington partnership in the final. Sally and Leo's technique won out in this showpiece event.

Sadly, the darker nights have brought an end to Wednesday club sessions but Sundays continue all year round. They start at 10am.

Players thinking of joining the club are welcome to attend club sessions. Join the club's WhatsApp group to check who'll be available to play on club morning/evening (or indeed whenever the opportunity presents!). Please email play@hendredstennis.co.uk to get your details added to the group.

Breaking News! The Quiz night has moved to Friday 28th January at West Hendred Village Hall. This legendary event will be compered by Dom Hones, a professional Quiz master, who has a great set of questions planned. Keep the date free!



Springline Singers

The Community Choir

Since September Springline Singers have enjoyed six weeks of singing together. Due to Covid restrictions we are required to have the doors and windows open and be well socially distanced. So with winter drawing in the prospect of sitting in a very cold hall makes singing less appealing. Therefore, the choir has been postponed for the next 6-week term and we will review the situation after Christmas

Springline Productions

Aladdin - the Panto is back

Rehearsals for the village panto are well under way and we are having lots of fun on Sunday afternoons with a cast of young and old. Please make a note now of the performance dates in February 2022: Thursday 10th Feb and Friday 11th Feb at 7:30 pm. Saturday 12th Feb at 2:00pm and 7:30pm. All performances at Snells Hall. Tickets will go on sale at Hendred Stores at the beginning of February. If you would like to be involved in our merry band with help backstage with set design, lighting, props and costumes, please email: lianepm63@gmail.com

Used Postage Stamps for Charity

Sadie Hopkins is again collecting used postage stamps to raise money for animal charities.

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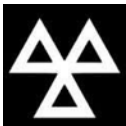
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The Green Column

Wildflower sowing

We love bees and we love wildflowers, so we wanted to welcome more of them into our village. This year Hendreds Environment Group (HEG) has worked with East Hendred Parish Council (EHPC) and Bowling Alley Allotments Association (BAAA) to manage two areas of grass to encourage more wildflowers and wildlife.

Alongside the tarmac path through Snells the council arranged just to keep a boundary edge tidy and to let the rest get longer through the growing season. After it was finally cut back HEG volunteers raked and scraped to create some bare earth, and finally scattered wildflower seed.

At the allotments, around the owl sculpture, BAAA volunteers did all the preparation work and invited 1st Cuckhamsley Cub Scouts to sow the wildflower seed. BAAA also funded the seed for this area.

Many thanks to everyone who has engaged with our Space for Wildlife project this year, by joining one of our webinars, by doing something for wildlife in their own garden, by filling in our wildlife garden survey, or by helping at a work party. Your enthusiasm for caring for nature is inspiring!



Reducing Waste

We are planning to host a community larder scheme in the village, planning for a launch in February. This membership scheme will reduce food waste by providing members with items that would otherwise be wasted. Councillor Sally Povolotsky is looking for volunteers to help run the scheme – to find out more email

Sally.Povolotsky@oxfordshire.gov.uk

We're also exploring the idea of Swishing – events where people can swap clothes, or other items, reducing waste and getting 'new' stuff at the same time. If you fancy volunteering to help with that, contact Sarah James at heg@hendred.org

Get involved

Want to save the planet, but don't know where to start? Email heg@hendred.org to join Hendreds Environment Group and get active!

Downs Golden Age Club

It was with great joy that the club was able to meet again at Snells Hall in September after 18 months of restrictions and lockdowns. Our first meeting was the AGM and tea. In October it was another tea but before we were allowed to get stuck into the sandwiches and cakes, we were offered a Sitting-Down Yoga session. Many thanks to Helen Boddington for coming to the club, leading the session and encouraging so many people to take part. Early November saw the return of our popular lunches. The seating at the tables was made as "Covid-aware" as possible and we welcomed about 40 members for a delicious meal prepared by Salvador, Barbara and Jeni. Many thanks to Eileen Bell who came and gave a fascinating talk about Hendred vineyard and generously supplied us all with a small tasting of their delicious, award-winning, Brut sparkling wine. Our next meeting is on 2nd December and it's Christmas dinner with all the trimmings!

We will be able to accept new members from January 2022. If you are new to the village, we would like to welcome you to our very friendly club. We usually meet on the first Thursday of the month at Snells Hall and new members are always welcome. Annual subscriptions are just £20 and that covers all the lunches and teas, speakers and subsidised outings. For more information please ring Susie on 833797 or email susie@monks court.co.uk

Norman Francis

Few who met Norman Francis could fail to be held by his charm. Possessed of a rapier wit, he was disarmingly frank. Should a sermon drift too long, say, he would tap his watch ostentatiously... He was a teacher to the core, sharing his encyclopaedic knowledge – of history and of local history especially – widely and generously, with patient and limitless kindness. He was swift with a compliment; and always inspiringly upbeat.

Norman Victor Francis was born here in 1937; was schooled here – and read History and English at (Reading) university. These two remained lifelong passions and fuelled his boundless love affair with East Hendred and all that it offered. He made cakes for us, he arranged flowers regularly for two churches; gave tea parties in his gorgeous garden and cooked Sunday lunch for a beloved coterie of friends. He was a Trustee and energetic member of the Heritage Trust – as he was, also, of the Downs Golden Age Club, serving as Vice President for fourteen years.

His companion and friend for almost sixty years has been Michael Evans, whose quiet presence has sometimes rendered his own contribution towards the cultural uplift in our village to be overlooked. We extend to him our very warm sympathy. Norman will never feel very far away.

Helpful websites

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Oxfordshire County Council: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk

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Advent and Christmas

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Some have found looking at the sanctuary and tabernacle during the night a comfort. The Conference of Catholic Bishops of England and Wales are reintroducing the Sunday and Holy Day obligation with effect from 28 November, the First Sunday in Advent.



Times of Mass at Christmas

24 December - Christmas Eve

4pm Mass of Christmas Vigil with Carols
8pm Mass of Christmas Night with Carols

25 December - Christmas Day

9:30am Mass of Christmas Day with Carols
11:15am Christmas Mass at East Ilsley

26 December - Holy Family

9:30am Sunday Mass

At the time of writing, we are continuing to ask people to wear masks and socially distance.

For the Christmas services demand is such that we ask you to book in advance. Christmas bookings open on Wednesday 8 December and the deadline is

Monday 20 December, giving us time to allocate places.

For tickets contact hendred@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

A happy and blessed Advent and Christmas to you all.

Fr Andrew

News from St Augustine's Church

As most people will already know, we are now without a Rector again at St Augustine's. We were sad to see Orazio leaving as he has contributed so much during his time with us, especially during the challenging circumstances of the pandemic. We wish him and his family well.

The Church Wardens and the PCC will keep things going while we are without a Rector, so please contact Olwen or Suzanne if you have any questions about the church. We are fortunate to have the support of the Area Dean, the Revd John Durant, for urgent matters, and for weddings and funerals.

There will be no change to the pattern of Sunday services, as we will continue with an 11.00 am Holy Communion service every other week. However, there will be no weekday services for the time being.

We plan to hold a service on Christmas Day at 11.00 am, and a carol service on Monday 20 December. Do join us, if you can, to celebrate the joy of Christmas. Further details will be available in *What's On in the Hendreds*.

*Olwen Lintern-Smyth,
Church Warden, St Augustine's Church
olwen.linternsmyth@gmail.com*

New this Christmas: Christmas Carols Scarecrow Trail

We're looking for residents of East Hendred to take part in a Christmas Carol themed scarecrow trail to run through the school Christmas holidays (Saturday 18 December – Saturday 8 January). Choose a carol from the list at Hendred Stores, get creative and build a scarecrow inspired by it to stand in your garden.

The earlier you register, the longer the list of carols to choose from! And the more scarecrows the merrier for families visiting the scarecrows in the Christmas holidays!

'Scarecrow' is very loosely defined and they can be anywhere in East Hendred. There'll be a prize for the best one.

It's £4 to enter a scarecrow and will be £1 for a trail map to visit the scarecrows and see if you can match them to the carols. Trail maps will be available from Hendred Stores from 18 December. Proceeds will be split between St Augustine's church and Save the Children (nominated by St Mary's).



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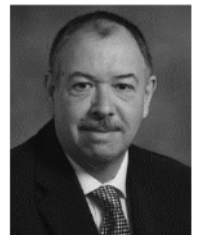


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The Diary of Jackie Gear age 60 and 3/4

My family and I moved to this beautiful chocolate-box village on a sunny summer's day in 2019. My desire to live in a village and to be involved in village life had seen my dreams finally realised and part of that dream was to grow our own produce, but with the combination of only ever having grown chillies in a pot on the windowsill (a rather reluctant Christmas gift I hasten to add), a garden the size of a postage stamp and my dear Mum's words of "you only have to look at a pot plant and it dies" resonating in my head I was somewhat hesitant .. but with the Bowling Alley Allotments being a view from an upstairs window I felt it was a sign.

So, with my Mum on board (whose track record with a pot plant, incidentally, is a lot more successful than my own) we secured, to our delight, a starter plot in the form of a raised bed. We toiled the land until it was ready to plant and to our absolute joy reaped what we had sown - the vegetables tasted out of this world and, frankly, some looked that way too!!

From there having graduated to a 2.5 pole plot, now with my husband on board as well as my Mum, the planning began. We prepared the ground which was in fabulous condition and we planted with extreme precision row upon row of vegetables. We spent many an evening and weekend tending to our harvest and with the sun setting and the fields behind us I can honestly say it was a sanctuary of utter tranquillity, one I would find myself in even if I didn't need to be. That combined with the amazing people you get to meet, some of whose knowledge far outweighs the rows of allotmenting books sitting on our coffee table, my involvement in the Cutting Patch and harvesting and pressing apples into juice for EH Apple Day makes it one of the best things I have done.

Finally all I can say is that, although we are no Tom & Barbara Good, this is definitely The Good Life. So if, like me, you think you don't have green fingers then trust that old cliché ... "if I can do it then so can you". Suffice to say I'm looking forward to the winter when no weeding is required so on that note Happy Christmas one and all and here's to more happy harvesting in 2022.

Jackie Gear

East and West Hendred WI

East and West Hendred WI have continued with virtual members' meetings on Zoom. September and October were meetings with entertainers. September was an illusionist Steve Price, whose tricks, jokes and sleight of hand kept us all captivated for nearly an hour. He is well worth a visit if you see he is performing in a theatre near you. October brought us a visitor from the past, Nell Gwynn! In reality it was Lesley Smith, owner of Tutbury Castle, dressed in full costume with a realistic appraisal of Nell's life. Following this we had a lively and informative question and answer session. She actually followed this up with an invitation to visit the castle as her guests, an offer that was enthusiastically accepted.

Earlier, in August our Afternoon Tea in the back garden of the East Hendred shop was a great success (pictured right). Nickie Tilbury from the shop catered for us with a most delicious tea with scones and cake accompanied by cups of tea. It was so enjoyed by everyone after having not met face to face for so long. The sun shone and the chatter was endless.

We continue to meet up for coffee and afternoon tea usually in Mather House in East Hendred. Such a lovely place, airy and with a beautiful garden.

So onwards to the next few months. Some members are very vulnerable and fearful of meeting up in an enclosed space so we are not yet certain when will be

meeting back again in Snells Hall. However, our meetings will continue and in November we have a talk by Bayley Eyley entitled "And you thought talking was easy".

December will be our Christmas Party hopefully in Hendred House by kind permission of Ali Eyston.

If you would like to join our WI please contact Jennie, email jen@wpj.me.uk or telephone 224467 and join us free for your first visit.



Bank Holiday Waste Collection

Christmas and New Year period

Normal day/date	Revised day/date	Bin type
Tuesday 28 th December	Thursday 30 th December....	Non-recyclables (Grey) and Food Waste
Tuesday 4 th January.....	Friday 7 th January.....	Recyclables (Green) and Food Waste - NO Garden Waste
Tuesday 11 th January.....	Thursday 13 th January.....	Non-recyclables (Grey) and Food Waste
Tuesday 18 th January.....	Wednesday 19 th January....	Recyclables (Green) , Food Waste and Garden Waste (Brown)

Collections start at 6 am;

it is best to put bins out the night before

From Hendred Stores

It has been another unusual year for everyone, but there definitely seems to be a return to some kind of normality. Our Macmillan Coffee Morning in September was a fantastic success, raising in excess of £550, so thank you to everyone who supported us. The beautiful weather undoubtedly helped, but ultimately it was down to you coming into the shop to buy some of our homemade cakes or making additional donations. We will do this again in 2022 and are already tasking ourselves with raising even more money.

Our wine evenings are proving very popular, and the next two are being held at The Wheatsheaf as follows:

Tuesday 7th December –

Fortified Wine Evening

Friday 28th January –

Burns Night

If you are interested in attending either of these, or wish to go on our mailing list, please contact us directly in the shop. We plan on holding many more events in 2022, including spirits tastings, and always welcome feedback or special requests.

We have received deliveries of our festive foods and treats (think stollen, mince pies, brandy butter, Christmas cake et al), and will again be doing small hampers for you to gift to family or friends. Please pass by the store to see what we have on our shelves, you might be surprised by what we can squeeze into such a small space! We are also doing free-range turkeys, for collection during Christmas week, so if you still want one please check to see if we can take any more orders.

Our opening hours will be slightly different to normal over the festive season, so please follow us on social media or collect a leaflet from the shop to get the latest information.

We would like to wish you all a wonderful Christmas, and a happy and healthy 2022.

Nickie and Steve.

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East Hendred Heritage Trust

We, like many organisations, had to close our doors to the public during the pandemic but work by the trustees continued even if we were working on our own. Our exhibition planned for the year came to an abrupt end, as did all our fundraising activities.

Our photographic collection was transferred and recategorized on to a laptop we had purchased, which will help to improve the visitor experience in the future. We had planned to put on an exhibition to mark the 75th anniversary of the end of WWII. A smaller exhibition was completed making special reference to all those men whose names appear on the war memorial which can be seen in the museum. We organised for all the names on the WWII part of the memorial to be returned to their former clarity in time for the Remembrance service.

AGM

At our AGM held on the 21st October we talked of the year that had passed and the work we had managed to achieve during a very difficult period for so many people. Our objectives have always been to advance the public's education in the history and culture of East Hendred and the surrounding area and to acquire and conserve historical artifacts for the local community to enjoy, which we continue to do. We are forever looking for ways to enhance the experience our visitors gain from visiting the museum.

Our chairperson has indicated that this will be his last year in office although he does intend to carry on as a trustee. If this is a role you might be interested in finding out more about, new blood often brings a different perspective to an organisation, then please contact our secretary Diana at hendredheritagesecretary@gmail.com

Christmas Tree and Carols

The lighting of the Christmas tree with carols, which is enjoyed by many, will be an event to look forward to and we would love to see you there. Look out for posters detailing the event.

Open Gardens

We very much hope to reinstate our biennial open gardens event, in aid of the museum, in 2022. This is a very well supported day with visitors coming from far and wide. This event would not be possible without all the people who offer to open their gardens to the public, for which we thank them, and the very popular tea and cakes served at Hendred House courtesy of Ali and Edward.

Norman Francis

It was with great sadness that the trustees learned of the death of Norman who had been a supporter of the museum for many years – as a trustee and director (2002-2009), a steward and a friend. Norman helped with fundraising by opening his beautiful garden during our open garden events, by leading our historical tours around the village, his knowledge was second to none. Norman was famous for his cakes and whenever he baked a cake for a charity event people would outbid each other to ensure it went home with them. We will miss you, Norman.

Iris Langmead

Iris was another supporter of the museum who was always open to help in any way she could. We were saddened to learn of her death.

Amazon Smile

Thanks to everyone who uses Amazon Smile and has nominated the museum as their chosen charity during the past year; we really appreciate your help, and the donations we receive. If you would like to support us through the Amazon Smile scheme it is very easy to do. Google Amazon Smile and sign in using your normal email and password for Amazon and then select East Hendred Heritage Trust as your chosen charity. A small percent of what you spend is then donated to the charity of your choice.

Volunteers

There are many roles for volunteers to help with the museum and the work we do. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact the secretary Diana at hendredheritagesecretary@gmail.com

Exhibition

Our exhibition for 2022 in "The Secret Life of Your Street" series will be St Mary's Road, first covered at the start of our series. See what other information we have added, the photos we have uncovered, and learn more about the lives of the people that have lived in that street during the past 150 years.

Fire Pump

Our band of volunteers have been busy tidying out the fire pump's home which is in the garden at Snells Hall. Repairs will be needed to the fire pump to keep it looking pristine and volunteers willing to help will be sought.

See the booklet in the museum that documents the history of this treasured possession, and how it came into operation and helped save many homes from burning to the ground before the fire brigade that we know today was formed.

Walking Group – Every Wednesday

We've had some wonderful late summer and autumn walks enjoying the sunshine and lots of dry weather. Hopefully the fine weather will continue so we can enjoy Wednesday mornings despite the nights drawing in. If you are new to the village or looking for a new activity why not join us. We are a very friendly group. We normally walk about 5 to 6 miles, sometimes stopping at a coffee shop and sometimes carrying our own.

On the first Wednesday of the month, we always walk from East Hendred to Ardington but on other Wednesdays we often venture further afield. For more information please email: susie@monks court.co.uk or ring 07710274653

Pictured right - The group in June at The Old Rectory, Farnborough



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Planning Matters

NOTE: PC means Parish Council

P20/V1667/O – Land known as Fermi Gate, Harwell Campus. Outline application for the redevelopment of part of Harwell Science and Innovation Campus to provide employment floorspace for offices, laboratories and light industrial uses. The PC responded with a holding objection, requesting information on a Harwell Campus Masterplan and lack of a travel plan. Awaiting determination.

P20/V3283/HH – Kingsgate, Chapel Square. Proposed 2 bay garage. Amended plans received. The PC had no objection. Permission granted.

P21/V1171/FUL – Former Esso Research Centre, Milton Hill. Application for 44,380sq.m of industrial development (Class B2-B8). The PC objected strongly to this proposal on the grounds that it was contrary to a number of policies in the Local Plan. Awaiting determination.

P21/V1690/O – Cornerbrook, Mill Lane. Outline application, for single self-build residential dwelling. The PC had no objection. Amended plans were submitted. Permission refused.

P21/V2157/O – Cornerbrook, Mill Lane. Outline application, all matters reserved except access for self-build project for single residential dwelling and garage adjacent to Cornerbrook. Access via Mill Lane. The PC submitted a holding objection, seeking to avoid permission being granted for both this application and P21/V1690/O. Permission refused.

P21/V1905/HH and P21/V1907/LB – Vine House, Chapel Square. Additional upgrade and alteration to the windows and doors of the barn and replacement cladding on both road and garden elevations. Permission granted.

P21/V2105/FUL – Unit 7, The Old Estate Yard. Removal of existing building. Single storey extension to north of Unit 7 to provide additional office accommodation. Alterations to parking layout and provision of additional parking area. The PC submitted a holding objection pending revised plans. Awaiting determination.

P21/V1963/HH – Orchard Corner, Ford Lane. New dormer to existing loft conversion. The PC had no objection. Permission granted.

P21/V2374/HH – 9 Portway Close. Rear and side extension and front porch. The PC had no objection. Permission granted.

P21/V2296/FUL and P21/V2297/LB – Plough Inn, Orchard Lane. Resubmission of applications P20/V2382/FUL and P20/V2383/LB - proposed restoration of the listed Plough Inn to a residential dwelling. Conversion of the listed Oak Room into a residential property; creation of a clubhouse for the Bowling Club; a new pedestrian gate. Erection of a new house. Refurbishment of listed cob wall. The PC acknowledged improvements in the design and made some comments. Awaiting determination.

Parish Council

Council meetings are held at Snells Hall at 7:30pm on the 1st Thursday of each month. An Open Forum, in which parishioners may ask questions, starts at 8pm.

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Viewing and commenting on planning applications online

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Planning Matters (continued)

P21/V2788/HH and P21/V2791/LB – Hines Cottage, Horn Lane. Additional rooflight to slate roof, adjustment to position of rooflights, New gates, replacement of glazed doors with window. The PC had no objection. Awaiting determination by the Vale.

P21/V2918/LB – Church Place, Church Street. Repair/Replace secondary glazing of external doors and windows. The PC had no objection. Awaiting determination by the Vale.

P21/V3129/HH and P21/V3130/LB – Corner House, Allins Lane.

Alterations to barns to provide ancillary accommodation; new boundary treatment. The PC is still considering this application.

P21/V3137/T28 – Portway Farm Buildings, Featherbed Lane. Installation of equipment cabinet with associated ancillary works. The PC is still considering this application.

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Village Diary - Winter 2021/2022

Please check that the following and any subsequent scheduled events are still taking place by contacting clubs and groups using details in their articles or under Regular Events (right)

December 2021

- 2nd DGA Christmas Lunch 1 pm
Snells Hall (pg 7)
7th Shop Wine Evening
Wheatsheaf (pg 12)

January 2022

- 6th DGA Lunch 1 pm Snells Hall (pg 7)
28th Burns Night - Wheatsheaf (pg 12)
28th Tennis Club Quiz Night
West Hendred (pg 5)

February 2022

- 3rd DGA Lunch 1 pm Snells Hall (pg 7)
10th to 12th Springline Panto (pg 5)

Deadline date for next *Bulletin*

Please send your articles, B&W photographs (separately and not part of text), diary entries etc. for the next *Bulletin* to me at the editor's e-mail address of bulletin@hendred.org to reach me by **Monday 7th February 2022**.

Thank you.

I wish all Bulletin contributors and readers a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Rachel

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Regular Events (In normal times)

Note: Some details below may differ due to the aftermath of Covid-19 related restrictions.

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- Monday** **Scouts** 7 - 9pm, Snells Hall
Scout Leader - Chris Harrison
(Contact for all Scout group matters:
Doron Jensen, 07711 474883)
- Tuesday** **Beaver Scouts** 5:25 - 6:25pm, Snells Hall. (Simon, 07891 931166)
Cub Scouts 6:30 - 8pm, Snells Hall (Mhairi, 820249)
- Wednesday** **Walking Group** 9.30 am
See page 13 for details and contact
- Thursday** **Springline Singers** 8:00 pm
On hold - See page 5 for details and contact
- Weekdays** **Pre-school**, at Snells Hall, **Mon - Fri**
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