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Stoke Hammond & Newton Leys South

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## THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE 2022

Please see inside for more images from the 4 days of fun events





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## Speeding Working Group

Are you frustrated by vehicles speeding through the village endangering other road users and the well-being of Stoke Hammond residents? The Parish Council is setting up a working group to collaborate with our Unitary Cllr, Phil Gomm, to investigate how we can tackle this problem and come up with permanent solutions to reduce speeds through Stoke Hammond.

If you feel this is something you are passionate about and would like to be part of this working group, please email PC Cllr Greg Noble at [gregnoble@stokehammondpc.com](mailto:gregnoble@stokehammondpc.com) or call on 07729 691888

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

For those that attended some or indeed all of the Platinum Jubilee events, and as you can see from the front cover and double page spread of photographs elsewhere in this edition of the SH & NLS News, it was a tremendous success and a magnificent way of marking and celebrating Her Majesty the Queen's 70 years of reign. We would once again say a massive thankyou to everyone involved in putting on the four days of events, but we do need to single out one person who went above and beyond, and that is Hazel Turner. Hazel put in so much time and effort and personally sponsored the Jubilee Spoons handed out to youngsters within our Parish. Thank you from us all, Hazel.



To provide some form of a permanent memorial of the Platinum Jubilee your PC purchased two appropriately themed benches, with one being installed on the Stoke Hammond Sports Field ahead of the celebrations. But for the second bench intended for Newton Leys South, negotiations with the site developers Taylor Wimpy regarding its location and installation took a little longer than expected and thus the bench was only installed, but installed it is, a little after the Jubilee event.

In the last PC News, we were welcoming onboard Cllr Craig Champion who had been co-opted onto the SHPC to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of one of our Councillors. We therefore thought the SHPC was now back to full strength with 7 Councillors, but sadly not, for no sooner had Craig come onboard, and as you can see from the advert on the adjoining page that we are now looking to fill another vacancy. We must say a big thank you to Cllr Alan Humphreys for his contribution to the Council, but due to his ever-increasing work commitments, Alan felt he could not devote as much time to the PC as he would like and most reluctantly felt he should step aside for someone new. The same also sadly goes for our Clerk, Jo Simonds, who has been doing sterling work but in recent months has found that in a similar vein to Alan that with her other responsibilities and a desire to have a bit freer time, that there are just not enough hours in the day, and something had to give, and most unfortunately for the PC this would be her role as our clerk. But Jo being Jo, wanted to ensure any transition would be as smooth as possible, and although officially relinquishing her position at the end of July, will stay around to assist the new clerk, and a new clerk we do indeed have. With three applicants which was whittled down to one, Kelly Harris, a Stoke Hammond resident was offered and accepted the position of PC Clerk. So, a sad goodbye to Jo, and a warm welcome to Kelly.

Before you ask, we have no further news regarding the Dolphin PH and its potential new owners. The message remains the same that contracts still need to be signed and exchanged. If and when we have any substantiated news we will publish via social media.

One bit of news though, is that Bellway Homes have contacted the PC regarding us adopting the street lighting on Brook Farm Close. There are a total of ten columns/lanterns, and the PC is currently in negotiations to agree a commuted sum to cover future running and maintenance costs before the PC can take over all responsibility. The first of the two PC Meetings since the last published PC News was the June meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> which was attended by 13 members of the public and our Unitary Councillor, Phil Gomm. Our Chair, Cllr Malcolm Newing, sent his apologies, so the Vice

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Chair, Cllr Stephen McNally, stepped forward to chair the meeting. Just a reminder at this point that within this PC News section we can only ever provide a brief overview of the most important items discussed at our meetings but one can view the detailed minutes for all past meetings on the Parish Council website [www.stokehammondpc.com](http://www.stokehammondpc.com). So, what were the main items from the June meeting and other than Planning Matters details of which can be found in the separate Planning Section. Speeding or should we say the reduction of same was once again an item of much discussion, noting that after the passing of several months we are still waiting approval from the local authority for the locations we put forward for the siting of the 3 new solar powered speed activated signs, this despite being advised that given the delay our application would be 'Fast Tracked'. However, just as this PC News was being prepared, we received a communication advising that a speed survey will need to be conducted for each location for which they want to charge the PC a total figure of around £1.5K. We are slightly at a loss as to why a survey is required when all we want to do is effectively remind drivers that they are in a 30mph zone! It was also proposed that with speeding being such an important subject, that we should set up a Working Group tasked to tackle the problem and come up with positive solutions to put before the PC. Hence you will see a notice on the inside front cover asking for people to come forward who may be interested in being part of this working group. Our Unitary Cllr, Phil Gomm, will be closely involved with the group and will be able to provide valued insight into what is practical and what is not.

Some other items of interest from the June PC meeting were:

- Cllr Gomm advised that the issue of the Arriva buses speeding through the village has now been dealt with, but if witnessed again, then please record the time and date and pass the details directly to Phil.
- Covert cameras are now planned for Dorcas Lane to record incidents of Fly Tipping and to then prosecute the offenders.
- With regard to the evolving Neighbourhood Plan (NP) a draft letter has been produced to send to local landowners, in an attempt to identify areas of land that might in the future be available for development to form part of the Stoke Hammond NP.
- The PC insurance policy was due for renewal and with our Clerk being successful in negotiating a reduction in our premium, it was agreed to sign up for a 3 year long-term agreement at £1,862.22 per year.
- It was noted the some of the drains in the village had been missed in the recent visit by the Bucks Drain Sucker Team, most specifically the drain by the pedestrian crossing which is completely blocked. Cllr Gomm advised we were not the only village where drains had been missed and that the Drain Sucker is due to return.

The second of our two PC Meetings was held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July with your 6 current PC Councillors all in attendance along with Unitary Councillor, Phil Gomm, with one of the first items being as mentioned earlier the appointment of Kelly Harris, as our new PC Clerk, with Kelly officially taking up her new role from the 1<sup>st</sup> August.

With a representation from the SH Sports Club, much of the meeting was taken up with a debate about a request from the Club for the PC to supply funds to cover the cost of recent improvements made by the club relating to upgrading the toilet facilities for the disabled. The Club had previously applied for funds under the Parish Council Community Funding Scheme, but the level of monies they were seeking were outside the scope by which the scheme was determined. Hence, this new request, and whilst not unsympathetic, the PC

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were in a somewhat difficult situation in that this was a retrospective request for works already carried out and not covered within the PC budget set for this year. However, there was some saviour in the form of Unitary Cllr, Phil Gomm, who suggested the Club could be eligible for a grant under the Winslow & Villages Community Board grant scheme, which is just about to be relaunched.

This lead on quite well to the matter of S106 and the question of the monies currently held and due from further housing developments within Stoke Hammond and how these can best be used for leisure and amenities projects in the parish. We have visited this subject before, but your PC is determined to move things forward but not without full consultation with you, our parishioners, to ensure the money is well spent on projects that the majority support. It was agreed an S106 working group would be established with representation from all key groups in the parish.

There was also a very long discussion regarding the planning application 22/01744/APP for two further new homes to the 'The Mellows' site, with much disapproval for the style, potential overlooking of neighbouring homes and whether or not the total homes forming part of this development constituted an allowance for affordable homes. Please see our planning application section for more details.

In previous years and as advised in the last PC News, we do not normally hold a PC Meeting in August, but with so much going on at the moment, it was felt that we couldn't leave it two months between getting together and providing you our residents with the opportunity to meet with your council. So yes, we do have an August meeting to be held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Community Centre, Bragenham Side, commencing at 7.30pm. The September meeting is scheduled for 7.30pm Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> again at the normal venue of the Community Centre. But just a reminder you can also catch up with some of your PC Councillors on our stand at the Village Show on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August.

Finally, in last month's PC News we showed a picture of the new replica pump and trough that the PC had installed on the small green at the entrance to Church Road, and thanked Sylvia Drummond for her efforts in planting the trough with a beautiful array of bedding plants.



Well, if you haven't been past recently, look at it now, an amazing display, still tended and watered by Sylvia. But Sylvia could soon be facing some stiff competition from the new planters installed to the Fenny Road entrance gates by Andy Gladdish, and planted out by Eileen Curry from the Stoke Hammond Gardening Club.



**Should you wish to contact your Parish Council, please do so via our clerk:**

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## John Bowler 18.12.32 – 17.6.22 – Stalwart of Stoke Hammond



John was born in Blisworth in Northamptonshire at the home of his mum's sister before returning to the family home in Perivale in London. He was his parents' first child: brothers Keith (and Stan after the war) later joined them. In 1939 WW2 broke out and as London was a difficult place to live at that time, John and his brother Keith would be sent to stay at their maternal grandmother's house in Napier St in Fenny Stratford when things "got hot" with the blitz. In spite of the war, John had a happy childhood. He developed many skills in childhood (included bowling!) – as boys, they would dash off after school to play cricket in the fields. At a young age he learned how to imitate bird songs – a skill he retained all his life, often "talking" to blackbirds and robins in his garden! John and Keith also helped their father on his allotment and developed a love of gardening.

John's parents were surprised to learn that he was very academic, excelling in Maths although he described himself as "a bit of a tearaway". In class, he made friends with Roy, who used to vie with him for the position of top of the class! Roy's family were church goers and John was invited to join Roy in the church choir.

John and his family would frequently visit the London Palladium seeing comedians such as Laurel and Hardy, Frankie Howerd and Tommy Cooper who on one memorable occasion had both John and his brother Keith almost rolling on the floor when he singled them out during a performance!

On leaving school, John was offered 2 options to do accountancy training: one at an accountancy firm which promised to pay about 30% more than the other with the local government office, but John felt drawn to public service so accepted job with Ealing Borough Council.

The time soon came for him to enrol for National Service which he served at RAF Halton. Being good with figures John was posted to the accounts dept. National Service was a bit of a culture shock for him as young men from all walks of life (including some from Glasgow tenements who had never slept in a bed) were billeted together in the barracks. Among his fellow national servicemen was a young man called Ivan who was to become a firm and lifelong friend. On their leave days they would often go hiking together. John continued to enjoy hiking and particularly the Lake District - a place he returned to regularly.

In his religious life John continued to worship in church, and became a Baptist. He resisted the request for his full immersion baptism however (as is usual in the Baptist church) with the unassailable theological argument that it would negate his baptism at birth.

John rose through the ranks eventually applied for a job as Chief Accountant in the borough of Richmond. His application was successful but he had a terrible shock on arrival. That year's accounts couldn't be submitted because the previous year's accounts hadn't been. It was a baptism by fire: the hardest job he'd ever done but John worked tirelessly to complete the accounts and was ultimately commended by borough councillors as they knew he'd saved them from extreme embarrassment and possibly legal action.

Years later, John was looking for a change and applied for a job in the MOD. After thorough vetting, he was offered the prestigious job and continued to work there until his retirement. During his time working in London, John's parents retired to Coombe Martin in Devon. On the death of his father, John and his brother Stan drove to Devon to visit their mother every weekend. It soon became clear that she couldn't manage, so she moved in with John (to his new home in Stoke Hammond). John was still working full time and caring for his mother until her death.

On retirement, John returned to church, but was uncertain where to worship. His natural inclination was towards the Baptist church, but he prayed over it and his answer came when David Gregg, the priest who many years ago had married his friends Alec and Libby Smith (for whom he had been best man) knocked on the door and announced that

he had just been appointed the new rector at St Luke's! John then joined the church, taking on the positions of treasurer and electoral roll officer when positions became vacant and later also joining the evangelisation group.

Retirement gave him more time to pursue his hobbies of gardening and reading about early British history: King Alfred, Boudicca and King Arthur.

In 2013 John was the recipient of the Queen's Maundy money. This small gift is given annually by the Queen (as head of the Church of England) to a number of recipients and is payment in lieu of washing the feet of her subjects (as Jesus did for the disciples on Maundy Thursday at the Last Supper). John felt greatly privileged to be honoured this way.

He was a quiet, gentle mannered, deeply devout man who studied the Bible, particularly enjoying the books of Tom Wright. He lived a life of service to the Lord, but more than that he was a truly generous gentleman who supported many in prayer and would help anyone in need: a wonderful Christian example!

John's funeral can be seen on YouTube video at: <https://youtu.be/GYZQLOIHt8M> and order of service at: <https://www.withgrace.co/link/01a65>





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## WELCOME TO THE NEWTON LEYS SOUTH SECTION



Firstly, I would like to introduce myself. I joined Stoke Hammond Parish Council in April and have lived in Newton Leys for over 6 years. The main driver for wanting to be a Parish Councillor was to help give the residents in Newton Leys South a say in the running of our

Parish Council. The Parish Council contains two major areas of housing, Stoke Hammond village and Newton Leys South, and as Newton Leys South has grown it has become almost as big as Stoke Hammond village. Over time this means that more of the Parish Council's income and expenditure will be in Newton Leys South. I want to help ensure that we consider the needs of Newton Leys South residents and efficiently use the Parish Council's budget to deliver improvements across our part of the estate.

One of the most obvious current concerns of residents is the exit from the estate from Lansbury Road. This road is busy, and the grass is not being mowed on the side of the road to allow visibility to turn right out of the estate safely. I have raised this issue with the Parish Council and Buckingham County Council and the Parish Council is also engaging with Taylor Wimpey to try to get a medium term solution. Buckingham County Council has cut this verge fairly recently, but it needs to be done regularly.

The Parish Council has seven councillors, but due to a recent resignation there is a current vacancy. There are currently two councillors who live on the estate. **Can I please ask anyone who lives in Newton Leys to consider whether they would be interested in becoming a Parish Councillor? This would involve attending an evening meeting once every month, but please feel free to contact me at [craigchampion@atokehammondpc.com](mailto:craigchampion@atokehammondpc.com) if you have any more questions as to what the role involves.** The Council has some interesting ideas and projects it would like to progress; both Newton Leys and Stoke Hammond have some s106 funds available for Leisure and Amenity projects, we are currently working to develop a local plan which will hopefully help guide future development across the Parish and we are currently trying to implement some form of traffic calming measures to reduce speeding through Stoke Hammond village. In the near future we expect that Newton Leys South roads and footpaths will be adopted by the

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Parish Council, so we will be looking to see how the Parish Council can help ensure Newton Leys South remains a brilliant place to live.

In the longer term I am keen to explore improving the exit from Lansbury Road onto Drayton Road to make it safer, see if we can get on street public car charging to help residents without their own drives, and improve community facilities for Newton Leys and specifically NLS residents.

Newton Leys is a great place to live, if you are passionate about the local area and want to represent your local community, please email the Parish Council Clerk for an application form TODAY [clerk.stokehammondpc@gmail.com](mailto:clerk.stokehammondpc@gmail.com)

*Councillor Craig Champion*

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### AUGUST



- 7<sup>th</sup> Aug: 09.30am Café Church – DW  
14<sup>th</sup> Aug: 11.00am Family Service – JW  
21<sup>st</sup> Aug: 05.00pm Compline\* – JW  
28<sup>th</sup> Aug: 10.00am Benefice Service – tba

*\* An evening service which is preceded by Afternoon Tea at 3pm however there is no obligation to attend the service if you just want to come for the afternoon tea and no obligation to come for tea if you just want to attend the service.*

### SEPTEMBER

- 4<sup>th</sup> Sept: 10.00am Benefice Service – JW  
**Note:** To be held at St Mary the Virgin Church, Great Brickhill  
11<sup>th</sup> Sept: 11.00am Family Service – JW  
18<sup>th</sup> Sept: 09.30am Morning Worship – tba  
25<sup>th</sup> Sept: 09.30am Harvest Festival Service – JW  
with Holy Communion\*

*\* St Luke's Harvest lunch will be held on the same day at the Community Centre, Bragenham Side*

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# THE Lindens

Here at The Lindens we all enjoyed the Platinum Jubilee and we hope you did too! Our Maintenance Team had decorated our home and grounds for the celebration weekend and groups of our residents had been making decorations during their arts and craft sessions.



There was a celebration Tea Party for our residents with music, party food and games which included "Pass the Royal Parcel" and "Pin the Crown on the Queen". Some of our residents had also made party crowns which they wore for the event too!



Our Kitchen Team had baked, iced and decorated a delicious celebration cake for the festivities which was enjoyed by our residents.

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Wishing you all a happy and healthy summer ahead,

*Michael Hannelly*  
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The cubs and scouts have had a busy lead up to the summer holidays with plenty of outdoor activities to keep everyone busy. We have had evenings learning to pitch tents, playing wide games in the Brickhill Woods, orienteering in Campbell Park, having Nerf Gun battles and Treasure hunting. We invested an adult volunteer (Claire) as a scout leader to assist David Tooth and several new cubs and scouts have made their promises.

The cubs have been creative making messages in a bottle for father's Day whilst the scouts competed in teams to design, cook and serve an evening meal ..... with impressive results (no fire alarms this time!!).

We had lots of fun running the successful Jubilee games afternoon (thanks to everyone in the village who helped out at the event) .... And finally, we finished the term with an evening of water fights and games.

We start up again in September on Thursday evenings. Please get in touch if you have young people who want to join or be added to the waiting list if they are too young.

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**High Ash Scout Group – MK District Scarf**





**We would like to start by thanking all that supports our club. We have had a good couple of months. We have held some superb functions all of which were fantastically well supported. Please keep an eye out for our upcoming events. These will be posted on the Facebook page and within the club house.**

**Unfortunately, I need to start on a negative note in regard to dog fouling on the field. We have noticed how bad this has got recently. We hired our facilities to a primary school, and we had 5 kids walk in 5 separate piles of dog mess. This is not on and it was very embarrassing for us. We would like to remind people of how dangerous this is for people's health and can cause blindness.**

**On to a more upbeat note we enjoyed a very successful Jubilee weekend, more details of which you will no doubt read more about in this latest edition of SH&NLS News. It was so nice to see so many different faces in the sports club over the weekend. If anyone wishes to make comment on the weekend, please pass these on to David Tooth at [david2th@yahoo.com](mailto:david2th@yahoo.com)**

**As we are in the summer it is the time for some cricket. We host 3 teams. Saturday, Sunday, and Wednesday teams. We also hire the pitch out to Great Brickhill for their youth teams and also an adult team. Please come down and support your local teams this summer. There is always a game on Saturdays and likewise on most Sundays there is also a home game going on. Fixtures can be given if you would like them. We are starting our own youth teams with training on a Friday evening for boys and girls in ages u9 to u13. Please contact Justin Canning for more information and to confirm your place. As it is now the summer David Garner will be mowing the outfield ready for all to use, so please do avoid going onto the field whilst he is mowing to help prevent any accidents.**

**We held our AGM and all positions on the committee have been kept the same with all happy to continue. We still have plenty of things to do if anyone would like to help at the sports club. Again, please contact David Tooth.**

**We hope you all have a lovely summer holiday and hope to see you all soon at the sports club for a nice relaxing drink.**

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Secondly, for parents and grandparents, you may be interested in this month's online safety awareness campaign – Switched-on Parent. Details of which follow on the next page or visit the following website

<https://www.getsafeonline.org/yourkidsonline/> for lots of tips from our experts on how to encourage your children or grandchildren to use the internet safely.

With best wishes

The Get Safe Online Team



## STOKE HAMMOND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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family safe online.

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Most children's internet use has increased over the last two years, whether it's for entertainment, educational or social purposes. With all the additional time spent doing more online, how can you be sure that the young people in your family are safe from the issues they can encounter every day?

**To help, our online safety experts have put together some simple, easy-to-follow tips.**

- Have **regular conversations with your child** about the internet's positive and negative aspects. Get them to show you what they're doing and try it yourself. Familiarise yourself with new technologies and trends. Discuss bullying, oversharing, inappropriate content, stranger danger and spending too much time online. Set a good example yourself.
- **Explain and encourage** safe searching, websites and apps. Check what your child is watching – and sharing – on streaming sites like YouTube and TikTok.
- Gaming, social media, picture/video sharing and many other apps and websites have lower **age limits** for a reason. Download apps only from recognised sources like App Store and Google Play. Add your own email address when setting up accounts and apps for your child.
- **Discuss and agree boundaries and rules** from a young age, including time limits and appropriate online usage. Empower your child, but remember that they don't have the maturity or experience to always make the right decisions.
- Use **parental control software and apps** on computers, mobile devices and games consoles, privacy features on social networking sites, safety options on search engines and safe location settings on devices and apps. Turn on your ISP's **family filters**.
- **Keep abreast** of new game and social media trends, especially those attracting negative publicity because they may be violent, encourage gambling or leave the way open for messaging anybody, and hence potential grooming.

# Joyful Tots

- Joyful Tots is an inclusive session for parents, carers, or anyone looking after a baby or preschool child. Friendly mums are there to chat with and share problems, advice and information



- Our regular session time: 10 – 11.30am on Friday mornings during term times in the side room at Stoke Hammond Community Centre
- Come on down and meet a friendly face! Take a break from your own four walls and give your child a chance to start socialising from an early age. There's **no charge** for your first taster session and only £2 per mum & tot (plus an extra 50p for each extra child) after that



There'll be age appropriate toys and activities and refreshments are provided for adults and children

- If you'd like more information or you think you would like to come along but can't make the date, please call Bethan 07803 805103, Linda 07971 134497 or Diane 01525 270409 or message us on Facebook (Joyful Tots)

- If your child uses **video calls**, ensure their safety by updating to the platform's latest version, following its safety advice and ensuring call invitations and replies cannot be seen by anybody outside the agreed call group.
- **Gaming** can be very positive for children but make them aware of things like chatting to strangers, in-game purchases of loot boxes, skins and cheats, and spending too much time online.
- Advise your child that they shouldn't believe everything they read or see, and to avoid spreading random or sensational content. **Misinformation and fake news** are everywhere, including in links from respectable websites.
- Warn about **oversharing** confidential information or personal details in posts, profiles, messages and chats. Consider what you share yourself.
- Keep tabs on your child's online activities and get to know the signs of something not being right. For example, criminals have exploited increased online use for recruiting children into **illegal activities** such as cybercrime and drug muling.

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# MAVIS'S QUIZ

In case you missed them, here are the answers to the last quiz where you had to identify the famous sports personalities.

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- (3) NADIA COMANECI (4) MICHAEL JOHNSON
- (5) KELLY HOLMES (6) BABE RUTH (7) OLGA KORBUS
- (8) MICHAEL SCHUMACHER (9) MARY DECKER
- (10) MIKE TYSON

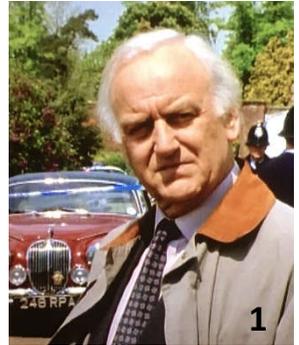


*Now for something different, and really 3 questions in 1, in that can you name the Classic TV or Film Police/Detective dramas from the following images, but also the characters fictional name and the real name of the actor who played the role. Other than indicating the number of letters to each answer, there are no further clues!*

1. Title: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Character: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Actors Name: \_\_\_\_\_



2. Title: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Character: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Actors Name: \_\_\_\_\_



3. Title: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Character: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Actors Name: \_\_\_\_\_



4. Title: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Character: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Actors Name: \_\_\_\_\_

5.Title: \_\_\_\_\_

5.Character: \_\_\_\_\_

5.Actors Name: \_\_\_\_\_



6.Title: \_\_\_\_\_

6.Character: \_\_\_\_\_

6.Actors Name: \_\_\_\_\_



7.Title: \_\_\_\_\_

7.Character: \_\_\_\_\_

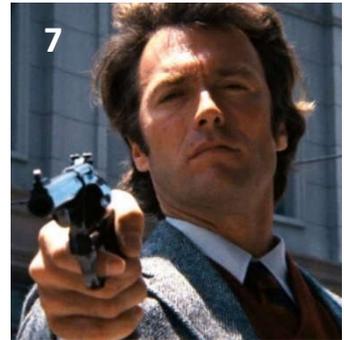
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8.Title: \_\_\_\_\_

8.Character: \_\_\_\_\_

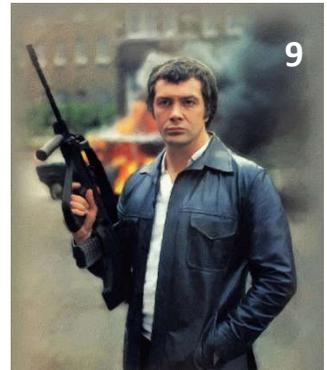
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9.Character: \_\_\_\_\_

9.Actors Name: \_\_\_\_\_



10.Title: \_\_\_\_\_

10.Character: \_\_\_\_\_

10.Actors Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*Best of luck, but to save you having to wait till the next edition, answers can be found on the 'Planning Section' Page*

## **OPENING TIMES**

**Monday 9:30-2:30**

**Tuesday 9:00-4:00**

**Wednesday 9:00-4:00**

**Thursday 9:00-8:00**

**Friday – Closed**

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# STOKE HAMMOND GARDENING CLUB



At last, we were able to go on a long awaited trip and so, on Thursday 7th July off we went to Cogges Manor Farm near Witney, Oxfordshire. Many venues were still not ready for group visits so we were not too sure how it would be !

There has been a farmstead at Cogges Manor for 1,000 years so there was plenty of history attached. The 13th century Manor House and innumerable grade 1 listed farm buildings were just as they had always been and were so attractive in beautiful Cotswold stone. Parts of 'Downton Abbey' had been filmed at Cogges and they had a video running telling how thrilled the producers of the programme were to find such an authentic setting. The Manor House was totally unaltered and as we wandered all round it was easy to imagine all the different families who had lived there in times gone by.



There was an old farmyard with animals, often roaming free, and a spectacular walled garden ablaze with colour containing a huge variety of plants plus an orchard with rare varieties of apples. There were volunteers scattered around willing to answer any questions although we heard that it had been difficult to find enough volunteers since the pandemic !



However, everyone seemed to find things of interest to see and we received some very appreciative emails so happily it turned out to be a successful first outing to this gem in the Cotswolds.

**Gardening Club**



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One minute the year was rolling along at it's usual 2 or 3 miles an hour and the next it suddenly started racing. Proms have started so it'll soon be Christmas! June was creeping along nice and summery then July rushed in - copy date caught me napping and things are happening which are yet to be resolved.

Cage-fighting. Well not exactly, more of a high-level balloon debate. 5 candidates on a tv prog vying for leadership of the Conservative party and thus the position of Prime Minister. I couldn't believe they were all on the "same side"! 2 of the candidates appear to have seen sense and stood down from a rematch. (see June 2019 article for breakdown figure of 33,825 people who effectively "elect" our PM under this system)

Inflation - approaching 10%. Forget who will be Prime Minister and spare a thought for the poor guy or guess who will be Chancellor! Most groups and organisations I know have trouble appointing a new Treasurer. A new round of Union led pay claims seems to be starting and I'm old enough to remember where that's been in the past.

And as I write we are today predicted to have the highest temperature ever recorded in the U.K. This is highly publicised in the Media and hopefully warnings will be heeded. No doubt however there will be a table of heat related deaths compared to our colleagues across the water.

I have been a little jaded over the last 48 hours and blame this on the heat. Obviously, nothing to do with Covid for which I tested positive. Being triple jabbed I guess the immune system was well primed and there was little to moan about other than the self -isolating to avoid any possible transmission

Stay safe

Grumpy Old Man

# High Ash C of E School Parish Council Newsletter

*Grow Together Shine Forever*

*'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16*

## Summer 2022

### *Busy End of Term*

It has been wonderful to be able to, once again, open our doors and welcome in parents and invite them to our school events. We have been thrilled to host a welcome evening for new Foundation parents and meet those who will be joining the school in September, and we have also been able to invite parents and family to a number of events including Sports Day, Star Assemblies and our Oracy Showcase.

### *Year 6 Leavers' Events....*

We are delighted that we have been able to give the Year 6 pupils an action-packed summer term and that they have all been able to attend transition days and open events at their selected secondary schools.

Here at High Ash, the Year 6 pupils have been able to enjoy the following events and activities; Residential Trip to Kingswood, End of Year Production, Leavers' Blessing at the Church, Year 6 Prom and on their last day at school (19<sup>th</sup> July) a special Leavers' Assembly.

### *Fundraising News...*

Our school fundraising committee HASA (High Ash School Association) have raised a staggering £12,315 this academic year. Thanks to all parents who support HASA events as this year they raised a record breaking amount! The committee are thrilled with the success of the mixture of fundraisers we have held during the past year - the ideas have been innovative and creative.

The funds raised are so helpful to the school budget and support our Hook Days, buying of books, paying for coaches to get our children to sports festivals, subsidising trips, end of year ice cream van for the children, Y6 Prom and many other extras that would not be able to happen without all this help! We really are grateful for the continued parental support.

### *Back to School...*

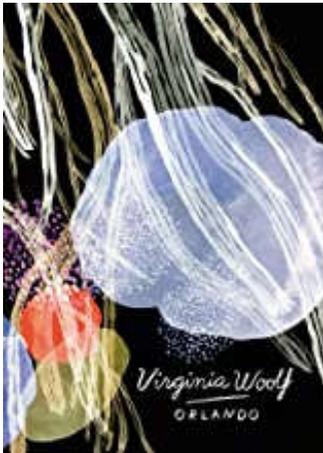
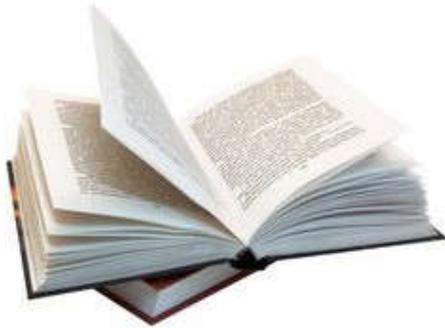
We look forward to welcoming pupils back for the new school year will start on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

*We hope that the local community have a lovely summer break and we hope that September sees the start of an exciting new academic year for both our existing and our new Foundation pupils.*

*Sarah J Boyce*

Sarah Boyce  
Headteacher  
[headteacher@highash.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@highash.bucks.sch.uk)

## STOKE HAMMOND BOOK CLUB



### **Orlando** - by Virginia Woolf.

Our first book was 'Orlando' by Virginia Woolf. Knowing how famous Virginia Woolf is and how this particular book drew great acclaim in its time we were expecting a good read. However, the theme of the book was rather unusual and concerned a young man, who after a disastrous love affair, somehow morphed into a woman and continued to describe the experience.

The book was supposed to be biographical with the fictitious character Orlando inspired by Virginia Woolf's real-life friend and lover Vita Sackville-West. Orlando's life traces the history of Vita's family up until relative recently when she was unable to inherit her family's estate because she was a woman. The intricacies of the theme escaped most of us although one of our number commented that he did find the description of the vast differences between the life of a woman and of a man interesting !

Overall, it was definitely not for us and it was difficult to find anything to recommend it.

Conclusion: if you fancy a challenge, you could try reading it but perhaps not.

Our next book is 'The Reader on the 6.27' by Jean-Paul Didierlaurent. Our meeting to discuss it has not yet taken place so it will be included next time.

# PLANNING APPLICATION NEWS & UPDATES JUNE & JULY 2022



In this section you will find details of planning applications received, comments made by your Parish Council, and any updates on previous planning applications.

## **NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

### **22/01433/APP Barn, Bragenham Side, Stoke Hammond MK17 9DB**

Conversion of agricultural barn to 2 no dwellings.

*This barn already has permission for conversion into a single dwelling under planning application 17/03266/APP and this new application is seeking to sub divide the same barn into two dwellings. Your PC had NO OBJECTION to this new application.*

### **22/01463/APP Paper Mill Farm, Bragenham Side, Stoke Hammond MK17 9DB**

Change of use and works to convert an agricultural barn to a dwelling.

*Whilst sited in Great Brickhill parish and not a consultee, access is via Stoke Hammond and thus we are invited to comment. The site already has permission to convert another barn into a dwelling but this new application seeks to convert an alternative barn on the understanding it would not go ahead with the other barn conversion. Your PC were concerned about additional traffic on what is a single-track unmade right of way. If this new application is approved your PC would like to see a condition imposed that retrospective planning permission for conversion of the other two barns on the site is strictly prohibited.*

### **22/01512/APP Fernbank Lodge, Stoke Hammond MK17 9DB**

Householder application to replace 9 windows and front door.

*Fernbank Lodge sits within the conservation area hence the requirement to seek permission to change the windows and doors with UPVC replacements. Your PC felt the householder had gone to great lengths to find a manufacturer where the design and construction of the new windows and door was almost identical in appearance to the originals. The PC SUPPORTED this application.*

### **22/01767/APP 30 The Green, Stoke Hammond MK17 9BY**

Conversion of integral garage space into habitable accommodation.

Your PC felt the design of the proposed conversion was very much in keeping with the rest of the dwelling and thus had NO OBJECTION to this application.

### **22/01744/APP The Mellows, Hillersdon Chase, Stoke Hammond MK17 9DH**

Erection of two dwellings, parking and proposed new vehicular access.

*After quite a lengthy discussion your PC resolved to OBJECT to this application, citing the following reasons:*

- *The plans show that the two houses are proposed to be built where the attenuation pond and overflow was going in for drainage to service the already approved 16 new homes to this site.*
- *Being 2.5 storey houses, the design is not in keeping with the rest of the development.*
- *In association with the 16 homes that are already agreed (16/03698/AOP),*

these two further houses would effectively mean 18 new homes (or 17 if you take into consideration that Latrigg will be knocked down), but regardless, for 17 or more homes, provision should be made for affordable housing.

- Environmental concerns over the 43 trees the applicant wants to take down.
- The roof windows will likely overlook into the frontage and gardens of the houses in Harrup Close.

#### **PLANNING UPDATES:**

##### **22/00917/APP 10 Harris Close, Bletchley MK3 5QH**

Loft conversion with rear and front dormers.

Your PC did OBJECT to this application as it was felt that this conversion was overbearing in size and be out of character to the rest of the building with privacy concerns for neighbouring properties. It has however been approved by the planning authorities.

##### **22/01251/APP Rectory Farm, Newton Road, Stoke Hammond MK17 0EB**

Erection of 336 sq. m. agricultural building to cover an existing silage clamp.

This type of agricultural building would normally fall under permitted development, but because the siting of the building was less than 25 metres from a trunk or classified road, planning permission had to be sought. The PC had NO OBJECTION and it has been approved by the planners.

For further information/updates on these or other planning applications in our locality, please visit the following website selecting 'Aylesbury Vale' as the search area and then enter the application reference or use the map search facility:

<https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/view-and-comment-on-a-planning-application/>

ANSWERS TO MAVIS'S QUIZ 1/ Inspector Morse, Endeavour Morse, John Thaw  
2/ Magnum PI, Thomas Magnum, Tom Selleck 3/ Bullitt, Frank Bullitt, Steve Mc Queen  
4/ Line of Duty, Kate Fleming, Vicky Mc Clure 5/Life On Mars, Gene Hunt, Philip Glenister  
6/ Prime Suspect, Jane Tennison, Helen Mirren 7/ Dirty Harry, Harold Callahan, Clint Eastwood  
8/ Vera, Vera Stanhope, Brenda Blethyn 9/ The Professionals, William Bodie, Lewis Collins  
10/ The Gentle Touch, Maggie Forbes, Jill Gasgoine

## **LADIES THAT LUNCH**



Just a reminder that 'Ladies that Lunch' is still on over the summer break. We meet in the Sports Club every SECOND TUESDAY in the month. Lunch of Soup, rolls, followed by cakes tea and coffee is served at 12.30. The charge of £2 per person covers the hire of the building. If you are new to the village or just visiting do, please feel free to attend. You will be most

welcome. However! Do please inform me, if you haven't been before, in case you require gluten free rolls, soup and cake. Vegetarian soup is served automatically as some people prefer it! We look forward to welcoming you. The remaining dates Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August. Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

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# St Luke's Church News

**Review:** It is with great sadness that we announce the death of a much loved church member, our treasurer John Bowler. His funeral took place on 18<sup>th</sup> July – one of the hottest days of the year and in spite of that was very well supported, which indicates how well respected John was. There is an obituary elsewhere in the SH and NLS news. He had been unwell for some time and we'd been looking for a new treasurer. Fortunately, someone has recently expressed interest and is currently looking at the books with a view to deciding if they feel suited to the role.



Our June and July Community breakfasts passed off well as usual – both very busy. If you've never been, do come and give us a try: people are always surprised by how busy they are!

Last Saturday (as I write) we held our annual church fete. John's absence was definitely felt. In spite of there being a number of competing events being held locally and the excessive heat (apparently too warm for barbecue food and teas and coffees which had lower sales than previous years), those who attended enjoyed themselves, the church made a reasonable profit and we were grateful for once that the weather was warm enough to enjoy! Thanks to Dave Venn for the photo.

## **Church Activities:**

**Food Bank:** We're very grateful to those who continue to support the food bank, but please note that **we don't accept out of date food, opened jars or anything requiring refrigeration or freezing, Nor do we accept any alcohol or any aerosol products** owing to the possibility of abuse, (since the food bank is open to anyone at any time). The food bank is in the open church porch for any villager to use – if you need to use it during the school holidays, help yourself!



**Swap shop:** Just a reminder that we also have a Swap shop in the church porch.



It's a source of children's toys, books and games you can borrow or exchange to give a bit of variety over the summer holidays. You can either bring and swap a toy or just donate one or even just help yourself if you don't have anything to swap. Please ensure all required pieces are there so that games are still playable. Thanks!

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**Prayers:** Our prayer group is continuing to meet on more of an ad hoc basis and we're happy to pray for personal requests as well as local, national and global issues. Please speak to a church member, contact one of the wardens or complete a prayer request card at the Community breakfast if you have a request or would like to join us!



**We're looking for cleaners!** We're still looking for volunteers to help on the church **cleaning rota** (once every 6 weeks). We'd also appreciate anyone who'd be interested in helping with a **one off clean** getting in touch. Please also get in touch if you'd like to go on our **altar flower rota** to offer flowers for the church. If you can help with either of these, please contact Hazel on 270404 Thank you!



**Community and Social:** (Subject to Government guidelines)

**Community Breakfasts:** We'll be holding our popular Community Breakfasts again on **Sat 13<sup>th</sup> August, 10<sup>th</sup> September and 8<sup>th</sup> October** with orders taken from **8.30 – 10.30am**. Contact us (details below) if you'd like to go on our email list for reminders of social events or our email list for services and social events.



**Afternoon tea:** We're looking forward to holding afternoon tea again this year in the church between **3 and 5pm** on Sunday **21<sup>st</sup> August** which will be followed by a service of Compline for those who wish to stay. Compline is a liturgical term for evening prayer – it's a service used for the end of the day before we retire for the night, so words and prayers are focused towards that: there's no Holy Communion.



**Services:** See full listing elsewhere in the newsletter

**Café church:** Anyone who's been will tell you our all age introductory service is very informal: a simple (free) breakfast and chat with your neighbours followed by a 15 – 20 minute "service" of a short talk, sometimes with prayers, sometimes music. We're having Cafe Church services from 9.30am on **7<sup>th</sup> August and 2<sup>nd</sup> October** at St Luke's! Come along and join us for our most "user friendly" service!



**Fundraising:**

Our fundraising committee have arranged a proposed programme of events for the year – put them in your diary now to avoid disappointment:

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August:** Stall at the Village Show

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September:** Harvest lunch

Tickets for the harvest lunch will be on sale at the Community Breakfast and from churchwardens

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October:** St Luke's Gift day

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November:** Beetle Drive and Bingo

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November:** Christmas Fayre



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**Funeral information:** You may wish to know that the Rector can conduct a funeral service at a local crematorium if your loved one prefers cremation. New rules mean that crematoria are now no longer offering a religious service by default: it has to be specifically requested by the family. Also, any resident of the village is entitled to have their ashes buried in the churchyard (for a small fee) if they wish. Please also note that the rules have recently changed regarding memorials in churchyards. If you'd like more information, please speak to the Rector or Churchwarden Harry Davies for details.

**Church Benefice Website:** [www.brickhillchurches.org.uk](http://www.brickhillchurches.org.uk).



St Luke's offers baptisms, weddings and funerals which are now freely available. Please contact the Rector if you'd like to discuss any of these. The Rector's contact details are on the website. His phone goes straight to an answerphone but he'll reply as soon as he's able, or contact a Churchwarden. The Rector's day off is Monday. If you have a prayer request or enquiry, please ring

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## News from Buckinghamshire Council



14 July 2022

Dear Resident,

It's been a short while since my last email and at the time of writing it is extremely hot across Buckinghamshire. I wanted to make sure you're fully up to date with the latest news and information from us, particularly with regard to the new 'Opportunity Bucks' initiative we are launching, support for struggling households, the heat, the latest on Covid and waste collections in the south of Buckinghamshire

### **Opportunity Bucks**

This is a big priority for the council and is our programme to promote opportunity for everyone in our wonderful county, so we succeed as a place and ensure nobody gets left behind. We've got a huge amount going for us in Buckinghamshire, with incredible opportunities around business, jobs, education, entrepreneurialism, and economic growth.

But we know that there are people within Buckinghamshire who are facing significant hardship, and where outcomes for residents, for example in terms of education, skills, employment, and health, are poorer.

It's essential we make the most of the government's 'Levelling Up' agenda for the people of Buckinghamshire following the White Paper earlier this year. We have carried out extensive work to look at what approach will work best here in Buckinghamshire that will really deliver results.

The outcome is our new programme **Opportunity Bucks – Succeeding for All** – our local response to 'Levelling Up'. Our approach will vary by area depending on what is most important locally.

Our overarching strategy has been agreed by the council's Cabinet and will initially focus on creating action plans for ten wards where outcomes for residents are poorer than in other parts of the county. This is a long-term piece of work and importantly is a partnership approach with other key stakeholders in the local areas such as housing associations, local businesses, voluntary and community groups, schools, and charitable organisations. Activities will be locally led by neighbourhood Community Boards along with local councillors.

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If you want to find out more, please read the report on our website. We are planning a series of roadshows later this year to involve communities in this important work.

### **Money matters and household support**

The cost of living really does continue to bite and I have in previous emails reminded you all about the support the council is providing, through the national council tax rebate scheme, our own rebate scheme for qualifying homes in Bands E-H and through our **Helping Hand programme** which is for any Buckinghamshire resident facing financial hardship. You can find out more about the council tax schemes on our website.

We have pulled together information about where to go for advice if you have money worries so it's all in one place on our website.

It's through Helping Hand that we're also supporting arrivals from Ukraine; some 750 people are now settling into life in Buckinghamshire being supported by a dedicated council team, and of course, their sponsors, of which there are nearly 600 here now.

### **Support during the holidays**

I also want to highlight the extra help available for families in the school summer holidays that are nearly upon us. If children in your household receive benefits-related free school meals in term time then they will be able to access our HAF programme – Holiday Activities and Food. This is a regular programme of free, high-quality holiday clubs where children will be able to take part in fun activities and enjoy a nutritious meal during the school holidays.

Families who qualify can also access digital food vouchers through Helping Hand, to help buy food throughout the school summer holiday; these have been issued directly via schools. If you think you should have received a voucher, but haven't, then please contact your school in the first instance. If you then have further queries about the voucher scheme please contact us directly via our online form.

### **Covid trends**

I'm sure you're also very much aware that Covid cases are increasing again, both locally and nationally, and we are also seeing a local rise in Covid-related hospital admissions. It's a timely reminder to us all to make sure we do all know the current advice regarding what you should do if you do develop Covid symptoms, or test positive; it's available on the Government's website

### **HS2 Amersham vent shaft design**

I'm pleased that after years of pushing on this with HS2 Ltd, they have now reworked the design for this structure as the various previous designs put forward were completely wrong for Amersham and our residents. For those who don't know the history, Buckinghamshire Council met with HS2 Ltd, its contractor, Align, and the HS2 Independent Design Panel in June last year to discuss our major concerns over the

proposed design of the Amersham vent shaft which HS2 Ltd will be building on Whielden Lane in Old Amersham.

During many meetings with Align/HS2 Ltd over the last five years a number of iterations of the vent shaft have been presented and discussed, but the council has always believed significantly more work was needed to ensure the proposal is appropriate to the character of both Old Amersham and the AONB. This very sensitive environment needs a complementary building.

The revised design now being presented, whilst not perfect, is a significant improvement on the initial scheme HS2 Limited first submitted. We pushed hard for a better scheme and are pleased that our efforts have resulted in major changes in the proposals.

### **Waste collections in the south of the county**

I want again to thank residents in the former district areas of Wycombe, Chiltern and South Bucks for their patience and understanding during the recent disruption to their bin collection service. I know that while the vast majority of homes have had bins collected as normal, a significant number have experienced missed collections, some for an extended period. I want to apologise again for this – it simply hasn't been good enough and is the result of a major route reorganisation that also threw up extra challenges for our contractor Veolia.

We have had additional crews out working through recent weekends to help catch up with collections. I'm pleased to report that the service has significantly improved following the measures we've put in place to tackle the problems; however, we are not complacent and know there is still more to do. Every missed bin is still a big problem to those households.

We will keep working on this to achieve the highest possible standard of service for all residents in the area and I'm pleased that the work undertaken is getting us closer to this now. As ever, please report your missed bin online if we do fail to collect and we will pick it up as soon as possible.

### **Registering to be able to vote**

And last, but not least, can I remind you of the importance of checking your details are up to date and correct on the electoral register. We are going through what we call our **Annual Canvass** – where we contact everyone registered in the county to ask them to confirm the names of people listed as eligible to vote in the home are correct. You'll get either an email or a letter and just need to follow the instructions; it's quick and easy. I do want to assure you that emails from '[elections@canvass.buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:elections@canvass.buckinghamshire.gov.uk)' are legitimate and are not part of a scam, which I know has been a concern for some. If you have any questions, please contact the elections team on [elections@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:elections@buckinghamshire.gov.uk) or 01296 798 141.

Please stay well and enjoy the sunny weather, as well as being mindful of the impact of the heat!

Yours sincerely,

**Martin Tett** – Leader of Buckinghamshire Council



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Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> August	Village Show – Community Centre 13.00 – 18.00
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> August	Community Breakfast – Community Centre 08.30 – 10.30
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> August	Afternoon Teas – St Luke’s Church 15.00 – 17.00
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Parish Council Meeting – Community Centre – 19.30
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Community Breakfast – Community Centre 08.30 – 10.30
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	St Luke’s Harvest Lunch – Community Centre – tba
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	Parish Council Meeting – Community Centre – 19.30
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	Community Breakfast – Community Centre 08.30 – 10.30

*For Church dates/times please see the ‘Church Services’ section*

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## EDITOR'S NOTE

Well done to everyone who helped put on the amazing 4 days of events to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee. Fantastic turnout, and even the rain on the Saturday morning did not dampen the spirits of those attending the ceremonial tree planting on the village green. The compilation of photographs within this edition can only give just a small flavour of everything that went on over those 4 days.

This August/September edition of the SH & NLS News should have landed on your doormats just slightly before this year's Village Show, so let's hope that the weather is kind and everyone has a great time. Being part of the Show Committee I do know there is a fantastic line up of stalls and activities laid on for you to all enjoy, along with live bands and the usual tasty BBQ and refreshing bar.

May I please have copy for the October/November 2022 issue by the **20<sup>th</sup> September**

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Wednesday 10 Aug		Wednesday 10 Aug	Wednesday 10 Aug
	Wednesday 17 Aug	Wednesday 17 Aug	
Wednesday 24 Aug		Wednesday 24 Aug	Wednesday 24 Aug
	Thursday 1 Sept	Thursday 1 Sept	
Wednesday 7 Sept		Wednesday 7 Sept	Wednesday 7 Sept
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