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The Quarterly Magazine of Ivinghoe Parish Council

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Welcome from the Chair

hope by the time you read this we will be enjoying some warm weather after the snow this year.

Thank you to the three people who replied to say they require/prefer the printed version of this magazine, we just wanted to receive your views, we will continue to have the magazine printed.

Annual Parish Meeting – 16th May 7.15pm Ivinghoe Town Hall

The Annual Meeting of Ivinghoe Parish Council will be held on 16th May at 7.15pm in Ivinghoe Town Hall. This year because we have two new defibrillators in the parish we are pleased that our local NHS First Responders will be running a defibrillator training session for us to learn some lifesaving skills. Thank you to the WI for their donation towards the Ivinghoe defibrillator. Everyone is welcome to attend this relaxed evening and enjoy refreshments and an opportunity to chat with your Councillors.

Ivinghoe Flag

A special thank you to Brian Rogers for looking after the lvinghoe flag pole and flags throughout the year. Brian has arranged for a brand new lvinghoe flag to be custom made which should be finished in time for our Annual Parish Meeting.

Ivinghoe Lawn Railings

We are very pleased to have received funding from the AVDC New Homes Bonus to fund new estate railings around the Lawn, these will look very similar and will replace the old, broken railings and make the area safer and smarter.



Karen Groom, Chair, Ivinghoe Parish Council

Ivinghoe Table Tennis

Bucks County Councillor Anne Wight has kindly granted the parish £630 towards an outside Table Tennis table which will be located on Ivinghoe Lawn and available for everyone to use. Table Tennis has many benefits and engages people of all ages and abilities, we do hope that you enjoy socialising and playing Table Tennis in Ivinghoe.

Pot Holes

We have been busy reporting pot holes in Ivinghoe, a Councillor counted 50 in Church Road, Ivinghoe. Can you also report this direct to Transport For Bucks through the Bucks County Council website.

Village Tidy-Up 15th April

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Village Tidy Up/Litter Pick in April.

Bucks Best Kept Village

Last year was our first entry into the Bucks Best Village Competition and we were highly commended. This year we have entered again, and we would like to remind everyone to make an extra effort to help keep the village looking lovely and litter free during the judging period June – July.

Please check in your area to make sure it's tidy and looking good, especially

if you live in the High Street and Church Road area where the judging takes place. We will report the results later this year.

Ivinghoe Lawn Hire

New Terms and Conditions are available on the website **ivinghoepc.org.uk**.

Ivinghoe Flower Show – 8th September, Ivinghoe

Old School

We look forward to the Ivinghoe Show in September. Please see the centre pages for the show and entry details. Thank you to the new committee and good luck to everyone that enters.

Website

Please check the website for regular updates: **www.ivinghoepc.org.uk**

BEACON COMMUNITY CHOIR

10TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR

In order to celebrate the Beacon Community Choir's 10th anniversary year, they will be performing two exciting works by two well known and loved composers.

ZIMBE! COME SING THE SONGS OF AFRICA

Alexander L'Estrange's phenomenal fusion of traditional African song and jazz, Zimbe! is at times touching and moving, at other times funky and grooving but always incredibly up-lifting.

PICTURES AT AN EXHIBITION

With Lyrics and Music newly written and Composed by John Cameron, Pictures at an Exhibition 2018 is a new take on the well-loved Mussorgsky Suite, taking inspiration from an eclectic choice of 19th, and 20th Century works. The variety of artistic styles is matched with a kaleidoscope of musical genres, from ethnic to rock, jazz to rap to a capella choir. As Mussorgsky's composition, some movements are linked by "Promenades", but this time jazz flavoured, with increasingly unsettling time signatures.

Both works will be performed by Beacon Community Choir, will feature the Children's Choir from Brookmead School, and will be accompanied by Jazz Quintet.

If you would like further details, please contact: judithclaresheridan@gmail.com

JOYCE HALSEY

Former resident of Ivinghoe, Joyce Halsey passed away on 2 March 2018, aged 92. Joyce and her late husband Ron married in Ivinghoe in 1945, and moved into one of the new houses in Ladysmith Road in 1946. They lived there until 2010 when Joyce and Ron moved near Oxford to be close to their daughter Jen. Ron passed away in 2013. Joyce spent a happy final five months in Oaken Holt Care Home. near Oxford.





IVINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Parish Meeting & Annual Meeting of Ivinghoe Parish Council

Wednesday 16th May 7.15pm at

Ivinghoe Town Hall

Meet your Councillors.
Everyone is welcome.
Enjoy cheese & wine, cakes and soft drinks.

Defibrillator training.

www.ivinghoepc.org.uk

RikkIAbout



Margaret Reynolds, 1938-2018

It was with great sadness that villagers bade a fond farewell to Margaret Reynolds, who died on 18th January and had been a much-loved resident of Ivinghoe Aston for almost half a century.

Margaret was born in Edlesborough, where her mother and father were tenants of The Rule and Square Public House (now sadly demolished). She went to Edlesborough School and then to Tring School, on leaving which she worked at Willards Grocery Shop in Edlesborough and then at AC Delco in Dunstable. The family moved to Lilac Farm in Ivinghoe Aston in 1958. Margaret moved to Dunstable in 1959 when she married Albert and they returned to Ivinghoe Aston in 1974 to live at Six Acres with their two daughters, Shelley and Julie. Margaret quickly became fully immersed in village life and, with her mother Gladys, helped with fetes, children's parties, royal celebrations and a host of other events. She worked at The Milk Bar

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in Dunstable, which Albert had previously managed, then in the kiosk at the Grove Farm PYO before becoming a full-time mother, wife, gardener and village stalwart.

Margaret will be sadly missed by her friends and, of course, especially Albert. I am sure you would wish to join me in offering Albert, Shelley and Julie sincere sympathies. May Margaret rest in peace.

Ivinghoe Aston Village Hall, 1977-2018

The Ivinghoe Aston Village Hall Committee had a special meeting on 22 January 2018 to review the last 12 months' accounts and look to the future. After much discussion. it concluded that the hall in its current form is no longer viable. It is in desperate need of substantial capital investment just to stand still, and usage has reduced to unsustainably low levels. It is therefore with great sadness that the Committee has concluded that the hall in its current form is no longer viable. The generous support of The Leslie Sell Trust has enabled it to operate for the last 40 years, but significant capital investment is now needed in order to keep it running. The Committee has



found it impossible to justify the Trust's continued financial support when it has been increasingly challenging to generate sufficient support from the village and funds from bookings to break even.

The Ivinghoe Aston Village Hall Committee would like to thank The Leslie Sell Trust for its support over the last 40 years. It is hoped that a new owner of the hall will be found and that the building will be put to good use. In addition, the Committee thanks those who became regular users/bookers of the hall and the residents of Ivinghoe Aston who have given their time to maintain and upkeep the hall's facilities over many years.

Jacky Parsons

On behalf of The Ivinghoe Aston Village Hall Committee

I'm sure that readers would wish to give a massive thanks to the committee members for their valiant efforts to keep the hall running. There is an irony here as the Neighbourhood Plan reaches its final stage. In the so-called "Settlement Hierarchy" Ivinghoe Aston was recently regraded by AVDC from an "other settlement" to a "smaller village", with implications for the amount of development expected. With IA's population on the cusp of the two categories, this regrading was largely on the basis that we have three "key services", these being the pub, the playground and, yes, the hall. Most "smaller villages" have at least four "key services" and, had the hall not existed at the time of the assessment, my guess is that IA would have been classed.

differently. Whatever, we need to be philosophical. There will doubtless be occasions when we wish the hall was still available, but there's no getting away from the fact that maintaining such a facility costs money, and the Trust cannot justify running it at a loss indefinitely.

Would anybody like to write a brief history of the hall for the next issue, so that its contribution to IA life is recorded for posterity?

Litter

Only the most insensitive can have failed to notice the appalling accumulation of litter at the side of the hill road. Two people got off their behinds and did something about it, collecting 13 bags of rubbish. Well done Sean and Adam! Had the sofa and bed that appeared in the "layby" been dumped the day before it was, they could have had a rest half way down.

Rikki Harrington

Brampton, Ivinghoe Aston **01525 220625**; harrington.rikki@gmail.com.

Please get in touch if you have any news, views or ideas!

Rural crime update from Assistant Chief Constable Nikki Ross

ollowing the community forum at Wing Hall a decision was made by all those present to keep our main priority as: "PROVIDE VISIBILITY AND INCREASE COMMUNITY RESILIENCE ACROSS THE LPA."

The aim will be to increase the number of Neighbour watch areas in all parishes and improve communication through social media. We will also be looking into the possibility of changing the marking on the PCSO's car to make it more visible in the community.

Now the TVP Aylesbury Vale facebook page has gone live this will I have no doubt increase our visibility through social media. Just because vou haven't seen us doesn't mean we aren't there.

Click on the link below to see all TVP initiatives available to you: https://www. thamesvalley.police.uk/your-localarea/watch-schemes-and-initiatives/

Below are the states for the past year:

Burglary Dwelling Down 51% Burglary Non Dwelling Down 95% Theft of Motor Vehicle (TOMV) Up 91% Theft from Motor Vehicle (TFMV) **Up 14% Criminal Damage Up 11% Down 43% Drug offences**

Burglary Dwelling still remains down this is due to the work we are continuing to do with bordering forces and disrupting those responsible. TFMV and TOMV is up but it is not as high as it was 18 months – 2 years ago. Below is an update on what we have been doing in relation to the increase in TFMV particularly thefts from vans.

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OP APPLETON

As a result of the increase in TFMV across the Aylesbury Vale Thames Valley Police began Operation Appleton. This was our response to the problem.

In February 2018 we received information from a local farmer that stolen tools may be being stored in two shipping containers. When police checked the containers they were full of power tools. Enquires at the first location helped us identify those involved and the vehicles they were using. We then passed information to neighbouring areas which resulted in two further containers being found. 6 persons have now been arrested and are currently on police bail.

Approximately 28 victims of crime have been identified from across the country and the current value of items recovered is estimated to be £500,000.

In the two weeks after the containers were found TFMV across Avlesbury Vale reduced by 70%.

If you have been a victim of a TFMV prior to 02/02/18 please email the address below with any serial numbers or identifiable marks on your tools:

Operation.Appleton@thamesvalley. pnn.police.uk

Theft from motor vehicle (TFMV)

We are doing everything we can to keep TFMV down by giving crime reduction advice to vehicle owners. Sadly a lot of this advice is given when they've already had their cars broken into. We

will be directly targeting vehicles in the future that have valuables on show. Please do not be offended if you receive any correspondence from the team it is purely for your benefit. This is a crime that can greatly be reduced by simply removing valuable items for your vehicle:

- Ensure you lock your vehicle at when you are leaving it unattended even if it is for a few minutes.
- Do not leave valuables on show this includes wires for sat navs, ipods and phone chargers. This includes tools regardless of the fact it might be too much hassle. Thieves will smash the window of your car to see if anything is attached to the wire.
- Remove all tools from your vehicle if it's parked overnight.
- If it isn't possible to remove tools then consider fitting extra security locks
- If possible park your vehicle under a streetlight or in a well-lit area this will deter thieves.

Offenders brought to justice

A 26 year old man from Milton Keynes has been charged with drugs possession in Stoke Hammond.

A 43 year old man from Leighton Buzzard has received a court summons for assault in Stoke Hammond.

A 42 year old man from Milton Keynes has been charged with assault in Stoke Hammond.

A 37 year old man from Wing has been charged with assault in Aston Abbotts.

If you see anything suspicious no matter how small of insignificant it may seem, if you think it's not right or someone looks out of place please call us on 999 if it is a crime in progress or 101 if you have information. You can also email the team at

greatbrickhillwingivinghoeNHPT@ thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Nikki Ross Assistant Chief Constable

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WI News...

Ivinghoe & Pitstone Branch

t seems as though we have had an extended cold winter, but by the time you read this that will be well and truly behind us... hopefully!

Our membership is now up to 54 and it is good to have new members with fresh ideas for our W.I.

Our February meeting was a very enjoyable jacket potato supper organised by Annette and a quiz from Julie.

We are hosting an open meeting on April 12th 2018 for anyone to come along and see what we're about. Ian Jones MBE will be our speaker and his topic is '40 years Bomb Disposal – still got 10 fingers'. Tea and biscuits/ cake will be available.

Our May meeting is our Resolutions Evening and June is a talk on the 'Beauty of Orchids'.

Date for your Diary

19th May – Craft Day
9th June – Church Fair (we are providing cakes)
1st July – Champagne Cream Tea

13th October – Quiz

Please contact Sue Jones for any further information or if you are interested in joining the W.I. on **01296 660436**.

Sue Jones, President



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Luton & Dunstable	9.00
Stoke Mandeville	9.00
Tring	4.00

(Further destinations available on request)

Volunteer drivers always needed Phone: Klaus Ginda 01296 668911

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Ivinghoe Town Hall... **News!**

le still need new committee members to help run this valuable village asset. If you would like to join then please contact Andy Beezer on 01296 660960 or email andy.beezer@bardecode.com.

Ivinghoe Town Hall regular events:

The Town hall is an ideal location for family parties or weddings so don't forget to book early.

Also, have a look at the regular Weekly events held at the lyinghoe Town Hall.

Why not try one of these regular weekly events?

Monday: 4pm - 8pm - Ballet Lisa (07834 281434)

Tuesday: 9.45am - 12pm - Beacon Art Marion (01296 668429)

Tuesday: 7pm – 8pm – Zumba Carolyn (07941 092673)

Tuesday: 8.15pm – 10.15pm – **Morris** 'New Moon' Dancers Martin Lindridge (07803-149490)

Wednesday: 8:30am and 11am Natural Pilates Andrea (07855 138005)

Wednesday: 7pm – 8:30pm Yoga Sally Craig (07753-985155)

Thursday: 7.00pm – 10.00pm **W.I.** 2nd Thursday of each month Sue Jones (01296 660436)

Other Thursday's: 7.00pm - 8.00pm **Pilates** (Move Better Fitness Academy) Trevor (07795-536022)

Friday: 10am - 11am Pilates (Move Better Fitness Academy) Trevor (07795-536022)

NOTE: We have 'slot availability', on Monday AM's, Tuesday and Wednesday PM's, Thursday AM/PM's and Friday PM's.

Also, please try the web site at www.ivinghoetownhall.org.uk where you can see regular activities and search for Hall availability dates, and make a Booking enquiry on-line.

If you prefer to enquire in person then call Stephen Swinbank (The Booking Secretary) on **01296 660680**. Or emai: spswinbank@gmail.com

The Post Office and Shop direct telephone number is: 01296 660682.

Andy Beezer





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If you would like further information, contact Stephen Swinbank on 01296 660680 or spswinbank@qmail.com

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The only working watermill to survive intact in the county. The mill, recorded in 1616 but probably much older, was in use until 1963. Now restored by volunteers and run by Ford End Watermill Society, it retains all the atmosphere of a small farm mill of the late 1800s. Visitors can work the sack hoist and mill wheat on a rotary hand quern. Stoneground wholemeal flour for sale on milling days.

OPENING TIMES 2018

Afternoons 2.00–5.00pm 2nd April - Easter Monday, 15th April - Sunday, 7th May - BH Monday, 13th May - National Mills Weekend, 28th May BH – Monday, 17th June - Sunday, 15th July - Sunday, 29th July - Sunday, 12th August Sunday, 27th August - BH Monday, 16th September - Sunday, 14th October -as part of Tring Apple Fayre.

MILLING DEMONSTRATIONS (water level permitting) between 2.30pm-4.30pm approx

Last admission 4.30pm. Admission: Adults: £3 children (5-15) £1 Ample car parking – no toilet facilities. Restricted disability access School and other parties welcome by arrangement.

Contact: Mill Manager - Chris Tugby, millman@fordendwatermill.co.uk or Telephone: 01442 825421. www.fordendwatermill.co.uk



Station Rd, Ivinghoe, Bucks LU7 9EA 600 metres from the church along The B488 to Leighton Buzzard.



The BeaconLit **News Release**

Tickets on sale for **Beaconlit Literary Feast**

Bargain 'Early Bird' tickets for BeaconLit 2018, lvinghoe's own literary festival, are now on sale. This literary feast, a must for everyone interested in books and writing, will take place in Brookmead School on Saturday July 14.

The festival committee has assembled a stunning lineup, which includes authors, writers, broadcasters. Early Bird tickets for the full day cost just £19.50 until the end of May, after which the price will rise to £25 still a bargain! Half-day tickets will also be released in June.

Festival goers can look forward to:

- Multiple Sunday Times bestselling and award winning author Mark Billingham. in conversation with acclaimed crime writer Martyn Waites.
- International bestselling author of romantic comedy, Carole Matthews, in conversation with BBC reporter Adina Campbell.
- Film maker, author and media executive Tony Klinger, whose work includes the 1960s cult classic TV series 'The Avengers.
- · Hot new authors Mary Lynn Bracht, Lydia Syson and Vicky Newham.
- 'Trust Me I'm a Crime Writer' with the Oxford Crime Writers Association's Stephanie Marland, Dave Sivers, Peter Tickler and Sarah Williams.
- 'BeaconLit a la Carte' a choice of sessions: either a workshop on Writing Techniques with author, blogger tutor and competition judge Morgen Bailey;





or two 'spotlight' sessions - The Art of Short Fiction with the 'Just Write' team, followed by 'Ghost Writing' with Sue Benwell.

There will be free parking on lyinghoe Lawn, just a short walk away (disabled parking available at the venue), light refreshments available all day, preorderable packed lunches (bring your own picnic if you'd rather), and a goodie bag with treats and surprises. The bags are ideal to carry your purchases from Chorleywood Books, which the authors will be delighted to sign for you, and there will be opportunities throughout the day to win books and other goodies.

BeaconLit continues to go from strength to strength and has put the area firmly on the literary festival circuit. To see the full programme and buy tickets, go to the festival website is www.beaconlit.co.uk.

Dave Sivers



Hub News... Happy 2018

vinghoe Hub's recent Spring Fun Day will already be a happy memory of chocolate eggs and small animalsthanks to our Café team. However there are three new things on offer in the near future so do join in!

Community Impact Bucks member Lew Monger's lunch-club 'Lunch in the Hub' proposal hit a snag trying to limit the cars parked when it was advertised as an invitation to 'Ivinghoe only' residents as a proposition. Open to all over 60 - the advert should have read as 'all within walking distance' or use a drop-off lift to Ivinghoe Old School Community Hub. We are still searching for someone to run this venture, on a weekly basis, liaising with Hayley Wesley our busy CuriosiTEA Rooms tenant over the meal provision and costs, taking the food fee in, paying the room rental out and liaising over menus with the over 60's luncheoners! Is this you, maybe?

We Hub trustees are joined by Pitstone and Ivinghoe enthusiasts as the new Ivinghoe Flower and Veg Show Team and you will have seen the advert for the Sept 8th Show on the back of the last Beacon and within the PPP. The Entry Form and challenges Schedule is now written, and if all is well, should be received within the May 2018 magazines, the Hub website and Facebook page. Open to all - this Show welcomes all your entries. Do read the 2018 new challenges and take part -Good Luck!





Starting soon - Our Hub trustees' new proposal, a fun and absolutely free community exercise class for those who do not normally exercise starting May 2018 on Tuesdays 11am-12am at the Hub. Suitable for people with less mobility - gentle movement to music, designed to get the whole body moving, whilst introducing some strengthening and stretching exercises too. Exercises will be a good mixture of standing and seated work... but it can be adapted to suit the individual. Places are provided on a first-come, first-served basis and will be available for a limited number of weeks. These classes will be very friendly and welcoming and are aimed at those people who might not think that exercise is for them. So if you, or anyone you might know, are interested then - Please contact Andrea on: Tel 07855 138 005. Email: andreanaturalpilates.co.uk Or lvinghoeoldschoolcommunityhub@ btconnect.com www.ivinghoeoldschool.com

Our Hub run by this community for all

HOW TO BOOK HUB SPACE: Booking space within the Hub is easy but needs to follow through by the Hirer who:

- 1. Approaches café team who man the Hub Diary 7 days a week at café counter or the Hirer approaches Trustee team via phone 01296-661666 or email lvinghoeoldschoolcommunityhub@btconnect.com Half space £9/£7 per hour or whole hall £12/£10 per hour. (or an
- 2. The process is explained by obtaining from either source a vital Booking Form which includes the extra special options bookable, the insurance cover and awareness of the hirers cleaning up obligations – to be filled in and returned within 7 days and the fee paid – if not then – no later than 3 days before the date booked.

element of the IT Room after negotiation)

3. By this returned form and fee, the booking is made formal and then penned into diary which means it cannot be over-ridden or double booked – This booking then translates to our 'digital diary' graphically - charted monthly by Bob to ensure visual awareness of all bookingsposted on Facebook Page, web-site and email data-base, hard copy on Notice Board for Public viewing.

Join in with your DIY skills please! You are all so welcome to join in!

Dear Dog Walkers of the Parish

The walks round here are nice, we think you'll all agree, And many people comment, on the views being so pretty. But sometimes on the path you walk, you look and you do see, A squidgy thing you stepped on, is something that's sh* * *y.

So we kindly ask you, when Rover needs a poop, You make a little effort; you simply bend and scoop, And have a thought for fellow (wo)man, do not commit a sin, You know you need to pick it up, and put it in the bin!

(The Dog Warden can be contacted on 01296 555605)



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1st Ivinghoe and Pitstone Beavers (5 3/4 -8 year olds)

Monday 6-7pm with Tom as Watermill Coloney leader Tuesday 6-7pm with Jakki as Windmill Coloney leader

1st Ivinghoe and Pitstone Cubs (8-10 year olds)

Wednesday 7-8:30pm (Dan) Akela as Windmill Pack leader Thursday 6:30-8pm (Rob) Shere Khan as Watermill Pack leader

1st Ivinghoe and Pitstone Scouts (10 1/2 -14 1/2 year olds)

Friday 7:30-9pm Andrew as Troop Leader

For any enquiries or to join the waiting list please contact us

on ivinghoe.pitstone.scouts@gmail.com

Or our Group Scout Leader, Keith Steers on Keithsteers@gmail.com or 07899 696722

We are also raising money to rebuild the village a purpose built scout hut and are selling bricks to supporters for £10 each. Please email the above address for details.



Rainbows: Monday 4.30 – 5.30pm Pitstone Memorial Hall

Guider: Elaine Thorogood 01296 661540

Brownies: Monday 5.45 – 7.15pm Pitstone Memorial Hall

Guider: Elaine Thorogood 01296 661540

Girl Guides: Tuesday 7.00 – 8.30pm Millennium Room,

Pitstone Memorial Hall Guider: Yvonne Ashton 01296 660044

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To join us, please visit our website at Girlguiding.org.uk

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Busy term for 1st Ivinghoe and Pitstone Scout Troop

ew Trees for Crispin Field -On Saturday 24th February as part of their forestry badge, the 1st Ivinghoe and Pitstone Scout troop planted 2 plum and 2 apple trees on the Green in Crispin Field to replace a number of fruit trees that have died over the years. The Scouts would like to thank Pitstone Parish Council and the Parks Tree Officer at Aylesbury Vale District Council for supporting them in their forestry badge work and Batchelors Nursery, Wiggington for supplying the trees to us at cost. We finished our session that day with a litter pick along Cheddington Road and down the footpath towards the swing bridge collecting 8 bags of rubbish. Now the weather is nicer, when you are walking around the villages, please visit Crispin Field and see the new trees.



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Where does our rubbish go?

On Saturday 24th March, the Scouts enjoyed a fascinating visit to the Greatmoor Energy from Waste (EfW) site, this is where our green household bin waste goes and is the UK's largest single grate EfW facility, generating enough electricity to run the facility and power 36 thousand homes. The Scouts were given a talk about the site, and then a tour, taking in the whole process of creating energy from our waste, the control room, waste bunker (where they could see the grabber at work and try and identify the waste below - lots of footballs and Dorito packets!) viewing inside the grate where the waste is burned, follow the ash to where the metal is taken out of it, learning what happens to clean the flue gas and how the energy is produced. Greatmoor offer organised trips to schools, local groups and now have open day tours and certainly 10 Scouts and 4 leaders would highly recommend a visit there. For more details go to www.greatmoor.co.uk

The Scouts are always on the lookout for ideas for interesting activities and if you have any particular skills that could help us do some of the more specialist badges or know of any exciting places we could visit, please contact us on firsti pscouts@yahoo.co.uk

Izzy Robinson



1st Ivinghoe and Pitstone Rainbows and Brownies

st Ivinghoe and Pitstone Rainbows and Brownies want to say a huge thank you to both Ivinghoe and Pitstone Parish Councils for their recent donations towards new flags. Rainbows have now been running in the villages for over six years and had not previously had a flag so are very excited to be able to present their new flag. The Brownies flag was over 45 years old and therefore quite outdated so the Brownies were

pleased to have a bright new flag which complies with new Girlguiding branding. Both units will be presenting their new flags at this year's Remembrance service in November when it is hoped they will be blessed.

Elaine Thorogood - Brown Owl

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Pitstone Church...

t Mary's Pitstone is in the care of the Churches Conservation Trust. The church and the surrounding churchvard in the care of the PCC is the most peaceful place in the village and well worth a visit on Sunday afternoons in the summer when it is open. We also like to plan special events to bring more people in to enjoy this special space.

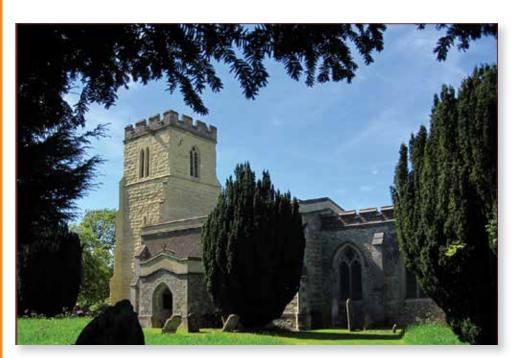
This year we have four events planned.

- Saturday 12th May 7.30pm The Aylesbury Consort of Voices an A Cappella choir will be singing a selection of music.
- Late May Bank Holiday 26th 28th May - 38th Festival of Art, Craft and Flowers. Local artists and craftspeople will be on display in the Church. There will be Evensong at 6.00pm on Sunday.

- Saturday 14th July The Icknield 16 will be at the church for their annual concert.
- December The Christmas Memory Tree will return during this month. Date to be arranged.

We hope you will be able to attend at least one of our events. If you would like to be involved in any way to help keep the church open as often as possible please contact Jean Booth on 661745.

For more information please contact Jean Booth on 661745.







Ivinghoe & Pitstone Chapel Fellowship

We are a small and friendly group of local Christians who meet to worship God in a fairly informal way, in song, in prayer, and with messages brought by a variety of local preachers. We meet on Sunday mornings at 10.30am in the Millennium Room at Pitstone Memorial Hall for services that last about an hour, followed by social chat over a cup of tea or coffee.

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The Royal Wedding

ike so many other couples Prince Harry and Meghan Markle chose to make their marriage vows to each other in church. A royal occasion demands a setting such as St George's Chapel in Windsor Castle full of tradition. Although it is not quite such an eminent building our beautiful parish church of St Mary the Virgin in Ivinghoe has 800 years of history. Many generations have married here over the centuries. Our choir, talented musicians and the organ all contribute to a great sense of occasion on the special day.

But have you ever wondered why the church got involved with weddings? At one time the parish priest was the village's 'Clerk in Holy Orders'. He could be counted upon to be sufficiently honest and literate to complete all the legal records accurately. So it was certainly convenient that the church should serve the community in this way but why should the church be involved at all?

The wedding service often begins with a quote from St John:

"God is love, and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them"

Marriage is a sacrament, a channel through which God is known. It stands alongside Baptism and Holy Communion in the Christian life. St Paul wrote:

'Faith, hope and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love'.

Love is the greatest of these three because God is love. Love abides through to eternity. Love is the touch on human life of the eternal God who is love. Love is the force at the heart of all that is overflowing towards us. Faith, hope and love abide, so we pray for Harry and Meghan that they will continue to know God's constant and faithful presence throughout their life together. In church we celebrate God's presence, praying that the love of all couples committing themselves to each other will continue through to eternity as we pray for blessing upon them.

Revd Adrian Manning

Vicar of Ivinghoe and Pitstone





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IVINGHOE HAND-BELLS

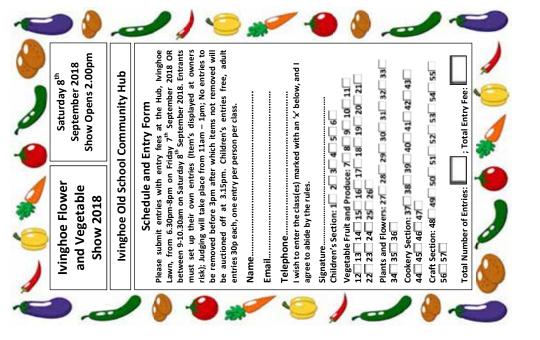
We have a beginners group meeting fortnightly in the church ringing the beautiful hand-bells that belong to St. Mary's Church Ivinghoe.

If you missed the taster evening, and would like to have a go, or see and hear what happens it is not too late so please get in touch or come along to a Monday evening meeting. We have fun, a break for refreshments and experience the very special sound of our 139 year old bells.

Alex Wynne **01296 668336**







apples in pen and stage flour with a sugar, cinnamon, 2tbsp flour with a pinch of salt and place in pastry case. Roll remaining pastry trimmings into a square 30x30 cm. Cut 8 strips 3x30cm, weave strips over the fruit to create a succession and seal at edges. Trim 2 tbsp. plain flour plus extra for dusting; 750g/1lb 10oz sweet desert pastry; 1kg cooking apples peeled, cored, silced; 400g blackberries or raspberries. 140g caster sugar- plus extra for sprinkling; pinch ground cinnamon; 1 egg beaten with 2 tbsp. milk. Method Heat oven to 190C/170C fan/gas 5; Roll out 2/3 of pastry; line a 23cm loose bottomed tin , leave overhang, trim and reserve scraps. Chill tart for 10 mins, prick base with fork, fill with baking paper and baking beans. Bake for 20mins, remove beans and paper, bake for 10mins more.apples in pan and cook to soften, add attice pattern and seal at edges. Trim the overhang, brush the lattice with the egg. Scatter with more sugar then bake for 1hr until brown and bubbling.

Blackberry/Raspberry & Apple Lattice Pie

Method Preheat the oven to 180C/350F/Gas4; Grease, line 2 x 20cm/8in sandwich tins; Break the eggs into a mixing bowl, add sugar, flour, baking powder and butter. Mix with electric mixer or wooden spoon. Divide the mixture evenly between the tins and bake for 25 mins. Cool on wire rack then spread jam on one cake, placing the second sponge on top and sprinkle with a little caster sugar.

4 Eggs; 225g/8oz Caster sugar plus extra for dusting; 225g/8oz Self Raising Flour; 2 tsp Baking powder; 225g/8oz Margarine or soft Butter.

Victoria Sandwich

rub in butter, stir in the sultanas, sugar and then milk to get soft dough. Knead lightly on floured surface. Pat out to a round 2cm/3/4in thick. Use a 5cm/2in cutter to stamp out till all used. Brush the tops of the scones with a little milk. Bake for 12-15 minutes until risen. 55g/2oz butter; 25g/1oz sultanas; 25g/1oz caster sugar; 150ml/5fl oz. milk. 225g/8oz self-raising flour; pinch of salt; sheet. Mix together flour and salt and 220C/425F/Gas7 and grease a baking Method Heat oven to **Fruit Scones**

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Set Recipes-Cookery

The Judge's decision is Final!

- serves can be any size. grown by the entrant. o Jars
- Plants and flower entries to have been
- Eggs from own poultry.

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- All vegetable, fruit and produce classes to have been grown by the entrant and presented on approximately 25cm plates where applicable.
- craft items to have been produced in the 12 months preceding the date of
- Cookery classes to follow where specified.
- All entrants to take note of MAXIMUM measurements for relevant classes.
- Rules

Winner Cups awarded for highest points gained in each section. Cups engraved with winner's name & award for one with winner's name & award for one year. Onion Cup is only for Class No. 10.

the Children's Section only, as in 1^a . £1, 2^{na} . 75p, 3^{na} -50p. Certificates will be awarded in all adult classes for 1^a , 2^{na} and 3^{na} places.

Prizes Cash prizes will be awarded for

Classes

Age 8 and Under: Children's Section

- Decorate a paper plate sunflower head. as ച
- Paint a pebble.
- 4 short bread biscuits

12 years Old and under.

- 4 Draw or paint a picture of a
- vase of flowers.
 3 lam tarts, 3 different

flavoured Jam.

Create a miniature garden in

an ice cream tub.

Section Vegetable Fruit & Produce

- Onions up to 250g each

- 12. 5 Runner beans
- Carrots foliage cut to
- 7.5cm.

3 beetroot -

foliage

cut

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- .5 Tomatoes single variety.5 Cherry Tomatoes.

- 5 white potatoes.
- 5 Coloured Potatoes
- tops tied.
- 3 large onions tops tied.
- **11.** 9 Shallots.

- 15. 2 Cucumbers

corn Husks on, grain exposed

18. 2

sweet ᅌ

along length. section

- or trug, (maximum size 20inches kind. Displayed in a box, basket vegetable, maximum 3 of each **20.** Collection of up to 5 kinds of A pair of any other vegetable
- Bunch of culinary herbs. in any dimension.) 4 desert Apples
- 23. 4 Cooking Apples
- **24.** 5 plums
- **25.** 4 pears.
- **26.** 6 Eggs.

Plants and Flowers

- Section.
- 27. Vase of mixed flowers.

These Sections are open

to ALL ages.

- Specimen Rose.
 Specimen Rose.
 Specimen Rose.

- displayed in a vase
- 1 flowering Pot Plant.
- 30. A bridesmaid posy.
- 32. 5 Chrysanthemums, any variety, displayed in a vase.
- A vase of mixed seasonal larger than 30cms. A table arrangement, no

blooms, vase not to exceed

A sunflower display, 30cms. vase, hand tied... method of display - pot, any

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3 stems of flowering shrub 1 variety.

Craft Section

- feathers etc.). hoop, wire, wool, sequins Dreamcatcher ('found' smallish Make a traditional
- moving part. Automaton toy with at least one **49.** Make a simple safe
- cup and saucer in white air-drying 50. Design, make and decorate മ
- bouquet for someone stuck 51. Crochet or knit a mini flower Wonderlands tea party clay - suitable for Alice in spray, as a broach or small
- 52. Hand or machine embroider a indoors
- bird from a branch or root 53. Whittle a small mammal or tie or scarf as a 'get well' present.
- medium, to make us smile. **54.** Paint or Draw a still life in any without injury!
- felt wall hanging piece with 55. Make from scratch a small
- embellishment if necessary. **56.** Catch your own photograph whose subject matter is 'Wilder added embroidery or
- media and haberdashery). beastie as a keepsake (mixed 57. Make a small fabulous bird or

Buckinghamshire'

Cookery Section.

- overleaf) raspberry jam. (see recipe A Victoria sandwich with
- overleaf) **38.** Blackberry or Raspberry and Apple Lattice Pie. (see recipe
- A shortbread round cut into
- out using a 5cm cutter pieces, any recipe.

 40. 6 fruit scones, any fruit, cut
- (see recipe)
- **42.** A vegetarian quiche (23cm **41.** 6 pieces of fudge any recipe
- max) 43. A jar of preserved fruit or
- 44. A jar of chutney. vegetables
- 45. A jar of jam.
- using gin or vodka (maximum **46.** A bottle of flavoured spirit
- 500ml). 47. 6 sausage rolls from your own

Parking will be open on the Lawn

with your entries! Good Luck

MUSIC ON PITSTONE GREEN

Come and join the Beacon Community Choir and friends with a mini-music festival on Pitstone Green. Bring your picnic baskets, gazebos and friends, and relax while the choir and featured local artists entertain you. With something for everyone, this is the best way to while away a sunny afternoon with family and friends.

Cream teas will be provided by the WI, and a licensed bar will be available all afternoon.

So whether you are into jazz, pop or anything in-between, open a bottle of fizz, tuck into a cream tea, and chill in the summer sunshine....

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Time: From 1 pm

Venue: Pitstone Green

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Ivinghoe Allotments

Tales from the **Plot**



dell, today is Good Friday and it is raining. We are now coming to the end of the first quarter of 2018 and where on earth have the past three months gone? How are we all coping after all the terrible weather that we have experienced?

The weather has created problems on the allotment site – either the soil is rock hard with frost or too wet from torrential rain. Despite this, overwintering onions and garlic have survived and are thriving. The planting of shallots has had to be delayed. I normally prefer to put them in the ground in February and onion sets would have also been planted earlier in March.

Hopefully the weather will settle down soon and we can get on with the serious business of planting. The first and second early potatoes are chitting nicely in the shed and will be in the ground soon.

Despite not being able to work much at the allotment there has been a good deal of work going on in the greenhouse and propagators. If you like broad beans try 'Express Bean', it lives up to its name and I was very pleased with the yield last year. So much so, I am growing it again this year and the first batch are coming along nicely in the shed. Another variety I highly recommend is the 'De Monica'. It is early cropping and on average you should get five to six large beans in the pods.

Have any of you ever grown 'Asparagus Pea' before? I am attempting them this year and would be grateful for any observations or feedback.

Over the coming weeks there is much to

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do in your greenhouse, seed sowing your tomatoes, lettuce, red cabbage, peppers/chilli's, sweetcorn, courgettes, peas, beetroot and butternut squash to name a few. This will keep you occupied as the evenings get lighter for longer.

I recently joined a local gardening/ allotment society for 12 months and have been amazed at the prices charged for your basic shallots, onions, potatoes etc... It goes to show if you have an association you certainly reap the benefits. If anyone is interested for next year we could organise a list of your choices and I could order them for you. Certainly something to bear in mind, but if you are a Thompson and Morgan devotee then please ignore me!

I was sorry to hear recently that we have had a few plotholders shed's broken into – although it appears nothing was taken it is our duty to remain vigilant whilst on the site.

I have to say, Peter has done a great job around the picnic area. Pay a visit!

Mind how you go... Ernie lvinghoe Allotmenteer



Allotment Diary

fter a long and very cold winter and a very disappointing start to Spring things can only get better. Although still miserable for April the allotments are looking quite a picture being covered in wild primroses and violets with a beautiful drift of daffodils in the picnic area.

Possibly like many other gardeners I am about a month behind this year, the round is still too wet and cold. My potatoes have still not been planted (do not want to risk tubers rotting). I have consoled myself by sowing all my summer and winter vegetables in the

greenhouse. I still find it quite exciting when the first seedlings show through. My onion seeds sown in February are really healthy with a good germination rate.

I just hope by the time the Beacon is delivered the allotments will be full of fruit blossom and will be warmer and brighter for everyone to get planting out. I shall eagerly be waiting for my first clutch of Silkie chicks to hatch, pictures in the next issue.

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Gloria



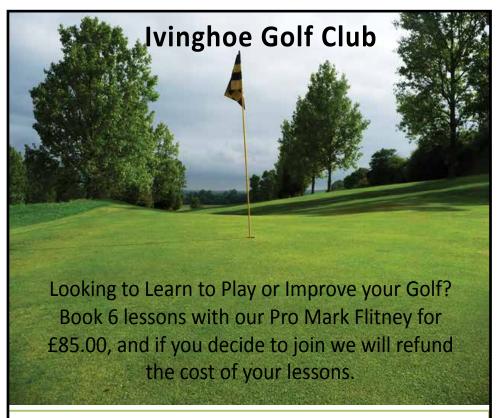
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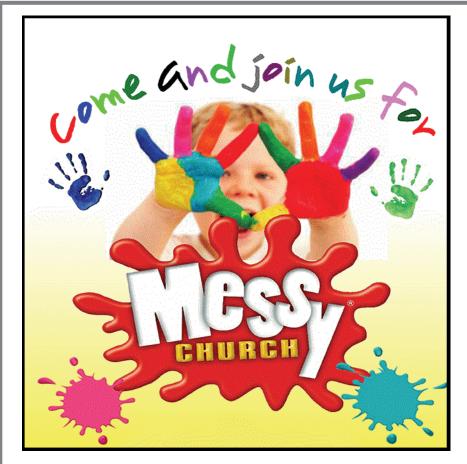
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When: Sunday 20th May

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Time: 2.30-4pm

All families welcome for fun, food and all-age

activities

Contact: Sandra Green on 01296 668648

Ashridge Ramblings -

Walk the chalk event announcement

le are very fortunate to have vast swathes of chalk downland on our doorsteps. Such habitat is pretty much confined to southern and eastern England (as far north as the Vale of Pickering) and central Texas. The word "chalk" is, in fact, unnecessary here, as "downland" or "downs" (from the Celtic word for "hills"), is defined as "an area of open chalk hills".

The Chilterns cover 322 square miles and were designated an "Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty" (AONB) in 1965. They stretch the 46 miles from Goring-on-Thames to Hitchin and are up to 11 miles wide. They have a steep "scarp slope" on their north-west side and a gradual "dip slope" on their south-east side. The highest point (876 ft) is Haddington Hill, near Wendover. Our very own Ivinghoe Beacon is more prominent, but 60 ft shorter. It is the starting point of the Icknield Way and the Ridgeway long distance trail.

Two thirds of the AONB comprises enclosed fields and a fifth is woodland. Only 4% is open land (commons, heaths and downs), and this open land is very special, hosting a richness of rare wildlife. This richness depends very much on grazing by livestock and wild animals. For me it is the butterflies and their foodplants which make it extra



special, the eponymous Chalkhill Blue perhaps being the jewel in the crown, but there's an awful lot under our noses (or feet, perhaps) that is truly fascinating and precious.

There's a reason for me saying all this. On Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th June, the good folk of Ashridge are organising a "Walk the Chalk" event. It will be based at the Ivinghoe Beacon car park (on Beacon Road, grid reference SP963159) from 10.30am until 4.00pm and take the form of a nature trail, with experts on hand to answer questions. Trail leaflets will cost £2. Bring the family, walk the chalk, and talk. It's not Chalkhill Blue season, but there will be no shortage of natural delights.

Rikki Harrington



Mentmore Arts Festival Press Release for 2018

he 2018 Mentmore Arts Festival will be held from Saturday 26th to Monday 28th May from 11 am – 5pm. We are delighted that this year will be our momentous 10th festival.

We will be welcoming over 60 artists including painters, photographers, jewellers and ceramicists.

Firm favourites will be exhibiting along with new contributors.

Last year we donated £5,000 to Thames Valley Air Ambulance and £2,500 each to Young Carers, Bucks and St Mary's Church in Mentmore. This brought the grand total monies raised, since the Arts Festival began,to over £60,000. This year we will be supporting National Autistic Society,

Lindengate – a charity improving health and well being through nature and horticulture – and See Ability – a charity that enriches the lives of people with sight loss and multiple disabilities across the UK.

The festival makes a fabulous family day out with lunches, teas, coffees and a bar all available in the Village Hall Garden.

We have so much support every year from so many people and the committee would like to thank everyone for all their help once again.

Have a look at our website **www.mentmore-arts-festival.co.uk** and do come and join us in May.

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Tickets: Adults £5.00, children £2.00 (All proceeds go to local fundraising and charities).

Treat dad to a fun day out on Fathers Day!

For more information visit:

www. Marsworth Steam Rally. co.uk

We're looking for enthusiastic people to help on the day. Can you spare a few hours? It would be very much appreciated.

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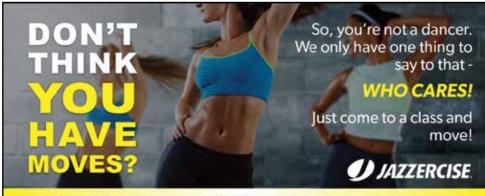
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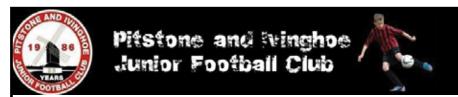
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	7.30pm	Pitstone Memorial Hall	
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Saturday	9.30am	Wilstone Village Hall	



Contact Keri TEL: 07900 987230 EMAIL: jazzercise1@hotmail.co.uk WEBSITE: www.jazzercise.net/uk/



Success and Loss

heddington Bowls Club's ladies did us proud in 2017: Jacqui Coote (Studham) won a ladies county singles championship. Sylvia Currant (Dunstable) was runner up and Sue Molnar (Pitstone) a semi finalist! Sadly, we lost Rosemary Roberts (Pitstone) at Christmas. Rosemary had bowled for over 50 years. She did much for the club and will be greatly missed.

TV BOWLS: You may have had your appetite wetted by watching World Bowls or you are just curious as to why everyone says 'Bowls is a Great Game'.

Tempted to try? 'Give Bowls A Go' sessions are on Tuesdays at 2pm or Friday at 6pm, May to September.

Just bring a pair of a trainers, we provide the rest. Friday May 18th, includes a Fish and Chips option.

Members can't wait to get back on the green. You will find a warm welcome waiting for you, free coaching, at least a cuppa, and new friends

Cheddington B.C. Recreation Ground. in the High St. LU7 9AA

Contact: Jo Tchertoff on **01296 668624**, if you would like to know more.



Have you ever thought about 'growing your own'? Growing your own fruit and vegetables can be a very satisfying experience and in Ivinghoe we are very lucky to have some beautiful allotments just off Church Road, overlooking St Mary's Church.

If you are an Ivinghoe resident and would like some more information about availability of plots - we have them in a range of sizes - please contact the Parish Clerk at ivinghoeparishclerk@gmail.com

NB: there may not always be an available plot but we do keep a waiting list!



Fusalarium – what????

nd moss, worms, leather jackets and bouncing bowls, are the torments of every green keeper's life.

Cheddington Bowls Club 'has one of the best bowling greens in the area. Maintenance of the green is an all the year round job. If you are a lawn 'specialist', or like the exercise of mowing, you could consider joining our Green team. No need to be a bowler.

The aesthetics of a lush green finish is favoured by many, but more skilful bowling is played on drier grass, when the green runs at its fastest – and the bowls at their slowest!

You can't beat being on a bowls green on a warm sunny day.

Tempted to try? Or come and watch a match.**

'Give Bowls A Go' sessions are on Tuesdays at 2pm or Friday at 6 pm, May to September.

Friday May 18th, incs. Fish and Chips. Just bring a pair of a trainers, or flat soled shoes. We will provide the rest.

A warm welcome awaits you and fun, free coaching and a cuppa, a cheap pint and lots of new friends.

Fixtures** etc. are available on

www. cheddingtonbowls.org.uk

Contact: Jo Tchertoff on **01296 668624** for more information.

Cheddington Bowls Club: The Recreation Ground, High St. LU7 9AA



JTPT to take on Anthony Joshua in World Record Attempt!

✓ep, you heard right! The JTPT team are going to London on the 9th of April to take on The Champ himself! In a world record attempt for the largest ever Boxercise Class, we will be travelling to London to meet Anthony Joshua and partake in a world record! Watch out for photos and videos on our Facebook page!

What else is going on?

From losing 15lbs in one month to passing a Military Fitness Test, we have had some truly impressive results so far from our current members! This year we have also decided to raise money for two

charities; Ivinghoe Village Scouts, to help them build a new scout hut, and Children with Cancer. We are aiming to complete a "100,000 Kilogram Challenge" which involves a day of weight lifting hoping to get to the total weight, between several team members! Watch this space!

As you can see we are more than just a fitness group. From fundraisers to special events to the monthly socials we hold, we are a way of life! If you'd like to join our team and see how we can help you change your body and mind, get in touch today!

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Councillor News from Anne Wight

am sure that lyinghoe residents join me in hoping that the worst of the winter is now behind us and are looking forward to the spring! One of the unfortunate consequences of such an unusually cold and snowy winter has been the emergence of new potholes in roads all across the country. I realise that this is causing problems for residents in our more rural local areas particularly and so just wanted to remind everyone that if they wish to report any potholes or other highways issues, do please use the BCC website to do so. This will provide a reference number to track the progress of repair work, and will also mean that a log is created so that Transport for Bucks has a record of the report. If you are able to safely photograph the pothole to upload with your report, that also helps the roadworks team.

The website address for reporting highways problems, including potholes is: https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/transport-and-roads/report-a-problem/tell-us-about-a-highways-problem/

To report an emergency highways issue, Transport for Bucks has an emergency number to ring instead. This is to be used for trees blocking the road, any hazardous material lying in the road, or any similar situation where the problem needs urgent resolution. I have reprinted these below for your convenience.

If you consider this to be dangerous or an emergency, please call us on: 01296 382416 (9am-5.30pm Mon-Thurs

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Anne Wight
Bucks County Councillor
Ivinghoe Division

9am-5pm Friday) or 01296 486630 (out of hours and weekends). Otherwise, by submitting the report online, we will deal with it in line with our agreed timescales.

We councillors have also been given some additional funding to help with jetpatching the worst of our roads, which I will definitely be using to try to address this problem locally.

Moving on to local government issues, residents may have read in the news that Sajid Javid (Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government) is minded to create a new single 'unitary' council to replace the existing five county and district councils across Buckinghamshire.

Of the two proposals sent to him (one for a single unitary and one for two unitary councils), Mr Javid felt that there would be definite advantages to having a single new council for Buckinghamshire.

Mr Javid said he was minded to implement the single unitary proposal based on local support but also because the two proposed councils would not have a 'credible geography'.

He said: 'I am satisfied that establishing two councils for the current county area

is unlikely to improve local government in the area, generate significant savings or provide the capacity to sustain major services or address planning and housing challenges.

'I believe the areas of the two councils would not represent a credible geography or clear local identity and that there is significantly less local support for two councils than for a single council.

'Accordingly, I am not minded to proceed with the proposal for establishing two councils.' (Source: https://www.localgov.co.uk/Javid-backs-single-unitary-council-in-Buckinghamshire/44906).

While residents might be wondering what the differences are between the two proposals, these can all be found summarized on the 'Future Bucks' website: http://futurebucks.co.uk/862-2/

Detailed explanations are also provided so that residents can see for themselves what the key advantages of the single council are and what the changes will mean for parishes.

We are encouraging people to write to the Secretary of State to confirm their support for this opportunity to make local government in Buckinghamshire sustainable and fit for the future. The new council will save £45m over five years, offer better value to tax payers and be far simpler for them to do business with than the current model of five county and district councils. We are very grateful for the views and contributions to the debate that people have provided so far, and look forward to continuing our discussions to develop the detail of the future approach.

Please show your support for the change by writing to: **sajid.javid@communities. gsi.gov.uk**

On another note, I was delighted to have

been able to attend the National Paralympic Heritage Trust exhibition in Norwich recently, as part of my work with the NPHT. It was fantastic to have been able to see the exhibits and explore the fascinating Paralympic Heritage our area has to offer. The history and the stories behind the achievements of all of our Paralympians are truly inspiring and hopefully will continue to inspire future generations of Paralympians.

The aim is to ensure further inclusive sporting opportunities, and to encourage others to appreciate some of the awe-inspiring work our Paralympic athletes have done since the inception of the Paralympic games back in 1948.

It was my especial pleasure to have been able to meet Danny Nobbs at the Exhibition. Danny is one of our renowned Paralympians, who has completed in javelin and shot put. It was very moving to hear his story first hand and also to see the short film on display about his motivation and achievements.

For anyone who would like to attend the Norwich exhibition, it will run until Tuesday 22nd May 2018, and more information can be found on the NPHT home page. https://www.paralympicheritage.org. uk/Default.aspx

One concern of mine which I know Ivinghoe residents will certainly share is helping to prevent people from being scammed in doorstep and online scams and frauds. As part of my work on with Trading Standards in my role as Deputy Cabinet Member for Communities and Public Health, I was pleased to have the opportunity recently to meet some of our local Anti-Scam Campaign heroes when I attended one of their stall events at the NatWest branch in Aylesbury.

Among them was Martina Stewart,

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a resident of Aylesbury (middle front in the photo below, just next to me), who has waged a formidable battle against scammers after seeing some residents in her community lose thousands of pounds to mail scams, online fraud and door-todoor conmen.



It was rewarding to be able to work with Martina and her team to hand out antiscam leaflets and chat with residents to explain how they could protect themselves against scams and frauds.

I think it is worth pointing out how residents can become more involved in helping to protect themselves from scams and trading frauds, as, sadly, these are becoming commonplace in many of our communities, with elderly and vulnerable residents often being targeted.

Friends Against Scams is a key organisation responsible for hosting scams awareness sessions. Anyone can be involved in Friends Against Scams regardless of background or age. Friends Against Scams welcomes people from all walks of life to "Take a Stand Against

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Scams". Don't worry if you think you don't know much about scams as the awareness sessions will give you all the information you need.

SCAMchampions are Friends Against Scams who want to do more. They host awareness sessions to recruit Friends and drive Friends Against Scams forward in their communities or workplace, as well as attending an additional session to give them a fuller understanding of the laws surrounding scams and some presentation tips.

If a business or organisation would like to be involved they can become a Friends Against Scams Organisation. Friends Against Scams Organisations will pledge to actively promote the Friends Against Scams initiative; the easiest way to do this is to make all employees Friends Against Scams. There are a range of services available to support organisations in becoming Friends Against Scams.

For more information on how you can participate in any of these groups, here is the weblink below:

https://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk

Unfortunately, frauds can take many forms, including online dating scams as well. Action Fraud has a lot of information on this type of scam which I think residents might find useful.

When you think you've met the perfect partner through an online dating website or app, but the other person is using a fake profile to form a relationship with you they may try to use the site to gain your trust and ask you for money or enough personal information to steal your identity. You can protect yourself by taking a few precautions:

 Avoid giving away too many personal details when dating online. Revealing your full name, date of birth and home

- address may lead to your identity being stolen.
- Never send or receive money or give away your bank details to someone you've only met online, no matter how much you trust them or believe their story.
- Pick a reputable dating website and use the site's messaging service. Fraudsters want to quickly switch to social media or texting so there's no evidence of them asking you for money.

The majority of accounts on dating websites are genuine people looking for romance, but fraudsters may try to contact you by making fake profiles, getting in touch and building what feels like a loving relationship.

Once a fraudster using a fake dating profile is confident that they've won your trust, they will tell you about a problem they're experiencing and ask you to help out by sending money.

They may have arranged to visit you, but need money to pay for the flight or visa. They may tell you everything has been booked but their ticket has been stolen, and you need to send money quickly to get them on the next flight.

For more information on this and other scams you can check out Action Fraud's website below. This link can also be used to report if you have been a victim of fraud or scams. Please take the time to check it out! https://www.actionfraud.police.uk

On a more positive note, I recently realised what a useful resource the Opps in Bucks website is, and I think it is well worth mentioning here. This is a really useful networking tool for any local businesses who would like to get involved in offering young people in our area apprenticeships or work opportunities, and

for any young people interesting in learning what opportunities for work and training are available in our area. This allows local businesses to tap into the energy, enthusiasm and skills base that our young people have to offer.

The website is easy to navigate, and for young people looking for opportunities, there is a Wannabe icon at the far right of the page which links to specific work experiences on offer by businesses along with apprenticeships and various jobs currently being advertised.

The link is below and it has an icon for the Wannabe apprenticeships, which is well worth exploring for any young people wondering about their next steps as they move into work experience.

https://oppsinbucks.org

Finally, with the spring just around the corner, it seems a good time to get out and get moving! To help you get moving, Active Bucks holds over 1500 activities across Bucks and allows residents to filter activities by distance, activity type and day/time.

By registering on the website (www.activebucks.co.uk), residents can also download a voucher that allows them to access their first session free! I look forward to seeing everyone out and about in lyinghoe as we all enjoy the warmer weather once again.

Anne Wight

Bucks County Councillor, Ivinghoe Division.

From **District Councillors**

Sandra Jenkins and Derek Town

VALP

Following a productive consultation period, Aylesbury Vale District Council has submitted the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan – the blueprint that will manage and direct growth until 2033 – to the Planning Inspectorate for public examination.

The Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan (VALP) will help to reduce the risk of further uncontrolled growth in the Vale. During the latest consultation period, 988 people or organisations commented on the document, comprising 2,441 individual comments, many via a new online system designed to make it easier for everyone to have their say. All of these comments have been analysed. collated and submitted alongside the full plan document with its supporting evidence. Feedback at this stage of the process was a mixture of views, including some suggestions about how the plan could be revised and new sites for development.

Cllr Carole Paternoster, Cabinet Member for Growth Strategy, commented: "This plan is crucial in order for us to secure the right growth in the right place, with the supporting infrastructure to meet the requirements of current and future residents of the Vale, as well as protecting the environment. The response to this consultation shows there is a clear understanding across the Vale of the importance of growth being planned in a measured way."

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The Planning Inspector's independent assessment of the VALP, alongside the comments that have been submitted, is likely to begin in spring. AVDC anticipates this examination will take place throughout 2018 before the Inspector publishes his report and any recommendations for changes, after which the VALP should be formally adopted towards the end of the year. Once the schedule has been determined by the Inspector, anyone who commented during the consultation period will be notified of the next stage.

Further information about the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan can be found at **www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/localplan**

PRESS RELEASE ON BEHALF OF AYLESBURY VALE, CHILTERN, SOUTH BUCKS AND WYCOMBE DISTRICT COUNCILS Date: Monday 12 March 2018

Statement on behalf of all Bucks
District Councils regarding today's
announcement on the future of local
Government in Bucks

The Secretary of State, Sajid Javid, has announced in parliament that he is "minded" to implement Buckinghamshire County Council's proposal to replace the existing five councils in Bucks with a single countywide unitary.

While we are extremely disappointed, the "minded to" decision is not set in stone, and as the process allows, we will be making the strongest possible representations to the Secretary of State that this decision is not the right one. We don't believe that this decision is in the best interest of our local residents, businesses, community groups, parish councils and various other stakeholders across the county and, based on our own engagement, we don't believe it has strong local support. Our two

new unitary proposal, which can be seen at www.modernisingbucks.org recognises key areas of difference for the communities in the north and the south, such as the economy, jobs, growth and housing markets. We believe a single large unitary will mean major opportunities will be missed in these areas and that a one size fits all model will not mean the best deal. We also question the savings the single unitary model claims to deliver.

There is now a period until 25 May 2018 during which those interested may make further representations to the Secretary of State and we will be reflecting on today's announcement carefully.

Representations can be made by emailing **sajid.javid.mp@parliament**. **uk** The final decision will be subject to Parliamentary approval.

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District Councillors for Pitstone and Cheddington Ward

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www.mbbka.org.uk

Local Beekeepers Need Your HELP! Honey Bee Swarms Are Very Important

Following the long winter of 2017-2018 and the late Spring, colonies of honeybees are under tremendous stress. In the wild the survival chance of a honeybee swarm is about 20%. Collected, and housed in a hive by a beekeeper, the survival rate triples. The MBBKA needs the help of everyone in the area to ensure we collect as many swarms this year as possible. If you see a swarm of bees please contact the MBKA on the swarm-line number below. We will send a beekeeper to collect the swarm and provide it with a new home.

Honey Bee Swarms: Swarms such as the ones pictured are merely Colonies that are in transition. Normally these Swarms are found hanging from tree branch, fence post or any place where the swarm can gather around the Queen while scouts are sent out to look for a more permanent home. A swarm left alone will only be in place from just a few minutes to a few hours and occasionally a few days. Generally, these swarms are very docile and the swarming Bees usually will not sting. Before Honey Bees swarm they gorge themselves with honey before leaving the hive. This makes it very hard for them to double over and sting.



What Causes Honey Bees to Swarm: Honey Bees have a natural instinct to create new colonies by swarming. They may also swarm through overcrowding or because an old queen is thought to be failing and they wish to raise a new one. Honey Bees usually swarm in early spring just as the colony is building up numbers in anticipation of the upcoming honey flow but swarming can happen through to late summer

It is difficult to predict if weather conditions will lead to a large number of swarms in a particular year. MBBKA members attended nearly 100 calls to swarms last year and are on standby to collect throughout our area in 2018

If You See a Swarm: The collection of swarms an important part of the work of bee keepers. You should never interfere with a swarm and pest control companies will not kill a swarm unless absolutely necessary.

Please contact:

MBBKA Swarm Hotline 07770370132

Brian Bush - Mid Bucks Beekeepers and BBKA Swarm Officer BBKA British Bee Keepers Association website http:www.bbka.org.uk



www.bbka.org.uk

Your local **Councillors**:

Cllr Karen Groom

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