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## Welcome from the Chair

W Pelcome to August issue of The Ivinghoe Beacon Magazine, I hope you are having a good summer as things get back to normal.

#### **Ivinghoe Town Hall**

Ivinghoe Town Hall is run very successfully by a management committee who do a sterling job, I would like to thank Stephen Lott for setting up the new Ivinghoe Town Hall website where you can find out more about the facilities and make online bookings https://www.ivinghoetownhall.org.uk/

#### New Ivinghoe Aston Councillor

Clive Ketteridge known as 'Ketts' has joined lvinghoe Parish Councillor to represent lvinghoe Aston with Sheena Bexson. We welcome Ketts to lvinghoe Parish Council and wish him well.

#### **Highways and Verges**

Ivinghoe Parish Council receives complaints about the overgrown verges and poor road conditions, including the inadequate footpath in part of Ivinghoe Aston. These are the responsibility of Buckinghamshire Council and Ivinghoe Parish Council continues to lobby Bucks Council to attend to these urgently.

#### **Traffic Calming**

Unfortunately, there is no update regarding traffic calming measures as



Karen Groom, Chair, Ivinghoe Parish Council

we are waiting for Bucks Engineers to undertake the design work for lvinghoe, we will share any updates through the lvinghoe Parish Council website and social media.

#### Foodbank

The lvinghoe foodbank has finished, thank you to the volunteers who ran the foodback during the last few months.

#### Wildflowers

The front page shows the lvinghoe Lawn wildflowers taken in July.

#### **Parish Council Meetings**

Thank you to those who attended the annual meetings that were held in Ivinghoe Town Hall in May and June. Ivinghoe Parish Council meets on the first Monday of the month (except for Bank Holiday Mondays) in Ivinghoe Town Hall at 7pm, residents and members of the press are very welcome to attend.

## Brief History of Ivinghoe Parish

rich in archaeological evidence of prehistoric occupation dating from the Pleistocene and Palaeolithic periods. However, only limited archaeological evidence of prehistoric activity has been discovered in lvinghoe village itself. The area known as lvinghoe Beacon, to the north-east of the village, contains a concentration of prehistoric monuments the majority of which date from the Bronze Age and the Iron Age. A geophysical survey in 2000 suggested that the site had multiple usage from the Neolithic period onwards. The most prominent prehistoric monument on the Beacon is the scheduled hillfort.

he parish of lvinghoe is in an area

There is little evidence of a Roman settlement in lvinghoe village although a number of discoveries do suggest a Roman settlement in the surrounding area. Roman pottery and tile were found at Ward's Combe, further pottery was found above Combe Hole and a fragment of Roman guernstone was found in Ringshall. lvinghoe and lvinghoe Aston existed in Saxon times and following the Norman conquest, the Manor of lyinghoe was given to the Bishop of Winchester by Queen Emma for the sake of the soul of her son King Hardicanute who died in 1042 and the Manor of Ivinghoe Aston, which in Saxon times belonged to Asgar, the Standard Bearer, became part of Geoffrey de Mandeville's Barony. At the time of the Doomsday Book of 1086, lvinghoe was known as Evinghehou. This was thought to mean the hoh of Ifa's people, where hoh was the Old English word for heeland, a term reflecting lvinghoe's location at the end of a ridge, possessing the distinctive shape of the heel of a shoe.

The earliest surviving fabric within the Grade 1 listed church of St Mary in lvinghoe dates from the 13th century and at the end of that century, St Mary's was the seventh most valuable church within the county. At the end of the 14th century, the Bishop of Winchester granted lvinghoe the right to hold a weekly market within the village as its location made it well placed for trading goods and produce from both the arable land of the vale and the foothills of the wooded Chilterns. Where the market was originally held is not clear although the strange shape of the B488 through the village may reflect the positioning of the market but from the 16th century, it was held on the ground floor of the Town Hall.

In medieval times, the economy of the parish was based on agriculture with the main crops being wheat, barley and oats. There was also a warren in the area which would have provided rabbit meat. The woodlands of the Chilterns were used for pigs and also for timber used in the construction of buildings and for firewood. In the meadowlands of the Vale, hay was grown for animal feed and the streams within the lower part of the parish powered watermills. At Tithe Farm in lvinghoe Aston, its medieval homestead moat is now protected as an Ancient Monument and nearby to its east house platforms suggest that this is an ancient manorial site.

Ford End Watermill, which is the only surviving watermill within the parish, is probably post-medieval - the oldest verifiable date for the mill being a parish record of 1616. The Pitstone Windmill just to the south of lvinghoe also dates from the 17th century.

During the post-medieval period, the ownership of the Manor of Ivinghoe passed between the Mason, Glenhan and Cheyne families and the Bishopric of Winchester. In the mid sixteenth century, by which time the market at Ivinghoe was in decline, the owner of the Ivinghoe estate, Sir John Mason, surrendered the existing rights to hold markets and fairs and successfully applied for new grants to hold a weekly market on a Saturday and two fairs, one in April and one in October. He was also granted the right to hold a summary court on market or fair days.

It is not clear what happened to the parish during the Civil War. There is reference to lvinghoe village being occupied by Parliamentary Soldiers and attacked by Royalist forces, but there appears to be no historical evidence to support this.

In the 17th century, the Manor of Ivinghoe became part of the Ashridge Estate. Historic maps dating back to the 18th century show significant development within Ivinghoe with the construction of buildings along Vicarage Lane, and the northern and eastern boundaries of the churchyard. Development was relatively dense around the road junctions and churchyard and less dense at the northern ends of Station Road and the western extremities of the High Street.

The Ivinghoe Aston estate was purchased from Sir P Monoux, Bart., in 1806 by the Earl of Bridgewater thus also becoming part of the Ashridge Estate. The Wesleyan Chapel, a red brick building to hold 200 people in Ivinghoe Aston was erected in 1831 and its attached Sunday School was built in 1869. The mixed National School was endowed with £10 per year bequeathed by the Countess of Bridgewater in 1848. Kelly's Directory of Buckinghamshire of 1887 described Ivinghoe Aston as a scattered hamlet.

The 19th century was a period of considerable change within lvinghoe and its surrounding area. In 1821 a Parliamentary Enclosure was awarded which coincided with a period of agricultural boom and a dramatic rise in population during the first half of the century. This is reflected in the development of a number of 19th century buildings within the village, particularly along Vicarage Lane, Wellcroft and Ladysmith Road.

Sir Walter Scott took the title of his novel, **"Ivanhoe"** (published in 1820), as well as the name of its hero, from the name of the village of Ivinghoe. However, Scott apparently had forgotten the true name of the place, as he quoted it incorrectly.

The development of the railway in the first half of the 19th century helped support the economic boom and provided competition to the canal. The railway provided a direct link between London and Birmingham with stations at Cheddington and Tring. This opened up the market for the importation and exportation of goods and the movement of people. The railway would also have reinforced the importance of Tring as a market town, a factor which may have contributed to the decline of the market at lvinghoe during the latter half of the 19th century.

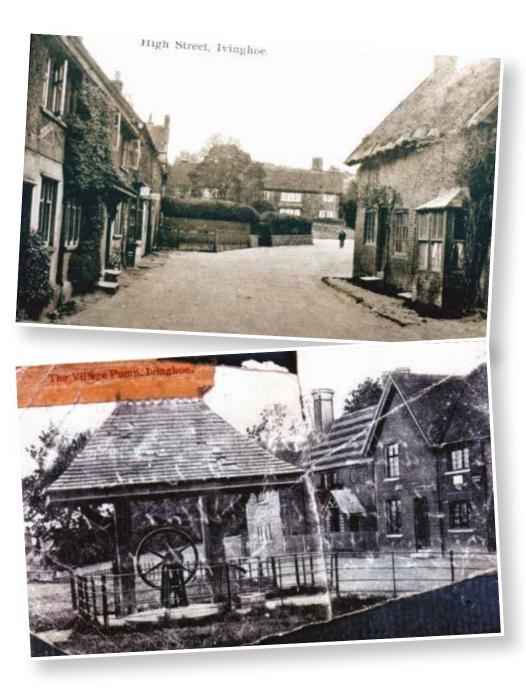
A period of agricultural depression during the second half of the 19th century brought hardship to the local population of lvinghoe which was further compounded by a decline in the straw plaiting trade. Straw plaiting had been an important cottage industry in lvinghoe, lvinghoe Aston and throughout Buckinghamshire probably since the late 17th century. The straw plaits were used to make rustic hats and bonnets. The Napoleonic Wars cut off the supply of finer quality plaits from Italy during the late 18th and early 19th century resulting in a boom in the industry in this country. Census figures for the mid-19th century show that straw plaiting was a major cottage industry within lyinghoe and one in which all members of a family were employed. The plaits were sold either to straw plait dealers or at the village market and the decline in the trade during the latter half of the 19th century due to competition from cheaper foreign importations may have contributed to the closure of lvinghoe market at the end of the century.

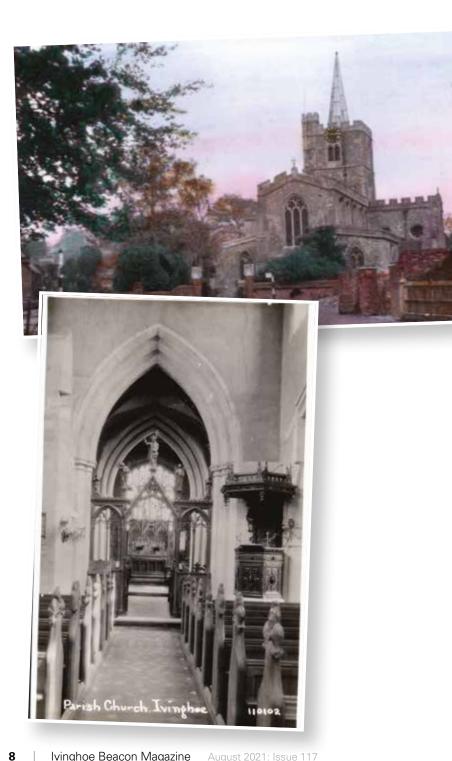
During the mid to late 19th century there was some Coprolite mining in the parish. Coprolite is fossilised animal dung, which when burnt releases phosphate for use as a fertiliser. Although there are no entries within the census records around this time of Coprolite miners, it is likely that local farm labourers may have been employed to dig Coprolite during the winter months when there was limited work to be done in the fields. By the late 1870s cheaper imports made the industry uneconomical and local supplies of the material had become exhausted.

The Aylesbury Prune was farmed in the early 20th Century around Ivinghoe and Ivinghoe Aston and the fruit was collected in Edlesborough and Eaton Bray. The skins were used to make blue-grey dye for RAF uniforms in World War II, and in the Luton hat trade. Aylesbury ducks and geese grazed under the damson trees. A significant number of fruit farms in the Parish were auctioned in September 1923 by the Ashridge Estate following the death of the Rt. Hon. Earl Brownlow. These included Ivinghoe Aston Farm, Beacon Farm, Lilac Farm, Orchard Farm, Dibblock and Vine Farm in Ivinghoe Aston.

During the 1920s, a Lime Works were constructed at lvinghoe Aston Farm and operated until 1961. Eventually, there were 6 kilns and the lime was sold to builders merchants in London. Following the closure of the works, the associated chalk pit has been operated as a waste tip.

There remain over 40 listed buildings/ structures across the Parish with lvinghoe village itself having 19. 17 of these are listed at Grade II and St. Mary's parish church is Grade I. Pendyce House (12-14 Station Road), is Grade II\* as it originated as a 13th century aisled hall making it one of the oldest secular buildings in the county. It contains a base cruck whilst the neighbouring King's Head has three true cruck trusses. Outside of lvinghoe village, the remaining (Grade II) listed buildings are in lvinghoe Aston, on the Grand Union Canal, at Seabrook and at Ford End. Those on the canal are primarily 19th Century whilst the remainder are largely 17th Century/early 18th Century in origin. SJB – September 2015





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## The vIllAge Hack

#### Hello

So here are my first musings about the goings on in the small hamlet that is lvinghoe Aston where nothing ever happens! I'm not quite sure how things will pan out, suffice it to say that I'll no doubt fill it with jibber jabber. I will of course cover items of news but I'd also like to see if we can't uncover a bit of village history. IA has after all been around in one form or another since Saxon times, contains 7 grade II listed houses, a medieval moat and most importantly a PUB!

#### It's Rubbish!

There are a few things that get IA residents goat, one being fly tipping. In the past, a couple of our well know beauty spots at either end of the village have seen some less than artistically arranged rubbish piles. However, on the evening of 8 November some inconsiderate 'person' decided it was OK to do a drive through fly tip right in the middle of the road!



Many thanks to the diligent villagers that spotted, reported and coned off the area to make it safer. Maybe it's time to invest in some solar security cameras strategically positioned in the village. In the meantime keep your eyes peeled!

#### Crash, Bang, Tinkle, Tinkle

Another one of those goat getting things is speeding which despite the speed cameras seems to be happening ever more regularly. Our latest incident comes somewhat closer to home for my family. This time at around 6.30am on a clear morning with obstacle free vision through the village a scaffold truck managed to hit the rear end of my daughters car. Though we don't have a full video of the collision. our neighbour did pick up it's sound and immediate aftermath. Have to sav it sounded like something out of a Tom and Jerry cartoon with a screech of brakes. an almighty bang and the tinkle of hub caps rolling along the road. Despite the near 50m long skid marks the driver did confess to travelling at 30mph!

#### **Did You Know?**

As lvinghoe Aston has been around quite some time I thought it might be of interest to try to discover more about our history. Nothing too detailed just an insight into some of the lovely houses we have and something of the folks that have lived here in the past.

So it was in an idle chat with one of our longest serving residents, Mary Draper, that she mentioned a name that was known to me, albeit from the distant past. "Did you know" she said "that Bernard Miles the actor used to live at Crabtree Farm Cottage?" For those that don't know, he was best known as an actor (and was the one that said of Mackeson beer that it "looks good, tastes good and by golly does you good"). He lived at Crabtree Farm Cottage with his actress wife Josephine Wilson, daughters Sally and Bridget and son John Miles. He was also well known for delivering monologues as a 'country yokel' in a broad Buckinghamshire accent.

Well, after a short investigation I came across some of his monologues which clearly talk of the local area. An album of his called Over the Gate released in 1956 by HMV includes a monologue entitled Billy and Toggie.

The opening part of which goes: "I 'ear ole Billy Collets dead, across at lvinghoe Aston. Last Friday 'e died. I reckon they'll miss 'I'm over there".

Later it goes on with: "Not like ole Toggy Bygreaves acrorse at Pitstone. He was supposed to 've bin dead 'n' buried one time".

I just wonder who these and other characters were? Were they real or imagined? Maybe someone knows? Anyway, if you have any info on folks that lived in the village and you're happy to share it then please get in touch.

#### The Saga of the Stove

For those villagers in the know I just want to keep you up to date with progress on our sitting room log burner repair! So, here it is sitting on my workbench having been resealed and bolted together. Who knows, by the next edition I may have put the door back on!!



#### **Gordon Ford**

Gill Ford and family would like to take this opportunity to thanks friends and neighbours for the overwhelming number of cards and flowers with such heartfelt messages which has meant so much and for your support and respect at such a sad time.

#### **Gordon Philip Ford**

(24 July 1939 – 5th December 2020)

#### Phil Jones (2 Ashby Villas) pajones58@googlemail.com

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



## Ivinghoe Town Hall & Beacon Villages Community Library (Charity No. 300287)

#### Greetings from your Town Hall Management Committee!

The Committee have been meeting even more often then usual as things have been going back and forth!

We have two groups meeting regularly at the moment, socially distanced of course, and that's Yoga and the children's ballet and we look forward to more after the19th July and in September. Did you know that we are currently offering a discount on block bookings of more than 4 weeks? It's for a limited period but we want to help groups to get back to whatever the new 'normal' will look like.

We're upgrading our heating system too, so we should be nice and cosy when those autumnal chills arrive once more.

A WiFi extender has been fitted to give us better internet reception and coverage in the Hall using Superfast Broadband, and we're looking into fitting a projector and screen for groups to use for presentations.

**But the big news is...** we have a brand new WEBSITE! Just Google lvinghoe Town Hall.

Did you know that lvinghoe is (probably) the only village in the country with a Town Hall? It's all on the website, the history of the Hall, (courtesy of Geoffrey Legge) photographs of the Hall in it's various uses as well as an availability and online booking system. The committee extend a huge vote of thanks to Stephen Lott who has worked hard to make this happen. Thank you Stephen!

#### It's all happening at lvinghoe Town Hall!

Take care everyone and we hope that you enjoy the sunnier days ahead.

#### To Hire Ivinghoe Town Hall:

Stephen Swinbank (The Booking Secretary) on 01296 660680. Or email: spswinbank@gmail.com Web: www.ivinghoetownhall.org.uk

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#### FORD END WATERMILL

Ford End Watermill, for those not familiar with it, is a small farm mill, which has produced flour and animal feed for centuries. On Station Road, just a short distance from the centre of lvinghoe, it is run today entirely by volunteers. The mill is fully operational and we mill at each opening to the public. Our wholemeal flour is much sought after.



Would you like to join our team of volunteers?

We would welcome volunteers who can:

- help maintain the mill through this Autumn, Winter and Spring in readiness for next year's openings.
- help us welcome our visitors as they arrive for one of our openings each Summer - on Sundays and Bank Holidays; and/or
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There are opportunities for individuals with a variety of skills. So whether your preference is to meet our visitors, to explain all about the mill to visitors or to get to grips with the mill building and its machinery – the choice is yours. We can provide you with the necessary training and we have all the relevant information about the mill – how it works, its history and how it has been restored.

We are a friendly group. All of us are committed to conserving this priceless resource for future generations. We can provide new volunteers with the satisfaction that comes from showing how the sustainable power of water can be used to produce flour for the baking of bread.

So, if you are interested, please telephone: John Wallis on **01296 661997**; Chris Tugby on **01442 825421**; or Stephen Booth on **01296 661745**.

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## **Ivinghoe Speedwatch**

ver the last 12 months or so we have not been able to do our normal deployment of the speed camera so we have been looking at trends with respect to speeding vehicles within the parish.

We have one road within the parish that is showing some statistics that we were not expecting.

This road is a through road and not a dead end and the statistics show that at one end of the road there is 3 x as much traffic as the other, which suggests that local residents and visiting traffic are preferring to use one end of the road over the other.

At the end of the road that is least used we have found that the majority of vehicles are keeping to the speed limit with approximately 15% of all vehicles going over.

Now, if that 15% of speeding vehicles are actually through traffic and pass through to the other end of the road, the busy end, then with traffic levels being 3 x that of the quiet end of the road, these speeding vehicles would only equate to 5% of the total number of vehicles that are speeding at the busy end. However, the stats are showing that 30% of vehicles at this end of the road are speeding, so where and when do those additional speeding vehicles come from.

The busy times for the speeding motorists at either end of the road are

- Morning rush, racing to get to work
- Morning school run
- Lunchtimes
- Afternoon school runs
- Evening rush, racing to get home





• Night owls (2am – 3am)

We have thought for many years that the Friday evening rush was the worst, but the statistics are actually showing us that currently Wednesday and Thursday evenings are worse. This may be due to altered patterns of travel due to Covid.

We collate these stats so that we know where and when to concentrate our efforts with the speed camera and to further our case for the TVP camera van to visit.

And the good news is with effect from 26th June, we have been given the go ahead from TVP to redeploy the speed camera.

Ivinghoe Parish Council Speedwatch Co-Ordinators.

## Speeding is so bad for you The hard truth

### When you speed, you risk...

- A fixed penalty fine of £100, which could rise to £1000 in court, or up to £2500 for motorway offences
- Disqualification for up to 56 daysthat's over two months of getting the bus to work
- A minimum of 3 penalty points on your licence, a maximum of 6
- A maximum sentence of **14 years** in jail for causing death by dangerous driving



### buckscc.gov.uk/speeding #healthydriver

## Hub News...

ots to talk about these days! Covid-19 Restrictions are increasingly relaxed – although of course we still take care! Simply Walks and the KS2 Children's Art Class. Guides: the Local and Police Commissioner Elections were held on 6th May, our favourite Crochet Group restarted on 21st May, an Eagle Society Meeting on 22nd May, an Arts Workshop on 26th May, and we hosted an Amnesty International 60th Anniversary Socially Distanced Film Show on 28th May. One surprise Booking in late May was for a Photoshoot - Oscar Winning Costumes used in Movies - this was from North Six, a highly-acclaimed, global collective of producers, content creators, and thinkers!

We installed extra Black-Out Blinds to create a better environment for film shows – just in time for the Amnesty International show – and then during June, we adjusted the loudspeakers in the Main Hall to again enhance things – the space really is good for music, which Beacon Choir recognise as they booked a couple of evenings to rehearse! Also during June we were up to our elbows in emptying drainage gullies which had become a little bit blocked over the Covid-19 lockdown period – simply we hadn't been able to attend to such tasks!

July has seen an increase in bookings – the regular classes and meetings have continued, and we are really proud that we hosted a Wedding Celebration, Beacon-Lit ran their reduced 'Mini-Lit' – also we hosted a 70th Birthday celebration – so things are properly beginning to open up again after such a long time. Local Joiner Les Cato has been commissioned and is now building a bespoke Storage Unit



for our IT Room – all of our local History artefacts, history of how we saved the building for the Community, material for our various Markets – Easter Egg Hunts, Pancake Races, Christmas celebrations!! Contributions towards the cost of building the Storage Unit have been given by the local WEA group, and monies raised from donations/gifts of Second Hand Books!

We look forward to opening up the Hub for an **'Open Day and All Day Free Barbeque'** on **28th August** – times will be announced nearer the time! This Community can celebrate all that the Hub offers for your enjoyment and wellbeing in the present, and its first decade of existence 'Birthday' since its initial rescue which we started in 2011, and then refurbishment, from being semi-derelict and in danger, ten years ago. We are shyly blowing our own Hub Trustee Team's Trumpet!

We warmly welcome you on **28th August** to a **'Pop-In' Hub Day** of celebration, conversation and exploration into all of the Hub's future possibilities – fuelled by our own Trustees' Barbeque!

Chat to me/us please, by email: carolrtarrant@gmail.com or ivinghoeoldschoolcommunityhub@ btconnect.com, by note through the door of the hub for Bob and Carol or leave a message on the phone 01296 661666. Email: ivinghoeoldschoolcommunityhub@ btconnect.com

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Carol Tarrant Chair of Hub



# **Our Hub** run by this community for all

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- 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.

**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 bookings- posted on Facebook Page, web-site and email data-base, hard copy on Notice Board for Public viewing.

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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  $01296\ 555605$ )

## Nightingale's Rainbow – Stoke Mandeville Hospital



#### Work gets underway on lasting tribute to Buckinghamshire's community spirit

Work has begun on the construction of Nightingale's Rainbow – a new sculptural installation at Stoke Mandeville Hospital in Aylesbury – which will stand to pay tribute to the community spirit and kindness shown across the communities of Buckinghamshire during the pandemic and will be a permanent symbol of hope in the face of adversity.

Alongside the physical structure, a Virtual Nightingale's Rainbow has been created where you can show your personal appreciation and support for anyone who has supported you or your community through the crisis by buying a Rainbow Tile in their name. You can leave a personal message of thanks which will be added to the Virtual Rainbow and put up on displays across Buckinghamshire later in the year.

Each Rainbow Tile costs £20, with the proceeds split between Buckinghamshire NHS Charitable Fund and Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity to support nurses, other healthcare workers and patients across the county as we recover from the pandemic.

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#### Sunday 30th May 2021 @ 3.00 - Songs of Praise in the Church Gardens

Join with members of the church for a joyful selection of well loved hymns to launch the 800+ Celebrations. Followed by tea and cakes.

#### Sunday 11th July 2021 @ 1.00 - Music on the Lawn

The Beacon Community Choir host a festival of music by local musicians and choirs. Teas & Scones, Prosecco and strawberries and a bar will be available.

#### 8th-10th October 2021 - Art Exhibition

Local artists will mount an exhibition of their works.

#### Sunday 10th October 2021 @ 6.00 - Service of Celebration

Bishop Stephen, the Bishop of Oxford will lead a Service of Celebration to mark the 800+ anniversary.

#### Saturday 27th + Sunday 28th November 2021 - Yvingho Tales

The Beacon Community Choir perform a work specially written for the occasion which reimagines the building of the church, the effect it had on the community and the devastating events which led to it's initial destruction.

#### Saturday 20th November 2021 - Christmas Market

The church and Town Hall will host a large selection of stalls with handicrafts, homemade goods, cakes, tombolas, raffles and games.

#### Saturday 22nd January - 2022 Burns Supper

The ever popular celebration of Robert Burns will take place with home cooked haggis, live music and dancing.

#### Timeline

Come and see the Timeline of the history of the church designed and created by members of Ivinghoe and Pitstone villages

#### The lvinghoe Tapestry

The image of St Mary's famous carved angels in tapestry form is ready to be embroidered by members of the public. Anyone,





Art & Craft Exhibition 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> October Save the date !



As part of the ongoing celebrations for the  $800^{th}$  anniversary of St. Mary's Church there will be an exhibition of Arts and Crafts in the church from  $8^{th} - 10^{th}$  October 2021

Many local artists will be exhibiting their work which will mainly feature the church and the surrounding local area.

More details to follow later in the year.

If anyone would like further information, please contact:

Barbara Cummings - 01296 668621 or Anne Brien - 01525 753093

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We now feel that it is time to end this weekly service and this will cease on Thursday, 24th June 2021.

An emergency food bank service operating out of St Mary's will continue which can be accessed via myself.

On behalf of all the helpers who have been involved I would like to take this opportunity once again of thanking you for your kind generosity.

Babs Byrom (07860 780127)



#### Ivinghoe & Pitstone Chapel Fellowship

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## PRESS RELEASE: "Topping Off" the New Build at Tring School

riday 9th July saw the Topping Off ceremony on the roof of Tring School's fabulous £30m new build project. The event was attended by the Mayor of Tring, Christopher Townsend, who said some very complimentary words in front of a number of students, the school project team and the Chair of Governors.

The project to construct the three storey building commenced in April 2020 and progress has been rapid and very exciting to watch. Construction is by Bowmer + Kirkland and will be one of the most sustainably designed built schools in the country. It will also have additional facilities to support the pastoral care and emotional well-being of the students. A local benefactor committed to fund expanded sports facilities to encourage more participation in physical activity and exercise.

The inside of the building is even more impressive than the exterior. The classrooms, laboratories and all of the other teaching rooms are very spacious with large windows to allow maximum natural light. The corridors and stairwells are surprisingly wide. The large dining room is an atrium at the heart of the school. The four court sports hall is larger than a normal school facility in order to meet the Sport England specification for a number of sports at national level. The activity studio is equally impressive and includes a large skylight to allow natural light to flood in. The Sixth Form Centre on the third floor enjoys a fantastic view towards Tring Park and Wendover Woods. Much of the mechanical and electrical equipment is already in place along with miles and miles of cabling. It truly is very impressive to see everything coming together and it's making the many, many months of detailed planning and designing time well spent.

Every single teaching space will benefit from new and high quality ICT equipment. The front of the new building will be significantly further back from the road thus reducing the impact on the local community; this has been a key element in the exterior design and landscaping.

The project is on schedule for us to move into the brilliant new facilities ready for the start of the new term in January 2022. After that the original school will be demolished to be replaced by a carefully designed and landscaped car parking area of greater capacity than the school currently has, together with shelter for students, coach parking and parental drop off zone. This final phase of the project will be completed in July 2022.

The new school building will be fantastic for the children, the staff and the entire community of Tring. The school is already considered outstanding in many areas and the new building with so many new and innovative facilities will take it to another level.

Tring School Photographs – opposite page









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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.

### Ivinghoe Allotments News from the Allotment

ello my name is Simone LeBoff and I occupy the plot at Ivinghoe allotments next to Ernie's. We have been neighbours for the past three years, during which Ernie has provided me with sound advice and all the news, in exchange for cups of coffee. I would like to thank him for his excellent articles in this magazine over the many years. They have been interesting, amusing, and full of growing information. I will try to fill his gardening boots in this role, but as a relative novice I expect it will be a journey of success and failures we can go on together.

I also must thank Gloria. I too have chickens, only three, but Gloria has been an invaluable source of advice; first when one of my original mini flock fell ill and died, then on how to successfully introduce two young Silkies. Gloria, as I am sure you know from her previous writings in this magazine, is passionate about chickens and what she doesn't know.

Ernie has already introduced you to many of the people who have allotments. They're all very friendly, helpful and make a lovely community, so why not come down to the lvinghoe Allotments to meet them on Saturday 14 August, as part of Allotment Week 2021. You could see for yourself the individuality and appeal of the allotments and perhaps discuss how and why build a Huegel, the practical beauty of a willow fence, or the variety of dahlias to grow. This year my main experiment, albeit not entirely scientific, has been with potatoes. I have used a variety of heritage potatoes arranged identically in different beds but sewn and grown in distinct ways to see what produced the best outcome. I took one idea from Sam (another allotment neighbour) and built a potato box from pallets (actually my friend Nigel did it as to me DIY means 'don't involve yourself' and neither my husband, Roger or myself are practical, though I am learning and improving). I part filled the box with compost, then placed the potatoes on the soil and covered them with straw. I did the same with a raised bed, along the lines of one of Suttons' YouTube videos (highly recommended). The third method was to cover the whole bed in black plastic, slit it with a knife, plant the potatoes into the earth and waited for the leaves to pop up through the slits. All methods are supposed to suppress weeds and keep in moisture. The box lets you plant in a confined area if space is a premium.

Simone – lvinghoe Plot Holder





## National Allotments Week

#### A National Allotment Society initiative

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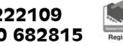
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## Ashridge Ramblings – Please Log-in

may well be preaching to the converted here. Living so close to the pleasures of Ashridge, many readers will be members of the National Trust. Even if you are not, you will likely be aware that the pandemic has blown a massive hole in its budget - a £200 million chasm, in fact. Ashridge, like the NHS, is free at the point of use, but its upkeep needs funding. That is why a "donation log" has appeared at the Visitor Centre. Every penny will help with tasks such as making trees safe, clearing up litter and doggy doings, repairing gates and fences, and maintaining signage. That's before the major expenditure on habitat and access



management in order to strike the right balance between the Trust's statutory duty to wildlife and its commitment to welcoming visitors. So, please, put some of that cash that's been weighing down your wallets and purses during the pandemic into the log, or donate a fiver by texting **TRUST** to **70515**. Better still, join the National Trust by calling at the Visitor Centre, or online. You will hear the birds singing **"thank you"**!

Rikki Harrington

(Ashridge Estate Committee Member) harrington.rikki@gmail.com



## Honey Bee Swarms are Important!!

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 close to 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. When Honey Bees swarm they gorge themselves with honey before leaving the hive which makes it very hard for them to double over and sting.



#### What Causes Honey Bees to Swarm?: Honey

Bees have a natural instinct to survive by sending out new colonies. 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.

If You See a Swarm: Declining Honey Bee numbers make 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 or

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## Have you seen this insect?

## ASIAN HORNET

#### What is it?

An invasive non-native hornet originally from Asia. Asian hornet is a highly aggressive predator of native insects and poses a significant threat to honey bees and other pollinators. In 2004 it was accidentally introduced to France where it has spread rapidly and into neighbouring countries. Since 2016 a number of sightings have been recorded in the UK.

Suspected sightings should be reported immediately using the details provided at the bottom of this poster.



#### Where might I see it?

May be seen on flowering plants, around beehives, around rotting / fermenting fruit and protein, and at street markets attracted by sweet fruit and fish stalls.

Active from February to November across England and Wales.

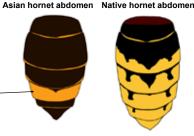
#### What does it look like?

- □ Slightly smaller than native hornet
- Dark abdomen, 4th segment yellow / orange -
- Bright yellow tips to legs (native hornet dark)
- □ Entirely brown or black thorax (native hornet more orange)

Asian hornet nest

'Hawks' outside honey bee colonies





DANGER! This hornet stings. Do not disturb an active nest. Seek advice using the details below.

Report any sightings of this species:

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### **Bucks Councillors Report**

## **GP Clinics finishing** vaccinating

As you are probably aware, COVID-19 vaccination clinics are in place through our mass vaccination centre in Aylesbury, by pharmacies or GP's across the County and by our hospital hub who are vaccinating health and social care staff.

Uptake in Bucks has seen real progress in recent weeks, including those allimportant 1st vaccinations in the 40+ age group. Over 539,460 people having had at least one dose up to 30 May.

Currently, the COVID-19 vaccine is available to book online or by calling 119 to anyone age 30 and over. This age group may move lower again this week and we will update our webpages accordingly, signposting to the **NHS** and **gov.uk**.

As planned, some of the GP led clinics across the county will cease once they have finished vaccinating people most at risk of serious illness from COVID-19: those in priority groups 1–9. GP's will ensure 2nd doses are given to anyone due one.

For local updates and news on clinics, drop-in sessions and vaccines go to Bucks CCG updates. This will have any clinic news that may affect your ward so it's a useful page to keep an eye on.

#### **Scam Awareness**

Just a quick note to say that sadly, evidence has shown that scammers are exploiting the pressures the pandemic has put people under and there's been a particular rise in scammers targeting people with finance-related schemes. Please be on your guard for **"Get Rich Quick"** schemes or phone calls, emails or texts pretending to be from your bank asking you to move your money or provide your personal details. These people are manipulating the situation created by the pandemic in the worst

way – as a Friends Against Scams Organisation we are supporting the Citizen's Advice.

Informal Parking Review of the areas around places of natural beauty and Country Parks.

Buckinghamshire Council in partnership with Transport for Bucks, stakeholders and working with your local Councillors are proposing implementing permanent parking restrictions at various locations following an increase in illegal and antisocial parking, and verge damage, following the lifting of the first COVID-19 lockdown.

Buckinghamshire Council is proposing to introduce restrictions (permanent) at various locations across the county of Buckinghamshire.

The most local being the Northfield Road Pitstone Quarry area which caused significant concern to residents during the warm weather last year.

Due to the number of outstanding submission some of which may be asking clarifying questions to enable them to make an informed response Bucks Council allowed additional time (until the 13th June) to allow them to response.

#### Disposable barbecue danger alert at home and in parks and open spaces

Dangers from throwaway barbecues have prompted warnings from Buckinghamshire Council and Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service. This comes as the weather heats up in Buckinghamshire and people enjoy meeting outdoors with friends and family in line with the easing of COVID-19 restrictions.

With temperatures set to reach 27 degrees this week, it seems as though barbecue season is upon us. Along with the delicious food and family-friendly fun a social barbecue can bring, there are also some dangers to using disposable barbecues which can be easily avoided providing we all stay vigilant.

Barbecues, camp fires and stoves are not allowed in Buckinghamshire country parks and residents are urged not to light fires or use any device with a naked flame in woodland or open spaces, and to dispose of cigarettes carefully.

Top tips if using a disposable barbecue:

- Follow the safety instructions provided with disposable barbecues.
- Do not place the disposable barbecue directly on to grass or a flammable surface.
- Never leave a lit barbecue unattended.
- Make sure your barbecue is well away from sheds, fences, trees, shrubs or garden waste.
- In the countryside or public park areas, only use disposable barbecues

where there are specially designated areas and carefully follow the safety guidance.

- Avoid open flames in woodland, including parks, open spaces etc.
- After use, please make sure it is fully extinguished by pouring plenty of water onto it.
- Empty ashes onto bare garden soil, not into dustbins or wheelie bins. If they're hot, they can melt the plastic and cause a fire.
- Do not place a disposable barbecue in a rubbish bin or take it to a local household recycling centre until it has cooled down completely. Fires at waste sites and in bin lorries can start from the smallest spark or heat source, especially in summer, so it's even more important to wait until the barbecue is completely cool.

For more information on how to safely dispose of a throwaway barbecue, please check the online Waste Wizard – www.recycleforbuckinghamshire. co.uk/waste-wizard

#### Home To School Transport – School Bus Changes in September 2021

There are changes and to appreciate these parents and cares are advised to review the Bucks Council websites. The changes will mostly effect those students who currently have been taking up the spare capacity on Council provided buses. It is expected that ▶ families already provided with transport will continue next school year. Please check.

#### The Ivinghoe Ward Buckinghamshire Councillors

The last 15 months have been very different to anything previous with the new Bucks Unitary Council coming into existence on 1st April 2020 and the old four district and county legacy councils effectively wound up. All the council staff and councillors becoming employees and members of the new Buckinghamshire Council for the first year until May 6th 2021 when the recent elections returned the first elected Bucks councillors, one year late.

As part of the planned reorganisation which included reducing the council member numbers has resulted in the Bucks Council lvinghoe ward having three councillors. The lvinghoe ward covers the seven parishes Cheddington, Pitstone, Mentmore, Edlesborough, Slapton, lvinghoe and Marsworth.

The three new councillors are Peter Brazier, Chris Poll and Derek Town. To provide the best service to the Ivinghoe ward residents each councillor will take the lead for specific parishes with support from the other two as required as a coordinated team. The arrangements is as follows: Peter Brazier will lead for Mentmore, Slapton and lvinghoe Mobile: 07785 384989 Bus. Email: Peter.Brazier@ buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Chris Poll will lead for Edlesborough and Cheddington. Phone: 01296 663737 Bus. Mobile: 07736 105959 Bus. Email: Chris.Poll@ buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Derek Town will lead for Pitstone and Marsworth. Phone: 01296 661637 Bus. Mobile: 07786 720727 Bus. Email: Derek.Town@ buckinghamshire.gov.uk

From the beginning of the first **'lock down'** all council meetings were virtual until Wednesday 26th May 2021 when the newly elected Buckinghamshire Councillors came together for the first time in the socially distant assembly at the Stoke Mandeville Stadium. The new rules means all future follow-on full council meetings will be live unless there is a change in the evolving recovery from the Covid 19 epidemic.

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#### **Press Release from Buckinghamshire Council**

## **Buckinghamshire Libraries launches** this year's Summer **Reading Challenge**



uckinghamshire Libraries launched the Summer Reading Challenge, Wild World Heroes, on Saturday 10 July.

Wild World Heroes is a celebration of reading, nature and action for the environment. Developed in partnership with WWF - the world's leading independent conservation organisation -Wild World Heroes will inspire children to stand up for the future of our planet.

Children are encouraged to read six books (including eBooks and eAudio) and can find book recommendations and access lots of fun activities at: summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

New for 2021 is a pre-school mini challenge suitable for children aged 3 years and under. It's a great way to encourage families with younger children to regularly borrow and read books over the summer - especially if older siblings are taking part in the main challenge.

With ideas from WWF, the main challenge focuses on action for nature and tackling real-world environmental issues, from plastic pollution and deforestation to wildlife decline and nature loss.

Schools Minister Nick Gibb said: "Reading is a cornerstone of children's education and a key skill for developing their language and vocabulary. After the impact of the pandemic on young people. this year's Summer Reading Challenge is more timely than ever, and a great opportunity for children to discover the joy of reading while building knowledge of vital environmental issues."

Buckinghamshire Council's Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure.Clive Harriss, commented: "It's fantastic that our libraries are once again taking part in the Summer Reading Challenge. And this year's theme. Wild World Heroes. presents a great opportunity for children throughout the county to celebrate adventure, friendship, reading and fun while discovering the natural world and its importance. Reading is a fundamental part of our education and those that read regularly gain from the additional knowledge and have a wider vocabulary."

This year Summer Reading Challenge will end on Saturday 4 September, and more information on the programme can be found at: buckinghamshire.gov.uk/ libraries-blog

### Your local **Councillors**:

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Cllr Pat Roach Add: Church View, Church Road, Ivinghoe LU7 9EU Tel: 01296 668482 Email: p.g.roach@hotmail.com



**CIIr Claire Bamber** Vice Chairman - Ivinghoe Parish Council Add: Bruce Grove House, Great Gap. Ivinghoe. LU7 9DZ Tel: 01296 668134 or Mob: 07711 107 114 Email: claire.bamber@btinternet.com

**Cllr Paul Jellis** Email: ivinghoeparishclerk@gmail.com

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**Cllr Clive Ketteridge** (known as Ketts) Email: ivinghoeparishclerk@gmail.com







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### Technology Support for Home and Business

#### **Onsite or Remote Support**

PCs, Smartphones, Tablets, Printers Broadband, Internet, WiFi, Email





Security Guidance Virus Protection & Removal Upgrades & Installations Data and System Recovery

Hardware & Software Troubleshooting Home & Office Network Setup & Support

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Have you ever thought about 'growing your own'? Growing your own fruit and vegetables can be a very satisfying experience and in lvinghoe we are very lucky to have some beautiful allotments just off Church Road, overlooking St Mary's Church. If you are an lvinghoe resident and would like some more information about availability of plots - we have them in a range of sizes - please contact the Parish

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

Clerk at ivinghoeparishclerk@gmail.com





Keep valuable property in a safe place, keep an inventory with photos and list items including make, model, description and value.

Don't put your items on display.

Make sure your home is secure and check your insurance.



# IT'S A SCAM

### Fraudsters want your PIN and bank card

A fraudster telephones you claiming to be from your bank or the police. They tell you that your bank card details have been used fraudulently.

They suggest that you hang up and ring the bank/police back to ensure the call is genuine. **Don't be fooled** – they stay on the line. They then tell you to read out or key in your PIN.

THE PHONE CALL





THE PIN NUMBER

THE COURIER

They send a taxi/courier to you to collect your bank card. With this and your PIN, they spend your mo<u>ney.</u> JUST REMEMBER: Your bank or the police will never ask for your PIN or bank card don't give them to anybody!

If you've been a victim of this crime call the police on **101**.

