St Andrew's Hagbourne

PARISH MAGAZINE

MAY 2022



News, Views and Information for everyone in the Hagbournes

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CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR MAY 2022

The Intentions this month are for all who live in West Hagbourne and North and South Moreton.

			Prayer Focus:
1 +Sunday	THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B 9am Parish Eucharist: All Saints' AU 9.15am Share a Prayer: St Mary's U 10.30am Parish Eucharist with Sunday Club 10.30am Village Service: St Michael's B 10.30am Online Eucharist 1.30pm Wedding Service: St Andrew's H 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H	o: St Andrew's H	Weddings and God's blessing on new and existing marriages.
2 Monday	Philip and James, Apostles	8pm Compline	Papermill Lane SM
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16 Monday 17 Tuesday		8pm Compline 8pm Compline	Elm Road NM High Street NM

18 Weds 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H 8pm Compline Long Wittenham Rd NM 10am Holy Communion: St Michael's B 8pm Compline 19 Thursday Queens Way NM 20 Friday 8pm Compline Sires Hill NM 21 Saturday

Wallingford Rd NM

22 +Sunday THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10.30am Village Service (BCP Mattins): St Michael's B

10.30am Online Eucharist Service 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

9.15am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U

Clergy & all who

preach or lead.

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, HAGBOURNE

The United Benefice of Blewbury, East and West Hagbourne and Upton together with Aston Tirrold, Aston Upthorpe, North Moreton and South Moreton.



Rector's Reflections What's Happening on 26th May?

I wonder if you have anything planned for 26th May? Now, you might well be asking yourself what's so special about the 26th May. Well, since the late 4th century, Christians have been celebrating the Ascension of Christ on the fortieth day after Easter. This year, Easter Day falls on 17th April, and hence Ascension Day is celebrated on 26th May.

What does Ascension Day commemorate? According to the Acts of the Apostles, Jesus, after he had risen from the dead on Easter Day, "presented himself alive to [his disciples] by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God". After this, "he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight".

What exactly happened? How did it happen? We don't know. All we know is that Jesus was "lifted up", and the word "Ascension" simply means "lifting up". Traditionally, heaven has been pictured as a sphere of existence "above" us, and hence any journey to heaven has necessarily involved a "lifting up", as heaven has been pictured as lying somewhere "above" us. Nowadays, I think we are more likely to picture heaven as a sphere of existence "beyond" us — "beyond" our imagining. I hasten to add that this is the language of poetry - heaven is not literally "above" us, somewhere up in the sky.

So, the Ascension commemorates Jesus' return to a life lived with God in heaven. But this does not mean that Jesus left his followers comfortless. He promised to send them the gift of the Holy Spirit. In the days following the Ascension, his followers waited patiently for the coming of the promised Holy Spirit. They did not have long to wait: the Holy Spirit arrived on the Feast of Pentecost, 9 days later. The Feast of Pentecost is one of the major festivals of the church's year, and this year it will fall on Sunday 5th June. Because of the way our calendar works, Ascension Day will always fall on a Thursday, and Pentecost on a Sunday.

At its heart, the Ascension is a declaration that Jesus Christ is king of the whole Universe: his is the ultimate authority, and we are to recognise his authority in all that we do. Jesus' kingly rule is all about love, peace and justice; and we recognise his authority by putting love, peace and justice at the centre of our lives. $Father\ Jason$

Benefice Ascension Day Service The whole Benefice is invited to St Michael's Blewbury for our Ascension Day Service on **Thursday, 26th May at 8pm** followed by refreshments – All welcome.

Home Communion is available to anyone who is unable to get to church through sickness or frailty, either for a short time or on a long-term basis. If you, or anyone you know, would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact The Revd Louise Butler, 07837 009730. Full COVID precautions will be followed.

Thank you Thank you to all who arranged flowers and helped to make St Andrew's look beautiful for Easter Day.

May 2022 Calendar and Diary continued

23 Monday 8pm Compline Anchor Lane SM 24 Tuesday 10.00am Holy Communion: St Michael's B 8pm Compline Church Lane SM 25 Weds 10.00am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H 8pm Compline Clements Green SM 26 Thursday Ascension Day Crown Lane SM

8pm Benefice Ascension Day Service: St Michael's B followed by refreshments.

8pm Compline

27 Friday 8pm Compline Fulscott Cottages SM 28 Saturday Scarecrow Trail begins in East Hagbourne Fulscott Manor SM

29 +Sunday THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Treasurers and church finances.

10.30am All-Age Service and Baptism: St Andrew's H

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10.30am Online Eucharist 3pm Upton Hymns of Praise 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

30 Monday 8pm Compline Haddon Hill SM 31 Tuesday 8pm Compline High Street SM

JUNE 2022

The Intentions this month are for all who live in Blewbury

1 Weds 10.00am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H 8pm Compline Grahame Close B 8pm Compline Ladycroft Park B 3 Friday Jubilee Flower Festival begins: St Andrew's H 8pm Compline London Road B 4 Saturday Millbrook Close B

5 + Sunday PENTECOST

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B 9am Parish Eucharist: All Saints' AU 9.15am Share a Prayer: St Mary's U

10.30am Parish Eucharist with Sunday Club: St Andrew's H 10.30am No Village Service: St Michael's B due to Evensong

10.30am Online Service

4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H 6pm Jubilee Evensong: St Michael's B

WE WANT EVERYONE TO FEEL SAFE COMING TO CHURCH We are slowly easing restrictions and hope to be serving refreshments after services. As the COVID cases in Oxfordshire remain high, we continue to encourage people to wear face coverings and to observe social distancing while in church.

You can contact the clergy on:

Revd Jason 01235 850267 office@churnchurches.co.uk

Revd Louise 07837 009730 revlouiseb@aol.com

Elaine de Ridder (Operations Manager) is available from 9.00am to 2.30pm Monday to Friday - 01235 850267, 07434 686044 or office@churnchurches.co.uk

Bookings for Weddings, Baptisms etc... may be made by contacting the office via email: office@churnchurches.co.uk

Sidesmen, those

who help with

hospitality

and catering.

Flower arrangers

John Townsend – A celebration of his life with a Service on 7th May at St Andrew's Church, 11.30am

John's widow, Yvonne, and his family will be holding a celebration of John's life on Saturday, 7th May with a service at St Andrew's Church at 11.30am followed by drinks and food at 12.30 at the Fleur de Lys.

Born and bred in the village, John (85) lived his whole life in East Hagbourne only leaving to be close to his wider family for the last year of his life. Unfortunately, Parkinson's degraded his last years before the Covid pandemic eventually struck. After National Service in the RAF and a career as a civil engineer with the Institute of Hydrology at Wallingford, John served the East Hagbourne community throughout with his encyclopaedic knowledge of local environmental issues and his tireless activities on the Parish Council.

John passed away in summer 2020 but Covid restrictions have prevented a celebration of his life until now. If you knew John, please do come and join us to celebrate his life on Saturday, 7th May.

With Sympathy We send our heartfelt sympathies to the family and friends of John Strange who passed away on the 11th of April, aged 89 years, following a short illness. John was a devoted husband to the late Sybil and a much-loved Dad, Grandad, Great Grandad, Brother, and Uncle and he had lived in East Hagbourne for many years. John's Funeral Service will take place on Tuesday 3rd of May at 2pm at St Andrew's Church

Baptisms in the Benefice

20th March Lexie Lilian Hedges was baptised at St Andrew's 17th April Evelyn Rose Ferrett was baptised at St Andrew's 24th April Scarlett Jade Loveridge was baptised at St Andrew's

Funeral in the Benefice

26th April at St Andrew's Hagbourne **Brienne Saunders** aged 71

May she rest in peace and rise in glory



Quiz for Ukraine: thanks for your support!

Over 100 residents of the Hagbournes, Didcot and nearby villages came together on Friday 22nd April for a lively evening at the Village Hall in support of Asylum Welcome. Quiz master Doug Amos, decked out in blue and yellow, asked the questions, ably assisted by Carol Amos and Andy Stocks. Two teams led the pack—the Didcot Choral Society and the Didcot Phoenix, with an exciting tie-breaker tipping the final score to the winners Didcot Choral Society. Congratulations to them, and to all the teams, including Manor Farm Lane, who ran away with the wooden spoons. Thanks also to the Village Hall for their contribution.

During the breaks we heard from speakers Helen Connor and Angela Lewis from Brightwell Supporting Refugees, a registered charity supporting refugee children since 2015, as well as from Heather Skevington of North Moreton, where a number of residents, including Heather, are eagerly awaiting the arrival of a Ukrainian family. Speaking on behalf of Asylum Welcome, Aiham Al Aswadi, himself a refugee from Yemen in 2017, spoke movingly of the help he received from Asylum Welcome, and how he has continued to work with the charity, first as a volunteer and now as a member of staff.

Support for the evening was enthusiastic and friendly, not to mention competitive! Altogether over £2,000 was raised for Asylum Welcome to help them in their support for Ukrainian and other refugees.

Hagbourne Action Group

Scarecrow Trail

in East Hagbourne 2022



Scarecrow Trail . . .

... for everyone to follow and vote for your favourite Scarecrow . . .

Saturday 28th May until Sunday 19th June.

Buy your maps for £1 from the Community Shop and The Fleur from Saturday 28th May in order to follow and vote for your favourite scarecrow.



Entry forms on page 11 of the magazine or print your own from the East Hagbourne website – www.easthagbourne.net Entry forms to be returned by Friday, 20th May.

Profits will be given to St Anne's Hospital, Liuli in Tanzania.

We hope to do Teas in Church from 2.30 to 5pm on Sundays when maps will also be for sale.

Action Group: Doug Amos, Di Duff, Mary Harrison, Susan Proctor, Alice Smith, Maranda St John Nicolle, Vivien Stocks, Marian Varnom.

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Online Services

The Online Services will continue on Sundays at 10.30am. Login after 10.00am to chat before if wished. Access the Churn Churches website for login details on how join: https://www.churnchurches.co.uk/services-this-week/sunday-service.php The link for the service is published in the weekly Churn, which can be downloaded from this page: https://www.churnchurches.co.uk/resources/

Please see the Diary on pages 2 and 4 of the magazine for various Services to be held in church.

Sunday Club In the Parish Room at St Andrew's,

Hagbourne on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am, joining parents in the Church Service later. Bible stories, circle time, drawing, colouring, painting, crafts and more. Ages 4 - 11. Encourages children to interact with each other and adults, make friends, be creative. A gentle introduction to Christian values.

Next dates: Sundays 1st May and 5th June - ALL WELCOME.



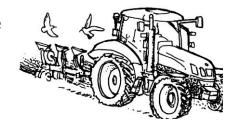


St Andrew's Church Choir

St Andrew's Church Choir will meet on Fridays at 6pm for Choir Practice. New members are very welcome, if you enjoy singing then just come along to one of our practices.

Midweek Communion Everyone welcome to the Midweek Communion at **St Andrew's, Hagbourne** every Wednesday at 10am. This is a said Communion Service without hymns and the opportunity to stay for a coffee or tea afterwards and a chat. For the safety of others, please wear a face covering.

Rogation Service There will be a Rogation Service at **St Andrew's on 15th May at 10.30am** Hopefully the Service will be followed by a **Ploughman's Lunch.** Rogation means an asking of God – for blessing on the seed and land for the year ahead.





There will be a variety of events taking place in East Hagbourne for The Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

PICNIC LUNCH There will be an opportunity to share a Picnic Lunch at the Recreation Ground on **Sunday 5th June**. The Pavilion will be open from 12 midday to 5.00pm. Bring your own picnic (and bunting) More details to follow.

FLOWER FESTIVAL There will be a Flower Festival to be enjoyed at St Andrew's from **Friday 3rd June** until **Monday 6th June** and the **SCARECROW TRAIL** will be in place all around East Hagbourne with hopefully teas in Church on the **Sunday 5th June**.



Glad Rags and Handbags

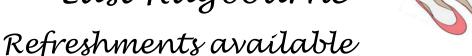
A Sale of Nearly New Clothes, Shoes, Handbags and more..



Saturday 7th May 6.30pm



St Andrew's Church East Hagbourne



Don't miss your chance to bag a bargain!

Funds raised to support St Andrew's Church, Hagbourne.

If you have any clothes to donate - men's, women's, boys and girls - Bags and shoes - all are welcome so long as they are in a good condition, please contact:

Jane Drewe 01235 816886 mjdrewe@yahoo.co.uk, Myra Hardiman 01235 831635 or Jill Garlick 07873 431144 hjgarlick.gmail.com



ARTWEEKS EXHIBITION with LINDA BENTON in HAGBOURNE VILLAGE HALL on the weekends of 14th & 15th and 21st & 22nd May, from 10:30 to 5:30 each day.

Oxfordshire Artweeks is bigger and better this May due to many Covid restrictions being lifted. Linda will be showing her more recent work including illustrations from The Poets' Trail books, detailed artwork of Oxford, Woodstock and local villages which has been on jigsaws and pictures inspired by ancient oaks in the Didcot area.

As well as paintings there will be prints, cards, jigsaws, and Poets' Trail books. Also refreshments and ample parking. Call 01235 817891 or email Linda.Benton@live.co.uk for more details or to request an Oxfordshire Artweeks brochure which lists all the venues. **Many thanks to Linda for the illustration on our cover this month from** *The Poet's Trail*

HUGS - Hagbournes and Upton Group for Sustainability

Relax in NO MOW MAY and enjoy the BUZZ!

See what amazing plant seeds may be be lying dormant in your lawn!

How? Just take a break on mowing in May! Record numbers of bee orchids and other treasures were found in lawns around the UK after **Plantlife's No Mow May** last year!



Why should we care about wildflowers? They are a key part of our natural world PLUS they connect us to nature and are good for our mental health - according to recent research. So being out and about in nature is good for you and so is looking after wildflowers.

Wildflower meadows in East Hagbourne Hagbourne Cemetery Meadow and the mini-meadow on Butts Piece are managed by HUGS to help increase the number of wildflower species, providing vital habitat and nectar for insects, which in turn provide food for other creatures including birds. Our summer meadows then attract swooping swifts and swallows – just come along and see!

We need YOU! HUGS management of these small areas helps, but we need your help too. If we can use more of the verges, lawns and gardens of East Hagbourne - the potential impact of more wildflowers and insects is much greater!

Why NO MOW MAY? Plantlife UK recommend leaving grass cutting until later in the year – hence No Mow May. Allowing wildflowers to grow in lawns and verges helps all the newly emerging insect life to thrive. Then after May, cutting once a month rather than weekly saves time and money on mowing and continues to help insects. Collecting / raking up the grass cuttings helps too, encouraging more wildflowers.

The feel-good factor Not mowing in May will make your garden more beautiful - with a flower-studded lawn providing a home to the buzz and flutter of many different species of insect – for you to enjoy from your deckchair, while you feel good about helping nature.

So, relax, put the mower away in May. Be happy and make nature happy too.

What's not to like?!



The Friday morning community minibus to Wallingford has restarted. This was a popular service before Covid required it to be cancelled and we hope that it will be popular again. The bus starts at Windsor Crescent, East Hagbourne at 10.15am, down Main Road to Blewbury Road and then picks up passengers from Blewbury at 10.23, Aston Tirrold at 10.28, South Moreton at 10.33, North Moreton at 10.37 and Brightwell at 10.43, arriving in Wallingford at 10.55am. A request can be made to stop at Wallingford Hospital at 10.50. Tickets cost £2 each way and you will need to register to use this service and purchase the tickets from Hagbourne Community Shop. You can use any tickets that you may still have. Covid restrictions may need to be applied and mask wearing will probably be requested. The bus returns from Wallingford at 1.15pm

Hagbourne Garden Club - Annual Plant Sale



The Plant Sale will take place on Saturday 14th May from 2pm at The Pavilion, East Hagbourne.

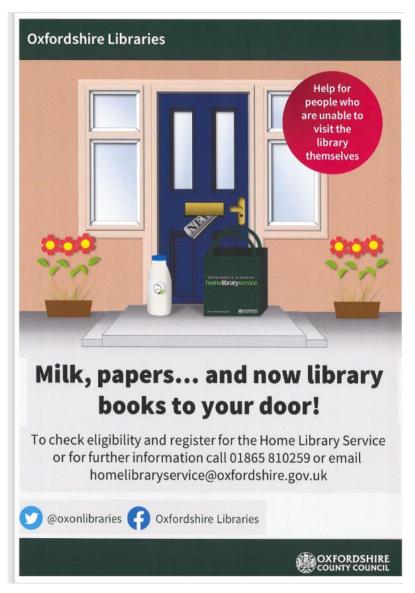
There will be a Cake Stall, Refreshments and a Raffle.
Plant donations most welcome. Entry Free and ample parking. **ALL WELCOME**

Lent Lunches at St Andrew's Church, Hagbourne

A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who supported the Lent Lunches at St Andrew's Church. Thanks go to those who organised a lunch, those who made the amazing variety of soups and or cake, and to those who came to support them. This was a lovely fellowship enjoyed by friends, villagers and visitors to the village. It was lovely to get back together again. We made £1,181.70 on the six lunches this year, the money going towards St Andrew's Church,

a Mother's Union charity, an Alzheimer's charity and Sobell House. Many thanks, Shirley Goss. The big lunch for Sobell House raised £530.00. Marian would like to thank all those who helped and supported the Lent Lunch for Sobell House which raised such a great total.

Look out for the **Summer Teas** at St Andrew's this Summer.





Hagbourne Pre-school

Our village Pre-school are currently recruiting for a new volunteer Chair and Treasurer to join the committee in September.

Due to the setup of the Pre-school without these vital roles the Pre-school will be unable to open for the next school year and will be a huge loss to the staff, children and our community. If you would like to get involved, perhaps you might also know others who can volunteer their time also or you would like more information please get in touch with us either at:

enquiries@hagbournepreschool.org

or

chair@hagbournepreschool.org

East Hagbourne 17th Annual Scarecrow Competition

Entry Form 2022

In aid of St Anne's Hospital, Liuli, Tanzania

Theme: "70 Glorious Years"

CUP TO BE AWARDED TO THE COMPETITION WINNER

	Name of Scarecrow:
	Name of Entrant:
	Address:
	Telephone Number:
	Email Address:
If yo	ou are from outside East Hagbourne and would like to enter – a site can be found for your "Visiting Scarecrow" – or you can organise your own. If known, please give the site details below.
-	Scarecrow to be in place from Saturday morning of 28th May to stay in place until evening of Sunday 19th June

Please return your entry form and payment to:
Mary Harrison, 20a Blewbury Road, East Hagbourne (01235 813826)
£5.00 (cheques payable to "Friends of St Anne's Hospital, Liuli"),
by Friday, 20th May so that trail maps can be prepared beforehand.

Straw available at 20a Blewbury Road, generously donated by the Powells

HAGBOURNE SCHOOL PTA presents....



@ Hagbourne School Field on Tuesday 5th July 2022

An all-human circus show where family-friendly Cabaret meets razzle-dazzle Chicago! Under an all-weather colourful Big Top!

Tickets are on sale now at

pta-events.co.uk/hagbourneschool

or click on the QR code below

Gates open at 4pm, preshow at 5pm and show starts 5.30pm till 8pm.

Food and refreshments available including a BBQ, sweet and savoury snacks including popcorn and candy floss. A bar with both soft and alcoholic drinks.

Face painting, glitter tattoos and circus merchandise all available from 4pm.

Hot food is available from the BBQ on a pre order only basis. Please purchase your BBQ food vouchers at pta-events.co.uk/hagbourneschool.

All funds raised will go towards improving Hagbourne School's outdoor space.



What are you waiting for, book your tickets now!

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Golden Anniversary

Congratulations to David and Lynne Carter of West Hagbourne who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on 15th April. Very best wishes to you both.



Tower Talk

We held our quarterly meeting in Holy Week on Tuesday 12th April, in the Parish Room, enjoying a hot drink and lovely hot cross buns with butter/spread and jam courtesy of Jill and Shirley. This meeting is usually held at Jeff's house but he was busy celebrating a 'Special' birthday!

We rang all 8 bells on Easter Sunday, for the 10:30am Service, for the first time in three years!

On Easter Monday we rang the bells to celebrate the 80th birthday of David Wilcox a great supporter of St Andrew's Church and the tower. Whenever Jill puts out a notice re a 'BIG' church clean David and his wife Sylvia are always there to help and they always help out with the Christmas Tree Festival.

Jill had planned to run a training course on 23rd April but unfortunately had to cancel it as too many of the team were unavailable.

There are plans to ring for a 'Special' wedding on 1st May, our Tower Keeper, John Napper's daughter is getting married at St Andrew's on that day.

Birthdays: Saturday 8th May – Helen Clayson, Sunday 15th May – Janet Corderoy, Tuesday 18th May – Daniel Dawson, 28th May – Sam Sweeney.

Shirley Goss

Hagbourne Baby and Toddler Group meets in St Andrew's Church on Fridays in term-time from 9.45 to 11.15am. Children from birth to 5 years with their parent/grandparent/carer. £2.00 per family session – includes a healthy snack for children and hot drinks for adults. The group is a long-established friendly parent run group.

We have a variety of toys including ride-ons, slide, dolls, toy cars, Duplo, baby toys, mats and bouncers. On occasions a craft activity is also offered. Our current children really enjoy their weekly play together (for some it is their only interaction with other children) and they look forward to Friday mornings and meeting their friends.

If you have any questions please contact: hagbournetoddlers@hotmail.com





East Hagbourne Community Shop

Find us on the East Hagbourne village website: www.easthagbourne.net

Thanks to All for Joining Our April Coffee Morning It was delightful to see so many of you at our Coffee Morning! Thank you for stopping by, for your numerous suggestions regarding new stock and how we can better communicate with our community, and especially for our new volunteers! We were also very pleased to welcome Lyndsey Bickell, a local maker from Didcot, who debuted her delectable Nellie-Jean artisan chocolate Bubble Bars for our customers - now

featured in the Shop!





Entirely and proudly Volunteer run



NEW - Post Office Summer Hours Effective May 2022

Post Office: Mon to Sat: 9am to 12:30pm and afternoons Mon & Thurs: 1:15 – 4:45pm **Shop:** Mon & Thurs: 9am - 5pm, Tue/Wed/Fri: 9am - 4pm, Sat: 9am - 12:30pm.

Warm Weather Favourites After school hours or on Saturday, enjoy the warm sunshine with ice lollies and cold soft drinks, or pick-and-mix your favourite sweets!

Delicious Homemade Cakes Every Thursday, our talented team of bakers whip up a delectable array of lemon drizzle loaves. Victoria sponges and other scrumptious cakes – all perfect for weekends at home or with loved ones.

Extra Produce? Rhubarb, courgettes or other produce overwhelming your allotment or garden? We sell this low-food-mile produce to our local community, and the extra income helps keep our Shop thriving. Please drop any excess fresh fruit or veg at the Shop. Many thanks to all our generous local gardeners for your support!

Marcopolo Bakery

Pre-order delicious pastries, breads and savories by 4pm Wednesdays by email to easthagbourneshop@btopenworld.com for pickup in Shop on Saturday mornings or take a chance - simply stop by and see what's on offer!

Volunteers Welcome! Would you like to get more involved in the community?

Our Community Shop is run entirely by Volunteers. Contact Alice Smith to see how you can get involved - phone 01235 813393, text 07474 937870 or email smith@hagbourne.plus.com.

Comments from the East Hagbourne Parish Council Chairman

Annual Parish Meeting The first Annual Parish Meeting since 2019 was held in the church on Thursday 31st March. I always regard it as a success when the number of non-councillors present exceeds the number of councillors. Not only was this the case this year, but there was a lively participation by attendees and post-meeting reports have been positive. Points raised in this meeting were discussed at the Parish Council meeting on 21st April.

Housing Development by the Village Hall The week after the Annual Parish Meeting, the church was again the venue for a public meeting, this one hosted by Deanfield Homes to provide information to villagers on the forthcoming development. There was a good attendance throughout the afternoon with a sometimes lively interchange between villagers and the four senior members of Deanfield Homes who attended. The open discussion that followed was calmer than might have been expected, perhaps due to the admirable chairing by our District Councillor, Jane Murphy.

There were many questions asked of Deanfield, several concerning the construction phase, when we were again assured that no construction traffic would come through the centre of the village and deliveries would not take place at the start or finish of the school day to reduce disruption to parents dropping off or collecting children from the school. There were many questions asked about sustainability, and some people expressed concern that more attention could have been paid to environmental matters. There were no plans to install solar panels as standard, and a request was made to allow buyers to pay a small premium to have them fitted before occupancy.

Since it came up in several conversations it is worth noting that, although the site will be referenced as "Deanfield Green" in sales promotions, this is just a working name and will not be a name for the site when completed. Although we were unable to get a single site name for postal purposes, the main loop road will be called St Andrews Crescent. The other roads on the site are named after aspects of East Hagbourne's history, starting from Roundhouse Row commemorating the iron age settlement, Hacca Close after our Saxon chief, and Bellcote Row since our church is one of only two in England with a Sanctus Bell Cote. Our latest information from Deanfield is that they are imminently expecting the final report from SODC on the Reserved Matters Plan so that building might be able to commence in early May.

20mph limit Because there were two objections to the proposal for a 20mph limit, the decision on whether to proceed must be made at the meeting "Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Highway Management" on Thursday 28th April. Assuming that the recommendation in the report to the meeting is accepted, the installation of the 20mph signs should take place shortly thereafter. It is interesting to note that the two objections were from people outside the village, one from Oxford arguing that lowering the limit would increase time for commuting to work!

Parish surgeries I had hoped for a greater attendance at my first surgery since lockdown. I thought I had chosen a good time at lunchtime on a Friday when many people may have been working from home. I will try early evening for my next surgery to see if that brings in bigger crowds when I will be happy to provide the latest messages from Deanfield Homes. This next surgery will be held in the committee room of the Village Hall from 5.30pm to 7.00pm on **Friday 13th May**.

Parish Council meetings Parish Council meetings are held in the pavilion on the Recreation Ground. Members of the public are welcome to join the meeting and the agenda is posted on village notice boards and the village web pages at least three clear days before the meeting.

The next meeting will be the annual meeting of the Parish Council and will be held starting at 7.30pm on **Thursday 12th May**.

Let me remind you that this is not a formal or even approved article from the Parish Council but is rather a few words from me. Thus, anything in this article should not be construed as coming from or endorsed by the Parish Council. Iain Duff



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Email: easthagbourneparishcouncil@gmail.com



VILLAGE HALL FOOTPATH UPDATE The Definitive Map Modification Order for the footpath from Harwood Road alongside the village hall to the zebra crossing on Main Road opposite the school was uncontended. The order was confirmed by Oxfordshire County Council on 28th March, making this path an official public right of way known as Footpath 30. Notice of Confirmation and plan are on display on the village noticeboard until 20th May.



PAVILION CAR PARK The Pavilion car park has become uneven because of deterioration of the surface. We are looking into solutions that will give a more durable and smoother surface, with the intention to carry out work over the summer.

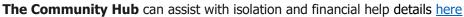


CHAIRMAN'S SURGERY – Friday 13th May Iain Duff will be in the meeting room at the village hall from 5.30pm - 7.00pm ready to welcome any residents with concerns or queries relating to matters in the parish.



SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Household Support Fund. For help with food, energy, and water bills and other essential household costs. Details on how to apply are on the SODC website here





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Contact Trevor Chambers on 01235 814892

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DEFIBRILLATORS The village defibrillators are available 24/7 at the following locations: **Outside the Village Shop** at 114 New Road and **Hagbourne Village Hall** (next to the main entrance)

In an emergency, call 999 – they will give you the access code.



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USEFUL WEBSITES: https://www.fixmystreet.com/ for reporting a wide variety of issues frompotholes to fly tipping.



<u>https://publicrightsofway.oxfordshire.gov.uk/standardmap.aspx</u> can be used to report an issue with a countryside path or public right of way.



https://www.southoxon.gov.uk/south-oxfordshire-district-council/recycling-rubbish-and-waste for information on waste services and reporting missed bin collections.

https://one.network/ for checking roadworks in the area.

Planning applications received since the last newsletter:

P19/S0357/RM Site adjacent to the village hall, East Hagbourne – 10th amendment to the plans, showing planned adoptable areas.

P22/S1084/HH 6 New Road, East Hagbourne – Retrospective consent for landscaping in the rear garden
P22/S1139/HH 37 The Croft, East Hagbourne – Proposed ground floor rear extension and internal and external alterations

P22/S1389/HH 22 The Croft, East Hagbourne – Proposed garage outbuilding with home office in rear garden

The Annual Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 12th May 2022 at The Pavilion, Great Mead.

All Council meetings are open to the public and we welcome your participation.

Agendas and Minutes of previous meetings are published at www.easthagbourne.net

HAMS - Annual General Meeting



What a relief, we finally managed to put on four performances of Bright. Young. Things. despite all the setbacks caused by Covid.

Thanks to all of you who came to support us. From the comments we received afterwards you thoroughly enjoyed the novel high-tech features with fantastic audio-visual effects.

"Just had to tell you how much we enjoyed the performance last night". "I do admire the way you manage to do all this every year". "Quite apart from the skills shown by the actors the technicalities involved were amazing". "Well done and a big thank you for putting on yet another successful village dramatics performance".

The next item on the Agenda is the Annual General Meeting to be held in the Village Hall on Thursday 19th May. Doors open at 6.45pm for a welcoming drink, followed by a short AGM and then a showing of

BYT - The Movie.

compiled from video footage and close ups from all the performances.

All HAMS members, supporters and potential new members are welcome to attend, just drop an email to the address below as soon as possible so that we have an idea of numbers attending.

If you have thoughts or ambitions of acting or doing behind the scenes theatrical production this is an ideal opportunity to find out more about us.

email: info@thehams.co.uk

www.thehams.co.uk

Hagbourne Bridge Club If you can play bridge but haven't done so for a while – give us a go! If you have never learnt to play bridge but would like to give it a try – why not come and see us? Whatever the reason we will be glad to meet you. We meet every Thursday in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. We have a break around 8.30pm for light refreshments and usually finish playing cards by 10pm. It will cost you £3 – a small sum for a night out! We have started again in the New Year and look forward to seeing you. We are: Jill Garlick – 07873431144 higarlick@gmail.com and Shirley Goss – 815608 higarlick@gmail.com and Shirley.

Didcot Farmers Market The next Farmers Market will be setting up stalls in the Orchard Centre at Didcot on **Saturday, 14th May from 08:30 – 13:30**. Seasonal fruit, vegetables, fresh meat, fish and cheeses, bread, cakes, jams and preserves all from our local area.

St Andrew's Cleaning Rota for May

1st May – Janet Corderoy/Mary Harrison. 8th May – Helen Clayson/Rachel Williams 15th May – Jill Garlick/Sylvia Maynard. 22nd May – Frances Belcher/Helen Stutley

Our Local Bus Service – route 94

Didcot – Blewbury – Harwell Campus

Mondays to Fridays

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Bus Number	948	94	94	94	94	94S	94	94S	94	94	94
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South Moreton, The Crown PH	0801					1525		1625			
North Moreton	0805					1529		1629			
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Didcot Girls' School	0824										

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Harwell Campus – Blewbury - Didcot

Mondays to Fridays except public holidays

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Upton, Village Hall	0651	0809	0939	1109	1239	1439	1439	1609	1641	1804	
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East Hagbourne, War Memorial	0704	0823	0951	1121	1251	1451	1451	1621	1653	1816	Sch - Schooldays only.
Didcot, Sandringham Road	0707	0826	0954	1124	1254	1454	1454	1624	1656	1819	Hol - School Holidays only.
Didcot, Orchard Centre	0712	0831	0959	1129	1259	1459	1459	1629	1701	1824	Fri - Fridays only.
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Didcot, Sandringham Road	0848	1018	1148	1348	1518	1718
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	0851	1021	1151	1351	1521	1721
Blewbury, The Blueberry	0859	1029	1159	1359	1529	1729
Upton, Village Hall	0903	1033	1203	1403	1533	1733
West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH	0905	1035	1205	1405	1535	1735
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West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH	0806	0937	1107	1237	1437	1607
Upton, Village Hall	8080	0939	1109	1239	1439	1609
Blewbury, The Blueberry	0813	0944	1114	1244	1444	1614
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	0820	0951	1121	1251	1451	1621
Didcot, Sandringham Road	0823	0954	1124	1254	1454	1624
Didcot, Orchard Centre	0828	0959	1129	1259	1459	1629
Didcot Parkway Station ≠	0832	1003	1133	1303	1503	1633

Thames Travel bus service to the JR Hospital from Didcot – X32

Bus Service X32 goes from Wantage to Didcot then Oxford city centre and onto Brookes University and the JR. There are 2 buses in each direction each hour. To look up the times go to: http://www.thames-travel.co.uk/routes/X32

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Youth: DCFC Peter Blackman 07771 667271 peter.blackman@abbott.com



Astronomy Notes

NGC3992 or more commonly known as M109. Number 109 in the list of faint fuzzy objects compiled by French astronomer Charles Messier in 1764. This is one of the finest examples of a barred spiral galaxy. Lying at a distance of 55 million light years, it contains more than a trillion stars. I remember it was really cold, with sharp frosts when I imaged this one, earlier in the year. But with the arrival of spring, it is nice not to have to wear so many layers at night.

There is a total lunar eclipse this month. But it will be a challenge. In the early hours of May 16th, the moon will be low down, and you should see the first bite of the earth's shadow.

This will be around 3.30am, and as the shadow moves across, the moon will be setting lower, and lower. Until totality occurs around 4.30am. By this time, the moon will be very low down, and the sky brightening as the sun begins to rise. So a very challenging event to observe. And to add to the list, you will also need the weather to be on your side. Good luck!

John Napper napperjohn@gmail.com www.flicker.com/photos/67647466@N08/

Didcot Emergency Foodbank

The Didcot Emergency Food Bank is at The Didcot Baptist Church, 43 Wantage Road, Didcot. OX11 OBS Telephone: 01235 813187. Email: office@didcotbaptist.org.uk

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Didcot and District U3A offers the opportunity to share your knowledge and experience and talents with others and learn from them in friendly surroundings. Why not come along to the next meeting on 17th May at 2.30pm at Didcot Civic Hall for the AGM followed by a talk from Maddie Bain about SeeSaw, an Oxfordshire bereavement charity which supports children, and young people who have been bereaved.

Visit: https://u3asites.org.uk/didcot/events to find the Didcot website.

JUNE 2022 PARISH MAGAZINE

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