

# St Andrew's Hagbourne

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**WE WILL REMEMBER**  
**Remembrance Sunday 13th November**

*News, Views and Information for everyone in the Hagbournes*

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[www.easthagbourne.net](http://www.easthagbourne.net)

[www.westhagbourne.org](http://www.westhagbourne.org)

# CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR NOVEMBER 2022

The Intentions this month are for all who live in East Hagbourne.

## Prayer Focus:

1 Tuesday		8pm Compline	St Hugh's Rise
2 Wednesday	10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H	8pm Compline	Stonesfield
3 Thursday		8pm Compline	The Crescent
4 Friday		8pm Compline	The Croft
5 Saturday			Pebble Drive
<b>6 +Sunday</b>	<b><u>THE 3rd SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT</u></b>		<i>Clergy and all who preach and lead.</i>
	8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B		
	9am Parish Eucharist: All Saints AU		
	9.15am Lay-led Service: St Mary's Upton		
	10.30am Parish Eucharist: St Andrew's H		
	10.30am All Age Service: St Michael's B		
	10.30am Online Benefice Service		
	3pm All Souls' Service: St John the Baptist SM		
	4pm Parish Eucharist: All Saints' NM		
	6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H		
7 Monday		8pm Compline	Upper Cross Lane
8 Tuesday	10am Holy Communion: St Michael's B	8pm Compline	Viking Drive
9 Wednesday	10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H	8pm Compline	Wilcher Close
10 Thursday		8pm Compline	Windsor Crescent
11 Friday		8pm Compline	Bakers Lane
12 Saturday			Bishops Court
<b>13 +Sunday</b>	<b><u>THE 2nd SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT</u></b>		<i>PCCs, all in leadership and our Benefice Operations Manager.</i>
	<b><u>REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY</u></b>		
	9.15am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U		
	10.30am Online Benefice Service for Remembrance		
	10.45am Remembrance Sunday Service: Recreation Ground SM		
	10.50am Aston Upthorpe War Memorial followed by		
	11.15am Service at the URC		
	10.50am Remembrance Sunday Service: All Saints' NM		
	10.55am Remembrance Sunday Service: St Michael's B		
	12 noon Remembrance Sunday Service: Lower Cross, East Hagbourne		
	6pm Remembrance Sunday Service: St Andrew's H		
14 Monday		8pm Compline	Blewbury Road
15 Tuesday		8pm Compline	Church Close
16 Wednesday	10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H	8pm Compline	Coscote
17 Thursday	10am MU Holy Communion: St Michael's B	8pm Compline	Cromwell Drive
18 Friday		8pm Compline	Fieldside
19 Saturday			Great Mead
<b>20+Sunday</b>	<b><u>CHRIST THE KING</u></b>		<i>Pastoral Care and visiting.</i>
	9am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's AT		
	10.30am Parish Eucharist: St Andrew's H		
	10.30am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's B		
	10.30am Online Benefice Service		
	4pm St Ambrose Service: All Saints' NM including Benefice Advent Candle Making		
	6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H		

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# 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

### Four Words for Remembrance

Do you know Douai Abbey? It's only about half an hour's drive from here, and it's well worth a visit. The abbey church is open during the day, and visitors are welcome to come in and have a look around. It's a very peaceful space, I would heartily recommend a visit.

I popped into the abbey the other week, and spent some time in one of the chapels. The chapel has a stone altar, and around the top of the altar is an inscription in Latin. The inscription consists of four words: "Christus Rex Princeps Pacis". If you don't know Latin, the words can be translated into English as "Christ the King, the Prince of Peace". On the front of the altar is carved a crown of thorns, and in the centre of the crown of thorns is the Latin word "Pax". Pax is, of course, the Latin word for "peace". Douai Abbey belongs to the Benedictine religious order, and the search for spiritual peace is at the heart of the Benedictine life.

This month will see Acts of Remembrance in villages and towns across the country. As the names of the fallen are read out, we are reminded once again of the pain and suffering brought about by war. How are we respond? We can respond in practical ways, by supporting the work of charities who help members of the armed forces, and their dependents. But we can also respond by once again committing ourselves to the cause of peace.

Which brings us back to those four words on the altar at Douai Abbey. For Christians, Christ is our true king, and he demands our complete obedience. Christ works to bring peace to our world: inner peace, and peace in our relationships with one another and with God. Christ is indeed "Christus Rex Princeps Pacis" – "Christ the King and Prince of Peace". In the Beatitudes, Christ pronounces a blessing on those who seek out peace: "Blessed are the peacemakers for they will be called children of God". Notice that Christ does not promise that peacemakers will have an easy life, but he does promise that they will be blessed by God.

I wonder how we might be peacemakers in our own families and communities? *Father Jason*



## Remembrance Sunday, 13th November 2022

**There will be an Act of Remembrance and Laying of Wreaths at the Hagbourne War Memorial, Lower Cross, East Hagbourne at 12 noon on 13th November.**

**6pm – Remembrance Sunday Service at St Andrew's**



**On behalf of St Ambrose, the Patron Saint of Beekeepers, the whole Benefice is invited to a special service at All Saints' North Moreton on 20th November at 4pm.**

Representatives from all of our 7 churches will be making Advent Candles for us to use this year. Do let Elaine know if you would also like to be one of the people making our church's candles for Advent. Everyone welcome – refreshments!



## Calendar and Diary for November 2022 continued . . .

21 Monday		8pm Compline	Harwood Road
22 Tuesday	10am Holy Communion: St Michael's B	8pm Compline	Higgs Close
23 Weds	10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H	8pm Compline	Kingsholm Close
24 Thursday		8pm Compline	Lake Road
25 Friday		8pm Compline	Little Langlands
26 Saturday			Main Road

### **27 +Sunday THE 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

9.15am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U  
 10.30am Parish Eucharist and Baptism: St Michael's B  
 10.30am Online Benefice Service  
 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM  
 No 6pm Service in Hagbourne today  
 6pm BENEFICE ADVENT CAROL SERVICE: St Michael's B

*Treasurers and church finances.*

28 Monday		8pm Compline	Manor Farm Lane
29 Tuesday		8pm Compline	New Road
30 Weds	<b>Andrew the Apostle</b>		North Croft
	10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H	8pm Compline	

### **You can contact the clergy and Benefice Office on:**

**Revd Jason St John Nicolle** 01235 850267 rector@churnchurches.co.uk  
**Revd Louise Butler** 07837 009730 revlouiseb@aol.com  
**Elaine de Ridder (Operations Manager)** is available from 9.00am to 2.30pm  
 Monday to Friday - 01235 850267, during office hours,  
 or office@churnchurches.co.uk

**Bookings for Weddings, Baptisms etc... may be made by contacting the office on 01235 850267 or via email: office@churnchurches.co.uk**



## *St Andrew's Day Our Patronal Festival*



**St Andrew's Day – 30th November – 10am Holy Communion at St Andrew's**

**Short Reflection and Daily Prayer** During weekdays Fr Jason writes a short reflection and prayer. If you would like to receive this please contact the office as above or you can find this on [www.churnchurches.co.uk](http://www.churnchurches.co.uk)

### **Baptisms in the Benefice**

2nd October **Rosalind Evelyn Margot Johnson** was baptised at St Michael's Blewbury.  
 2nd October **Connie Elizabeth Sturt** was baptised at St Michael's, Aston Tirrold.

### **Funerals, Memorial Services and Interments in the Benefice**

7th October at Oxford Crematorium **June Dyer** aged 92  
 20th October at South Oxfordshire Crematorium **Charles Keevil** aged 91

*May they rest in peace and rise in glory*



# • ART SALE • ART SALE •



*A sale of good paintings and artwork  
Looking for that present with a difference? Try us!*

**St Andrew's Church**  
**6th November – 2pm to 4.30pm**

*Refreshments available  
Profits to "The Friends of St Andrew's" in aid of  
St Andrew's Church.*

**Didcot Craft and Gift Fair** Local crafts persons including Linda Benton will have stalls at Didcot Craft and Gift Fair on **Saturday, 12th November 10:30 am to 4pm** - Didcot Civic Hall.



**Tower Talk** We held our tower quarterly meeting on Tuesday, 11th October following a shortened ringing practice. The meeting was well attended with lots to discuss re: the future of the tower. The meeting was due to be held on the first Tuesday of October but unfortunately there were too many members unavailable, so the meeting was moved to the second Tuesday in October. Ringer's Sunday took place on Sunday 23rd October, the bells were rung for the Ringer's Evensong at 6:00. A big thank you to Fr Jason for taking such a lovely relaxed and enjoyable Service and for playing the organ for the bellringing hymns, the Service was followed by light refreshments.

At 5:00 an horrendous thunderstorm swept through the village so a big thank you to those who turned out to support this Service in such awful conditions.

Hopefully we will ring the bells half muffled on Remembrance Sunday and leave the muffles on for the practice on the Tuesday evening. It is a little bit different ringing bells half muffled and it will give all of our ringers the chance to have a go.

Handbell practices are under way ready for the Christmas Tree Festival and the group are hoping to perform in the afternoon on the second Saturday of the festival, 17th December.

**Birthdays:** 2nd November – Alan Foster.

**Dates for the diary:** Sunday 13th November – Remembrance Sunday.

Shirley Goss.



**This time we are looking at simple ways to make your home that little bit cosier this winter, and at the same time reduce your carbon footprint!**



**Draught Proofing Your Home** Draught-proofing your home is one of the cheapest and most effective ways to save energy – and money. The great news is that installing draught-proofing is simple and can be carried out by most people themselves. Installers are available but will cost more than a DIY solution.

To draught-proof your home, you should block up unwanted gaps that let cold air in and warm air out. Saving warm air means you'll use less energy to heat your home, so you'll save money as well as making your home snug and warm.



Draughts enter your home around any gaps leading to the outside, such as doors, windows, chimneys, wall cracks etc. To identify draughts, just walk around your home and feel with your hand the draughts around these features or look for daylight coming in! For older homes you may be surprised just how much cold air comes in! Door and window gaps can be blocked by fitting DIY self-adhesive foam strips, rubber strips, or plastic or metal strips with brushes or wipers attached, for a longer lasting but slightly more costly solution. At the bottom of doors, a simple home-made 'sausage' can reduce draughts. These can be made from old tights or similar stuffed with any beyond-repair textile items e.g., socks.

If you have a chimney but don't use it, this may be worth draught-proofing. DIY draught excluders are available, or you may wish to leave this to a professional. Do remember that some rooms require ventilation, so don't over-do draught-proofing in kitchens and bathrooms where a lot of moisture is produced, or in rooms with open fires or open flues. The following link provides more information regarding draught-proofing. [www.energysavingtrust.org.uk](http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk)

**Reducing Heat Loss Through Windows** In addition to draught-proofing window frames, you may wish to consider improving the energy efficiency of the window unit. A potentially significant amount of heat can be lost directly through the window panes. If you currently have only single-glazed windows, you may wish to consider double or triple glazing. This can be expensive and may not be an option if you live in a conservation area or listed building. You can however consider much simpler and cheaper solutions.

Fitting a secondary pane of glass or transparent material over the inside of the window frame (making sure you leave an air gap between the outer glass pane and the secondary pane) can be an effective lower cost solution. DIY kits are readily available using acrylic sheets and magnetic or clip fixings. Or for an even cheaper and simpler but shorter lasting solution, use cling film taped to the window frame. Again, DIY kits for this are readily available from DIY stores.

Finally, heavy curtains, particularly if fitted with thermal linings, can reduce heat loss through a window at night, and will also reduce draughts. Make sure you open curtains on the South side during the day to take full advantage of heat from the sun. The following link provides more information regarding reducing heat loss through windows. [www.energysavingtrust.org.uk](http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk)

The above suggestions should help you to save energy and money this winter and keep your house that much warmer. It should also help reduce your carbon footprint. Next time we'll be looking at efficient options for heating your home. If you don't have access to the web links shown above, or would like further assistance, please call 01235 814892

**Table Tennis at the Pavilion** Join our friendly table-tennis group at the Pavilion for exercise and fun on Tuesday mornings. We play from 10am to 12noon, £2 per session. All ages, skills, welcome; bats available. More info from: Julian 01235 513599 [jgallop@freeuk.com](mailto:jgallop@freeuk.com)  
Anthony 01235 511920 [aannanjones@gmail.com](mailto:aannanjones@gmail.com)

**In addition to the Services in Church, we continue to have an Online Service at 10.30am every Sunday and Online Compline at 8pm during weekdays.** The links and codes for these are published in the Churn which is uploaded onto the website <https://www.churnchurches.co.uk/resources/> and are also distributed by the Benefice Office by email every Friday.



**Home Communion** 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 on 07837 009730. Full Covid precautions will be followed.



### **Advent collection for Oxford Homeless**

**Can you imagine Christmas without a present? Here are some things the residents of O'Hanlon House have requested. The Advent Hamper at St Andrew's will be in place for Advent Sunday, 27th November.** If you put your items in the Advent hamper by **12th December**, the Action Group will take them to Oxford, where Oxford Homeless will wrap them up as Christmas gifts:

**Coffee gift card, shower gel, art supplies, dog toy or dog food, deodorant, joggers S & M, fleece hoodie or top, dry or canned food, jigsaw, puzzle book, a new bath towel, new underwear sizes S & M, men's/ladies, and who doesn't like chocolates!**

**We'll get your present to Homeless Oxford whenever you leave it.  
Your gift will brighten someone's day!**

### **St Andrew's Rotas for November 2022**

	<b>6th November</b> <i>3rd Sunday before Advent</i>	<b>20th November</b> <i>Sunday before Advent</i> <b>Christ the King</b>	<b>General Notes:</b>
<b>Readers</b>	Job 19--v23-27a Justine Goodenough 2Thessalonians 2 v 1-5 13-end Jeff Powell	Jeremiah 23 v 1-6 Mary Goy Colossians 1 v 11-20 Donna Clifford	<b>13th – Remembrance Sunday</b> This will be observed as usual at Midday at the Lower Cross and a Service at 6pm.  <b>30th - St Andrew's Day</b> There is a 10am Holy Communion Service at St Andrew's
<b>Intercessions</b>	Jenny Smith	Celebrant	
<b>Sidesmen</b>	Chris Price Wendy Price	Robin Harries Myra Hardiman	
<b>Coffee</b>	Shirley Goss Donna Clifford	Myra Hardiman Gillian Harries	Church cleaning should be done on the Friday afternoon or Saturday before your name is on the rota. Thank you.
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Eileen.Bolick Myra Hardiman	Jean Millar Mary Hands	If unable to do duty, please let your organiser know or find a suitable replacement.
<b>Flowers Lady Chapel</b>	Joy Napper	Jane Blond	
<b>Flowers High Altar</b>	Myra Hardiman	Frances Belcher	



## The Hagbournes' Warm Hub

As it begins to get colder a warm welcome awaits you at the **East Hagbourne Pavilion every Wednesday afternoon from 2 – 4pm**. Enjoy free hot drinks and tasty goodies, a friendly face, a chat, and other activities in a warm setting. There is no need to book,

**The Warm Hub starts on Wednesday, 2nd November.** All residents of East and West Hagbourne are welcome. (Please bring a parent or guardian if you are under 18). If you would like to volunteer to help the Hagbournes' Warm Hub in any way, contact us on 07572401769.

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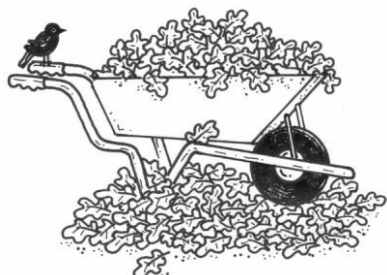
## Churn Benefice ADVENT CAROL SERVICE Advent Sunday - 27th November, 6pm at St Michael's BLEWBURY

ALL WELCOME TO THE SERVICE!



This is also your invitation to join the **Benefice Choir** as we learn the music, both traditional and contemporary, for this Service. Practices are Monday evenings from 6.45 - 7.45pm at St Michael's Church, Blewbury. Please come along and join us - no experience necessary, you just need to enjoy singing! Any questions, please contact Elaine in the Benefice Office.

**With Sympathy** We offer our heartfelt sympathies to Penny and Michael Keevil and to the family and friends of Charles Keevil who has passed away at the age of 91. Charles' Funeral Service took place at the South Oxfordshire Crematorium on 20th October.



## Hagbourne Garden Club

The Hagbourne Garden Club hosts a series of talks throughout the winter and spring and arranges garden visits in the summer. The popular annual Plant Sale is held in May. We welcome new members or just come as a guest.

The next meeting is on **24th November** and will be talk by **Richard Roslyn** on **Bulbs, Corms, Rhizomes and Tubers**. Discussing the range of the group in gardens and natural settings with growing and planting tips. Doors open from 7pm for refreshments and the talk starts at 7.30. Wine and mince pies will be served at the November meeting. Visitors welcome, £5.

For further information please contact Sally Barksfield on 01235 352275

## The Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning

**Thank you to everyone** who came along and supported the Macmillan Coffee Morning at York Farm, West Hagbourne on Saturday, 1st October. A very sociable morning which raised a fantastic amount of £1,526.76 for Macmillan Cancer Support. West Hagbourne Village Association.

St Andrew's Church, Hagbourne

# Christmas Tree Festival



**9th -17th December**

Trees all around the Hagbournes and in the Church

**\*\*\* Church Open All Day \*\*\***

**Christmas Café between 2pm and 5pm**

**Supporting St Andrew's Church & Albie and Beyond,  
raising funds for Brain Tumour Research**

**MANY THANKS TO OUR EARLYBIRD SPONSORS**



**A Big Thank You!** A big thank you to the about 50 people who contributed to the **Autumn Concert in Hagbourne Church on 8th October**. It was wonderful to see the Church so full with everyone enjoying the evening. It was not just the music, but the art, the food and the local community happily gathered together. The donations amounted to around £500 which will be shared between the Church and the Didcot Food Bank. Mo and Colin Windsor.



# East Hagbourne Community Shop

Find us on the East Hagbourne village website:  
[www.easthagbourne.net](http://www.easthagbourne.net)

Entirely and proudly volunteer run.

## The 2022 EHCS Community Fund

As a proud supporter of our local community, we're delighted to again donate £1000 to local community projects! Our volunteers nominated and selected this year's Finalists. And once again, **YOU** will help us award the EHCS Fund by voting for your choice. **Spend at least £1 in the Shop, and vote for your choice! Voting opens 7th November and runs until 3rd December.** Winners mid-December. Stop in or visit us on Facebook for more details!



## Looking for a good book?

We're delighted to feature works by our imaginative and erudite local authors. Pick one up to while away an evening or tuck away for a gift later. Second hand books also available.



**Marcopolo** Be sure to pre-order Marcopolo's artisanal breads, savouries and delicious pastries **by 4pm Wednesday** in the Shop or by email to [easthagbourneshop@btopenworld.com](mailto:easthagbourneshop@btopenworld.com) for pick up on Saturday from 9-12:30pm.

## Get a Jump on Christmas Shopping

Charming cards featuring East Hagbourne are a festive way to share our local village with loved ones far and near. Find unique village-inspired gifts such as our bone china mug or crisp tea towel.

Stock up on *all* the holiday cards, giftwrap, stollen, lebkuchen, fancy Nellie-Jean's chocolates or luxe Frank's Biscuits.



Want to  
know the  
last posting  
dates?

Everything you  
need to know  
to make posting  
easier this Christmas  
including the  
last posting dates.

We can help  
with that



## PO Hours & Holiday Posting Dates

Good grief, it's already time to take note of holiday posting deadlines! For specific dates by country & service, get the brochure to make sure cards and gifts arrive to UK and overseas friends and family on time.

**Post Office Hours: Monday to Saturday: 9am – 12:30pm;**

**Monday and Thursday: 1:15pm – 4:45pm.**



**Be sure to Mark the Date – Christmas Stall Saturday 17th December** - Join us for mince pies and mulled wine or hot drinks and peruse gifts and home-baked goodies!

## HUGS November news – Hagbournes and Upton Group for Sustainability

### Owl update - Who gives a hoot? We all do!!!

It's been an owl-tastic year for East and West Hagbourne! Between 2021 and early 2022 we rolled out an amazing 7 Barn Owl boxes, 5 Tawny owl boxes and 9 Little Owl boxes in East and West Hagbourne. Boxes are sited across local farmland and gardens according to the type of box and potential new occupants. Surveys run from April for Tawny Owls, May for the Little Owls and June for the Barn Owls. Any chicks are weighed, measured, aged and ringed – as are any adults without rings who are living with them. All these details go to the British Trust for Ornithology (BTO) database and the British Owl Project also keeps records - including notes on land use and state of habitat.



Installing a network of potential owl homes is a fantastic achievement - now we want to join them up with surrounding areas. New "home" uptake depends on good habitat to supply food for parents and chicks. We can all help provide for the owls by building a strong web of biodiversity for creatures above and below the soil line. So, whether you are wilding your garden, planting a hedge, creating linear areas of unmanaged grassland, or grazing livestock without using wormers (which improves grazing and insect life), you will be amazed at how fast wildlife and nature move in.

Get out and listen to the tawny owls - they are at their loudest now as they claim their territories. Let's help them by building the habitats they need to thrive. Light pollution seriously affects our nocturnal wildlife, so you can help right now just by turning off your outside lights at night.

**Let's all give as many hoots as we can about owls!**

**KICK OFF CHRISTMAS WITH**

**CAROLS IN THE CLOSE**

**6:30PM – FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DEC**  
**CHURCH CLOSE,**  
**EAST HAGBOURNE**

**SING ALONG WITH**  
**CHOLSEY SILVER BAND**

*Mulled wine  
and mince  
pies for all!*

*Followed by the*  
**Christmas Tree Festival Big Switch On**

**In support of the church & Albie & Beyond**

Many Thanks to our Earlybird Festival Sponsors



## **Tribute to Bill Absolom**

### **21st April 1923 – 17th July 2022**

Bill was born on 21st April 1923 in Warborough to Monty and Christina. He had two brothers, Don and Gordon. Bill went to school in Warborough and then, aged 11, to Dorchester. On leaving school Bill went into the grocery trade in Wallingford, cycling from Warborough each day, 6 days a week. At the outbreak of the Second World War he joined the Home Guard and when he reached 18, Bill joined the Royal Berks Regiment and later was transferred to the Royal Artillery.

The Royal Artillery eventually became The Maritime Royal Artillery and Bill then spent the rest of the War serving as a gunner on the merchant ships which were responsible for carrying supplies to Britain. There were large convoys of merchant ships, and the gunners were there to defend them. Bill travelled with the convoys to America, South America, Australia, South Africa, North Africa and also on the coal ships sailing around Britain. One incident involved a tanker carrying 10,000 tons of pure industrial alcohol on which Bill was one of two Royal Maritime Artillery gunners protecting the ship "British Respect". The ship was part of a convoy of ships sailing from the Bay of Gourock, Scotland and Bill's vessel was positioned right at the rear of the convoy, called "coffin corner" for obvious reasons! They proceeded to the Pentland Firth, and onwards to the Arctic Ocean passing the tip of Norway to Murmansk and Archangel. His ship left the convoy and went on to the White Sea where ice closed around them, and they became stuck. An ice-breaker was sent to their aid and they were eventually rescued and unloaded their cargo at the Kola Inlet to the relief of all concerned. Winston Churchill was to have said that the convoys going across the Arctic Ocean were on "the worst journey in the world."

Bill was a quiet, modest man and like a lot of ex-soldiers who have been on active service was quietly dismissive of his brave exploits. He was awarded the Arctic Star medal for his War Service. Bill was demobbed in December 1946 and married Heather in 1951, they celebrated their Platinum Wedding Anniversary in 2021. After the War Bill went back to his work in the grocery trade, then on to AERE Harwell and then on to British Leyland at Cowley until his retirement. Bill and Heather have lived in East Hagbourne for many years and have been very active members of the community.

Bill was a member of the British Legion and was a familiar figure going around the village selling poppies in October and November. Bill enjoyed attending the Services at St Andrew's Church and was attending the church right up to the end of his life. He was a volunteer driver for the Oxfordshire Ambulance NHS Trust for nearly 16 years, sometimes going to the Oxford Hospitals two or three times a day to transport patients. Bill was a quiet man who loved his car and his local community.

Bill's health sadly deteriorated over the past few years and he became housebound. Heather would like to thank everyone, especially Marian, for their kindness and generosity with giving Bill lifts to hospital, doctors' appointments and to church.

Bill died on 17th July and his Funeral Service took place at St Andrew's on the 9th August.

Heather and the family would like to thank Fr Jason and all who attended the Service and to the ladies who provided refreshments after the Service. Donations were given at the Service in memory of Bill to the Battersea Dogs and Cats Home. The charity have sent Heather a lovely letter to say "thank you" for the donation of £184.20.

### **Talk and discussion on recycling - "What do I put in my Green Bin?"**

Don't we all debate about what we should and should not put in the green bin for recycling. Hopefully we all know to avoid contaminating the green bin with food waste, nappies etc but when it comes to plastics and different types of plastic it suddenly becomes more complicated. Most of us still have many questions about what should and should not be put in the green bin for recycling.

**So, bring along your list and come along to the Hagbourne Village Hall on Friday, 4th November, 7pm.** Refreshments at 6.45 and Jessica Beare, the Waste and Recycling Officer of South and Vale, will entertain us with a lively talk on waste management and recycling before answering all our questions on how we can best help the district to maintain its very high position on the percentage of waste that is recycled.

# Join the Hagbournes Winter Wonderland

**St Andrews Christmas Tree Festival** is coming soon!

Note especially the following dates . . .

**Festival week .... 9th December to 17th December**

**Carols in the Close .... 9th December**

**Carols in the Farmyard .... 11th December**

**The Big Wassail .... 16th December**

. . . lots more going on too. Look for separate ads and the full programme elsewhere in this very magazine.



**Sponsor a Tree in the Church** Post-Covid, we'll have a full cohort of 30 trees waiting for local groups and businesses to create their masterpieces. Why not sponsor a tree and maybe follow this year's "Winter Wonderland" theme?

**Making Our Own Winter Wonderland!** Let's brighten the gloom and illuminate our villages to create a Winter Wonderland. You can join in by placing one (or more) of our festival trees in your front gardens for everybody to enjoy. It's a real festive treat to wander the villages and marvel at how everybody supports the festival and its fund raising.

**Albie and Beyond** This year, the church will share the festival proceeds with Albie and Beyond, in memory of little 2-year-old Albie Bayliss-Watts who tragically lost his brave fight against a rare brain tumour this time last year. Albie's mums, Lauren and Hayley, have been fundraising for Brain Tumour Research ever since. They tell us that, sadly, brain tumours kill more children and adults under the age of 40 than any other form of cancer, yet only receive one per cent of the national spend on cancer research. Let's help make a difference in Albie's memory. Scan the QR code for more info.



**Why Not Join in! Order Your Tree(s) Today!** We've managed to secure good prices from our tree wholesaler so the cost to sponsor a tree is only £26 for a 4ft tree (for church or garden) or £35 for a 6ft tree (garden only). See the order form on the next page of this magazine. If you have tree questions, please contact Sarah at [sarahtreefest@gmail.com](mailto:sarahtreefest@gmail.com)

## Hagbourne Baby and Toddler Group

**The 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](mailto:hagbournetoddlers@hotmail.com)**



# St Andrew's Church, Hagbourne

## Christmas Tree Festival

### 9 - 17 December 2022

# ORDER FORM

Thank you for taking part in this year's TreeFest!

Please complete and return the slip below to Sarah Wright at 1 Church Close, East Hagbourne, OX11 9LP or by email to [sarahtreefest@gmail.com](mailto:sarahtreefest@gmail.com) by **24th November 2022**

Payment details below. **Please note – your tree order is not confirmed until payment is received, thank you.** Church trees allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Trees for your front gardens will be available for collection from **The Pavilion in East Hagbourne on Tuesday 6th December in the afternoon.** More details to follow . . .  
All church trees will be available for sponsors to decorate on the from midday on **Wednesday 7th, then all day Thursday 8th December and Friday 9th until 4pm.**  
More details to follow. . .

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Please indicate below which tree you require & quantity (you may tick more than one box)

**VILLAGE TREES - £26 for a 4 foot live Norwegian Spruce. £35 for a six foot tree.**

4ft tree to display in front garden at home:                      quantity required                      ☐

6ft tree to display in front garden at home:                      quantity required                      ☐

Location Address of Tree: .....

**CHURCH TREES - £26 for sponsorship of a 4 foot live Norwegian Spruce**

Name.of.Family/Business/Group/Organisation:.....

**Please could ALL participants also complete the following:**

Contact Person: ..... Contact Phone: .....

Contact Email: .....

**Payment:** By BACS. **Account Name: HAGBOURNE CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL**

**Account Number: 39110863. Sort Code: 30 98 97**

**Please use your name or tree sponsor name as a reference.**

Alternatively enclose cash/cheque with this form & return to: 1 Church Close, East Hagbourne, OX11 9LP. Please make cheques to HAGBOURNE CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL.

## Comments from the East Hagbourne Parish Council Chairman

**Housing Development by the Village Hall** The tidy up before the opening of the marketing suite was very quick and impressive. This suite is normally open on Fridays and Saturdays, and anyone can call in to see the model of the site, although appointments should be made for any sales related queries. The brick work has now started on several of the houses and the show house, normally the first to be built, should be completed by April next year with viewing from mid-May. It will probably be next summer before we will welcome newcomers to the village.

Substantial work on Main Road is required by OCC but the plans are that this will be done during school holidays, possibly next Easter.

When we hear of any greater than normal disruption, for example that a heavy vehicle needs to come through the central village, the Parish Clerk will broadcast such information on the village Facebook pages and on mail chimp. The Construction Plan does allow working on Saturday mornings although this will only happen infrequently and advanced notice will be given.

**Welcome Pack** The Welcome Pack will very shortly be ready for distribution. It consists of an A5 booklet with information on the village and village activities and some leaflets on specific activities. Although the primary audience for this pack is newcomers to the village, we have a large enough print run for some interested not-so-newcomers to have a copy. These will be available from the Village Shop, the Fleur and the Church.

**Waste disposal and recycling** Jessica Beare, the Waste and Recycling Officer for South and Vale, will give a short presentation in Hagbourne Village Hall on Friday 4th November at 7pm. Some refreshments will be available from 6.45pm. Jess will then be happy to field any questions concerning waste disposal and in particular on recycling. This will be your chance to get good clear information on what can and cannot be put in our green, black, brown, and food bins.

**Warm Hub** As announced separately in this magazine, one way of combating the colder weather is to come to the Hagbournes' warm hub in the Pavilion from 2-4pm on Wednesdays starting on the 2nd of November. This friendly social event accompanied by free hot drinks and "tasty goodies" is being organized by a number of villagers and sounds far preferable to shivering at home.

**Neighbourhood Plan** At the meeting in the Pavilion on Monday October 24th, Crispin Topping, chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (NPSG) introduced the proposed updated plan and the reasons for doing this and spoke in details about the Design Code and its rationale. David Rickeard of the NPSG gave a presentation on the new section on biodiversity. After these very clear presentations the audience of around 30 villagers had the chance to ask questions and the meeting concluded shortly after 9.00pm. Comments can still be made on the draft plan, available on the village web site, and it is hoped to submit the plan formally to SODC in a few weeks.

**Parish surgeries** After a lively October surgery in the Fleur, I will hold my next surgery at the same venue from 5.00 to 6.30 on Friday 18th November when I look forward to discussing any items related to the parish and hopefully to address any concerns you may have.

**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 held starting at 7.30pm on Thursday 10th November. 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.



# East Hagbourne Parish Council

NEWSLETTER No.245 – November 2022

## CONTACT DETAILS:

Parish Clerk, Laura Lloyd  
Telephone: 07891 551 851

Email: [easthagbourneparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:easthagbourneparishcouncil@gmail.com)



**WELCOME PACKS** A new Welcome Booklet that has key information about East Hagbourne has been produced to give to new residents. If you are new to the village and would like a welcome pack that includes this booklet please get in touch.



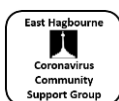
**COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH** The Community Speedwatch volunteer team is in need of additional support, including someone who would like to assist Roger Bartlett with the overall coordination of the group. Without additional volunteers the speedwatch team cannot carry out speed checks. Please contact the clerk in the first instance to volunteer a little of your time for this important ongoing project.



**FOOTWAY ACCESSIBILITY** An ongoing and increasing concern in the parish is finding the right balance between vegetation and footway accessibility. Some of the footways are narrow or raised by design, and the Parish Council has received a number of complaints that overhanging hedges or other plantings are restricting safe usage of the paths. Some of the complaints relate to established hedges and planting which is in need of significant cutting back ahead of ongoing maintenance in order to reclaim the footways. **Please could all residents review their boundaries and trim back to an appropriate extent so those with walking difficulties, wider buggies and mobility scooters may use them without getting caught in branches or low-level planting.** Enforcement action may be required by the county council in some instances. Thank you in advance for your efforts to keep the parish both aesthetic and accessible.



**CHAIRMAN'S SURGERY – 18 November 2022** Iain Duff will be on a table at the Fleur de Lys from 5.00 to 6.30pm to welcome any residents with concerns or queries relating to matters in the parish.



## ADDITIONAL SUPPORT AVAILABLE

**Cost Of Living Crisis** An SODC page with a range of advice and support can be found [here](#)

**The Community Hub** can assist with isolation and financial help. Details can be found [here](#)

**Hagbourne Charities** – [hagbourne.charities@gmail.com](mailto:hagbourne.charities@gmail.com) or 07572 401769

**East and West Hagbourne Fund** – [www.easthagbourne.net/directory/village-fund](http://www.easthagbourne.net/directory/village-fund)

Contact Trevor Chambers on 01235 814892

**Coronavirus Community Support Group** [easthagbournecovid19@gmail.com](mailto:easthagbournecovid19@gmail.com) or 07568 395228



**DEFIBRILLATORS** The village defibrillators are available 24/7 at the following locations: **Outside the Village Shop** at 114 New Road

**Hagbourne Village Hall** (next to the main entrance)

**Hagbourne Bowls Club** on The Croft (defibrillator is wall mounted outside the gate)

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

*Planning applications received since the last newsletter:*

**P22/S3258/HH** 74 New Road, East Hagbourne – request for a dropped kerb to allow vehicle access

**P22/S3396/HH** 31 Blewbury Road - Proposed two storey rear extension in existing footprint, new rooflights and front door

**P22/S3671/HH** 35A Blewbury Road - Proposed ground floor rear extension and loft conversion

**The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 10th November 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](http://www.easthagbourne.net)

## ST ANDREW'S CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL EVENTS 2022

In addition, the church is open daily and between 2:00 and 5:00 the Christmas Cafe is also serving, so please do come to enjoy the trees and vote for your favourite.

<b>Friday 9th December</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Carols in the Close</b> , Church Close, East Hagbourne <i>Sing along with Cholsey Silver Band.</i> <b>The Big Christmas Tree Festival Launch</b> <i>Lighting up the trees inside the church.</i>
<b>Saturday 10th Dec</b>	<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Soup'n'Tunes Lunch</b> <i>Enjoy songs and tunes from local players.</i>
	<b>1:30pm</b>	<b>The Poets Trail Solstice Celebration</b> <i>Mando Buddies and local poets get festive.</i>
<b>Sunday 11 Dec</b>	<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>Hagbourne &amp; Wallingford Young Pianists</b> <i>Concert in the church . . . with cake!</i>
	<b>3:30pm</b>	<b>Carols in the Farmyard</b> , Manor Farm, West Hagbourne <i>The very welcome return of the vOx choir.</i>
<b>Thursday 15 Dec</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Carols on Your Doorstep</b> <i>Local carollers roam the village streets.</i>
<b>Friday 16 Dec</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>The Big Wassail</b> <i>Carols, poems, songs, tunes . . . and fun!</i>
<b>Saturday 17 Dec</b>	<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Soup'n'Song Lunch</b> <i>Festive songs from The Nightingales.</i>
	<b>1:30pm</b>	<b>Hagbourne Community Choir</b> <i>Seasonal favourites as the village sings.</i>
	<b>2:45pm</b>	<b>The St Andrews Handbell Ringers</b> <i>The unique, ethereal sound of handbells.</i>
	<b>3:30pm</b>	Followed by the <b>Festival Raffle draw</b> and the <b>Result of the public vote for favourite tree.</b>

Note: All events in St Andrews Church unless otherwise stated

**Please Support our Earlybird Festival Sponsors**



### Youth Group: Hot chocolate and games!

Every first Sunday of the month, Benefice Office 7-8.30pm  
**DUE TO GCSE MOCKS, NO YOUTH GROUP IN NOVEMBER. The next games night will be on SUNDAY, 4th DECEMBER AT 7pm**

The Youth Group is an informal gathering of young people, having a chat while drinking hot chocolate and playing board and card games. Aimed at secondary school young people. Those who recently left school or college are most welcome too! Enquiries: contact Elaine or Father Jason.



## **Hagbourne Village Hall**

### **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Hagbourne Village Hall will take place in the Village Hall on

**Wednesday 9th November 2022, starting at 8.00pm.**

This is an open meeting, and all interested persons are invited to participate.

There will be Wine served!

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Apologies for absence**
- 2. Agreement of previous AGM minutes**
- 3. Chairman's Report, followed by Questions**
- 4. Treasurer's Report, followed by Questions**
- 5. Booking Secretary's Report followed by Questions**
- 6. Other Competent Business [open to the floor]**
- 7. Retirement of 2020/2021 Committee**
- 8. Election of 2021/2022 Committee and acceptance of Representatives**
  - a. [These to include: EHPC, WHPC, Pre-School Group, Scouts/ Beavers, Guides, Parochial Church Council and at least as many independent members]**
- 9. Election of Officers**
- 10. Chairman's closing remarks**
- 11. Close of Meeting.**

**SING & CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT**  
**THE BIG WASSAIL**  
**7:00PM – FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> DEC. IN THE CHURCH**  
**An informal evening of music, song and words**

Mulled wine and mince pies for all!



Suggested donations of £5.00 each

**A Tree Festival event in support of the church & Albie & Beyond**



**Football in East Hagbourne:** Both Hagbourne United FC and Didcot Casuals FC play regularly at East Hagbourne and welcome new players

**Contacts:** Men: HUFC John Symonds 07831 714076 [jesymonds29@gmail.com](mailto:jesymonds29@gmail.com)  
Youth: DCFC Peter Blackman 07771 667271 [peter.blackman@abbott.com](mailto:peter.blackman@abbott.com)

**Stop Press: Yen Rickeard's latest book 'Shifting Currents Wild Water' is out now, Amazon or [www.dannysharp.org](http://www.dannysharp.org)** The Danny Sharp series 'Time and Again' is set in a realistic Late Iron Age and the modern day, the gripping Danny Sharp series 'Time and Again' is full of moral and physical challenges and sparkles with historic detail and engaging characters.

**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? 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 look forward to seeing you. We are: Jill Garlick – 07873431144 [hjgarlick@gmail.com](mailto:hjgarlick@gmail.com) and Shirley Goss – 815608 [shirley.goss@btinternet.com](mailto:shirley.goss@btinternet.com)

### **Harvest Festival at St Andrew's Once again, the little miracle happened!**

Harvest Festival arrives and the Church gets beautifully decorated and lots of food is supplied for the bring and share lunch afterwards. The food on display was taken to the Didcot Emergency Food Bank where it was greatly appreciated, and the beautiful floral decorations remained for a little while for us all to enjoy. Thank you all for contributing in lots of different ways. A special thanks to Paul Mitcham for his very interesting talk on the vineyard at Coscote. What talented people we have. Jill Garlick.

### **Didcot Emergency Foodbank**

**The Didcot Emergency Food Bank is at The Didcot Baptist Church, 43 Wantage Road, Didcot. OX11 0BS Telephone: 01235 813187. Email: [office@didcotbaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@didcotbaptist.org.uk)**

An Emergency Foodbank is a practical, community-based project aimed at providing short term relief by giving food to people in crisis in our local area. The Didcot Emergency Foodbank serves Didcot and the immediate surrounding villages. **Contact details:** You can leave a message on the Baptist Church Office answering machine on 01235 813 187 or you can email the Foodbank: [foodbank@didcotbaptist.org.uk](mailto:foodbank@didcotbaptist.org.uk) or use the [contact form](#) on the website. Thank you.

### **USEFUL INFORMATION FROM EAST HAGBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL**

<https://www.fixmystreet.com/> for reporting a wide variety of issues from potholes to fly tipping.

<https://publicrightsofway.oxfordshire.gov.uk/standardmap.aspx> 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.

Get the **Binzone** app on your mobile to receive notifications of bin services in East Hagbourne.

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



### **DECEMBER 2022 PARISH MAGAZINE**

Please let us have copy for the December 2022 parish magazine, and also items with an early January 2023 date by **Friday, 18th November to [magtemp5@gmail.com](mailto:magtemp5@gmail.com)**

Thank you, Janet Corderoy, Joy Napper and the parish magazine committee.

## Our Local Bus Service – route 94

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Didcot, Loyd Park						1438		1538			
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Didcot, Sandringham Road		0848	1018	1148	1348	1453	1518	1553	1604	1719	1838
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	0730	0851	1021	1151	1351	1456	1521	1556	1607	1722	1841
West Hagbourne, Moor Lane	0736	↓	↓	↓	↓	1502	↓	1602	↓	↓	↓
West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH	0738	↓	↓	↓	↓	1503	↓	1603	↓	↓	↓
Upton, Village Hall	0741	↓	↓	↓	↓	1505	↓	1605	↓	↓	↓
Blewbury, The Blueberry	0746	0859	1029	1159	1359	1510	1529	1610	1615	1730	1849
Upton, Village Hall	↓	0903	1033	1203	1403	↓	1533	↓	1620	1734	1853
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Chilton, Main Street	↓	0911	1041	1211	1411	↓	1541	↓	1628	1742	1901
Harwell Campus, Becquerel Avenue Turning Circle	↓	0917	1047	1217		↓	1547	↓		1748	
Aston Upthorpe, The Chequers PH	0755					1519		1619			
South Moreton, The Crown PH	0801					1525		1625			
North Moreton	0805					1529		1629			
Didcot, Orchard Centre	↓					1539		1639			
Didcot Parkway Station ➡	↓					1543		1643			
Didcot, St Birinus School	0816										
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Chilton, Main Street	0643	0800	0931	1101	1231	1431	1431	1601	1633	1756
West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH	0649	0807	0937	1107	1237	1437	1437	1607	1639	1802
Upton, Village Hall	0651	0809	0939	1109	1239	1439	1439	1609	1641	1804
Blewbury, The Blueberry	0657	0816	0944	1114	1244	1444	1444	1614	1646	1809
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	0704	0823	0951	1121	1251	1451	1451	1621	1653	1816
Didcot, Sandringham Road	0707	0826	0954	1124	1254	1454	1454	1624	1656	1819
Didcot, Orchard Centre	0712	0831	0959	1129	1259	1459	1459	1629	1701	1824
Didcot Parkway Station ➡	0716	0835	1003	1133	1303	1503	1503	1633	1705	1828

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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
Chilton, Main Street	0911	1041	1211	1411	1541	1741
Harwell Campus, Becquerel Avenue Turning Circle	0917	1047	1217	1417	1547	

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Chilton, Main Street	0800	0931	1101	1231	1431	1601
West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH	0806	0937	1107	1237	1437	1607
Upton, Village Hall	0808	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>

**PRINTED BUS TIMETABLES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE COMMUNITY SHOP**

## Didcot Farmers Market

The next Farmers Market will be setting up stalls in the Orchard Centre at Didcot on **Saturday, 12th November from 08:30 – 13:30**. Seasonal fruit, vegetables, fresh meat, fish and cheeses, bread, cakes, jams and preserves all from our local area.

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