

St Andrew's Hagbourne
PARISH MAGAZINE

SEPTEMBER 2023



HARVEST FESTIVAL at ST ANDREW'S
Sunday 1st October

HAGBOURNE PRODUCE SHOW – Sunday 10th September

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – Saturday 30th September

News, Views and Information for everyone in the Hagbournes

Thank you very much to the East and West Hagbourne Parish Councils
for giving the Parish Magazine a home on their websites.

www.easthagbourne.net

www.westhagbourne.org

CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER 2023

The Prayer Intentions in September are for all who live in West Hagbourne, South Moreton and North Moreton.

Prayer Focus:

1 Friday 8pm Online Compline
2 Saturday Upton Fete: Recreation Ground, Upton 12midday.

3 +Sunday THE 13th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B
9am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's AT
9.15am Lay led Service: St Mary's U
10.30am Parish Eucharist: St Andrew's H
10.30am All Age Service: St Michael's B
10.30am Online Benefice Service
12.30am Baptism: St Andrew's H
3 – 5pm Summer Teas: St Andrew's H
4pm Parish Eucharist: All Saints' NM
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H
7pm CYGnets Youth Group: Benefice Office, Blewbury



Treasurers and church finances.

4 Monday *St Birinus* 8pm Online Compline
5 Tuesday 8pm Online Compline
6 Wednesday 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H 8pm Online Compline
7 Thursday 8pm Online Compline
8 Friday 8pm Online Compline
9 Saturday OHCT Ride and Stride - see page 14

10 +Sunday THE 14th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.15am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U
10.30am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's B
10.30am Parish Eucharist: St John the Baptist SM
10.30am Online Benefice Service
12.30am Baptism: St Andrew's H
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H



Sidesmen, those who help with hospitality and catering. Flower arrangers.

11 Monday 8pm Online Compline
12 Tuesday 8pm Online Compline
13 Weds 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H 8pm Online Compline
14 Thursday *Holy Cross Day* 8pm Online Compline
15 Friday 8pm Online Compline
16 Saturday

17 +Sunday THE 15th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's AT
10.30am Taizé Service: St Michael's B
10.30am Pet Service: York Farm, West Hagbourne
10.30am Online Benefice Service
12.30am Baptism: St Michael's B
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H



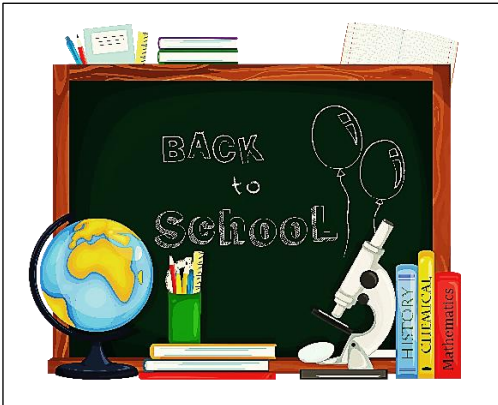
Pastoral care and visiting.

18 Monday 8pm Online Compline
19 Tuesday 8pm Online Compline
20 Weds 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H 8pm Online Compline
21 Thursday *Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist*
10am MU Holy Communion: St Michael's B 8pm Online Compline
22 Friday 8pm Online Compline
23 Saturday

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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 What is School for?

For many people, September is a significant month because it marks the start of the new school year. It can be an exciting time, but it can also be a time of some anxiety: will the children settle in their new class or new school? Will they get on with their new teacher? Will they find it easy to make new friends? We are very fortunate in our country to have access to an excellent education system. Most of the schools in our country are pretty good and some are absolutely outstanding.

We are fortunate to have three excellent primary schools serving the villages of the Benefice: Blewbury Church of England Primary School; Hagbourne Church of England Primary School; and South Moreton Primary School. And once children have left primary school, there are many excellent local Secondary Schools to choose from.

We take the provision of schools for granted, but seldom ask ourselves the question: what are schools for? In other words, what is the aim of our education system?

The Government view is that education is basically about providing children with the skills they need to enter the work force and to lead economically productive lives. In short, the Government's focus is on education as preparing children for the world of work. This is, of course, important.

But there are other ways of looking at the purpose of education. For example, we can focus on the idea of human flourishing: helping children to grow into adults who are able to live a fulfilled and meaningful life. This means that we need to learn how to look after our physical and mental health, to form strong relationships, and to contribute to the well-being of our communities.

Another approach focusses on education as sowing the seeds of effective citizenship: helping children grow into adults who have the skills and the willingness to exercise their vote in a responsible manner, and to contribute actively to the political life of the country, at local and national level.

You may be interested to know that the Church of England takes the view that education is basically about human flourishing: giving every child the skills and experiences they need to enable them to flourish, regardless of what they happen to believe and regardless of their contribution to the economic system.

I wonder if you would agree?

Father Jason

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 office 01235 850267 and Elaine will arrange it for you.



Last of the Summer Teas!

The last Hagbourne Church Tea will be on 3rd September, from 3pm to 5pm. We hope to see you there. The HAMS group will be hosting the teas and will be letting us know about their future plans. (See page 6).

Thanks to everybody who baked and supported teas this year!

SEPTEMBER 2023 CALENDAR AND DIARY continued . . .

24 +Sunday THE 16th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.15am **Harvest Festival:** St Mary's U
10.30am Patronal Festival and Eucharist:
St Michael's B
10.30am Online Benefice Service
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H



*Outreach and Parish
magazines.*

25 Monday
26 Tuesday
27 Weds
28 Thursday
29 Friday
30 Saturday

10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H

Michael and All Angels

8pm Online Compline
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OCTOBER 2023

1 +Sunday THE 17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B
9.15am Lay led Service: St Mary's U
10.30am **Harvest Festival:** St Michael's AT (note change of time)
10.30am **Harvest Festival:** St Andrew's H
10.30am **All Age Harvest Festival:** St Michael's B
10.30am **Online Harvest Festival**
11am **Harvest Festival:** All Saints' NM (note change of time)
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's



*Children, our village
schools and Sunday clubs.*

How to contact the Churn Benefice:

BENEFICE OFFICE - 01235 850267

Churn Website: www.churnchurches.co.uk

The Benefice Operations Manager, Elaine de Ridder, is available from 9.00 am - 2.30pm Monday to Friday, contact on 01235 850267 or 07434 686044 during office hours.

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

Father Jason St John Nicolle – 01235 850267 – rector@churnchurches.co.uk

Revd John Clarke – 01235 510073 – jphclarke@gmail.com

Revd Dr Mark Rhodes-Smith – 01235 850267 – mark.rhodes-smith@churnchurches.co.uk

Online Services The Benefice Online Services will continue on Sundays at 10.30am. Login after 10.00am to chat before if wished. We are doing a trial to see if a permanent link will work for everyone. Depending on how well this works, we hope to continue using this link.

Computer, tablet, smartphone <https://meet.goto.com/ChurnBenefice/sundayservice>

Home phone: 0330 221 0088. Access Code: 975-579-069

New user <https://meet.goto.com/install>. Access code above

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 afterwards and a chat. **This is a popular Service - all welcome.**

Upton Village Fete 2nd September starting at 12 noon

The Fete, held in Upton Recreation ground, will start earlier than usual at 12noon. There will be a barbeque for your lunch and lots of tea and cakes, soft drinks, and a licensed bar. Live music, gymnasts and a dog show will keep you entertained plus a children's area, all the usual stalls and a classic car display plus some new features this year.



Harvest Festival at St Andrew's



**Harvest Festival is on Sunday
1st October this year. It will be lovely to
see the glorious colours of late summer
and autumn filling the Church.**

Dear Flower Arrangers, It will be good if we can all get together on the **Saturday morning, 30th September** to place some floral arrangements ready for the celebration of thanks for all good gifts around us! If a different day other than the Saturday suits you better, that is fine. Will look forward to seeing the seasonal colours - and hopefully some lovely produce filling the church too. **Everyone welcome to come and help decorate the Church.**

Regards and best wishes, Helen Clayson

Harvest Festival Service at St Andrew's Sunday, 1st October at 10.30am followed by a Bring & Share Lunch at 12 noon All welcome

There will be a list at the back of the Church in September to enter your name if you wish to stay for the lunch and what you would like to bring.

There will also be a Harvest Evensong at 6pm

Churchwardens Chatter . . . July and August are always a bit messy!!!! Holidays, exams, summer teas etc etc . . . In July we welcomed Mark to our Church as our Curate. It has been a pleasure to see him at the Sunday afternoon teas and also assisting in some of our Services. We also were delighted to host the Hagbourne Community Choir. They created a really wonderful concert which we all enjoyed.

Another event, not quite so enjoyable, was our Quinquennial Inspection. This is like our Church MOT that takes place every 5 years and indicates what maintenance needs to be done immediately and/or in the very near future. As a result of this we called in a contractor to clear the drains and hoppers on the roof and do other repairs to ensure help prevent any leakage in the church.

In August, we provided light refreshments for the Bikers' event that was being hosted at the Fleur. An interesting evening giving Jane and I something to consider in the future.

But the best events in July and August are the Summer Teas. These are always very enjoyable, and Shirley does a magnificent job organizing them. It is so lovely to see different groups being hosts and doing such a great job. *Jill & Jane*

Baptisms in the Benefice:

22nd July **Tommaso Cosmo Malinowski** was baptised at St Andrew's Hagbourne.

20th August **Finnley River Grafton** was baptised at St Andrew's Hagbourne.

Wedding in the Benefice:

12th August **Carl Clibbon and Chloe Ebsworth** were married at St Michael's Blewbury.

Funeral in the Benefice:

21st July at St John the Baptist, South Moreton **Sandra Monk** aged 84

May she rest in peace and rise in glory



HAMS – ANYONE FOR TEA?

With much excitement and anticipation, we will shortly be announcing a stimulatingly different format for our next production in March 2024.

On **Sunday 3rd September**, **HAMS** will be providing the refreshments for the last Summer Tea of the season at St Andrew's Church from 3.00pm to 5.00pm.



Come and join us for a cup of tea or coffee and some delicious home-made cake in the company of some of your favourite HAMS characters, and learn a little more about our plans for evenings of fabulous entertainment.

www.thehams.co.uk
email: info@thehams.co.uk



FOR YOUR DIARY: The AUTUMN CONCERT will be on 14th October at 7.00 pm in St Andrew's Church, Hagbourne. Please bring your friends and family for this wonderful village occasion. No tickets, but donations to charity.

SEPTEMBER ROTAS	3rd September Trinity 13	17th September Trinity 15 Pet Service York Farm, W.H.	1st October Trinity 17 Harvest Festival	General Notes
Year A				<p>We have included the first Sunday of October as it really is the earliest day it could be and is also our Harvest Festival</p> <p>We are hoping to have a bring & share lunch after the service.</p> <p><i>Church cleaning should be done on the Friday afternoon or Saturday before your name is on the rota. Thank you.</i></p> <p><i>If unable to do duty, please let your organiser know or find a suitable replacement</i></p>
Readers	Jeremiah 15, v. 15 – 21 Sally Duncan. Romans 12 v. 9 to end. Donna Clifford	Matthew 6, 25 - 33 Jane Drewe	Ezekiel 18, 1-4, 25 to end. Jeff Powell. Philippians 2, 1-13 Justine Shepperson.	
Intercessions	Celebrant	Celebrant	Graham Goy	
Sidesmen	Richard Powell Marian Powell	Trevor Goss Myra Hardiman	Robin Harries Jane Blond	
Coffee	Shirley Goss Sally Duncan		Jeff Powell Justine Shepperson	
Church Cleaning	Myra Hardiman	Shirley Goss Trevor Goss	Marian Powell Richard Powell	
Flowers Lady Chapel	Jane Blond	Marian Powell	Coral Powell	
Flowers High Altar	Helan Clayson	Gillian Harries	Mary Goy	

THE VILLAGE PRODUCE SHOW

...with cream teas!

Sunday 10th September 2023

Hagbourne Village Hall 2pm – 4pm Free entry

Staging: 9 to 11am



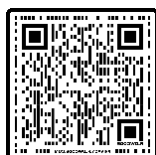
**FLOWERS, POT PLANTS,
FRUIT & VEGETABLES,
CRAFT PROJECTS, BAKING,
CHILDREN'S CATEGORIES (up to age 14):
Vegetable Animal, Garden on a Plate**

**Guidelines for entrants available from the Community Shop, easthagbourne.net
and the Hagbourne Produce Show Facebook page**

ENTRY: Entrants must be resident in the Hagbournes, children (& their families) attending Hagbourne School, members of Hagbourne Garden Club, anyone who gardens an allotment in the Hagbourne Parish. Entry forms will be available on the day, to download from our facebook page from the East Hagbourne website.

Cream teas!!! Great Raffle!!!

**With grateful thanks to our sponsors:
THE FLEUR DE LYS and THE VILLAGE SHOP**



Scan for Produce Show details

<https://www.facebook.com/hagbourneproduceshow/>

Please see page 15 for further info. . .

Hagbourne Garden Club will be meeting for the first talk of the new season on **Thursday, 28th September** at the Pavilion. Doors will open for refreshments at 7.00 p.m. We will be welcoming back one of our most entertaining speakers, Ray Broughton who will give us a talk on **Shrubs and Trees for the Small Garden**. The talk will start at 7.30pm. Visitors most welcome at £5 per person. For further information call Sally on 01235 352275

Pet Service at York Farm, West Hagbourne



Sunday 17th September at 10.30am

**Bring your pet along, or a picture of your pet, for a blessing
– everyone welcome!**



Tower Talk The tower has been busy with practices regularly on a Tuesday evening and our beginners are doing well, we had a new adult beginner start in early August and she is having a short lesson before practice on Tuesdays. Fortunately, the weather has not been too hot this year so we have had a good turn out to practices and for Sunday ringing. We have also had a few visitors up the tower who just want to have a look and see what is involved with bell-ringing, we always like to welcome visitors.

Sadly, the Duck Race did not happen again this year but instead the bell-ringers ran one of the Summer Teas. Unfortunately, I was away but I heard that it was a great success and there was a good turn out for the teas. Well done to all the cake makers and waiters/waitress on the day.

We have had very few weddings at St Andrew's this year which is quite unusual.


Some visiting ringers come and rang the bells late morning on Wednesday 2nd August, they were a mixed band some from the local area and some from further afield.

Birthdays: 20th September – Matthew Addison

Anniversaries: 6th September - Trevor and Shirley Goss, 24th September - Joe and Janet Corderoy

Date for your diary – Sunday 17th September – Pet Service, 10:30 at York Farm, West Hagbourne.

Shirley Goss.



**MACMILLAN
COFFEE
MORNING**

30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

**YORK FARM, YORK ROAD
WEST HAGBOURNE**

10.30-12.30PM

**PARKING
AVAILABLE ON SITE
ENTER VIA BROOK LANE**

**DONATIONS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED
CAKES/BISCUITS - ON THE DAY
RAFFLE PRIZES - BY THE 28TH TO
"ROWAN", YORK ROAD, WEST
HAGBOURNE (07542 923328)
THANK YOU**

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 date: Sunday 3rd September. ALL WELCOME.



East Hagbourne Neighbourhood Plan - 2023 Update

The input received during the consultation earlier this year have now been incorporated and SODC is now running a further consultation until **10am on Thursday 21st September**.

You can view the Neighbourhood Plan Review and supporting documents on the East Hagbourne Neighbourhood Plan page of the SODC website, where you will also find a form for you to submit any comments. A hard copy can be viewed at St Andrew's Church from 10am – 4pm (except when there are Services).



East Hagbourne Community Shop

For 20 years, East Hagbourne Community Shop has been proudly run entirely by volunteers. We are seeking new Committee members and volunteers to help keep it going and growing!

To learn how you can help in 1 or 2 hours a month: email Alice at alice.w.smith@gmail.com or easthagbourneshop@gmail.com, or pop in and chat with the Volunteer on duty.

Visit us on FB or on the village website at: www.easthagbourne.net

A BOUNTEOUS SUMMER THANK YOU for all of your generous – and delicious – donations of overflowing fruits and veg this summer! We're delighted to offer this high-quality, low-impact produce for a very modest sum to share the community bounty, reduce waste, and defray a bit of operations expense.



CELEBRATE THE LATE SUMMER WARMTH Chill out with a cold drink, frozen treats, savoury snacks or classic pick-and-mix sweets. Dinner's a breeze with our high-quality frozen fish, pies or pizza and our home-baked Thursday cakes make any weekend a celebration. We stock milk, local eggs, local honey and marmalade, household essentials and a selection of locally-authored and gently used books to while away a lazy summer's day. For more details, visit our new 'storefront' on the Village website at <https://easthagbourne.net/our-village/shop-post-office/>

VISIT US AT THE VILLAGE PRODUCE SHOW on Sunday, 10th September Peruse local treats, pick-and-mix sweets for the child in everyone. A goodie basket in the raffle for a lucky winner!

ARTISANAL MARCOPOLO BAKERY Pre-order Marcopolo breads, savouries or pastries by 4pm each Wednesday for pickup the following Saturday in the Shop or by email to easthagbourneshop@gmail.com. Product and allergen info is available in the Shop or at easthagbourne.net. Or: take your chance in the Shop on Saturday mornings!

SEPTEMBER OPERATING HOURS

Post Office: Mon to Sat 9am – 12:30pm + Monday afternoon 1:15pm – 4:45pm
Shop: Mon: 9am – 5pm • Tues to Fri: 9am – 4pm • Sat: 9am – 12:30pm



East Hagbourne Community Shop Celebrating Twenty Years

As we celebrate our 20th Anniversary, each month we will be sharing stories from past and present volunteers and the wider community about what the Shop means to them, and why keeping the Shop going is important to all of us.

This month features a story from a long-ago resident of East Hagbourne, as told to Shop Volunteer Pam Hamer:

"As a regular volunteer in the shop I remember one of the more interesting visitors who came around a year or so ago. A small elderly lady came into the shop and stood looking around. I asked if there was anything in particular she was looking for. She said 'no' she just wanted to look around. She then said 'I was born in this room'. I was intrigued as she went on to say that it was different then. I wanted to ask more but I seem to recollect that another customer came in and by the time I had served her the lady had left.

From the shape of the shop and garage premises I assume the original building had been a small, single-storey house. Would that be before the garage took on part of the building? Do I recollect correctly that there were petrol pumps outside at some point? Does anyone know the history of the building?" If you remember, please email us and let us know!

Thank you Pam and all of our volunteers - we appreciate all you do for the Shop and for the community! East Hagbourne Community Shop is entirely run by volunteers – and we need your help if we are going to survive! If you are interested in becoming part of our Shop Committee or Volunteer team, please email us at easthagbourneshop@gmail.com

Hagbourne Baby and Toddler Group

The Baby and Toddler Group will reopen at St Andrew's Church on Fridays in term-time from Friday, 6th October from 9.45 to 11.15am. For 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.

Please contact: hagbournetoddlers@hotmail.com

HELP NEEDED! Hagbourne Baby and Toddler Group will reopen on a trial basis from Friday 6th October. If we don't have anyone come forward to help run the group or children joining the group then sadly it will shut. We don't want to do this but if we don't have adult support to keep it running or children coming it does not make it viable.

It is hard work keeping the group running on your own and even if we could have a few volunteers on an adhoc basis to open and welcome people on a Friday it would make a big difference. We really do need help and support to keep it running and provide a valuable way for our local younger children and parents/carers to meet and if you can help in any way, however small please do let us know at hagbournetoddlers@hotmail.com Many thanks in advance!

Hagbourne Pre-School have spaces from September 2023 for 3 and 4 year olds

Rated outstanding by ofsted . We run every weekday termtime only in the Village Hall, Main Road, East Hagbourne. Monday-Thursday 8.45– 2.45, Friday 8.45–11.45.

We run a weekly mini explorers session for the older children in the grounds of Hagbourne School.

Please visit our website www.hagbournepreschool.org

or email enquiries@hagbournepreschool.org Playleader@hagbournepreschool.org

Comments from the East Hagbourne Parish Council Chairman

Public Consultation on grass cutting. Friday 8th September At the Parish Council meeting on 20th July, we finalised plans for a public consultation meeting in the Church on Friday 8th September. This consultation is focussed on the grass-cutting regime of the Parish Council and other bodies. To this end, detailed maps have been put in the Community Shop and the Church and an interactive map is available on the village website (URL: <https://shared.xmap.cloud/?map=6462e39f-dddb-4939-a8f3-ff7671824a00>) with separate area maps also available. A leaflet on this has been circulated to all households and a survey will be launched at the meeting to gauge the opinion of villagers on this issue. Note that this focus is on what the Parish Council can directly influence. I am aware that the wilding/tidiness debate involves other issues including maintenance of footways and road gutters. The Parish Council can only intervene there when safety issues have been flagged and even then any enforcement would be done by the County Council.

Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF1) scheme I was recently asked what HIF1 meant so here is an all too brief summary. HIF1 is a proposed major new road project from Didcot across the railway and the Thames to access Oxford bypassing Long Wittenham and Clifton Hampden. It was supported and passed at the district level but was rejected by the OCC planning committee on July 18th. After a unanimous vote on Didcot Town Council requesting that the Secretary of State, Michael Gove, recall the scheme, it is now back on the table awaiting a Government review that may result in approval of the scheme.
See URL: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-oxfordshire-66313927>.

Housing development by the Village Hall Our first residents have arrived! 1 and 3 St Andrews Crescent are now occupied and a third new resident is expected before the end of August. As houses are completed and residents move in, more of the site will be accessible outside the hard hat and PPE zone. Current plans are that access to the embankment will be possible around October/November time this year.

Communications All councillors are now using their own email address on the East Hagbourne website in the format: name.surname@easthagbourne.net. These details and a list of councillors (with photographs!) can be found on the website under Parish Council - Councillor's Details. The clerk has the same address as before viz. easthagbourneparishcouncil@gmail.com.

Parish and District Surgeries The surgeries at the Fleur de Lys continue to be lively, and so I will hold the next one there from 5.00 to 6.30 on Friday 15th September. Feel free, however, to contact me, the clerk, or any councillor should your concerns be more urgent.

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 7th September. 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

Our Pavilion and Recreation Ground needs your help.

Thank you to those who responded to our call for help last month - we now have two new members on our committee, helping with bookings and accounts. We would still welcome further help, particularly for our regular monthly safety inspections and arranging routine maintenance and small repairs. If you can help in any way, please contact us via easthagbournepavilion@gmail.com or through the Parish Clerk.

And, a reminder that we are able to take bookings for childrens' parties and other suitable events.



**East
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PUBLIC CONSULTATION – GRASS CUTTING IN THE PARISH

The Parish Council has distributed a leaflet to all households in the parish ahead of a public meeting on Friday 8th September, which will commence at 7.30pm at St Andrews Church. You can also view the accompanying article on easthagbourne.net which has a link to an interactive map where you can view the existing grass cutting responsibilities within the parish.



RECREATION GROUND – DESIGNATED TRIAL AREAS OF LONGER GRASS

The trial for the two areas of longer grass in the recreation ground is coming to an end, with the cut and collection of grass for these areas arranged for end August/early September. Both areas have been monitored throughout the trial and the Parish Council/EHSRC will be considering the viability of continuing with this project next year.



CHAIRMAN’S SURGERY – Friday 15th September Iain Duff will be at the Fleur de Lys from 5 to 6.30pm to welcome any residents with concerns or queries relating to parish matters.



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 or 01235 814024

East and West Hagbourne Fund – Contact David Stainthorp on 07711 802887 or email hagbournevillagefund@gmail.com

Coronavirus Community Support Group - 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.



USEFUL INFORMATION:

<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.

Planning applications received since the last newsletter:

P23/S2146/HH 31 The Croft, East Hagbourne - Proposed ground floor side and rear extensions and garage conversion. Proposed rendering of existing dwelling & cladding of dormer windows.

P23/S2188/HH 31 Blewbury Road, East Hagbourne - Proposed replacement extension to existing conservatory. New windows and doors to existing single storey rear extension.

**The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 7th September 2023
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

HUGS September News

Hagbournes and Upton Group for Sustainability

Back to school September As the kids go back to school, is there a chance for us all to learn something new?

The parish council has opened a consultation on grass cutting, with a meeting on Friday the 8th of September in the Church at 7.30 pm.

This consultation is because verge management is a double whammy activity. If done right, it can make a positive difference to both climate and biodiversity crises. That's why you will see so many long verges around most towns and cities and neighbouring villages too. Headington in Oxford may have some of the very best managed! Beautiful and full of wildflowers.

Longer grass supports biodiversity by creating habitat and food. Cutting less reduces emissions from the petrol-run mowers, strimmers and the trucks that transport them around.

Supporting biodiversity is not just nice to have, it plays a vital role in many of our systems including food security, the majority of our food crops are pollinated by insects. See the Slow Food Movement's image of what food we can grow with bees and without bees.

Because of the obvious urgency for action, many parish councils around the UK are declaring climate and biodiversity emergencies. They are following on from action at higher levels within local government.



There's a difference between writing documents and taking action at a local level to make a difference. Here are some of the things that other parish councils are doing –

- Leaving verges and other areas of grass long for biodiversity
- Planting trees
- Not using herbicides or pesticides
- Working actively with Community Action Groups to make a difference on sustainability and biodiversity
- Organising electric car pooling
- Reducing their own carbon footprint, in their operations and their buildings
- Connecting residents to green options in their homes around insulation and power – e.g. solar power.

As our children and grandchildren go back to school, what would they want us to do now to make a difference for their future and that of the planet?

Come along on the 8th of September and have your say.



Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust

**Ride and Stride for Churches
Saturday 9th September**

Take part in the Annual Ride and Stride event raising funds to support local churches throughout Oxfordshire. Walk or cycle to as many churches as you can during the day. Everyone is welcome to take part – as an individual, as a family or as a group of friends. **To discover how to take part please go to www.ohct.org.uk**



CYGnets Youth Group

Hot chocolate and games! Benefice Office, 3rd Sept 7-8.30pm

"CYGnets" is the Churn Youth Group network - an informal gathering of young people from in and around our Benefice, having a chat with a 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, see page 4.

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

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.

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Crescendo started in 2012 and we have performed at local music festivals as well as concerts of our own, raising money for charity along the way. The impacts of Covid-19 are still being felt in the group, with membership taking a large hit. However, dedication from the current members means that the group can still rehearse and perform successfully. We are always looking for new singers and hope you'd like to join us. Whether you read music or not, you needn't worry. All songs are learnt by ear and repetition in a relaxed environment. We learn and grow together, making music and enjoying the process. If you would like to join Crescendo, please email us at info@crescendo-acappella.org.uk Please check out our website at www.crescendo-acappella.org.uk or facebook <https://www.facebook.com/CrescendoACappella> Why not pop along in September?

Our Local Bus Service – route 94 Mondays to Fridays except public holidays.
Didcot – East Hagbourne – Blewbury – Upton – Chilton – Harwell Campus

Didcot, Parkway Station	08:38	10:10	11:40	13:40	15:10	17:10	18:30
Didcot, Orchard Centre	08:42	10:14	11:44	13:44	15:14	17:14	18:34
Didcot, Sandringham Road	08:48	10:18	11:48	13:48	15:18	17:19	18:38
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	08:51	10:21	11:51	13:51	15:21	17:22	18:41
Blewbury, The Blueberry	08:59	10:29	11:59	13:59	15:29	17:30	18:49
Upton, Village Hall	09:03	10:33	12:03	14:03	15:33	17:34	18:53
West Hagbourne, The Horse & Harrow PH	09:05	10:35	12:05	14:05	15:35	17:36	18:55
Chilton, Main Street	09:11	10:41	12:11	14:11	15:41	17:42	19:01
Harwell Campus, Becquerel Ave Terminus	09:17	10:47	12:17	14:17	15:47	17:48	-

Our Local Bus Service – route 94 Mondays to Fridays except public holidays.
Harwell Campus – Chilton – Upton – Blewbury – East Hagbourne - Didcot

Harwell Campus, Becquerel Ave Terminus	-	-	09:25	10:55	12:25	14:25	15:55	17:50
Chilton, Main Street	06:43	08:00	09:31	11:01	12:31	14:31	16:01	17:56
West Hagbourne, The Horse & Harrow PH	06:49	08:07	09:37	11:07	12:37	14:37	16:07	18:02
Upton, Village Hall	06:51	08:09	09:39	11:09	12:39	14:39	16:09	18:04
Blewbury, The Blueberry	06:57	08:16	09:44	11:14	12:44	14:44	16:14	18:09
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	07:04	08:23	09:51	11:21	12:51	14:51	16:21	18:16
Didcot, Sandringham Road	07:07	08:26	09:54	11:24	12:54	14:54	16:24	18:19
Didcot, Orchard Centre	07:12	08:31	09:59	11:29	12:59	14:59	16:29	18:24
Didcot, Parkway Station	07:16	08:35	10:03	11:33	13:03	15:03	16:33	18:28

Route 94: Saturdays – to Harwell Campus

Didcot, Parkway Station	08:40	10:10	11:40	13:40	15:10	17:10
Didcot, Orchard Centre	08:44	10:14	11:44	13:44	15:14	17:14
Didcot, Sandringham Road	08:48	10:18	11:48	13:48	15:18	17:18
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	08:51	10:21	11:51	13:51	15:21	17:21
Blewbury, The Blueberry	08:59	10:29	11:59	13:59	15:29	17:29
Upton, Village Hall	09:03	10:33	12:03	14:03	15:33	17:33
West Hagbourne, The Horse & Harrow PH	09:05	10:35	12:05	14:05	15:35	17:35
Chilton, Main Street	09:11	10:41	12:11	14:11	15:41	17:41
Harwell Campus, Becquerel Ave Terminus	09:17	10:47	12:17	14:17	15:47	-

Route 94: Saturdays – to Didcot

Harwell Campus, Becquerel Ave Terminus	-	09:25	10:55	12:25	14:25	15:55
Chilton, Main Street	08:00	09:31	11:01	12:31	14:31	16:01
West Hagbourne, The Horse & Harrow PH	08:06	09:37	11:07	12:37	14:37	16:07
Upton, Village Hall	08:08	09:39	11:09	12:39	14:39	16:09
Blewbury, The Blueberry	08:13	09:44	11:14	12:44	14:44	16:14
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	08:20	09:51	11:21	12:51	14:51	16:21
Didcot, Sandringham Road	08:23	09:54	11:24	12:54	14:54	16:24
Didcot, Orchard Centre	08:28	09:59	11:29	12:59	14:59	16:29
Didcot, Parkway Station	08:32	10:03	11:33	13:03	15:03	16:33

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To look up timetables for all these services please visit:

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OCTOBER 2023 PARISH MAGAZINE

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