

The Hanney Litter Pick - Date Change

This year's Hanneys Litter Pick will take place on Sunday 22nd April. Meet at the Village Hall at 10 am.

The more volunteers we have the quicker we finish. High Viz Jackets and "Pick Sticks" provided. Please call me to confirm attendance. Family Groups most welcome. Bob Wilson 868389 - bobwilson300@hotmail.com





A338 pedestrian crossing update - page 10

Village Hall Car Park Extension

"Current parking provision woefully inadequate" says Mrs May

Graham Garner, big chief at the Village Hall, has applied for permission to extend their current car parking facilities. This is an urgent matter with serious safety implications - ask any parent picking up their kids on a Wednesday afternoon, when the Wantage Bridge Club and a dance class are in full swing...dance class?...swing?...geddit? The plans are excellent - big ups to Sir Graham. It's a 'no brainer' frankly, and we eagerly await the Vale's decision - due 20th April - on whether to grant planning permission.

East Hanney Parish Council are intending to discuss it again - they already agreed to support it at their 21st Feb meeting - at their meeting on 4th April. I hope it's just to confirm that Sir Graham is a jolly good egg and give him a well-deserved pat on the back. I'm going - I try to go to every Parish Council meeting, both East and West - to hear their deliberations. Please come along and let the PC know how you feel. **Meantime, check out Graham's article on page 13 for details of the proposal.**



"This year Christian Aid Week starts locally with the Coffee Morning on Saturday 12 May at HWMH. That means Fair Trade coffee and tea, delicious homemade cakes and of course the raffle! To keep up with the demands of our customers we need

two or three extra volunteers to help. If you are interested please phone Pam on 868783. 'New villagers' especially welcome. And of course, if you're a cake-maker, 'donations' are welcome too!"

Editorial

Welcome to the April edition of Hanney's finest parish mag! Let's start with last month's silly mistake....I called the 'Community Woodland' the 'Millennium Wood'...senior moment - there'll be more I'm afraid.

Now an apology to all fans of Jaunty Jilly's column - sadly I haven't been able to give her one this month - simple lack of space.

Time now for a thank you, this one to Trevor Page who, along with Angie Miller and Dene Stringfellow, have been working very hard on the new village website. Trevor has left the team, but continues to be the Admin of the West Hanney and East Hanney Community Facebook page. I'm not exactly sure what an admin does, but thanks anyway Trevor for all your hard work. Hanney's very own Carey Hope is starting another beginners running class, check out her ad on page 12. Now a request...if you can help, please come along to the Litter Pick on the 22nd. Below is a snap of a basket of rubbish collected by a couple of fine members of our community whilst out for a walk, most of it being in a ditch by the road. This suggests to me it's been chucked from car windows by very inconsiderate folk as they drive through our villages. This was one of two basketfuls collected that day...and the basket itself was also in the ditch!



The two stories I've currently got our top investigative reporters working on are the non- existent but much needed A338 pedestrian crossing and the - also much needed - car park extension at the Village Hall. Updates next month. Hanney Fund has now made grants to various very deserving village causes within our community- details on page 4 - so well done to all involved in its set up and administration.

guard...the huge reservoir east of Hanney

Dear readers, please be on your

towards Steventon that was proposed a long time back, may now once again be an option for expected long term future water shortages. GARD are the dedicated folk who co-ordinate the opposition...see page 5 for their side of the story. Paddington 2 is showing at Film Night on Friday 6th April...details on page 9. This will be very popular no doubt, and I'm sure the hall will be jammed - or should that be marmaladed? (Only Paddington fans will get that rather weak attempt at humour.) Another plea for help on page 11, this to give the Village Hall a 'Spring Clean'. Over the years I've visited many village halls and ours is one of the finest...would be great if we all helped to keep it that way...bacon butties the incentive! Talking of the Hall, they're hosting a Royal Wedding picnic next month that sounds rather fun...details on page 12. Following the opening of the Winter Lane footpath we may get another Royal visitor for what I'm sure will be a jolly affair...assuming of course that Megan doesn't call the whole thig off once she realises she's marrying Prince Harry, not Ed Sheeran!

Till next month mes ami!

Notices...what's happening this month.

Mon 2nd - Easter Monday - Community shop. Change of opening hours...now open 9 am - 12 noon, no Post Office.

Weds 4th, 3 pm - 5.30 pm Gard Info sess at village hall. See page 5.

Fri 6th, 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm, As Weds 4th

Sun 8th - Village Hall Spring Clean! Volunteers needed...see page 11

Mon 9th 7.45pm, Village Hall, Gardening Club - Garden lighting, talk by Julian Alder

Weds 11th, 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm As Weds and Fri of last week.

Sat 14th - Live Music at the Royal British Legion, with the amazing 'Saga Louts' **Saturday April 14th** Grove village hall, Wantage & Grove Lions are holding a cash bingo. Doors open 6.45pm eyes down 7.30 pm - refreshments & raffle!

Mon 16th - St James School, Term 5 starts.

Sat 21st -9.00am - Flood Group working party. Meet at the trailer on Weir Farm 9 am. See their website - www.thehanneysfloodgroup.org.uk for details.

Sun 22nd, Annual Hanney Litter-Pick. Details front page.

Tues 24th, Village Hall 8pm, History Group, 'Harwell's Nuclear Research Site' a talk by Nick Hance

Thurs 26th Senior Citizens AGM

Sat 28th - Wantage Big Band gig at Village Hall...see page 4.

And further ahead....

Sat 12th May, Christian Aid Coffee Morning, see front page.

Sat 19th May, Royal Wedding Picnic...see page 12

Sat 19th May, 7.30pm - 'A Medley for May' - recital in music and word at St James Church featuring 'Berkshire Baroque'. See page 15.

Fri 25th May, St James School, Term 5 ends.

Sat 22nd Sept - Michaelmas Fayre. **Sun 11th Nov. Remembrance Sunday** and commemoration of 100 years of the 'Armistice'. Bell ringers needed. See Feb issue, page 5.



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Ed's website is www.vaizey.com

Vale of White Horse District Council leader Matt Barber's email and website address: councillor@matthewbarber.co.uk - www.matthewbarber.co.uk

Have you got your tickets yet for Oliver? It stars

Hanney's finest young actor, 7 year old Thomas Hulme, who takes the lead role in the next 'Jigsaw Productions' show?

Happening in April, performances are at **The Beacon, Wantage on Weds 4th to Sat 7th April: 7.30pm with a 2.30pm matinee on the 7th.** Thomas is in the 4th - evening, 6th - evening and 7th - evening performances.



Shows at the Cornerstone Didcot are on Thurs 26th to Sat 28th April: 7.30pm each night plus a 2.30pm matinee on the 28th. He is performing in the 26th evening show and the 28th matinee. wegottickets.com/jigsaw or the Beacon or Bretts pharmacy for tickets.



Saturday 28th April Tickets £12 includes Buffet by Lucy
Doors open 7.30 for 8pm start Bar available Tickets
from 770378, wantageband.org/events, and at Regent
Bookstore and Bretts

Hanney Fund

Supporting Our Local Com

I am very pleased to
announce that the
funds have now been
distributed.
A significant additional
contribution of the
remaining funds of the
Youth Club - which is now
sadly no more - were
added to the original total.
Hanney Fund has made
generous donations to the
following community
organisations....

Hanney Pre-School
St James School
The Senior Citizens
Little Rainbows
The Gardening Club
The Flood Group

Bar Manager needed for Hanney War Memorial Hall

"We need someone to take responsibility for managing the bar (only 1-2 bars required per month) so if you feel you can help your community, please contact Graham Garner on 07970 503931 or by email at hwmn.hannev@gmail.com"

Do you want to own a part of your local pub?

In 2015, approximately 100 villagers in East Hanney & West Hanney joined together and purchased The Plough at West Hanney. Since that time the company's articles did not allow villagers to buy shares in the pub company unless they were one of this original group.

All that may be about to change. A trading window for existing shareholders will open in April each year with sellers able to dispose of some of their holdings. It is a condition of any sale that existing shareholders are given

priority to purchase shares available. In the event that there are more sellers than buyers, the shares can be purchased by other villagers.

If you wish to join a register of new willing purchasers (at a price to be agreed before purchase), please let me know. I will then keep you advised if shares become available. The Register will be compiled on a first come, first served basis so send me an email today to register - chris-french@hotmail.co.uk Chris French - Company Secretary of Hanney Community Pub Ltd

Group Against Reservoir Development (GARD) How you can act against Thames Water's proposal for a major reservoir near Hanney Information Drop-In sessions - Hanney Memorial Hall

Thames Water have now made it clear that the main plan in their recently-issued *draft Water Resources Management Plan* for the period up to 2080, includes building the massive 'Abingdon' reservoir, on land adjacent to East Hanney. This is the same reservoir that was rejected by the 2010 Public Inquiry, following opposition led by GARD and Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE).

The plan is now out for public consultation, which ends on 29th April. It remains GARD's view that other water sources, such as: reducing demand by tackling leakage losses, transfer of water from the River Severn, re-use of treated water; and new desalination plants, are less costly, less damaging to the environment, less disruptive to local communities and more robust against climate change than the reservoir.

GARD will oppose the reservoir in the consultation, but it is also important for residents to lodge their own responses making objections.

You can find out more, and find out how to lodge a response to the consultation, at forthcoming Information sessions which we are holding:

Location: Hanney War Memorial Hall, Foyer **Dates:** Wednesday, 4th April (3.00pm – 5.30pm)

Friday, 6th April (6.30pm – 7.30pm)
Wednesday, 11th April (3.30pm – 5.30pm)

To find out more, visit our website at www.abingdonreservoir.org.uk.

Or contact GARD at gard.chair@gmail.com.

Derek Stork, Chairman, Group Against Reservoir Development

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East Hanney Parish Council

Spring is well on its way and the Parish Council is hoping for a fruitful year. There has been a request to upgrade the Cow Lane section that is not open to motor vehicles to a byway open to all traffic (a BOAT), so open to motor vehicles. This request was put to the County Council some 12 years ago by the Trail Riders Fellowship in Oxfordshire. The Council will respond to the consultation saying the path should remain closed to motor vehicles.

Plans for the full use of Kings Leases are still in progress, with the location of the planned trim trail being moved to the northern edge of the current playing fields. The Council will be seeking grants to assist with the costs of this installation

The War Memorial Hall Committee has applied for planning permission to install a new 32 space overflow car park to the east of the Hall. This will be considered by the Council at its next meeting. (Although the closing date of the consultation period was 28th March, the Parish Council has been granted an extension until the 9th April.) Do come along if you would like to contribute to

the Council's discussions.

Parish Council meetings are open to the public and are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 8pm. The agenda will be available to view on the notice board outside the Community Shop, on the Council's website and on Facebook a week in advance.

In May the Council meeting will be preceded by the Council's AGM and later in May the Annual Parish Meeting will be held. If you have any items that you wish to be discussed at this meeting (any East Hanney registered elector can put an item on the agenda and speak), please contact the Clerk by the end of April 2018.

Finally, remember the Council has had to reduce the skip provision for the village. From April 2018 there will be a skip once every two months rather than monthly, though it will alternate as in previous years between the Hall and Snuggs Lane. This has had to happen because the Council wishes to keep the precept charged to a minimum and the Neighbourhood Plan survey indicated that remarkably few villagers avail themselves of this service.

The next meeting dates are 4th April and 2nd May 2018.

Chairman: Jim Triffitt 868314 (Allotments)

Vice Chairman: Stewart Scott 868503 (Neighbourhood Plan and Technical Issues)

Councillors: Paul Aram 868858 (Playground and Playing field)

David Kirk 07740029059 (Neighbourhood Action Group)

Judy Long 868425 (Footpaths)

Stephen McKechnie 868823 (Village Environment)

Clerk: Guy Langton 867403 gl-ehpc@outlook.com

Website: http://www.easthannevparishcouncil.org.uk

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/436816943170450/

West Hanney Parish Council

We are delighted to report that after protracted negotiations with the Land Registry we have at long last been given Possessory Title to Headings Pond. A huge thank you to all who helped us by submitting 'Statements of Truth'. Your letters went a long way to helping us safeguard the future of this much loved area of the village.

Now the weather is getting warmer, it is surely the ideal time to get out in the garden and plant some vegetables. Not enough room? Then why not take on an allotment? We still have a couple available - without charge for the first year! Give Kay Sayers a ring to find out more. What a great way to keep fit.

Not such a pleasant subject now. Most people love walking around the Community Woodland and the recent Church Farm Meadow gifted to us by Sweetcroft. What people do not like is coming home with mess on their shoes or boots. Responsible dog owners always clear up after their charges but it is obvious that standards are slipping again and there is a lot of poo not being cleaned up. Please keep an eye on your dogs and clear up the mess when necessary. If you see an owner that does not take the necessary action then please have a word with them.

The planting of a large quantity of Saplings on the western edge of the Meadow has now been completed on behalf of Sweetcroft, many more than just replacing the trees lost after the development in the Orchard! In a few years we could have an extended Woodland!

Last Autumn councillors chose an earlier flowering variety of daffodil when extending the planting around the village. This spring however that backfired on us as they were just coming through when the snow arrived which flattened most of them. Hopefully they will survive and give a better show next year.

Please try and find time to help keep our villages clean by joining Bob Wilson's annual litter pick on Saturday 21st April. The more people the quicker it gets done.

Next Meeting Tuesday 24th April St. James Bell Tower 7.30pm. All Welcome

Chris Surman (Chairman) - 868749 Edward Wilkinson - 867316 Kay Sayers - 868146 Trevor Brettell - 868459 Graham Garner - 868684 Developing Website: www.westhanneypc.org.uk

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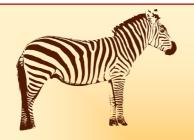
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Pedestrian Crossing on the A 338...update.

Following my initial contact with Oxfordshire County Council Highways (OCC), I received a detailed email from them regarding the issues and potential problems, not least of course the serious lack of funds. That said, here is the final paragraph of that email:

"Please do not read this email in a negative light, I just want to be completely honest about the potential challenges of a crossing installation. I am fully in support of a new crossing on the A338 in this location, and will continue to pursue it. I am investigating whether funds could be reallocated away from other projects and onto this

one, as I believe the scheme has many benefits."

OCC copied this email to East Hanney Parish Council (EHPC), so at least they are now 'talking' again. A charge levelled at both EHPC and OCC of 'dragging their heels' would be something of an understatement in my view, but let's welcome the fact that a pedestrian crossing is now much higher on their agendas, and we await signs of progress. I - along with just one other member of the public * - was at the last EHPC meeting on 7th March when it was agreed that they would try to meet OCC Highways to attempt to move this project forward. I understand that this is now happening, so expect an update next month, and in the meantime, please take care when crossing the A338!

(*Why EHPC meetings are so poorly attended by the good burgers of East Hanney is a matter for a future issue of this upstanding organ of - and seeker after - truth and justice.)

Letter

Dear Editor

What a shame so few people in Hanney were not able to or didn't take the opportunity to see the village pantomime this year.

It was well-scripted, pacey, and colourful, and performed, as usual, with vigour and inspiration. On Friday evening, when I went, the hall was only half full, and I am told that altogether only a few more than 300 people saw the production. This contrasts with 800 in the most successful previous years.

Such poor houses must have been very dispiriting for all those who put in many hours of hard work designed to produce something really good for the benefit of the village.

It has always been pretty remarkable, in my view, that such a small community has been capable of putting on a cracking show of this sort for more than 40 years. And even more surprising that, with a much-expanded population, Hanney was able to put so few backsides on seats this year.

Clive Fewins - East Hanney



A reminder that we are springcleaning

our very own Hanney War Memorial Hall on Sunday April 8th, starting at 10am, but feel free to pop in anytime between then and 4pm if you can spare an hour or so to lend a hand. You'll be very welcome. Tea, coffee + bacon butties supplied. Please email me, Graham Garner on graham.garner@sky.com if you can join us.



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For info, contact John Gunn 01235 868329 or Caroline Milne 01235 867495.

FLEXICARE COMMUNITY WALK

Does the sound of a lovely walk on and around the Ridgeway, followed by all the (free) cakes and sandwiches you can possibly eat, sound appealing? If the answer is "yes", please read on.....

Flexicare - a small local charity supporting families with severely disabled children in their own homes, now in it's 33rd year - is holding it's annual fundraising walk on **Sunday 13th May** from Snells Hall in East Hendred. Booking out is from 9-10am with a choice of a 10 or 5 mile walk, or a 2-3 mile buggy/wheelchair route to choose from. If you would prefer to run any of the routes, please book in at 8am, if we know you are coming, we will have bacon butties ready for your return. You can register, free of charge, on www.flexicare.org.uk, where you will find registration and sponsor forms and more information if required.



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The Proposed Overflow Car Park for the Hanney War Memorial Hall

Many local organizations have started since the Hall was built in 1969, and it is not surprising that the demand for car parking space now often far exceeds the amount provided. Use of the Hall has also increased further since the completion of the East Car Park in 2005. As well as those visiting the Hall, parents at St James School and users of the playing fields and tennis courts need car parking space.

When the car parks are full, cars spill onto Brookside causing serious traffic and parking issues for all its residents. In addition to its main purpose of providing additional parking space, the new car park will have other benefits.... parents can be urged not to set down and pick up children outside the school but in the safety of the car park with direct access to the footpath to the school.

Emergency vehicle access to Brookside will be much less likely to be obstructed. The new car park will extend beyond the existing East car park towards the cricket pavilion and be accessed by the existing junction with Brookside. The surface will be plastic cellular mats infilled with grass seeded soil to retain the current grass field appearance, and

secured using chain link fencing. The existing metal access gate will be relocated to the end of the new overflow area to allow gang mower access to the playing field.

As the area is some distance from the Hall entrance it will be necessary to provide three car park lights for night time use. They are specifically designed to cause no sky glow light pollution and will be motion controlled so will only switch on when a vehicle is detected entering or leaving the area. They will only stay on for an hour after the motion is detected. Light pollution will be limited for the benefit of Brookside residents. The lights will be directed away from the houses in Brookside. Please contact Graham Garner (graham.garner@sky.com) if you have any questions about the application.

Graham Garner

The snap below shows where the new car park would be situated, i.e. from the gate up towards the cricket pavillion and where the - not very functional! - cricket sight screens now stand. The gate and fencing would of course be moved to the far end of the new section.





Dear Friends

What do you see when you think of a police officer or a doctor? We paint pictures of certain people in our minds.

What do you see when you think of Jesus?

Over the years, I have seen many images of Jesus: some of them comforting, some thought provoking and others even shocking.

Easter gives us a chance to look again at Jesus; who he is and what he does. During holy week we are reminded that Jesus is the crowd-pleasing celebrity, the servant leader, teacher to his friends, unjustly betrayed, the victim, the crucified King and the resurrected Saviour. Each of these images of Jesus helps us to understand more fully who he is and they impact our lives in different ways.

Over the centuries, Christians have shaped Jesus to look like themselves; to have their opinions, their concerns and their features. They had this the wrong way round. Jesus tells his close friends, just after he has washed their feet and just before he died on a cross for them. That he has set an example for them to copy. The challenge that Easter sets is not just how we view Jesus. But how we let who Jesus is shape and change our own lives and how we see the world around us.

God bless,

Alec

Eucharist SERVICES in APRIL - Sundays at 9.30am

ALL EASTER SERVICE details on our delivered Easter Card.

1st Easter Eucharist & Renewal of Baptism Vows Revd Alec Gill, 8th Revd Geoff Maughan, 15th, 29th Revd Peter Rich, 22nd Family Church Revd John Durant. Mid-week Eucharist at 10.00am every Tuesday in the Chancel

Vicar : Revd John Durant : 766484 - vicar@valebenefice.org.uk

Associate Vicar: Revd Alec Gill: 07739 563894 - vicaralec@valebenefice.org.uk

Office: (10 – 12 Mon – Fri) 771479 - office@valebenefice.org.uk

Church Wardens: Stuart Cakebread: 868590 - stuartcakebread@mac.com

Chris Reason: 868375 - chris_reason_hanney@hotmail.com

Activities for younger members of the family at St James... Easter Day, Sun 1st April - 9.30am Easter Service + Easter Egg Hunt

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Two more short extracts from the Hanney Parish magazine of April 1879.....

A very sad case is reported from Denchworth: Thomas Alder died leaving a widow and five young children. A collection was made in the district on their behalf by John Church and Eli Alder amounting to £1 16s 6d. The deceased was a thatcher. (The current value of that collection was £142 in today's money.)

Two accidents have occurred to children since our last publication. Edith Faulkner had her feet severely burnt by the upsetting of a benzoline lamp. Mrs Stroud's child fell into the pond at West Hanney and would have been drowned, but fortunately Mr H Barrett saw her and pulled her out. When she was taken out of the water she was black in the face and apparently dead. Fortunately, Mrs Stroud had plenty of hot water and the child was at once placed in a hot bath, her body well rubbed with brandy and wrapped in flannel. The next day she was quite well.



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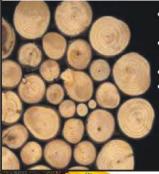
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