### EAST HANNINGFIELD NEWS



A young robin just about to fly the nest.

#### FROM THE ACTING EDITOR

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# EH NEWS DELIVERIES TO CATHERINE & NICHOLSON CLOSES

As the permanent distributor for Catherine Close (13 addresses) and Nicholson Close (24 addresses) moved away last Summer and requests to residents of those streets to deliver the News have not produced a volunteer, is there anyone living nearby who could take on the task of delivering to one or both? Please contact the acting editor by email or on 400628 if you can help.













#### **PARISH COUNCIL**

Two Play in the Park sessions have been booked for the Easter break. They are both on **Tuesday** mornings, **2nd. & 9th. April** from **10am until 12 noon**. In addition to the usual arts and crafts, games and sports there will be a Drama/Performing Arts Workshop on 2nd. April and Street Dance on 9th. April. Children aged 5 and under must be supervised by an adult carer at all times. Play in the Park during the Summer break will be on Tuesday afternoons 30th. July and 20th August 1.30-3.30pm.

Looking even further ahead, PC is to consider taking part in the County Council's salt scheme next Winter. This might seem rather early to be thinking about it, but the team of volunteers needs to be in place by September. PC is looking for volunteers to store a sack of salt each and to spread it on public pavement and road surfaces when a weather warning is sent out. If you would like to take part, please contact me by email, this is because the County Council sends out the weather warnings by email and I'll need to be able to forward them to you, and let me have your address and details of where you undertake to spread the salt. I shall send you the County Council's handbook on how to use the salt. This might seem a little OTT but we'll only be receiving one delivery of salt and if it is wasted on occasions when it won't work, the supply will run out before the end of the cold weather. As there will be a finite number of bags, the list of volunteers will be created on a first come first served basis.

I've received a request from a resident to remind everyone to take their litter home with them when they are out and about. Most people have pockets, so it really doesn't take much effort at all to put that crisp packet or sweet wrapper in a pocket and then into the bin when you get home. It would show you care about the place where you live.

If you would like to help tidy up your surroundings, the Village Tidy-up will be on **Saturday**, **4th. May**. Volunteers are asked to meet at the Village Hall car park at **9am**. If you are put off because you have other things to do that day, please don't be because most of the volunteers will have finished by 10.30. Several of the Parish Council's litter-pickers are on loan to people who have volunteered to keep a particular area of the village tidy. Some pick up litter on the walk to and from school or the shop, so it doesn't mean you have to set aside a lot of extra time to do it. If you would like to volunteer to keep a section of the village or parish clear, please get in touch.

I've been asked to remind you that if you are dissatisfied with your broadband speed, and you haven't already done so, please register your need for superfast broadband at www.superfastessex.org. The

funding for taking superfast broadband to rural communities is limited, and it is likely that the areas which show the most interest will have an ad-



vantage over those where apathy reigns. Also, you can go to www.fibremap.bt.com/ to find out when your BT line will be served by fibre optic cable and to register interest ( without obligation).

If you have ever wondered what to do about a pothole you have driven through or a road sign that has been damaged, read on. The County Council is the highway authority in this area and if you go to their website at www.essex.gov.uk you will find on their front page an icon to click on called "Report it". This will take you to a page where you can report every kind of highway problem. You will be given a report number which will help you track the problem. If you

do not have internet access, County Highways can be contacted on 0845 6037631.

If you are a regular visitor to Hylands House you might be interested to know that the Hylands bus will be operating from Chelmsford again this Summer every Monday from 14th. May to 6th. August, excluding 4th. June and from 3rd to 17th. September. This service is free of charge but you must be a member of The Friends of Hylands House Bus Group. Membership is free: to join phone 477750 (Chelmsford Community Transport). You must also phone that number in advance if you wish to use the bus with a wheelchair.

Regular bus travellers to Chelmsford will be aware that the Real Time Passenger Information displays are not working. They are being converted from radio and landline connections to GPRS which it is hoped will be operational by June, initially with timetable informa-

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tion, but as operators join the system, with more live departure information. The information on the new system will be accessible by mobile apps, websites and via other locations.

For information about local public transport you can visit www.traveline/info and there is an interactive bus travel map at www.cartogold.co.uk/Essex\_Public\_Transport/ .

The Meeting schedule for 2013 has been set with meetings continuing to take place on the **fourth Thursday** of the month, except in December. The Agenda appears on the noticeboards and website three days before. Also the Annual Electors' Meeting has been set for Wednesday, 15th. May. Notices and Agenda will be published nearer the time.

#### Karen Plumridge,

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#### CITY COUNCILLOR'S MESSAGE

Firstly my daily attendance at University College Hospital in London since before Christmas and the result of the treatment has not left me best placed to embrace all our local concerns. The kindness and genuine support of all our friends has however been wonderful; thank you very much.

One forceful lesson from this has been the vital necessity of good public transport. I would make some points about our own bus service which like the American Constitution seem to me self evident:

- However good a service may be if no one knows that it exists it will not be used.
- If it is not used it will almost certainly be cancelled.
- If a service differs in practise from the schedule in the time table then potential passengers will have an acute sense of unreliability and usage will become a last resort as opposed to a first choice.
- If we the travelling public accept gross inadequacies as a kind of norm then our service will become a downward spiral.
- The County Council is the transport authority. Ever since I have been a councillor I have pressed for improvements to our bus service. The better it gets the more it will be used and the spiral will be upward. We need a service into the late evening, Chelmsford is a city with a night time economy and we do not need young people in our villages with no means of safe transport to and from the night life.
- A service exists direct from East Hanningfield to Broomfield Hospital 'not a lot of people know that'!
- We need functioning indicator boards in villages, forests of them in the City centre is dramatic overkill.

Please become pro active and perhaps we can achieve a service we all deserve. Best wishes

Mike Harris
michael.harris@chelmsford.gov.uk
Member for Bicknacre East and West Hanningfield Cabinet Member for Corporate Services - Chelmsford City Council.



East Hanningfield Book Sale and Coffee Morning on Saturday 9 March in the meeting room at the Village Hall from 10am to 12.30pm now includes a White Elephant stall! We need toys,



games, DVDs, unwanted gifts, jewellery, CDs and household items etc. Can you help? Why not have a spring clean?



Call Linda on 400412 to arrange collection.



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Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you on 9 March.



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Whilst crime in East Hanningfield is comparatively rare, especially compared with neighbouring villages, there was a BURGLARY in The Common recently.

#### REMEMBER -

When away from your home overnight make sure you have at least ONE LIGHT THAT SWITCHES ON automatically as it gets dark.

When away from your home during the day DO NOT leave curtains drawn! It's an open invitation to unwanted visitors.

When away from your home for a number of days do ask a neighbour to REMOVE ANY VISIBLE MAIL OR NEWSPAPERS.

And at ANY TIME do not leave any keys (house or car) visible from your front door, and LOCK any side gates.

And if you would like to receive POLICE REPORTS by e-mail, please let me know on <a href="mailto:geoff.h.dickman@gmail.com">geoff.h.dickman@gmail.com</a>



#### **ALL SAINTS' CHURCH – from the Churchwardens**

The Rev'd Pam has unexpectedly been given 3 months' Extended Study Leave by our Bishop in order to bring forward completion of the thesis she has been working on for the last few years. Her absence from the parish covers the months January to March and she plans to make our Easter Day service on 31st March her first Sunday back in harness. We look forward to that, but meantime express our warmest thanks to the team of visiting Clergy and Readers who are providing us with cover for all regular Sunday services, except our first of the month All Age services. These are being run by church members to whom we owe a debt of gratitude as well. We were all encouraged by the very good numbers at our services over the Christmas weekend, despite the horrible bugs which were going around at the time and despite the increasing secularisation of the season. It is good that many in our community still want to be reminded of the actual message of Christmas – "for unto you is born this day, in the City of David, a Saviour who is Christ the Lord".

The Electoral Roll is renewed every six years and this year sees the next renewal. It must be completed in good time for the Annual Parish Church Meetings as it carries entitlement to vote in the Church annual elections. Current Roll members are being sent new application forms and these need to be completed and returned promptly by all who desire to be included on the new Roll and wish to have their say in the elections, or indeed stand for election (see below). Our Electoral Roll Officer is Gil Gordon – tel. 400298.

The Annual Elections on 23<sup>rd</sup> April are expected to offer several opportunities for new blood on the Parish Church Council - one in the form of a new churchwarden as Sandra Robinson will be standing down after completing three years' service (but continuing with some of her existing responsibilities we are glad to report), one in the form of a new Deanery Representative, and one at least as a straightforward PCC member. Please contact the churchwardens if you wish to think about standing for any of these positions.

**Church Bells** continue out of action whilst consideration is given to what can be done – and how and by whom. Our church architect is co-ordinating the necessary investigations with church bells specialists. One obvious problem is that those who designed the belfry space 125 years ago do not seem to have made any realistic provision for the carrying out of major repairs. We have felt it wise to defer the first instalment of the 2012 Quinquennial Survey repairs on the church building until this belfry problem has been resolved.

**New facilities** for the church building are still under consideration and a meeting of Diocesan experts, our architect, and a CCC Planning Department representative, took place in December to try and confirm what the realistic options were. The truth is that the particular shape and size of our building does not easily lend itself to unobtrusive and financially viable alterations. The experts had to agree that it was a difficult one, but left us with one or two ideas which we hope to work on when Rev'd Pam returns in the Spring.

**Spring Cleaning** is good to think about at this time of year as it means winter should be behind us quite soon now. So we would like to invite you to help us brush away the cobwebs of winter in All Saints' Church and join in the usual spring orgy of cleaning on Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> March - anytime from say 9.30am until around noon, with refreshments as may be required to keep us going. Feel free to drop in when you can, and just for as long as you can.

**Mothering Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March** and a warm welcome to all families to our special Family Communion Service at 11am, followed by refreshments. See Diary on pages 15-18 for other services.

For further information about All Saints' go to www.easthanningfieldchurch.org, where we also offer a direct link to the latest Village Diary on the Parish Council website.

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#### **BETHEL CHURCH**

"We're pilgrims in an unholy land." Henry Jones - Indiana's Father

I have to declare my penchant for the fantastic India Jones movies. If you're anything like me, it brings out that curiosity and exploration into the unknown. It's not until you look back at the original Indiana Jones trilogy that you realise just how many memorable moments there are. To whittle that list of seminal moments down to just one would be excruciating, and it will be different for Indiana Jones fan.

However, we at Bethel Church cannot provide the all-action thrill of the chase, nor any tips on choosing the right challis that Jesus drank from. But we can share with you the answer to some of life's more important questions.

With this in mind we want to introduce Christianity Explored.

Christianity Explored gives you time and space to consider the big questions of life and to explore the life of the person at the heart of the Christian faith - Jesus Christ. You don't need to know anything about the Bible. You won't be asked to read aloud, pray or sing. You can ask any question you want.

We are aiming to start a series of Christianity Explored courses in the coming few months. These are absolutely free. So look out in the next Village News for dates and times.

In the meantime, why not come and join us at our **Sunday Family Service at 10.45am**, or perhaps at our **Ladies Meetings** every **Tuesday** at **10.30am**, our **Bible Study** every **Thursday** at **7.45pm** or at one of our other meetings listed in the Village Diary, pp 15-18?

Contact us on 01245 400665

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#### VILLAGE DIARY

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#### **MARCH**

- Fri 1 9.15-11.15am **HANNA'S TOTS** for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 per session.
- Sun 3 8.30am HOLY COMMUNION at All Saints' Church
  10am ALL AGE SERVICE at All Saints' Church
  10.45am SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP at Bethel
- Wed 6 2.35-2.55pm MOBILE LIBRARY at Ashley Green 3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park
- Fri 8 9.15-11.15am **HANNA'S TOTS** for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 per session.
- Sat 9 10am-12.30pm BOOK SALE & COFFEE MORNING with White Elephant & Bric-a Brac stall. in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall. In aid of All Saints' Church and Hanna's Field Charity.
- Sun 10 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Ch 11am **MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE** with Family Communion at All Saints Church
- Wed 13 4.15-5pm ALL SAINTS' CHILDRENS CLUB in School.
- Fri 15 9.15-11.15am **HANNA'S TOTS** for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 donation per session. Health Visitor will be present.
- Sat 16 10am ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN OF ALL SAINTS' CHURCH. Volunteers needed.
  11am-1pm CAFE BAR at Bethel Church
- Sun 17 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Ch 11am **A SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER** at All Saints Church (no Holy Communion)
- Tues19 7.45pm **MENS MEETING** at Bethel Church
- Wed20 2pm **WOMENS INSTITUTE MEETING** in the WI Hall
  - 2.35-2.55pm MOBILE LIBRARY at Ashley Green
  - 3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park

Thur 21 8pm ALL SAINTS' PRAYER GROUP Venue t.b.a. Fri 22 9.15-11.15am HANNA'S TOTS for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 per session. 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Ch Sun 24 11am PALM SUNDAY SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUN-ION at All Saints Church 10.30am **COFFEE MORNING** at Bethel Church Tue 26 8pm PCC MEETING at The Limes. 4.15-5pm ALL SAINTS' CHILDRENS CLUB in School Wed 27 Thur 28 8pm PARISH COUNCIL MEETING in the first floor Meeting room at the Village Hall 10am GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE at Bethel Church Fri 29 12 Noon **GOOD FRIDAY** - A quiet service of readings, hymns, prayers & reflections until 1pm, at All Saints' Ch. Sun 31 10.45am EASTER FAMILY WORSHIP at Bethel Ch 11am EASTER DAY SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUN-ION with children especially welcome, at All Saints' Ch **APRIL** Tue 2 10am-12 Noon PLAY IN THE PARK for 0-11 year olds at the Village Hall & playing fields. Wed 3 2.35-2.55pm MOBILE LIBRARY at Ashley Green 3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park Fri 5 9.15-11.15am HANNA'S TOTS for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 donation per ses-Sun 7 8.30am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) at All Saints' Ch 10am ALL AGE SERVICE at All Saints' Church. 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Ch. Tue 9 10am-12 Noon PLAY IN THE PARK at the Village Hall, for 0-11 year olds. Wed 10.30-12 Noon ANNUAL CHARITY COFFEE MORN-ING & BRING & BUY at the WI Hall. 10

Wed 10	7.30pm <b>HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY AGM</b> in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall
	9.15-11.15am <b>HANNA'S TOTS</b> for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 per session.
Sun	10.45am SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP at Bethel Ch
	11am HOLY COMMUNION at All Saints Church
Tue16	7.45pm MENS MEETING at Bethel Church
Wed17	2pm WOMENS INSTITUTE MEETING in the WI Hall
	2.35-2.55pm MOBILE LIBRARY at Ashley Green
	3.15-4pm MOBILE LIBRARY at Village Hall car park
Fri 19	9.15-11.15am <b>HANNA'S TOTS</b> for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 donation per session. Health Visitor will be present.
Sat 20	11am-1pm CAFE BAR at Bethel Church
Sun21	10.45am SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP at Bethel Ch
	11am HOLY COMMUNION at All Saints Church
Tue 23 Thur 25	8pm CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTIONS at Village Hall small hall. 8pm PARISH COUNCIL MEETING in the first floor Meeting room at the Village Hall
Fri 26	9.15-11.15am <b>HANNA'S TOTS</b> for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 donation per session.
	7-10pm <b>LADIES PAMPER NIGHT</b> at the Village Hall, raising funds for equipment for Preschool. Tickets £5 from
Sun28	10.45am <b>SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP</b> at Bethel Ch 11am <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> at All Saints Church
Tue30	10.30am COFFEE MORNING at Bethel Church
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Wed 1	2.35-2.55pm MOBILE LIBRARY at Ashley Green 3.15-4pm <b>MOBILE LIBRARY</b> at Village Hall car park
Thur 2	<b>COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS</b> - Polling station at East Hanningfield Village Hall.

Fri 3	9.15-11.15am <b>HANNA'S TOTS</b> for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 per session.
Sun 5	10.45am SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP at Bethel Ch
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Fri 17	9.15-11.15am <b>HANNA'S TOTS</b> for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 donation per session. Health Visitor will be present.
Sun19	10.45am SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP at Bethel Ch
	11am HOLY COMMUNION at All Saints Church
Tue 21	7.45pm MENS MEETING at Bethel Church
Thur 23	8pm <b>PARISH COUNCIL MEETING</b> in the first floor Meeting room at the Village Hall
Fri 24	9.15-11.15am <b>HANNA'S TOTS</b> for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 per session.
Sun26	10.45am <b>SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP</b> at Bethel Ch 11am <b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> at All Saints Church
Tue 28	10.30am COFFEE MORNING at Bethel Church
Wed 29	2.35-2.55pm MOBILE LIBRARY at Ashley Green
	3.15-4pm MOBILE LIBRARY at Village Hall car park
Fri 31	9.15-11.15am <b>HANNA'S TOTS</b> for ages 0-5 and their carers at the Village Hall, big hall. £2 per session.

Items for inclusion in the Village Diary should be sent to karen.plumridge@btinternet.com











#### **HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY**

The Charity's **AGM** will take place at 7.30pm on Wednesday 10th April 2013, in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall, when a new committee will be elected. Villagers are particularly welcome both to attend the meeting and to seek election as trustees. The Charity's Committee is always looking for new members to join and assist in the running of the Village Hall and sports facilities. If you would like to find out more about the Charity please contact me or any member of the committee.

Once again we are reviewing a number of large expenditure projects and establishing priorities for the maintenance and development of facilities at the Village Hall and around the sports field. In the last year we have completed the refurbishment of the small hall and kitchen with the exception of the dividing doors which we plan to replace this autumn.

Major expenditure projects that remain outstanding include:

- Replacing the hall roof which is 25 years old and starting to leak
- · Creating a secure outside play space for the preschool
- · Extending the entrance lobby and village shop
- Extending the main car park with a "green" overflow car park
- · Rebuilding the mountain bike mounds
- Ploughing, levelling and reseeding the football pitches
- · Resurfacing the sports courts
- Extending the sports wall
- Completing a trim trail around the field to include skate board ramps
- · Creating a Community Suite above the small hall
- Install CCTV

As you can see the list is long and does not include many smaller day to day maintenance items. We are very aware that as we add facilities their on-going maintenance becomes a considerable burden on the Charity. These projects can only proceed if the funds are available. We rely upon grants from a number of different sources to fund each project. These sources include both local and national fun-

ders from the Parish Council to the National Lottery not forgetting our own fundraising activities including the Book Sales & Fete.

The **Annual Art Exhibition and Sale** will take place on Saturday, 27th July. We are looking for more artists to exhibit along with helpers to set up the exhibition. If you would like to exhibit or help please contact Wendy Thomas on 01245 400797.

The large hall, small hall, meeting room, sports field and sports courts/tennis court are available for booking which can be made via Dan Crow on **01245 400965**. Please make use of the facilities which are available at a discounted rate if you live in the village. More information about the charity can be found on our website which is part of the Parish Council website

http://www.essexinfo.net/easthanningfieldparishcouncil/village-

hall/

Colin Warren, Chairman 01245 401050 cwarren132@aol.com



## VILLAGE FETE - SATURDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2013

The new year is going full speed ahead, & organisation of the Village Fete is well under way. As usual the fete will be a combination of entertainment & stalls, with the traditional 5-a-side football tournament running alongside.

We are currently investigating entertainments for this year, so if you have any ideas for something new, we would love to hear from you.

Jenny Ash 400090

#### **HANNA'S TOTS GOES LARGE**

Hanna's Tots has moved back to **Every Friday 9:15 - 11:15am.**We are now located in the large hall (next to the old one), so the children have lots more space to play (entry is through the front door).

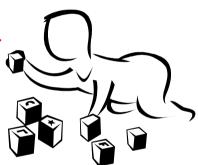


We welcome people with children aged between 0 - 5 from in and outside the village to come and play, sing songs, chat and drink tea, £2.00 per family. We are a Volunteer group.

The Health Visitor will be joining us every 3rd Friday of the month for weighings, consultations and chats.

We will be celebrating Red Nose Day Friday 15th March by going Red: wearing red clothing, please bring along red food for the food table, and playing a few games.

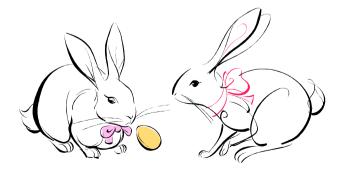
Please note we will not be open Good Friday 29th March.



Also a big THANK YOU to everyone who helps us with clearing away after our sessions.

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Our January meeting was not dampened by the lovely British weather as Flowered Wellingtons and Woolly Boots brought our dedicated members to their first meeting of the year. Chris Winter (aptly named) gave us tips on 'Growing Old Disgracefully'. By the end of his talk I think he realised we were already rather professional in this field.

On the 10<sup>th</sup> April the W.I are holding their Annual Charity Coffee morning and Bring and Buy stall from 10.30 to 12.00 at our W.I Hall. This year the money raised will be used towards the maintenance of the drive to the hall. This will allow a car carrying more senior member's closer access to the hall and a safer area to walk on. The National Federation also need funds to support Denman College near Abingdon in Oxford. The college, a beautiful period house owned by the W.I, provides an extremely wide variety of courses and accommodation for all W.I Members. It is a vital facility to the organisation and we agreed that a small donation from our Coffee morning would also go to help towards its upkeep. If you are free that morning do come and have a cuppa with us. Of course our warm energetic welcome will be awaiting all who come.

Once again our favourite pass time has hit the programme. In February we had Sandra Rolfe giving a cookery demonstration entitled 'Then & Now' and covering how we used to cook in days gone by and what we do now. Memories filled the room and recipes flowed in abundance at this meeting. I had a large pad and pen at the ready.

All the dates of our meetings are in the centre of this magazine and you will be made most welcome if you would like to come and see what we are all about. I think you will find us interesting.

Flora Virgoe

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## EAST HANNINGFIELD PRESCHOOL

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Pre-school numbers have been increasing steadily over the past few terms and so from January 2013 we are now open on Friday mornings in addition to our other four mornings. This Friday session is reserved for those children who are 3 and over. For the

sion is reserved for those children who are 3 and over. For the summer term we are also opening all day on a Friday.

We do have some limited spaces available for new children for this term and the summer term.

This half term our topic has been "Pets" and the children have thoroughly enjoyed this subject and we have had quite a few visitors of the four legged variety — even a horse! All the children have also been taking part in the RSPB Bird Watch and we have been feeding the birds outside and playing outside in the snow.



If you would like to find out more about the Pre-school or would like to go on the waiting list please look at our website at <a href="https://www.easthanningfieldpreschool.org.uk">www.easthanningfieldpreschool.org.uk</a> or contact us on 07732951613 or email us at <a href="mailto:ephs1@live.co.uk">ephs1@live.co.uk</a>.

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#### **VILLAGE DESIGN COMMITTEE**

I thought it was time to provide an update on the progress the Village Design Statement Committee has made since it was formed last year. A stand was manned at the Village Fete and various views were collected there.

We have now progressed to the stage where the questionnaire can soon be finalised. We will be asking all domestic and commercial residents in the Parish for their views on how future developments should be considered by the Planning Authorities. Whilst we are unable to change National or Local Planning rules we can influence how they affect the Parish.

The Questionnaire when delivered will enable you to make your views known. Responses will be collected through a dedicated website, through collection of the questionnaire or by leaving the completed forms at collection points. These will be detailed in the questionnaire.

If there are any particular points concerning planning for housing or business that you feel the Committee should consider including in the Village Design Statement please forward them to me at 11 High-fields Mead, East Hanningfield, CM3 8XA or by email. Thank you

Cliff Foster Chair Village Design Statement Committee" 07944866382 retsofcliff@aol.com.



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## EAST HANNINGFIELD & GREAT BURSTEAD CRICKET CLUB

East Hanningfield and Great Burstead Cricket Club have recently been awarded £50,000 Sport England 'Inspired Facilities' lottery funding for the construction of a new cricket pavilion at our ground at Great Claydons in East Hanningfield.

Our President and landlord, Mr. Barry Hearn, has matched the award, and granted us a further £50,000.

The project will be commenced following completion of the 2013 cricket season in September, with completion by April 2014.

All existing members, both playing and social, are delighted and honoured that our village cricket club has been granted this prestigious award, which will create renewed interest and secure our long term future. Our new pavilion will offer superb sporting facilities for players, together with a licensed clubroom offering pool and darts etc, for all members wishing to become involved in our cricket community.

Strong emphasis will be placed on youth cricket (boys and girls) with "in house" training by qualified cricket coaches (starting during the 2013 cricket season) in a safe and controlled environment under the supervision of our Health and Safety Officer, and our Youth Team Manager

Should you wish to become part of our exciting future in any capacity, playing or social, please contact the Chairman.

Mr.Roger Sharpe Chairman 07985 649494.



#### AN OPEN LETTER TO EAST HANNINGFIELD VILLAGE

Hello my name is Kendal, I have lived in the village for nearly 30 years, quietly, until now.....

I would like to do something for the teenagers who live here and I have an idea.

A "coffee shop" for teenagers in the village (11 – 18 years). Open 6 - 9.30pm, 6 nights a week.

I am hoping that there will be other people in the village who would like to meet with me and to see if it is possible to get this going.

So far the ideas I have had are:

It could be run as a charity or a business -

Free membership, members only admitted.

A venue is required: Remote enough not to cause noise offense to neighbours, not too large, perhaps a small retail unit, spare room at pub, barn or container in park?

Electricity required, running water nice, but not necessary could use bottled water.

Resources required:

Sofas to give the "Costa" look.

Flat screen to play video/cds etc,

Music player of some sort,

Lighting.

Fridge

Hot water flasks

Area for budding musicians to get audience exposure.

A rota of adults to run the "Coffee shop"

Involve youth professionals try police, social services, & other charities?

CRB checks for all adults

Source funding: charities; set up charity for the idea; approach lottery fund; approach Parish Council; Village Hall commit-

tee; talk with Ash (he has an idea for a coffee shop/ share premises)?

Is there a need? I believe so. There is nothing for teenagers to do in the village, which they want to do. The "coffee shop" will offer a safe place to meet, socialize with the ever-present adult acting as "bartender", "agony aunt" and "bouncer" Teenagers need guidance but not control.

I believe this will work for our teenagers, what do you think? Would you like to meet up with me, think out some more ideas. Is there another way of doing this? Is any one able to offer a venue, time, finance, accounting (I'm useless with numbers!). Any teenager reading this what do you think?

Please contact me on 01245 401359



