

Medical Detection Dogs - local Charity in Great Horwood

This local charity in Great Horwood trains Medical Alert Dogs to assist children and adults to manage complex health conditions such as a serious form of Type 1 diabetes. The dogs identify the odour changes that are associated with these life-threatening conditions, alert their owners and so prevent medical emergencies.

The charity also trains Cancer Detection Dogs to detect human cancer from urine and breath samples. The hope is that this will lead to an early accurate, non-invasive screening tool and we plan to complete a breast and prostate cancer study in the near future.

Puppy Socialisers and Dog Fosterers Needed

The charity needs caring homes in this area to look after and socialise their puppies and young adult dogs up to around 16 months old. We are looking for people with time and commitment to provide the puppy with basic training, exercise and socialisation. The puppies need to visit lots of different environments and become familiar with children, animals and various forms of travel. They will also need to be taken to puppy training classes. You would need to be at home for most of the day and not leave the puppy for more than 3-4 hours so we cannot consider people who work full time. If you have your own animals or children this does not preclude you and can be discussed at application. Puppy socialisers receive regular support from one of the charity trainers and all veterinary costs, insurance, food and equipment is provided by the charity. In return there is the general reward and enjoyment of looking after a special dog. The charity is holding an **information evening for people interested in socialising from 7pm - 9pm on February 7th at 3, Millfield, Greenway Business Park, Winslow**

Road, Gt. Horwood MK17 ONP. Contact Pam Jones on 01296 655888 if you would like to come.

We are also looking for dog fosterers (short and long term) for our Bio-detection dogs, who can look after a dog in their own home and transport them to and from the centre when they are needed to work on a project

'Dogs Day Out', 17th March 11am-3pm

We are holding a "Dogs Day Out" on March 17th which everyone is welcome to come to. The event is to raise money for the charity:

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No experience is necessary as support and advice is provided however, Puppy Socialisers are required to meet the following criteria:

CAN YOU

- Attend regular local puppy training classes?
- Be at home most of the day?
- Follow positive dog training methods?
- Regularly get out and about in all environments and situations socialising a puppy?

DO YOU

- Have a secure, dog-friendly garden?
- Have the time and stamina to manage an active puppy or young dog?

For further information please contact:

Pam Jones

Telephone: 01296 655888

Email: pam.jones@medicaldetectiondogs.org.uk

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St James' Services for February

			Sidesmen	Readers	Intercessor
3rd Feb	11.00am	Holy Communion	M Gilbey	C Martin	M Gilbey
10th Feb	11.00am	Come and Praise	R Hemphill	T Brazier	J Margerrison
12th Feb	2.15pm	Sunbeams	-	-	-
13th Feb	8.00pm	Ash Wednesday Service	-	-	-
17th Feb	11.00am	Holy Communion	D Brazier	C Finnemore	M Vincent
24th Feb	8.00am	Holy Communion (1662)	-	-	-
24th Feb	11.00am	Service of the Word	I Lamberton	I Lamberton	Clergy

Church Key – Noreen Weir - 713604

Ash Wednesday Service

The Ash Wednesday Service will take place this year on **Wednesday 13th February at 8pm**. This is a service to mark the start of our time of Lent, as we look forward to the joy of Easter. During the service the imposition of ashes may be received. Everyone is welcome.

Lent Lunches

Lent Lunches will once again be held in St James' Church starting on **Wednesday 20th February at 12 noon**. Come and join us for delicious home-made lunch, including soup, bread and cake. All welcome.

Easter Lilies

As many of you will know, St James' is decorated at Easter time with lilies which can be purchased in memory of a loved one. The cost this year is £2 per lily or £5 for three lilies. If you would like to do so, please complete the list at the back of the Church and give any monies to Sue Brazier at 17, The Close or June Margerrison at 5, Wigwell Gardens.

Lighting of the Church Tower

The tower was lit for the following occasions:

- On the 5th January to remember Toby Terkelson's Birthday.
- On the 11th January for Mrs Blane.

Ian Lamberton

BERYL DEUCHAR

Robert, Alison and Jennie would like to thank everyone who sent cards and messages of condolence on the death of their mother Beryl Deuchar on 27 November 2012. She was 92. Thank you to all who attended her funeral service at St James Church on 5 December and to all involved in the Service including Rev Belinda Searle-Barnes, Rev Pat Howard, the churchwardens, flower ladies and cleaners. A total of £506 was raised for the British Red Cross Society.

We all miss Mum very much. She and dad moved to Dean Farm, Singleborough in 1956. As well as helping on the farm Mum was involved in the Youth Club, a keen WI member, a member of Winslow Ramblers and a volunteer at Furze Down School, Winslow, for many years. Family and friends enjoyed visiting the farm and Mum loved to keep everyone well fed with her wonderful home cooking. She was shy and gentle and kind and much loved. God Bless

From The Revd Belinda Searle-Barnes

"Loud are the thunder drums in the tents of the mountains. Oh, long, long have we eaten chia seeds and dried deer's flesh of the summer killing. We are tired of our huts and the smoky smell of our clothing. We are sick with the desire for the sun and the grass on the mountain."

Paiute Late Winter Song

I came across these words from the Paiute Indians quite recently and they seemed to resonate with many of our experiences associated with February in this country. However, it has to be said that most of us at any rate do not rely on the dried meat left over from the previous summer hunting and dried seeds to eat as we simply go along to the shops and have the privilege of being able to eat the food of our choice from all over the world!

But I guess that many of you may be feeling a bit 'sick with the desire for the sun and the grass on the mountain', and tired of spending a lot of time inside and longing for the spring and summer sun to arrive so that the more outdoor life of the summer with the lovely light evenings and the vibrant greens of our natural countryside can once again be enjoyed.

Edith Sitwell took another view of winter

"Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home."

And her words show the more positive aspects of life in winter and the opportunity it brings to enjoy the warmth of a fire and shared meals between family and friends in our homes.

But there is no doubt that February can be a stark month for many of us with marked contrasts within it which can bring unexpected challenges as well as being a reminder of the hopefulness of Spring that is just around the corner.

The verse from the Song of Solomon 2:11-12 in the Bible expresses a poetic hopefulness for the coming of new life and the promise of spring and summer.....

'For now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtle dove is heard in our land.'

May the sounds of spring and summer this year be music to our ears and refreshment to our souls this February and Lent!

Thanks be to God!

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There is space available for anyone wishing to join. So if you'd like to join, or just come along and try it out, please call Jill White on 01296 713828.

Great Horwood Scouts and Guides – Treasurer required

Great Horwood Scouts and Guides are seeking a Treasurer for their Combined Account. This would involve management of the account generally, making payment of utility bills, for cleaning of the HQ building, insurances and ground rent. If anyone feels that they could help with this task, please contact Justin Daley, Group Scout Leader, on 01296 720916 or 07786 966811 for more information.



GREAT HORWOOD VILLAGE CONCERT

After the success of last year's village concert, there is another one planned for Saturday 16th March featuring the Giocosso Concert Band, Great Horwood Rainbows and Brownies, and other local groups. The concert will take place in the Village Hall, starting at 7pm. Entrance is free, with tea and coffee served during the interval. Donations in aid of a local charity will be collected at the end of the concert.

Please join us for a fun and enjoyable musical evening.

If anyone has a musical contribution that they would like to share, please contact either:

Sharon Ord (712776) or Max Piggott (711900)



Village Hall News

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The hall can be hired for Parties, Exercise, Meetings, Whatever.... And the hiring fees are very reasonable.

Jeannie Marshall: 01296 713727

Cockerel

Unearthed the noisy cockerel (he has survived Xmas) and brought him into the house. He likes to sit in the window of the front bedrooms where he can watch the world go by, somewhat sadly, as he has promised to give up crowing as a new year's resolution. Give him a wave and try to get him to smile.



David Bolton

GREAT HORWOOD 5K MAD MARCH HARE RUN - Sunday 17th March



It's that time of year again when we start to think about getting fit and what better way to do it than entering the Great Horwood 5k Run! As you probably know, this annual event has been running for many years now and is one of the School's largest fundraisers.

We are thrilled to announce that we have new sponsors for the run this year: **ROBBS TYRE SERVICES**. Robbs was established in 2000 and are a tyre company providing total tyre support and service based in Great Horwood on the Greenways Industrial Estate. They are a local business supplying any brand of tyre for all types of vehicles in the three counties - you have probably seen their vans buzzing around! We are really happy to have them on board and this means that all the profits can go to the school, so many many thanks to Robbs.

You will find an entry form for the run on the back page of FOCUS. The event is suitable for all ages and abilities (walkers are welcome too) and there are medals to all finishers. We have been lucky enough to have had wonderful weather for the past few years, so fingers crossed for this year.... Why not invite family and friends along too for this fun event. There are delicious refreshments in the school hall and you could visit one of our pubs for a well earned pint afterwards. As in previous years **we are in need of help marshalling the event so if you think you would be able to help out on the day please telephone Sheila on 711627.** Look forward to seeing you there.

GP NEEDED For Great Horwood Run

Unfortunately our usual doctor is unable to be present at this year's run but to comply with the Council's requirements we must have a doctor in attendance on the day. If you are a doctor (or know of someone who is and may be willing to help) please could you let me know. It is not too onerous a task. You will have to be in attendance from about 11.45am on the day until all the runners are in (approx 1.15pm). We will make sure you are fed and watered too! Please call Sheila on 711627 if you think you would be able to help.

Sheila Landymore: 711627

Dog Poo in Little Horwood Road

For the last few weeks it has been impossible to walk along the left-hand side of Little Horwood Road towards The Green without stepping in dog poo. It's like hop scotch trying to avoid it and at night there is no option but to walk in the road.

Most dog owners are extremely considerate and pick up after their dogs. Could I please remind those irresponsible owners who don't that it is an offence not to, carrying a fine of £50. It does not take a genius to work out that it is the same culprit most of the time so could that owner please think of all those who inadvertently step in the mess, especially now that the children are back at school.

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The annual "Carols in the Square" event held in mid-December, was very well attended by a large crowd of children and parents.

The weather was exceptionally kind and our grateful thanks go to the Church Choir and the Giocosso Concert Band for their fine performances.

The fact that Santa arrived in a flashy Morgan sports car, apparently because the reindeer were being rested for their "big night", was well accepted, as were the gifts for the children.

Our annual distribution of Xmas parcels to over 100 deserving folks also went according to plan and judging by the number of 'Thank-you' notes, they were obviously well received.



Our next event this month is the **10K Road race on Sunday 24th February**. It starts at 10.30 am from Furze Down School and is seen as a warm up for the London Marathon. As well as the many entrants from Athletic Clubs, keep fit enthusiasts and fun runners all take part. Make a note in your diary to come and offer support and encouragement - and give them all a wave !!

Next month's event, on 15th & 16th March is the annual Beer Festival, which so far has raised over £58,000 for local charities.

Our contact number is 08458 337817 for further information about events, or help for you or your organisation. Also, let us know your thoughts via Facebook at: www.facebook.com/winslowlions

Jack Milburn (President, Winslow Lions Club)

"Great Horwood Past & Present" - A Success Story

The Book Planning Group heaved a big sigh of relief when boxes and boxes of lovely new books arrived on time from Harlequin Press, and were delighted to be able to hand out pre-ordered copies at the School bazaar on 1st December. The book has now been sent around the world as presents and as purchases, and sales have exceeded the team's expectations.

Many months of hard work have brought the reward of some enthusiastic reviews. History and the present day combined for one local reader, who commented that he "was now seeing the village in a whole new light". Another reader was evidently astonished at the coverage of village personalities past and present, remarking "Oh, the names - too many to mention!"

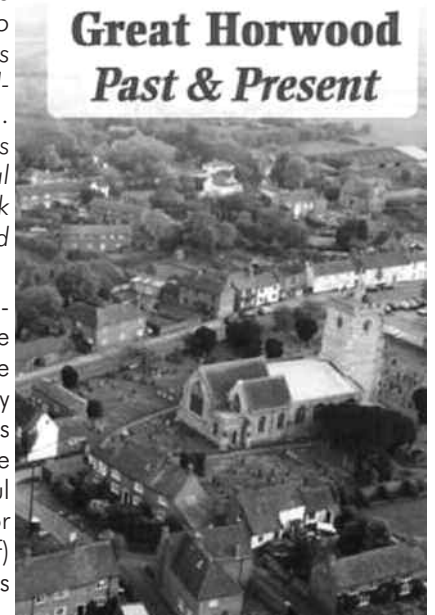
From further afield, D. Jack Smith (the Lord of the Manor) generously wrote "... how impressed I am (like everyone who sees it!) with what is really a dazzling, quality, piece of work. Considering that this excellent writing and the painstaking collection of all the photographs from all eras and the beauty and quality of the final work came from a labor of love of local villagers rather than some huge publishing house with unlimited resources, it is even more remarkable. Just amazing."

Nearer to home, we sent a copy to New College Oxford in recognition of the help the College had provided and of the lengthy historical links between Great Horwood and the College.

We were gratified to receive a letter from the College Archivist noting that "It is always very rewarding to see the College archives appearing in a well-researched publication ... this book has done us proud ... It is a real pleasure to see such a work of co-operation, and presented so attractively."

Now that all the pre-publication orders have been filled, sales of the book are continuing. Only a limited number of copies are left, so if you'd like another copy (always useful for an easy-to-post gift, or as a present to yourself) please phone Liz Nicholls on (01296) 715331

Great Horwood Past & Present



Great Horwood Silver Band

The band had a very busy Christmas season: The Christmas Concert in the Village Hall was once again a success and we were able to donate £100 each to the Great Horwood Junior Cricket team and the Great Horwood Junior Football team.



A group of band members played in Castlethorpe on December 1st for the over 60s Christmas Party and a small group also played for a Christmas party in the Bell Winslow.

Band members also played for *Carols around the Christmas tree* in Adstock on Sunday 23rd December and received a very warm welcome. We have been invited to play there again next Christmas.

We were at Tesco Buckingham all day on Saturday 15th December and again on Tuesday evening 18th December. From our Christmas collection at Tesco we donated £150 to Cancer Research UK.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to our collections.

Thanks to Margaret Michalski and Mike Hayward who joined our usual band members Keith and Richard in collecting around Great Horwood on Christmas Eve.

Keeping up the tradition, a group of players from Great Horwood toured the Village on Christmas morning.

Some members of the band played at the funeral of former band member Jenny Butler on Monday 14th January at Little Brickhill Church.

We are now rehearsing for our annual concert in the Buckingham Community Centre on Saturday March 9th and a Concert for BACAB on April 27th, the venue is to be advised. And we already have several Summer engagements booked.

100 Club Winners for December were:

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Update from PCSO Alex Trivino and the Winslow & District Neighbourhood Team.



Parking Issues in Great Horwood.

The Great Horwood Parish Council has raised issues in relation to parking within the village: the issues raised are;

- **Parking on Pavements**
When parking your vehicle it is important that we remind you that obstructing the footpath and highway isn't best practice. The footpaths within the village are used regularly by local residents and school pupils, particularly during school arrival and leaving hours. By leaving the footpaths clear, we present a safer environment for children and parents to walk on. If vehicles are found to be obstructing the footpath, they will be dealt with by way of a £30 fixed penalty notice.
- **Parking within the confines of a junction**
Drivers are reminded that parking within the confines of a junction can be dealt with by way of £30 fixed penalty notice. Vehicles parked within the junctions, on pavements or in the road can cause a danger to other road users and pedestrians. Keeping junctions open for drivers will increase the amount of visibility for that driver, therefore making pedestrians on foot more visible. This will reduce the likelihood of an accident occurring.

Please make every effort to keep the footpaths and junctions as clear as possible; together, we can make Great Horwood a safer village for all of its residents.

'Thames Valley Alert' – formerly known as Ringmaster

Thames Valley Police has changed its service provider for the Community Messaging Service formerly known as Ringmaster.

The new messaging system will be known as 'Thames Valley Alert' and your details will automatically be transferred over to the new system, so there is no need to re-register if you receive your messages by email or telephone.

The new system does not offer a FAX option for sending messages, so if you currently receive messages by FAX and wish to continue to receive Community Messages, please contact your Community Messaging Administrator on the non-emergency telephone number 101 or re-register online: www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk after Tuesday 3rd April.

Thames Valley Alert will enable you to receive messages via **voice, email or text**. You will be pleased to see that in response to the suggestion that texts would be more useful to you Thames Valley Police has now included this facility in the new messaging system.

Neighbourhood Watch

Once again Community Safety Officers are warning that as evenings are darker, burglars will be on the prowl for valuables and cash. Repeating advice given last year by The Aylesbury Vale Community Safety Partnership :-



- Make your home appear occupied with a light timer switch. These switches can be set to come on at a specific time when you are still at work and can be used on all sorts of appliances such as lamps and TV's.
- Lockup your home. Make sure you lock all doors and windows securely, this is especially important with UPVC doors: lift the handle and turn the key.
- Make sure your shed or garage is secure so entry cannot

be gained and your tools used to break into your home.

- Properly mark your household valuables with a UV pen (mark house number and postcode). You should also properly mark tools in your shed or garage.
- Do not display items in your home. Keep mobile phones, money and keys out of sight and away from entry points in the home. Keys can be hooked through letterboxes so make sure they are stored away securely.
- If you are going away, cancel milk and newspaper deliveries, set your timer switch.
- Be vigilant of your neighbours' property, if you spot something suspicious call the police on the non-emergency number 101. If you believe a crime is in progress call 999.

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Use it to report a crime, contact a police officer - all police officers have mobile phones so you can leave a message for them to respond to when next on duty - or contact your local police station. 999 can also be used and will connect you to the emergency services, namely fire ambulance and the police. If you have information about crime but do not want to speak to the police, you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

For any Neighbourhood Watch matters contact me on 713716 or call at 3 Greenway. More in March.

Regards, Ted Hadlow

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W.I News

Great Horwood and Singleborough WI have lots to look forward to in 2013. We have a great variety of speakers at our monthly meetings (from "Colour & Style" to "Disability Snowsport"), workshops, competitions, rambles, visits, days out and much more being planned.



At our first meeting of the year local magistrate Debbie Gibbs laid out part of the village hall as a Magistrates Court and a mock trial took place. WI members acted scripted roles including magistrates, clerks, solicitors and the accused. It was a light-hearted way of informing people how a trial runs, what each person does and how a decision is reached. The audience also participated in the conclusion of the trial and all had the opportunity to ask questions. It was agreed it had been an excellent start to this year's program.

This month's meeting is on **Tuesday 12th Feb** with guest speaker **Mark Thomas** from **ISP Foster Care**, a not-for-profit, independent fostering agency that provides high quality childcare, education and therapy for young people in need.

Don't forget the WI walks. These take place every two weeks and we meet on the Green at 9.30am. Routes vary from strolls in the parish to forays around local villages and even Milton Keynes. Please contact Karen Wilkinson for more details.

Looking ahead to March:

- A talk about The Waterside Theatre, Aylesbury – Linda Davies - March 12th
- Invention & Discovery Day Out, Aylesbury – March 13th
- A day of demonstrations, Cheddington – March 18th
- Inter-County Quiz, Buckingham – March 27th

If you would like to know more about your local WI please phone for a chat. We will also gladly collect you and take you to one of our monthly meetings, these are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm in the village hall.

Val Smith 01296 711551 Karen Wilkinson 01296 712933
Angela Mayne 01296 715400

Great Horwood Football Club

The poor weather over recent weeks has hit the numbers of games played. The Firsts are still enjoying a successful first season in the premiership, currently lying in 4th with games in hand on those teams above.



The reserves are also enjoying their best season in at least a decade and lead Division 2 having dropped just 11 points from 18 games. Overall the two senior teams performances are already making this season the best ever....

The veterans have struggled with injuries this season but are hopeful of a strong end to the season. The under 16's are playing good football as they seek to establish themselves in Division 2 after promotion and after a tough run of games should be putting more points on the board over the next few weeks.

The under 15's continue to compete in mid table and the under 13's under new management are looking for new (or old) players as they look towards next season.

The under 11's boys are in second place in their division with a game in hand on the leaders. The under 11's girls are comfortable in mid table 4th place with only narrow defeats between them and the top of the division.

The under 10's are also second in their division but with only a few games played - suffering badly with the weather...

The under 9's and 8's continue to show strong performances and look to push on when the MKDDL league starts again in a hopefully drier February.

The club is looking for more local players at all age groups – if anyone is interested please e-mail play@greathorwoodfc.co.uk

The start of next season will see a Juniors tournament and Fund Raiser to be held at the pitch – further details to follow over the next couple of months...

Dates for your Diary

Friday 10th May - Seniors Presentation

Saturday 8th June – Juniors Presentation

Saturday 31st August – Sunday 1st September – Juniors tournament and Fun Weekend

Thanks to...: The club would like to give a **big thank you to Ralph Holland** for his help and assistance with the tractor and mower in recent times and to the **Silver Band** for their kind support.

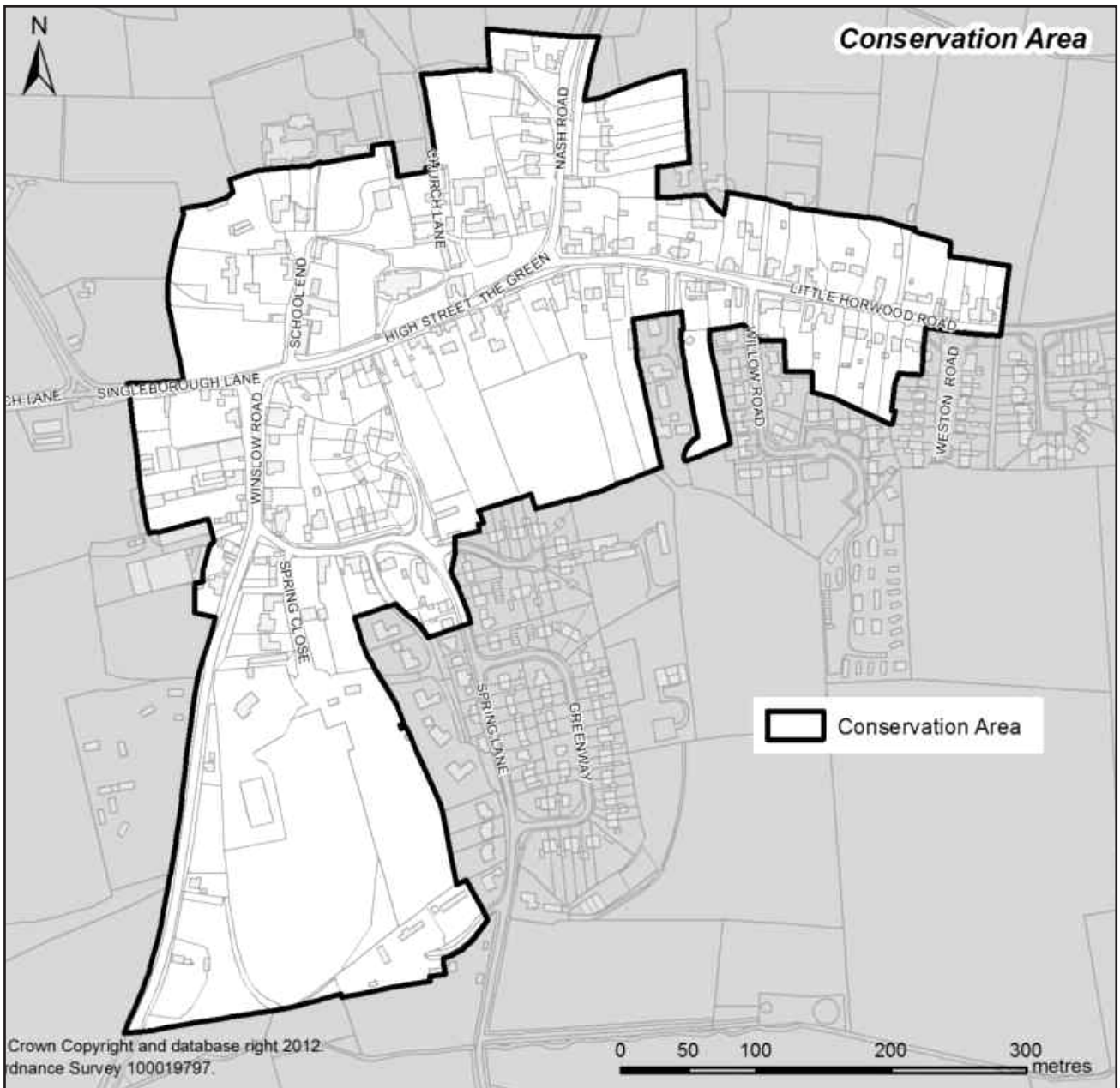
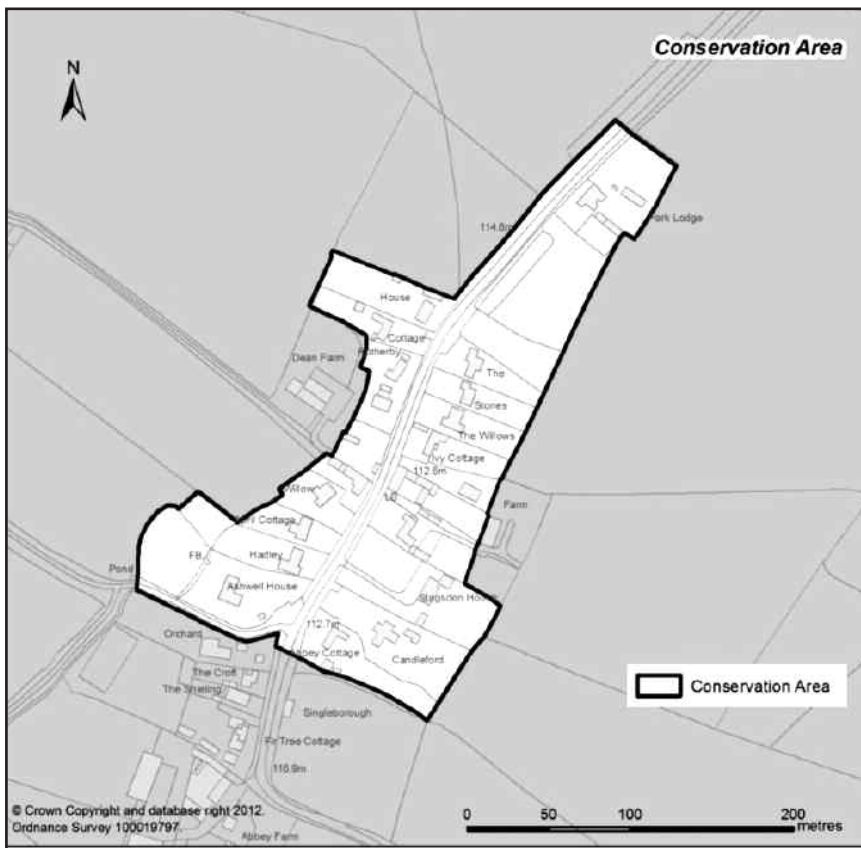
Finally, the football club want to highlight the unprecedented achievement of **Darren 'Sid' Sirett in scoring 500 goals in senior football**. He has played for many years, culminating in helping the team to promotion to the premiership and continuing to add to his score tally at the highest level in the North Bucks League.

Please see website for updates:-
<http://www.greathorwoodfc.co.uk>

Steve Bennett



Darren 'Sid' Sirett



CHAIRMAN'S MONTHLY REPORT

LAST MEETING – MONDAY 14TH JANUARY 2013

Parish Council Budget 2013/14

We had to have a brief meeting in January in order to set our budget and precept for 2013/14 as in December the Government announced that the replacement scheme for Council Tax benefits called Localised Council Tax Support, would affect Parish Councils whereas it had previously been expected that we would be excluded. What this meant is that AVDC had to issue lower Council Tax Base numbers for our parish and this would have meant that we would receive 10% less in our precept. However the Government also announced that it would provide a grant to make up 90% of this shortfall and AVDC has agreed to make up the difference for this first year of this change. This means that our income from these sources for 2013/14 will be £17992.31 from Great Horwood Parish Council Tax payers, £1794.26 from the government grant and £94.43 from AVDC. This also means that there will be no change in the amount of Council Tax that residents of the parish will pay for the parish council tax part of the overall council tax bill. It is not clear what will happen with these additional grants for future years when we may find that we get less money from our precept or that we have to raise the level of Council Tax to keep our income at the same level.

Planning Matters

AVDC have granted approval to the retrospective Planning Application (12/00862/APP) for 'The Hedgerows' which is the very large farm house and associated facilities that were built on the other side of the A421 more or less opposite Great Horwood Football Club.

At the time of writing this report AVDC had not determined the latest in a number of applications to build a detached property in the garden of 11 The Green (12/02584/APP). Your Parish Council and a number of occupants of adjacent properties have lodged objections to the proposal which is, of course, within the village Conservation Area. If the AVDC officers are minded to give permission for the development then as the Parish Council have objected the application will have to be considered by the AVDC Development Control Committee for a decision.

The appeal against AVDC's refusal to grant planning consent for the "Erection of dwelling house with detached garage on Land at School End" has been dismissed. (11/02449/APP)

Road Closure B4033

We have received notification that the B4033 will be completely closed at the Washbrook Bridge to carry out waterproofing over the bridge. The planned closure is from 4th March to 1st April and there will be no access even for emergency vehicles. The proposed diversion route is via the A421 to Thornborough and then via Padbury and the A413. A copy of the Temporary Traffic Regulation Order is lodged on the Parish Council website and posted on the notice boards in the High Street and the Village Hall.

Movable Vehicle Activated Signs

The necessary surveys to confirm the positions of the sites for the Movable Vehicle Activated Speed Signs (MVAS's) is due to be carried out shortly to ensure that the equipment can be provided and installed during the current financial year which ends in March.

Footway at the top of Nash Road

Transport for Buckinghamshire is still confirming that the footway from the Cricket Ground towards the A421 to meet the existing cycle path will be completed before the end of March.

Paving on The Green.

The short muddy pathway that led from the top of Nash Road on to The Green has now been paved. Another small improvement to the village by your Parish Council.

Tree planted on Horwode Pece

The photo shows the tree presented to the parish by the Chairman of AVDC to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee which has now been planted on Horwode Pece.



Conservation Area Review

The final revised 2 Conservation Areas for Great Horwood and Singleborough were approved by the AVDC Cabinet on 18th December and are now as shown on page 12.

The maps and a copy of the appraisal documents, which describe in detail the appearance and characteristics of the Conservation Areas that make them special and worthy of designation, are available on the Parish Council and the Aylesbury Vale District Council websites.

Parish Council Website

For a more comprehensive report of the Parish Council meeting please read the minutes published on the website. (<http://www.bucksvoice.net/greathorwoodpc/>). This website also has updates of items on its latest news page.

If you have any items that you would like to bring to the Council's attention at any time please contact either the Clerk or any Councillor and we are always pleased to welcome residents to our monthly meeting during which we always have a public participation period.

The next meeting is to be held on **Monday 11th February 2013 at 7.30pm** in the Village Hall.

John Gilbey – Chairman Great Horwood Parish Council
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Thursday	14th Feb	- Westcroft Shopping. Morrisons, Boots, etc*
Tuesday	19th Feb	- Visit Painswick Rococo Gardens, famous for its Snowdrop display, with a stop at Burford Garden Centre on the way. Walking involved. £11.50 includes entrance.
Thursday	21st Feb	- Local snowdrops and lunch. Local drive looking for snowdrops with pub lunch. £6.00.
Thursday	28th Feb	- Westcroft Bus*
Tuesday	5th March	- Buckingham Bus. 1 hour in town, 1 hour in Tesco.*
Thursday	7th March	- Visit The National Portrait Gallery, travel £9.00. Man Ray exhibition featuring over 150 vintage photographic prints from 1916 to 1968 £11 entrance.
Monday	11th March	- Asda Shopping £3.00
Thursday	14th March	- Westcroft Bus *
Tuesday	19th March	- Frosts Garden Centre £4.00
Thursday	21st March	- Local Lunch at The Queen's Head in Wing. Choose from menu, travel £3.00.
Tuesday	26th March	- Thame Market Shopping £3.50

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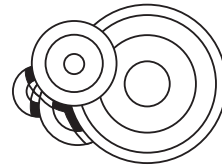
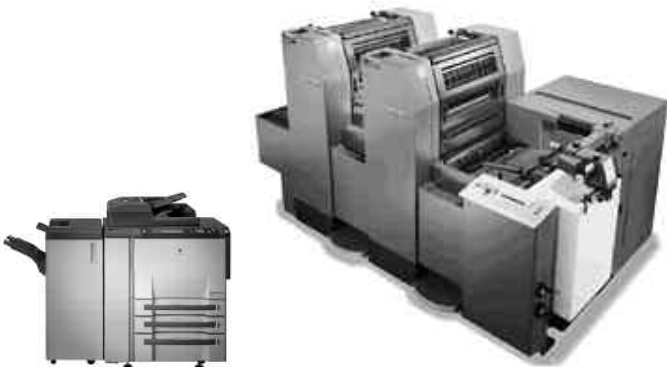
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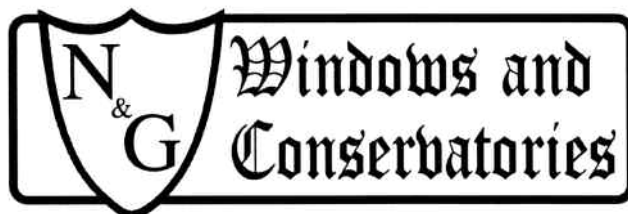
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