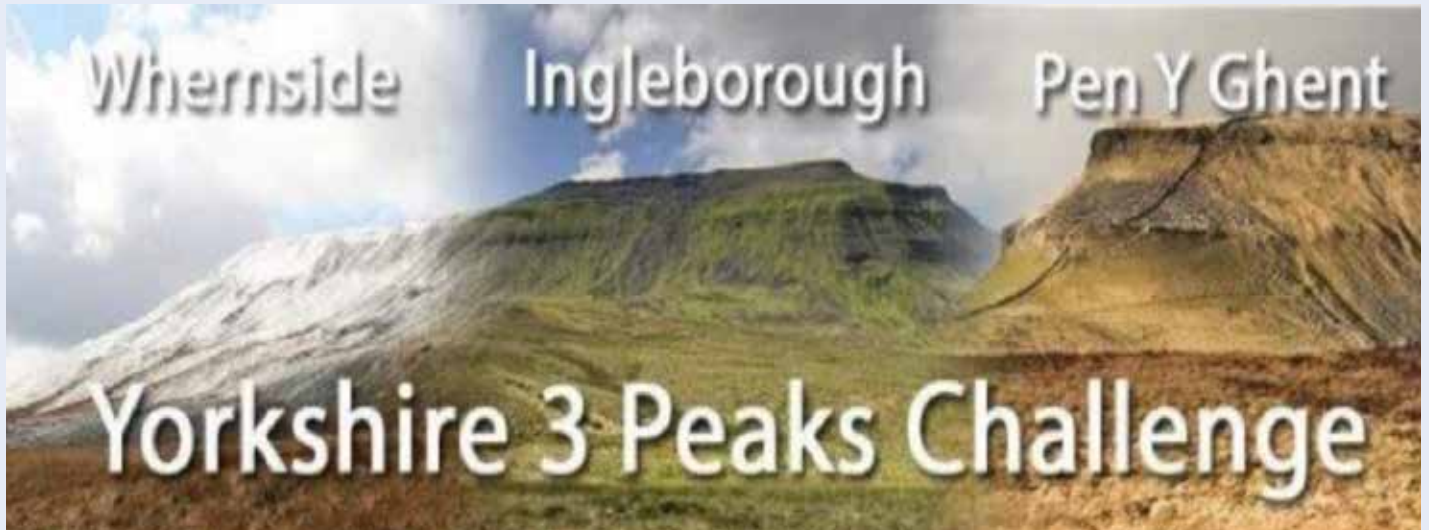


FOCUS



So, after a quick breakfast at 7.00 we set off from base camp (the Crown in Horton -in-Ribblesdale) to tackle the first peak Pen-Y-Gent. The sun was shining, there was a cold wind and we immediately began to climb out of the village with the peak looming in front of us. A steady climb, but the last 100m are very steep, partially scrambling up the rocks, nevertheless we made the summit in an hour and 8 minutes.

Feeling elated we enjoyed the best part of the walk, nearly 3 hours across the Yorkshire dales to the Ribbleshead viaduct, carrying the Settle to Carlisle railway. After a quick refreshment stop with the support team (June and Sue) we set off again. The weather was now very close and the next peak Wharfedale is a long, slow ascent that took us a further couple of hours, followed by a very steep descent to meet the team once more. The weather had now closed in and it was threatening rain, undeterred we set off for Ingleborough and climbed gradually, until we discovered another almost vertical climb, up towards the summit... not that we could see where the summit was at this point!

Indeed, when we got there you could hardly see 20 metres, let alone views of Morecambe Bay as would have been on a clear day, just mist and an eyrie, almost lunar, landscape but we knew we would complete the challenge with just a couple of hours walk back to Horton to go.

We arrived back into Horton at 18.00 giving a total time of 10 hours and 40 minutes, well within the challenge of 12 hours.

The first pint of Black Sheep has never tasted so good as we toasted our success in the Crown, although Andrew had a soft drink having been unable to source a pot of tea!

Many thanks to all who have donated, so far, we have raised £1900 for the Church redecoration and Focus.

If you still would like to donate please do at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/david-brazier-1.

Thanks also to June and Sue for being an admirable support team and to the Crown in Great Horwood for supporting our challenge at the World Gin Day on June 9th.

Finally, the question everyone asks me is what next, the truth is we don't know yet but hopefully we will be doing something again next year - perhaps with slightly less climbing involved!

Russell Margerrison, Rev Andrew Lightbown and David Brazier

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8th July	11.00am	Come and Praise	P Moyles	H Moyles	Clergy
15th July	11.00am	Holy Communion	I Lamberton	J Brigden	I Lamberton
22nd July	11.00am	Come and Share	D Brazier	C Finnemore	Clergy
29th July	11.00am	Holy Communion	N Weir	I Lamberton	D Brazier

St James' Services for AUGUST 2018

5th Aug	11.00am	Holy Communion	R Margerrison	J Margerrison	R Margerrison
12th Aug	11.00am	Come and Praise	P Moyles	S Brazier	Clergy
19th Aug	11.00am	Holy Communion	I Lamberton	J Brlgden	I Lamberton
26th Aug	Benefice Service - St Laurence Church, Winslow				

2nd Sept	11.00am	Holy Communion	J Margerrison	R Margerrison	J Margerrison
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Church Key Rota: July - Rita Essam tel 714424, August - Ian Lamberton - tel 715968

Benefice Service

There will be no service at St James' Church on 26th August. The Benefice service of Holy Communion will be held at St Laurence Church, Winslow, starting at 9.30am. All welcome.

Great Horwood Village Fete - Saturday 7th July

Just a reminder that the fete committee will be door to door collecting during the first week in July. Any bottles, filled jars for the jarbola, plants and cakes gratefully received, or bring on the morning.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY VEHICLE THAT WOULD NORMALLY BE PARKED ON THE GREEN SHOULD BE REMOVED BY 9.00am ON SATURDAY 7th JULY SO WE CAN START SETTING UP FOR THE VILLAGE FETE.

Thank you

David Brazier

THANK YOU

My family and I would like to express our thanks to everyone for all your care and support, flowers and cards of condolences which we received upon Gerry's sudden and unexpected death. It makes one appreciate, especially at such a time, how special it is to live and be part of a small village community where your friends and neighbours are there to help you through difficult times. Your concern, friendship and cups of tea were greatly appreciated. Thank you all very much.

Margaret Michalski

THANK YOU

We would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who helped us with the Plant Sale. Those who gave plants, cakes and time, and thank you to all who came and purchased the plants. We were very grateful. A sum of £800 was raised for the Church.

Lindsay and Margaret

Village Hall News

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It's a really friendly morning and of course we have to refresh ourselves with coffee and biscuits and sometimes cake. We welcome visitors so if you feel a bit lonely one Friday come and visit us.

Contact Gill on 01296 712165



TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

Thursday 12th July at 11.30. To be held in St Laurence Church Winslow.

The Rev Andrew Lightbown will lead with the theme 'Feeding of the Five Thousand'

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See you there

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GREAT HORWOOD SILVER BAND



We were very sad to hear that our Vice President Linda Goodwin has passed away. Linda was a long-time supporter of the band along with husband Len. Linda attended most band rehearsals as well as helping for many years at our Concerts and various other functions. Both Linda and Len came on our music tours in Germany with us. Linda will be greatly missed by us all. We send our deepest sympathy to Linda's daughter Liz and son in law Gary who were a great support to Linda.

The order for the bands new burgundy reversible fleeces has now been completed and will be very welcome at cold and wet engagements. I have attached a photo of Rhys our youngest player wearing his new Fleece in the hope that you may be able to include it.

We will be playing for the Thornton College Fete on Sunday 24th June 12.30pm and on Saturday 7th July for the Great Horwood Church Fete 1pm on the Village Green, at Carey Lodge Wing Care home on Sunday 15th July from 3pm and Aston Abbots Fete on Saturday July 28th from 1pm.

You can read all our latest news on the band website at www.greathorwoodband.com

New members and learners are always welcome

Beryl

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Horwode Pece

Picnic on the Pece took place on a glorious sunny day in June. Our thanks go to the wonderful Giocosso Band for entertaining us so brilliantly. Next organised event to take place at the Rec will be the Fireworks in November.



As many of you may be aware, we have an issue with drainage between the toddler and teenage area. At present we have it cordoned off and are in the process of figuring out what best to do with it, please bear with us.

We have had some petty, but frustratingly annoying, vandalism take place over the last couple of weeks. All along the base footrest of the shelter someone has taken it upon themselves to gouge the wood, it looks for all the world as though they have stabbed a compass in and dragged it up to such an extent that the wood is now very splintered. We have shaved this down so that it does not hurt anyone. This has also happened to a lesser degree on the silver bands' bench and the top picnic table. Could we ask parents to speak to their children and see if anyone knows who or how this has happened and also to be vigilant and report any vandalism if they see it happening. This also goes to anyone using the Rec. We work very hard at keeping it a place to be proud of within the village and are saddened when something so mindless happens.

Cathy Holland

Short Story Writing Competition

The imaginations of the pupils of Great Horwood School ran riot as we received stories of many visitors to the village. We had Aliens, ET, Sherlock Holmes, Captain Underpants, Fairies, Roman Soldiers along with ghosts and even a few murderers. However, Grace age 9 kept our feet on the ground with her description of what life in Great Horwood has to offer so congratulations to Grace on being our winner. We hope you enjoy it:

Great Horwood is a beautiful place its got a park, a garage, a church and much more. I'm here to tell you about this inspirational place. Let's start at the school. The teachers are so clever you will love this primary school with kind pupils and clever teachers it's got it all.

Now let's move to the church which has a lovely picture of Jesus and Mary and Joseph. Great Horwood School come to this church to do holy things its maybe old but it's certainly worth coming to.

After that we have the row of houses they are very nice and big and the bricks are a lovely colour and you will have very polite and friendly neighbours. We have some news from the people in the yellow house let's introduce Amber. Hello Amber - Hello Grace I love this village, I wouldn't want to live anywhere else the park is awesome and so much fun and the school is lovely I've got so many friends I love it. Thank you for that quote Amber so you have heard from her visit Great Horwood.

Now we have the grown ups favourite place the two pubs! The food is lovely and the drinks are refreshing you should definitely go there for a meal.

Let's move on to the sheep who just wander around the fields you can go and see them where ever you want but remember be quiet or they might run away, I love Great Horwood as well but I wouldn't love it as much if I didn't have my friends with me.

Next there is the park swings, slides, monkey bars its so much fun it's one of my favourite places in Great Horwood, you can also watch fireworks there on bonfire night.

Right next to the school there is a garage this garage is filled with cars (which is a good thing because it must be a popular which means its good). We also have lovely flowers in the school field that start to grow ion spring and some daisies, buttercups and daffodils they are so beautiful.

There is a place called College Wood even though it's not near the school it's really good you will have so many adventures there. You should definitely come to Great Horwood.

Finally theres the Brownie hut (I'm one of the brownie guides) you will definitely love it they do fun activities and go into the wood which is so much fun if you have a daughter bring her to brownies.

So there you have it some of my favourite places in Great Horwood. I hope you've been inspired to come to this amazing place.

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Chairman's Monthly Report : Last Meeting – Monday 11 June 2018

Great Horwood Parish Council

The Meeting of Great Horwood Parish Council on 11 June continued with annual tasks and approved the report and accounts for auditing. Councillors are grateful to the Clerk for keeping the finances in good order throughout the year – and particularly since the TSB meltdown which has created additional difficulties.

The Parish Council was pleased to learn that the Horwode Pece equipment had passed its annual inspection by RoSPA. Only very minor matters were raised in the report and this excellent result is a great tribute to the Horwode Pece Management Committee who spend many hours ensuring that the Pece is in good condition and the equipment is safe. It is thanks to them that Horwode Pece is such an asset for the community. Incidentally, it was good to be able to celebrate this at the 'Picnic on the Pece' the day before the meeting. The weather was fine and Giocoso provided musical entertainment for the picnickers. All in all, it was a good occasion.

There was the usual round of planning related matters to consider at the meeting. In addition the Parish

Council gave preliminary consideration to the survey of the junction of Spring Lane with Winslow Road. Other day-to-day matters relating to roads and maintenance around the village were also considered. The uncertainty about the future of this area (caused by issues relating to the Local Plan (VALP) and the reorganisation of local government and the route of the Oxford Cambridge Expressway), however, continues and makes it difficult to put in hand many plans for the future.

As the Parish Council, like FOCUS, takes a break in August, may I take this opportunity to wish you all enjoyable and restful holidays.

If you have any items that you would like to bring to the Council's attention at any time please contact the Clerk or any Councillor. We are always pleased to welcome residents to our monthly meeting during which there is always a public participation period. The next meeting is to be held at 7.30 pm on Monday 9 July 2018 in the Village Hall.

Mary Saunders
Chairman, Great Horwood Parish Council
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Girlguiding Scouts



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PILCH LANE

Our thanks go to Bucks County Council for patching Pilch Lane. The large potholes on Singleborough Lane have gone and the worst part was "jet patched" in time for the North Bucks Show. The operation was reasonably painless compared to previous roadworks and the village was not blighted with extra lorry traffic. It has been a delight on a sunny day to walk the lane and see all ages enjoying the countryside. Watching the wild life can be very rewarding and I recently found a buzzard's nest. Our footpaths are very well kept thanks to Robert Deuchar and easy to walk at this time of year. My husband walked a neighbouring village footpath recently and came back drenched due to the long grass. Great Horwood is very lucky to have such a dedicated volunteer as Robert.

BUCKS COUNTY COUNCIL

I often find myself having a moan to our local and district councils so I thought it was time to balance the scales a little with some BCC factoids. In 2017, BCC repaired over 30,000 serious road defects and 5899 street lights, signs and bollards. 35,823 gullies were cleared and 99 gritting runs completed over the winter. They maintain 6000 signs and bollards, 3200 km of carriageway, 2480 km of footway, 79,000 gullies, 335 traffic installations including traffic lights, 28,000 street lights, 112 pedestrian crossings and 500 structures including bridges. In April they repaired 5646 road defects, 376 lights and signs and cut 600,701 sq metres of urban grass. This doesn't get them off the hook but it does give some perspective. Devolution is not without its problems but it has brought the village fortnightly grass cutting between April and September. Non devolved council grasses are cut 4 times a year by BCC.



WEEDS IN GUTTERS

The Parish Council is looking into the best ways of tidying the local gutters by weed killing in the village. One of our councillors is very experienced in the use of these chemicals which is reassuring. Modern sprayers keep the amount of chemicals to a minimum but the operation still needs care, consideration and some nice weather.



DUSTBIN COLLECTION DAY



Our dustbin collection day could change in September. Letters will be sent to householders in July and/or August to confirm. AVDC Dist. Cllr.

Sir Beville Stanier told the Parish Council that new dustcarts had been purchased that have larger fuel tanks and the capacity to take food waste in the same cart. As a result, fewer vehicles will be needed, making fewer returns to the depot for refuelling. There will be no change to the current pattern of alternate waste/recycling or to the garden waste collection.

SPEEDING



The sentinel camera has been deployed on the Winslow Road recently in an early morning session (7.30 to 9.00 am) with Trevor and Graham. Over 50 cars were captured on video although not all could be identified. Successful captures were passed to Thames Valley Police for further action. More volunteers are still needed.

PARKING



PLEASE KEEP GREAT HORWOOD A SAFE PLACE FOR ALL.

Parking remains a problem and no real progress has really been made. The High St at school drop off and collection times is tricky and Little Horwood Road could be a problem in the future, especially with construction traffic for new developments. We do appreciate the efforts made by residents in Spring Lane to park outside the white lines when they can. The Spring Lane junction survey report has been received and is being given careful thought. A copy has been passed to Winslow for consideration with respect to the 598 houses planned by AVDC for the Great Horwood Road below the Washbrook bridge (as part of the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan). We hope that Bucks County Council and AVDC will take note of the report when considering the effects on traffic through the village.

Please remember to park thoughtfully in the village. Thank you.

A BENCH FOR THE GREEN



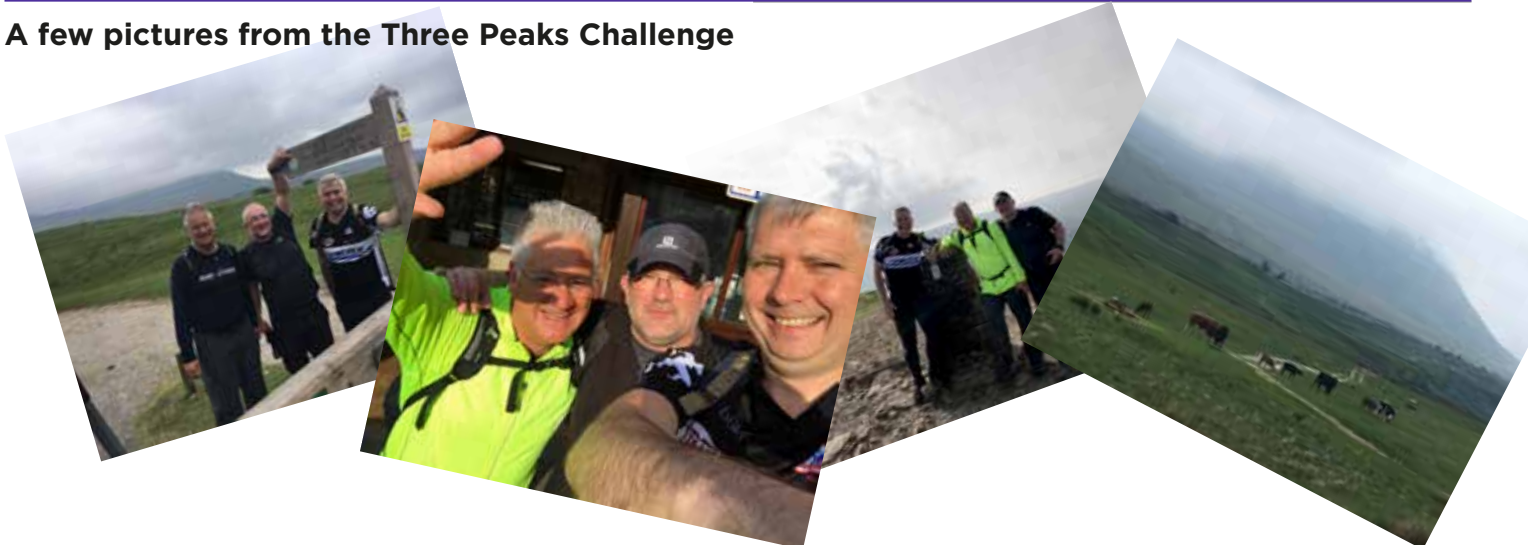
A replacement bench has been chosen for the Green. We plan to have a sturdy traditional wooden bench such as pictured. It will be the same size as the wooden bench it is replacing and positioned on the Green over the summer.

Mandy Cliffe

Parish Clerk Great Horwood

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A few pictures from the Three Peaks Challenge



We had a lovely trip to Chavenage House in the Cotswolds with a coffee stop at Burford Garden Centre. Mrs Lowsley-Williams whose family own Chavenage House is the granddaughter of Norman McCorquodale who owned Winslow Hall and her mother, Pamela, is buried in Winslow churchyard. The beautiful house was built in Tudor times and very little has changed since. Many films and TV series have been produced there including Poldark.

Nikki Day gave us a demonstration of how she makes her silver jewellery and brought some of her creations along for us to see at our June meeting.

We are looking forward to our next meeting in July when Ian Jones is giving a talk about his Bomb Disposal activities and this meeting is open to husbands and partners etc. who might be interested in this topic.

Several trips are arranged for the coming year varying from the theatre, walks, a Chocolate Factory visit and another outing to Burford as we would have enjoyed spending more time there.

Angela welcomed some new members and visitors this month so if you would like to come along to any of our meetings please ring Angela Mayne: 715400 or Monica Gilbey: 711915 you would also be very welcome.



GREAT HORWOOD GUIDES AND BROWNIES

The Guides and Brownies are enjoying a variety of different activities this term. The Guides have been doing outdoor cooking, pitching a traditional patrol tent and playing human hungry hippos. The Brownies have been using the points of the compass to make giant string pictures, bottle-feeding lambs and playing lots of different games. Both groups have been pond-dipping and the Guides were delighted to discover that Great Crested Newts have returned to the school conservation area again this year. An evening of making and drinking mocktails (non-alcoholic cocktails) was a real hit with Brownies and Guides and both groups are working on some special badges: the Trefoil Guild 75th Anniversary Challenge, the Future Girl badge for which the girls had to decide which world issues are most important to them and the World Wildlife Fund 'Throw Away' badge about rubbish and recycling. Following on from their work on this badge, the girls make this request:

Clare Martin



Please Protect Our World

This term Great Horwood Brownies & Guides are helping the WWF to protect our world. They have learnt that glass bottles can take over 10,000 years to finally disintegrate in landfill and lots of other things take a lot more time than you thought they would to rot away, especially plastics and glass. Surprisingly, almost every material can be recycled but not enough people do recycle so we should make sure to always put our litter in the right bin.

Please make sure that you pick up your litter. The Brownies and Guides went to College Wood and did some litter-picking to clear up all the mess that people have made. We found lots of bags of dog muck that people hadn't taken home to put in their bin, disposable barbecues and even a whole wheel from a car. I hope you will join us to help protect the environment and living creatures.

Here is a poster that my friend Amber made especially for FOCUS and photos of a few of us on our litter-picking journey.

By Joanna (age 8)



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Tuesday 17th July	Visit The Cotswold Wildlife Park & Gardens- exhibits over 260 different species of animals and is the largest privately owned zoological collection in the UK (by species) The park is set in 160 acres of well-maintained landscaped parkland and gardens – an enjoyable day out. Travel only £10.00. (Entrance: Adults £16.00, - Over 65 and 3-16 yrs £9.50).
Sunday 22nd July	A day out in sunny Eastbourne - get your buckets and spades out! On the seafront are Victorian hotels, the 19th-century Eastbourne Pier and a 1930s bandstand. Towner Art Gallery includes modern British works. £20.00
Monday 23rd July	Asda in MK1 Shopping , also M&S, H&M, Primark etc £4.00
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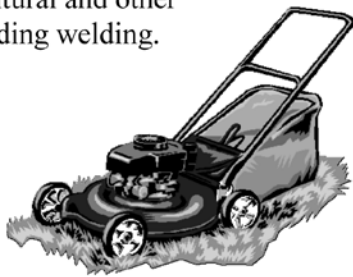
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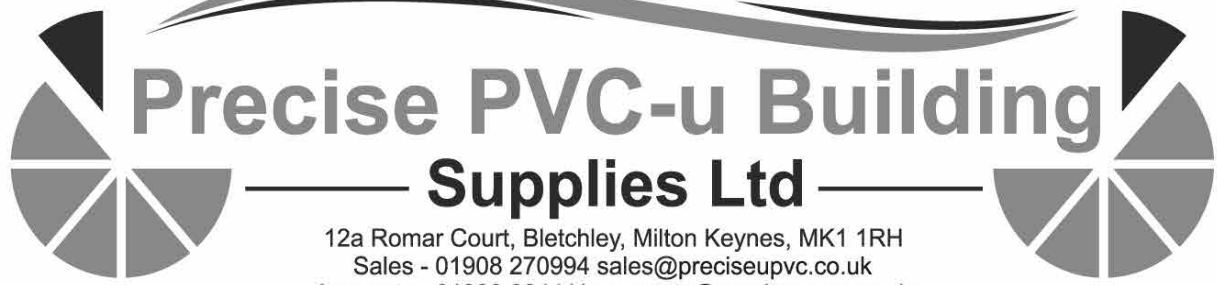
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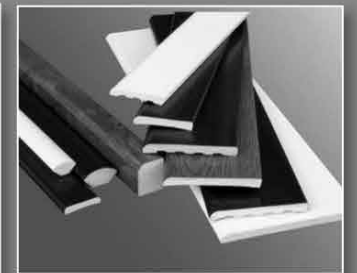
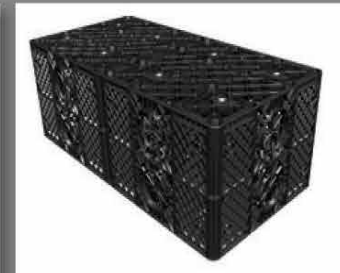
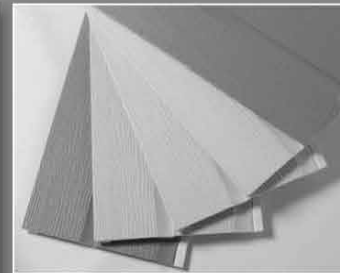
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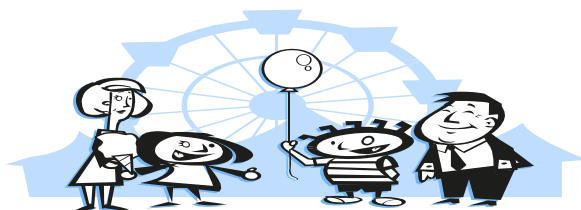
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