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June 2014

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We are totally aware that this has been investigated before but times change and so does the community and because of this we have decided to find out the interest level across the village. Please look out for a questionnaire coming through your door towards the end of June and please, please, please respond.

Whatever your thoughts are, we need to know!

We will also have a stall at the fete on 5th July where there will be more information. We already have lots of support from fellow community shops and organisations that mentor these projects and this information will be on our stand at the fete. We will also be collecting completed questionnaires although if you prefer you can provide your answers online or email them to us – details will be on the form. Just please let us have your views!

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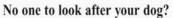
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8th June	11.00am	Come and Praise	R Hemphill	J Hemphill	D Brazier
15th June	11.00am	Deanery Service at St John to	he Evangelist Ch	urch, Whitchurch	٦,
22nd June	8.00am	Holy Communion (1662)	-	-	-
22nd June	10.00am	Benefice Service at St Lawre	nce, Winslow,		
29th June	11.00am	Service of the Word	D Brazier	J Brigden	D Brazier
7th July	11.00am	Holy Communion	S Barfoot	I Lamberton	M Gilbey

Church Key Rota

D Moore - tel: 713281

Deanery Service

As the 15th June is Trinity Sunday, there will be a Deanery Service at St John the Evangelist Church, Whitchurch, starting at 11.00am. There will be no service at St James' on this day.

Benefice Service

There will be a Benefice Service on 22nd June at St Lawrence Church, Winslow. This is a special Holy Communion service in Celebration of Marriage, starting at 10.00am. The service will be led by the Bishop of Oxford. The only service at St James' on this day will be 8.00am Holy Communion (1662). All welcome at both services.

VILLAGE FETE

Just a reminder that the Village Fete will take place on Saturday 5th July on The Green. If you have any donations, the committee will be door to door collecting and selling raffle tickets the week before the fete.

If you would prefer to deliver to stall holders, please take to:

> Valerie Porritt - filled jars for the jarbola stall (or leave in Church by the door)

Jackie Goss - bottles for the bottle stall

Sue Brazier - Cakes

Angela Mayne - Plants

If you would like to help in any way or on the afternoon, please contact David Brazier on 714712.

Food Bank

We had a good response to the request to Great Horwood residents for Food Bank donations last month. Thank you to everyone who donated: they were greatly appreciated.

Georgina Pacitti

Great Horwood Toddler Group

We are a small friendly group who meet Monday afternoons (term time only) 1.30pm - 3pm in the Village Hall. Children play safely and we have tea/coffee.

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PICNIC ON THE PECE Sunday 8th June from Noon



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By this date we hope to have 3 metal barbeques in place for people to use to cook their own sausages, burgers etc.

The Giocoso Band has kindly offered to play again and will serenade us with a selection of popular music.

We also plan to have some activities for those with a lively disposition.

So, bring along your own food, drink, chairs (or blanket), enjoy yourselves but please take home all of your rubbish. Remember, it's one of our committee who empties the bin. Would you believe she has found nappies and dog poo (kindly bagged up!) amongst the usual rubbish?

Other Horwode Pece News......

Hot off the Press...

RoSPA have just carried out their annual check and reported that the Rec. is 'a well maintained play area with very good provision of equipment'. Well done to everyone who helps keep the ground in good condition - the Management Committee, those on the weekly checking rota and the people who pick up dog mess, litter and generally keep an eye on it.

Shelter?

Lastly, the Trustees and Management Committee are also looking into putting a shelter on the Rec., but of course, this depends on us obtaining the necessary funding.

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Great Horwood Silver Band

The Concert given by the band at Waddesdon Village Hall on Saturday 10th May in aid of Parkinson's UK Aylesbury Branch, was a great success, very much enjoyed by the audience and raised £300 for the Aylesbury Branch.

The Parkinson's Support Charity is totally dependant on donations. This year, following many years of campaigning, they have been successful in getting a Parkinson's Nurse in post at Stoke Mandeville Hospital. Further information about the Charity can be found on their website at www.parkinsons.org.uk

The Concert programme was mainly conducted by MD Simon Martin, with other items conducted by assistant MD Emma Mainwaring and Bandmaster Tony Hart. The concert included solos by Flugel Horn Player Vicki Cook, Tenor Horn player Clare Martin , Cornet player Emma Mainwaring, and Euphonium player Roy Lack. The penultimate item was a Trombone feature from trombonists Andrew Cook , Paul Lack, Lauren Cook and Colin Nichols and the Concert concluded with the popular Floral dance.

The Band's next engagement will be on Saturday 7th June for Adstock Open Gardens, playing from 4pm to 5pm.

Sunday 8th June they will play at the Thornton College Fete from 1.45pm.

July 5th sees the band playing for the Church fete in Great Horwood from 1pm and on Sunday 6th July at Carey Lodge Care Home from 2pm.

On Saturday 12th July they are at Aston Clinton Church for their World War 1 commemoration and flower show.

On Saturday 26th July we return again to Aston Abbotts for their Church Fete.

100 club winners for March were:

- Colin Nichols £12
- Graham Saunders £8

And for April were:

- Keith Mould £12
- Tracey Hart £8

Beryl Lack

Band webpage: www.freewebs.com/greathorwood



Lions Club of Winslow

We help the local community and so could you!

Following the successful installation of our Public Access Defibrillator at Winslow Fire Station the future needs of the Community have been discussed with the ambulance service and *Community First Responders* are a crucial part of their plan. A Community First Responder is an unpaid volunteer who is trained in first aid by the Ambulance Service Trust and who is called out to assess incidents when an emergency 999 call has been made.

The Community First Responder reports back to the ambulance service as to the severity of the emergency and attempts to stabilise the patient until the better-equipped ambulance crew arrive.

All Community First Responder's are trained in resuscitation and equipped with a defibrillator and first aid kit.

We are now busy making initial enquiries with Community groups and any other interested parties to find Community First Responders for Buckingham, Mursley, Nash and surrounding villages in the Winslow Area.

The Lions Club of Winslow, together with the South Central Ambulance Service and these partner groups will then look at how to provide funding to help local people who are prepared to give up some of their time in order to help the people in their local neighbourhoods.

If you would like to get in contact with us about the possibility of becoming a Community First Responder or have any questions about the process, Please contact us via email, info@winslowlions.org.uk or by telephoning Dennis Corben on 01296 712460.

Andrew Lowe (Winslow Lions Club)

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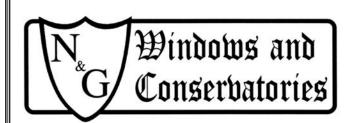
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W.I News

At our May meeting Carol Tomes, of Sweet INSPIRING WOMEN Dreams in Buckingham, gave us a very entertaining talk on 'Lingerie since WW2'. Carol displayed lots of different types of ladies undies and told us how the industry had gone from offering virtually no choice of bra size to 27 cup sizes today. The talk was very informative and included surgical bra options.

Many of us were taken back to our childhoods and teen years when we saw liberty bodices, bra-slips, cami-knickers, net and hooped petticoats, stockings and woollen swimwear.

Our June meeting is on **Tuesday 10th in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.** The speaker is Yvonne Bell on 'Silk for Sundays' painted vestments.

Visitors are always welcome at our meetings, to join the walking group and come along on our outings. For our Pearl Workshop and Silk Scarf Dyeing Day please see the poster below. For any information regarding our friendly group please contact Karen (712933) or Angela (715400).

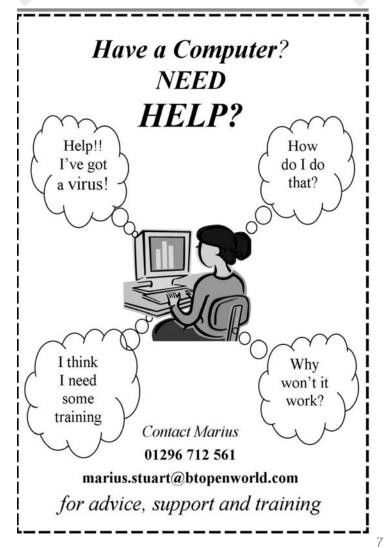
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CRAFT DAY

Pearl/jewellery workshop and Silk scarf dyeing Saturday 14th June: 9.30am - 4.30p.m. Village Hall

\$12 to include tea coffee and homemade lunch (materials extra)

Contact Angela Mayne 715400 or Liz Nicholls 715331



Great Horwood CE Combined School

Children at Great Horwood CE Combined
School have recently enjoyed a range of visits and visitors:

Conkers and Acorns enjoyed a trip to the Natural History Museum in Tring. They had great fun and came across an amazing collection of creatures of all shapes and sizes.

Year 3 visited the Tesco store at Buckingham to explore food origins. They took part in a food trail and it was interesting to learn that satsumas should not be kept in the fridge as they lose their flavour.

Year 3 have also had some very woolly visitors. Two lambs came in to school to meet the children - the lambs were very friendly and didn't mind being picked up. It was surprising to see how big they were considering they were only four weeks old.

Year 4 went on a class trip to Woburn Safari Park to help with their science topic on habitats. They saw lots of animals and touched a snake. They also had a tour guide join them on the road safari to give fascinating facts on the animals.

Year 5 had a magical day at the Warner Brothers studio near Watford exploring all things Harry Potter and enjoying a studio tour.

Our Year 6 children are looking forward to their PGL residential trip which will take place in June.

We are also currently collecting a wide range of things in order to raise money and buy new resources for the school. If you have any of the following at home, we would love to receive them:

- empty printer ink cartridges, old mobile phones (SIM card removed and charger not needed), foreign coins, unwanted books.
- Sainsburys Active Kids vouchers, Morrisons Lets Grow vouchers, Tesco Computers for Schools vouchers and Nestle Cereal Box Tops vouchers.
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Neighbourhood Watch

As the warmer weather arrives, Aylesbury Vale residents are being reminded to nip garden crime in the bud and to secure their gardens and protect their sheds, garages and outbuildings plus their garden and power tools.

The Aylesbury Vale Community Safety Partnership has launched its spring garden security campaign to drive down thefts from sheds, gardens and garages. Historically, shed burglaries tend to rise in the spring/early summer and everyone is urged to take action to prevent becoming a victim of crime by remaining extra vigilant.

The Community Safety Partnership has issued the following garden and shed security advice:

- Make access to gardens and areas where sheds and outbuildings are located as difficult as possible – lock all side and rear gates using a bolt and padlock or hasp and staple lock, and make sure fencing/hedging is secure. Prickly plants can be used around the fence line to deter access.
- Install security lighting in gardens.
- Keep sheds, garage and outbuildings locked with good quality locks - padlock alarms are available from hardware shops that sound if any attempt is made to tamper with them.
- Consider putting bars on the windows of sheds etc. to prevent break-ins.
- Strengthen the security of sheds by reinforcing door hinges, fitting doors with non-returnable screws or coach bolts.
- Don't leave tools and equipment in gardens but keep them locked away and consider securing these with cables and chains with robust padlocks.
- Have power tools, garden implements and pedal cycles security marked with a post code and house number with deterrent warning stickers placed on the shed/garage/outbuilding windows.
- Use an ultra violet pen or a permanent marker pen on more heavy duty items such as lawnmowers.'

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Neighbourhood Plan – An alternative view: The Anarchy of the Neighbourhood Plan

The March 2014 edition of Focus carried the banner headline "Development Anarchy in Great Horwood?", because of the planning applications being promoted by two separate developers. I have to say that if ever there was a recipe for development anarchy in Great Horwood, it is the plan being proposed by the village's Neighbourhood Planning Team. Instead of identifying a single well defined site in an area which would cause the minimum of disruption to village residents, the NPT are proposing "three sites limited to fifteen houses in Little Horwood Road and Nash Road".

To begin with, the undertaking to limit development to fifteen houses will have a hollow ring for the people living in Townsend Cottages and Little Horwood Road, who in reality face having a *single* development of *thirty* houses placed on their doorsteps.

That aside, each of the sites identified are part of larger well defined sites. Can anybody *seriously* doubt that any developer, having completed "phase 1" of these sites, will then be trotting off to AVDC to challenge the restrictions which the NPT have tried to impose on them with a view to completing development of the rest of the sites. If it gets approval, the NPT's proposal will potentially open the door for development of not forty five dwellings, but possibly well over a hundred dwellings in Horwood Road and Nash Road! There really would be development anarchy!

I have no doubt there will be a response to this viewpoint from a member of the Neighbourhood Planning Team, explaining how their proposal is the "only one that is viable", but could I express what I think is the real tragedy of the situation we now find ourselves in.

At the end of this process, the one thing that now seems certain is that somewhere we will see houses being built on the beautiful, productive, green fields which surround our village. These are the things which we all love and cherish about living in this area. The tragedy is that when those houses are built, we will still have the unresolved problem of two genuine brownfield sites in this village! Undoubtedly, there are problems with developing the old mill site, but the real enigma is the brownfield site to the west of the Winslow road. Here is a completely disused area (just over one hectare in area, capable of accommodating twenty five to thirty houses), full of overgrown concrete tracks and crumbling (potentially dangerous) Nissen huts. It would allow access directly onto the main village through route and much of the commuter traffic from that site would turn south and would not even go through the village. This site will now still be there when the bulldozers have finished their work and the green fields have gone! What a terrible wasted opportunity! What a farce!

Alan Marlow

Lost Tortoise

Tina went missing from 16 Weston Road around Eastertime.

She is approx 10 inches long.

Please contact Ann : 01296 714052 or 07961960802 if you find her.



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Community Police Officer

PCSO Wendy Taylor Tel: 101 (replaces 0845 number)

inslowanddistrictnhpt@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk



Neighbourhood Plan

The Pre Submission Plan has been published and is available for comment from 28th April until 5pm on 9th June. It has been sent to all the adjoining parishes and to a number of other statutory consultees.

If you believe that the number and type of homes to be built in the village over the next 17 years should be decided by the wishes of the residents then please take the time and trouble to support the plan.

The Plan and evidence base are available on the Parish Council website:

www.bucksvoice.net/greathorwoodpc and on the home page take the link entitled: GREAT HORWOOD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Printed copies of the Plan are available for inspection in St James Church, the Village Hall, The Crown and The Swan.

You can record your views on the plan by email to:

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or in writing to:

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Chairman's Monthly Report Last Meeting – Monday 12th May 2014





Annual Parish Meeting:

The Annual Parish Meeting took place on Tuesday 29th April with around 50 people attending.

At the meeting I reported on the Parish Council activities in the year and was pleased to highlight that we had achieved the following small improvements:

- Registration of the Cricket Ground in the ownership of the Parish Council had finally been completed after more than two years.
- Five planters have been placed at the entrances to the village.
- The mobile vehicle activated sign (MVAS) is now working at different sites in the village.
- The sundial was refurbished and presented to the school.
- · New 'give way' signs were erected in Pilch Lane.
- A new handrail was built outside 2-4 Nash Road.
- Balance beams and pods have been added to the play equipment at Horwode Pece.
- 7 metal gates have been installed on footpath 9 thanks to contributions from D Jack Smith and BCC.

We then heard from the following organisations in the village about their activities and plans.

- Great Horwood and Singleborough Youth Club Monica Gilbey and 5 young people from the club – Jake, Izzy, Daisy, Jessica and George. (see photo above).
- 2. New landlords of the Swan Inn Graeme Partridge
- 3. Brownies Clare Martin
- 4. Rainbows Jill White
- 5. Thames Valley Police PC Martin Siderman
- 6. Great Horwood Silver Band Len Goodwin
- 7. Great Horwood School Charlotte Nash, Chair of Governors
- 8. St James Church June Margerrison
- 9. Village Hall Gill Wood
- 10. Horwode Pece Steve Brigden
- 11. BCC Locality Services Paul Hodson Bucks CC
- 12. Jokers Wild Margaret Michalski
- 13. WI Angela Mayne
- 14. Focus Magazine Dean White, Editor
- 15. Wednesday Morning Post Office Liz Nicholls
- 16. BCC Prevention Matters Simon Garwood
- 17. Neighbourhood Plan Team David Saunders.

Annual Parish Council Meeting 12th May

At this meeting the Chairman and Vice Chairman are elected for the year ahead and appointments are made to various committees and to represent the parish on a number of outside bodies.

I was proud to accept my election as chairman of the council for the 8th year in succession although when

accepting the position I advised that I expected this to be my final year in this position.

I am pleased to say that Cllr. Scholtens was elected to continue as Vice Chairman and amongst other appointments made were:

Cllrs. Porritt and Lamberton to join me on the Village Hall Committee.

Cllr. Porritt to continue as our representative on the Neighbourhood Action Group.

Cllrs. Gilbey and Mayne to continue as the Parish Council appointees on the Poors Allotment Charity.

Defibrillator

We will be arranging for a demonstration of a defibrillator at the next Parish Council meeting.

We need another Parish Councillor

Following the resignation of Marc Bennett-Coles we have a vacancy and can co-opt somebody to join the Parish Council. This will only last until May 2015 when elections will take place for the whole Council. So please contact me if you would like to play a part in shaping the parish for the future, and it would be especially good if we could once again find a representative from Singleborough.

Thank you to Ted Hadlow for Neighbourhood Watch

At the Annual Parish Meeting I expressed a big thank you to Ted Hadlow for his many years as the face of Neighbourhood Watch in the village and we shall sorely miss his contribution to the safety of the village. Please contact me or Wendy Taylor our PCSO if you would like to take over from Ted in keeping everybody informed about what is going on in crime prevention.

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 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 9th June 2014 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

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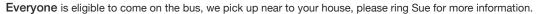
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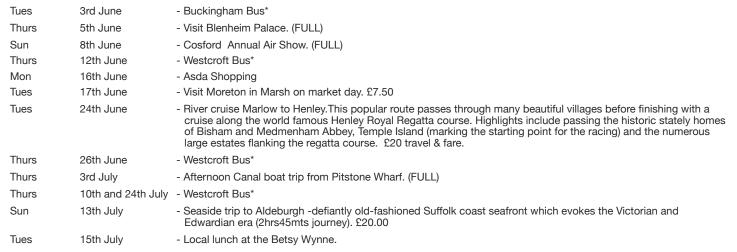
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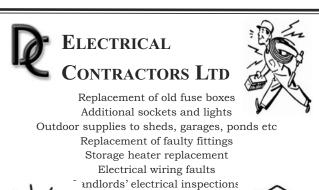
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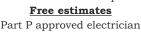
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