Nash Village Newsletter

February 2020



All Saints' Church

The services for February and March 2020 are given below. More information about Nash church is given on the Nash Village website on the "Church" tab: http://nashvillage.org

Sunday	29	March	Benefice Holy Communion	11.00 am Beachampton
Sunday	22	March	Mothering Sunday Church4All	10.00am
Sunday	15	March	Holy Communion	10.00am
Sunday	8	March	Matins	10.00am
Sunday	1	March	Holy Communion	10.00am
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Wednesday	26	February	Ash Wednesday	12 noon
Sunday	23	February	Church4All	10.00am
Sunday	16	February	Holy Communion	10.00am
Sunday	9	February	Matins	10.00am
Sunday	2	February	Holy Communion	10.00am

This year's **Deanery Lent Evensongs** will all be led by members of the Licensed Lay Ministry team with exception of the Confirmation on Sunday 5th April. All services are at 6pm and everyone is most welcome.

Sunday 1st March – Radclive Sunday 8th March – Adstock

Sunday 15th March - Thornborough

Sunday 22nd March – Water Stratford Sunday 29th March – Lillingstone Lovell

Sunday 5th April with confirmation – Padbury

Ash Wednesday: Following the Ash Wednesday Holy Communion service on 26 February, there will be a soup lunch in Nash Village Hall (at approximately 1.15pm). Donations in respect of the cost of the lunch (after expenses) will be given to charity.

Christmas Collections. Thank you to everyone who was so generous over the Christmas period. Nash Church raised just over £900 for charity. The combination of carol singing round the village and the custom of giving away the collections at the Christmas services has raised this amazing sum. The donations have been made as follows.

• Willen Hospice: £364.89

Save the Children: £144.82

Helen & Douglas House: £144.82

Crisis: £248.56

New Rector: All Saints' Nash is forming part of a new Benefice - the Blackthorn Chase Benefice - with Beachampton, Thornborough, Thornton and Whaddon. The first advertisement for the position of Rector (Designate) was unsuccessful, so the post is now being re-advertised.

Coffee Morning: About 40 people attended our successful coffee morning in Nash Village Hall on 23 November which raised over £260 to support the work of Dr Shirley Heywood with the International Nepal Fellowship in Surkhet in Nepal. This is in addition to the £200 we raised in June.

Weekday Lunch Friday 7 February 2020 Nash Village Hall 1pm

This two-course lunch is a popular social occasion for those who are in the village during the day on a weekday. It is organised by members of All Saints' Church on a non-profit making basis.

Tickets (£5 for adults and £2 for children) are available Vicky Southby and Margaret Hedges

Tickets will not be sold at the door so do book in advance – letting us know if you're vegetarian or have other special dietary requirements.

Knit and Natta group

The next dates for the above group are as follows:

18th February and 17th March. 2.30-5pm.

Everyone is welcome to join us for a cuppa and a chat whether you knit or not. Vicky

Fairtrade Fortnight : 24th February – 8th March.

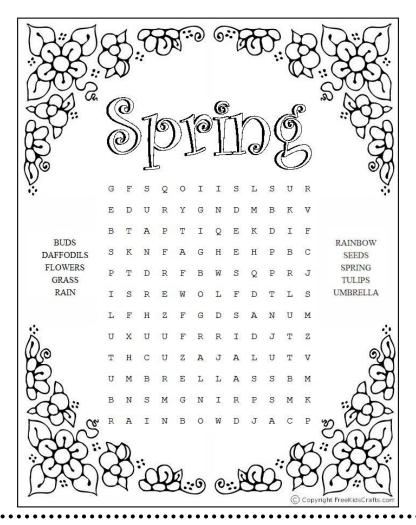
I will be holding another afternoon to raise funds and awareness for Fairtrade at Lomagundi, High Street on the 4th March from 2.30pm – 5pm.

Tea and cake will be available plus some Fairtrade goods to buy.

Come and enjoy while making a contribution to Fairtrade.

Cake contributions always welcome.

Vicky



Buckingham Food Bank

Thanks to everyone who has donated to the Food Bank. There is always a current list of produce needed on your notice board in the porch.

Many thanks Beverley Stockill and Anne Mercer

From the Editor

Welcome to the February edition of the Nash Newsletter. Items for the April edition should be sent to me by email: marchcottage@hotmail.co.uk

The closing date is Friday 27 March 2020

Clare Bourne



The views expressed by contributors to this newsletter are not necessarily those of the Editor or Nash PCC. Inclusion of an advertisement does not constitute any recommendation or endorsement of the organisations concerned.

Nash Neighbourhood Plan

The NP Committee were pleased to tell the Nash Parish Council, at its meeting on 9th January 2020, that AVDC planning officers had requested a face to face meeting to discuss our NP in detail, in early December, which two members of the NP Committee had attended.

The AVDC officers suggested changes to the boundaries on land adjacent to Wood End Lane and land adjacent to the Stratford Road. In their view, the needs of the village could be met without the inclusion of these areas. Their problem with these areas was that they had been explicitly excluded from future development and although Nash PC is free to include them if they want, AVDC would be unable to support the Nash NP if they were included. It was not something they had any choice over. It was clear that AVDC had spent some time going through our plan and the maps and documents provided and were otherwise happy with it. They were keen to stress both that they wanted to support us and if the plan is adopted they, AVDC, will very much see it as "their plan" too, with it being used to judge planning applications within the parish and seen as a core document for judging all planning applications.

Furthermore, Nash was also asked to cross reference the Nash Neighbourhood Plan with the newest version of the VALP (Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan) which was expected to be approved and in place before any Nash referendum. This would be very useful for Nash as AVDC's VALP is extremely comprehensive, has been externally reviewed, and has sections which define all of our requirements in far greater detail and in the unambiguous language of planning.

Finally they had some interesting suggestions on the benefits to Nash of defining "Green Spaces" within Nash, which we have taken back to the Nash PC. We are having follow on discussions with AVDC to see if doing so would add value to both Nash itself and the NP.

As we are all aware, AVDC is currently in the process of being superseded by the new unitary authority. This will not harm our NP but they have lost staff in planning, are finding it hard to hire new staff and are unexpectedly snowed under with work to complete the VALP. Consequently things are taking longer to turn around. But this is only adding a matter of days here and there and, once changes have been agreed between AVDC and the Nash Parish Council, all should proceed to the next stage, soon.

Des HICKEY, Chairman, Nash NP Committee

Nash Parish Council

The precept for the financial year 2020/21 was approved at the Nash Parish Council (NPC) meeting on 9 January 2020. The 2020/21 precept is £16,480, which is an increase of 19.9% on the precept for the current financial year. The increase reflects NPC's need to:

- (a) continue to meet its financial responsibilities in the context of rising costs
- (b) maintain healthy reserve(s) which requires recouping the money already spent and funding committed to opposing the Nash Park appeal.

NPC put in place an Ear Marked Reserve policy and appointed a finance subcommittee to take a more strategic approach to its assets; the level of maintenance required and where appropriate a replacement plan.

At its January meeting NPC also appointed a working group to make recommendations for village enhancements funded by S106 monies (new houses bonus). The provisional list includes: a major project to restore and overcome the village pond problems; purchasing outdoor adult gym equipment; erection of 'bandstand' type structure on the recreation ground; planting mature trees on the junction of the Little Horwood Road and Great Horwood Road. The possibility of a new piece of equipment for the playground and more rubber playground surface to replace the current woodchip has also been discussed informally.

Also worthy of note, is NPC's decision to respond to the consultation on Strengthening Police Powers to Tackle Unauthorised Encampments. The consultation is open to individuals – here is the link:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment data/file/844954/Unauthorised Encampments - consultation paper.pdf

This is a historic year with the establishment on 1 April of the new unitary authority – Buckinghamshire Council. The new entity will replace the current County Council and four District Councils. It will be responsible for providing all major services across the County. The stated aims include reducing confusion for residents, removing duplication and bringing all local services together. During the ongoing planning phase, the importance of the local provision of information, advice and support for residents has been a prevailing theme. The introduction of 17 new 'Council Access Points' has recently been confirmed. The nearest of these for Nash will be in Buckingham and Winslow. Elections to Buckinghamshire Council, and the County's town and parish councils, are scheduled to take place on Thursday 7 May 2020. For more detailed information and to keep up to date with the latest news about the new unitary authority visit: https://shadow.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/.

With my very best wishes to all for 2020.

Alison Robinson
Clerk to Nash Parish Council

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Hitler - Nash's part in his downfall

Later this spring many parts of the UK will be holding celebrations of the 75th anniversary of the end of the second world war in 1945. Nash has been more involved in this country's wars than we might imagine. Boudicca very likely marched by here, up the A5 on her way to meet her doom to Rome's legions, not far north. She was (un) lucky to get through the A5 before Milton Keynes Council managed to block some section of it off.

In the Civil War, Buckingham was a solid outpost of the King, protecting his headquarters in Oxford, whereas Newport Pagnell was a major base for Parliament, with Cromwell's own son based there. The area around Nash and Whaddon was described as "disputed territory" so we can only guess at what that implied for our now quiet streets, given the reputation of civil wars. Remember, there are still houses in the village which date from before the 1640s so our streets are a witness to nation-defining events.

The arrival of the 20th century was again to bring the impact of war to Nash. The importance of Bletchley is world renowned for its role in breaking enemy codes in the Second World War. It was chosen because it was half way between the universities and in easy reach of London. Less well known is the role that Nash and, especially, Whaddon, played in the same period, as Whaddon Hall served as headquarters of Section VIII (Communications) of MI6. The "Station X" wireless interception function was transferred here from Bletchley Park in February 1940. Whaddon and surrounding villages served in various super secret and vital roles, including the sending of ULTRA intelligence (material classified above Top Secret) from Bletchley Park to senior officers in the field be they in the desert, on warships at sea or the jungles of east Asia.

Whaddon Hall was responsible for the training of all Ultra radio operators working for UK forces everywhere in the world. All the equipment they used was built on site. Everything to do with secret communications during the war came from our small area of North Bucks with troops based in every village. Nash was no bystander in this. In the village are the remains of a radio mast which was manned 24 hours a day for the entire war to send and receive secret communications with Scandinavia, especially with agents and resistance forces in occupied Norway and Denmark, with some communications with France and as far as Yugoslavia. Nash was unusual in that its power was provided by batteries to ensure a smoother electricity supply, free of noise, so it could listen deeper into occupied territory. Though the radio listening station has gone, we believe that the battery building still exists. It is said that Nash and Whaddon are the last high ground until you reach Stockholm; an ideal site. We can be proud of the small but vital role Nash played in the fight for freedom during those dark years.

Many of the hilltops around here. from Calverton to Lenbrough's "Signal Hill" were festooned with aerials, some operational until quite recently. If you go to the back of the Church in Whaddon, looking towards Nash, you can clearly see the concrete foundations of its aerials and radio offices. Do any of you remember anything about their locations and operations, especially the one in Nash? This could be personal experience or shared reminiscences from previous residents. Please contact the editor as it would be great to gather this information, in such an important anniversary year, lest it be lost to future generations.

Des Hickey

Paula Ayers, Development Manager of Age UK Milton Keynes receiving £150.00 from John Chaplin.

The money was generously donated by the Nash residents who attended the Quiz Night on the 18th January.

These very popular quizzes, organised by Phil Doran, always donate to a different charity at each quiz.

We eagerly look forward to the next event.



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The Nash village website can be found at www.nashvillage.org

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if you are interested

Refuse Collections

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Food waste: Every Tuesday

General waste: Tuesdays 11 & 25 February, 10 & 24 March

Recycling: Tuesdays 4 & 18 February, 3, 17 & 31 March

Garden waste: If you are subscribed to the garden waste service, collection

dates are available online following the link above

If AVDC misses a collection, then report this within 48 hours either by phone to

AVDC (01296 585858) or via their website.



The Whaddon Entertainers present:

THE **2020 Whaddon Show** will echo to roars (of laughter) once more in the Jubilee Hall on Friday 17th April and Saturday 18th April. Doors and Bar open at 7.30pm.

Tickets are <u>now</u> on Sale at **£10** each (£8 under-12's and Senior Citizens). £1 from each full-price ticket will be donated to help rebuild

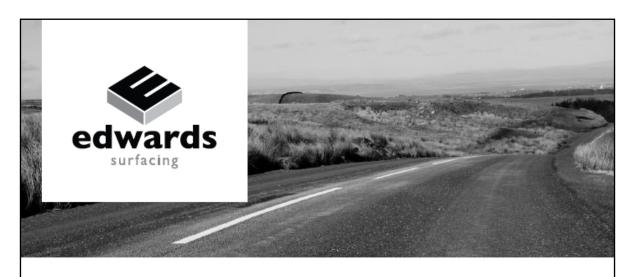
the wild animal population and their habitats in Australia, following the terrible and tragic fires in that country. There will be also an optional collection at the end of the show for those who wish to contribute on the night.

Many of you will be familiar with the Whaddon Entertainers shows in previous years. All we can say about this year is: You **do not** want to miss this one.

Last time tickets sold out nearly a month before the show, so make sure you get your seats **NOW!**

Contact Daphne via e-mail: daphneroberta@gmail.com or by telephone: 01908 592088.





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Tuesday 4th February Buckingham Bus – 1 hour in town then 1 hour in Tesco, or 2 hours in

Tesco. Door to door service, bus passes accepted, otherwise £4.50

return.

Monday 10th February Anglesey Abbey – Enjoy the Snowdrops. £25, NT Members £10 travel

Thursday 13th February Westcroft Shopping - Morrisons, Boots, Aldi, etc., bus passes accepted,

otherwise £4.50 return. Departs Winslow 9.30am, village pick-ups. Ring

to book

Tuesday 18th February BBC Birmingham Studio Tour – behind the scenes tour of the TV and

radio studios. Tour begins at 1pm, duration of 1 hour 30 minutes. £25

entry and travel.

Monday 24th February Asda Shopping MK1 - option to go to M&S, Primark, etc. £4.00.

Tuesday 25th February Lunch at The Robin Hood, Bufflers Holt. Travel £4.50

Thursday 27th **February Westcroft Shopping** - Morrisons, Boots, Aldi, etc., bus passes accepted,

otherwise £4.50 return. Departs Winslow 9.30am, village pick-ups. Ring

Tuesday 3rd March Buckingham Bus – 1 hour in town then 1 hour in Tesco, or 2 hours in

Tesco. Door to door service, bus passes accepted, otherwise £4.50

return.

Tuesday 10th March Ely Cathedral - Gowns and Crown event and tour the Cathedral. £20

Thursday 12th March Westcroft Shopping - Morrisons, Boots, Aldi, etc., bus passes accepted,

otherwise £4.50 return. Departs Winslow 9.30am, village pick-ups. Ring

to book

Monday 23rd March Asda Shopping MK1 - option to go to M&S, Primark, etc. £4.00.

Thursday 26th March Westcroft Shopping - Morrisons, Boots, Aldi, etc., bus passes accepted,

otherwise £4.50 return. Departs Winslow 9.30am, village pick-ups. Ring

to book

Coming Up! Gardeners World Live & Good Food Show Sunday June 21st

SCHEDULED WEEKLY SHOPPING ROUTES:

Every Friday and Saturday morning – Aylesbury Market Bus – from Winslow, through the Horwoods, Mursley and Swanbourne, arriving in Aylesbury just after 10am and departing 12.15pm. FREE with a bus pass, otherwise only £4.50 return.

Every Wednesday morning – Winslow Market Service – bringing surrounding villages into Winslow (Swanbourne, Mursley, Great Horwood, Whaddon, Nash and The Claydons). Pick up times vary according to village. FREE with a bus pass, otherwise only £3.00 return.

Call for more information on times, or visit our website!



WDCB would love to have more Volunteer Drivers!

If you are aged between 30 and 70 years of age, have a D1 on your licence, and have some spare time, please consider becoming a driver for your local Community Bus!

You can do as much or as little as you like, from shorter local runs to some of our longer day trips. We visit all kinds of places, garden centres, stately homes, shopping centres, countryside drives as well as our regular bus services, and the people who use the bus are a very friendly crowd!

We offer certificated training to MIDAS standard, and pay out-of-pocket expenses.

Please call or email for more info!

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Be inspired; have fun being creative

A wonderful opportunity has arisen to lead the team which brings *Whaddon Quarterly* to your door and surrounding districts; to join the dynamic group which gives this magazine its unique flavour.

AS editor, you can write just as little or as much as you like. Nothing in fact, if that is your wish. Your key role is to coordinate the contributions of the côterie of valued writers who provide readers with news and views. To do this, you will need only Word software (I have the template you can use); however, you can adopt an alternative format should you so wish.



Our printer, Andy, is close by. He is very helpful and accommodating. Andy will convert your Word document into the finished product. Then, willing volunteers will distribute the magazine in the village and post out copies to our wider audience.

As I mentioned in the last *Whaddon Quarterly*, Father Time has prompted me to stand down. But hey, that is not bad news; instead it is an opportunity for younger heads: more agile and perceptive minds to take over.

No writing skill is required, unless of course your wish is to write; then only the sky is the limit. Editing the *Whaddon Quarterly* really is about coordinating the work of others,

marshalling their contributions between the front and back covers and then publishing it. For backup, you will have the help of a proofreader, an additional set of eyes to iron out any "wrinkles".

Whaddon is a friendly village with a rich heritage and its own energy. Why not play a much valued part in further fostering this image, while at the same time having fun being creative? Gain strength through joy of helping others.

■ For the record: In November, the National Parish Magazine Awards (above left), in announcing that standards for 2019 were again high, reported that the *Whaddon Quarterly* achieved the position of 47th out of over 360 entries that were received for the A5 Category.



Time for some fresh blood!

For more details about taking over the WQ please contact me, John Mortimer at the editor's email address: wqeditor@whaddonbuckspc.org.uk or Parish Clerk Suzanne Lindsey at parishclerk@whaddonbuckspc.org.uk.

Nash Village Hall Social Events February and March 2020

Upcoming Events

February 2020

Saturday, 1st February 6.30pm to 10.30pm

Nash PUMP – Pop Up Micro Pub, popular monthly event

Friday, 14th February, 10am to 4pm

Nash Community Valentine's Café – drinks (now licensed) and cakes, light lunches, coworking space - we are collecting for the food bank in Buckingham

Friday 14th February

Cinema Club Valentine's Double Bill - starting from 6pm, arrival from 5.30pm

Contact and book at infoatnashvillagehall@gmail.com to find out what the films are and look out for an email

Saturday, 29th February

Leap Year's Day Winter BBQ

Popular Winter BBQ event - great grub, bar with beer and warm cocktails and fire pits, blankets and cosy hygge atmosphere

Contact infoatnashvillagehall@gmail.com to register your interest and for planning purposes

March 2020

Wednesday, 4th - 12pm - 2pm

Midweek soup lunch kitchen - come and enjoy a hot bowl of soup and a chat with your friends and neighbours at the hall - please contact Ruth Meardon for planning purposes should you wish to attend

Saturday, 7th 6.30pm to 10.30pm

Nash PUMP – Pop Up Micro Pub, popular monthly event

Friday, 13th - Cinema Club from 7pm on

This will be a popular sing-a-long film (with dress up!)

Please contact <u>infoatnashvillagehall@gmail.com</u> for more information on the film, tickets and to book. This event will include a ploughman's supper

Friday 20th, 10am to 4pm

Nash Community Café – drinks (now licensed) and cakes, light lunches *all dates can be subject to change

Events over December & January raised the following sums for the upkeep of the village hall

December

PUMP - £87.69 Thank you to Clare & Dan Bourne

Santa's Grotto - £38 Thank you to Santa and the Elves

Cinema Club - £43 Thank you to John Chaplin and the cinema team

Cafe - £340.85 Thank you to Jo and Lara Jones

January

Cinema Club - £30 Thank you to John Chaplin & the cinema team

Saturday Cafe - £208.50 Thank you to Sue Hayward

Quiz - £437.32, with a £150 charity donation to Age Concern - Thank you to Phil Doran

Soup Shop - £56 Thank you to Ruth Meardon & Gi Sierant

All funds raised go to the upkeep of the village hall - thank you to everyone volunteering at and attending these events.

To make you aware of any of these events we advertise them here, on our Facebook page 'Nash Village Groups', Nash Alert and a mailing group. We have considered setting up a WhatsApp group for anyone who would prefer notification via such a group. Please let us know on infoatnashvillagehall@gmail.com should you wish to join a WhatsApp group or be put on the mailing list.

Thank you.