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# Nissen hut saved and approved as a Local Heritage Asset

In the September *Marsworth News* we flagged up that there was a risk of the Nissen hut at Lower End being demolished as a result of a planning application at Bluebells. This hut is the last remaining structure associated with the Marsworth Polish Hostel which was very much a feature of our village between 1948 and 1961 and became the home for up to 500 Polish people, displaced by World War II.

The Hostel was spread over three areas: one off Long Marston Road, now identified by the Polish Hostel information board; one at the end of Church Farm Lane; and a smaller one at Lower End.

The Parish Council – with information supplied by Sandra Costello - submitted an application to Buckinghamshire Council Local Heritage for the Nissen hut to be considered a Non-Designated Heritage Asset (NDHA). Heritage assets include those that are designated - such as listed buildings, conservation areas and scheduled monuments - while those that are 'non-designated' are ones identified by the local planning authority as being of local interest.

Buckinghamshire Council Heritage, within their planning refusal, noted that the Nissen hut had been positively assessed for inclusion on the Local Heritage List (LHL) and was therefore recognised as a NDHA.

Buckinghamshire Council's Planning Department has now refused the application. Amongst the reasons given is the protection of the Nissen hut: "The proposed development would result in the total loss of at least one Non-Designated Heritage Asset resulting in substantial harm to the heritage values



The brick structure close by which had been a wash block for the site, now also safe from demolition

of the application site, particularly given the rarity of the type of structure on site. The proposals would not preserve the historic and architectural value of the site".

Other reasons given by the Local Planning Authority were:

- That the proposed development is in open countryside outside the built up limits of any settlement.
- That the proposed development would harm the integrity of the Chiltern Beechwoods Special Area of Conservation, and
- That the style of the proposed building would result in an unsympathetic, alien and out of character design in relation to the open, rural nature of the site.



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#### Marsworth Village Hall Hire of rooms

**The Main Hall** is available for parties and special occasions. Licensed for up to 100 seated and up to 200 for dances.

The upstairs **Mike Frost Room** is available for meetings or activities. This room can seat 24 for smaller functions.

For bookings, availability and charges please contact Frances Brown on 01296 661211.

### Editorial

#### By Sandra Costello

There are real highs and lows in this issue. The rescue of the Nissen hut from the risk of demolition is a great result and came as a very welcome surprise. The hut cannot be regarded as a significant monument, but it is special to Marsworth.

Also special to Marsworth was the 'diamond sign' at the White Lion bridge, which had been there for over 100 years. It was a unique symbol at the entrance to the village and considerable efforts had been made in 2016 to refurbish it and make its rather curious wording legible. Now someone has gone to some effort and risk to remove it. This is almost on a par with the malicious destruction of the Sycamore Gap tree in Northumberland in September.

The parking problem near The Anglers is something that has been going on for a long time, but which has become much worse this year, rather like the parking near All Saints, and at the end of Watery Lane near The Wharf. Unfortunately parking is problematic in a great many villages in the country, with few powers to control it.

#### New to Marsworth

It has been some time since we welcomed a new family to Marsworth in the newsletter. If you know of someone who has moved in recently, do let us know. Do check first though to ensure they would be happy to be mentioned.



#### Help needed

For over three years the *Marsworth News* team has been ably supported by Richard Dinnadge who has done sterling work in contacting the handful of regular contributors, managing their replies and ensuring they are 'print-ready'.

Richard now feels it is time to pass these tasks on to someone else. They are not especially onerous and only involve a few days' work each month, but they do require commitment and reliability.

The work involved, to summarise:

- Remind the regular contributors to send in their items a few days prior to Copy Date and follow up if necessary;
- Convert each piece into the standard format for *Marsworth News* (font, point size, punctuation, etc.);
- Be part of the proof-reading team when the newsletter is ready to finalise.

This is an interesting and not very demanding role which would make a valuable contribution to the production of this newsletter.

If interested, please contact editor@marsworthnews.co.uk.

### Village Hall car park clear-up

### Volunteers wanted for an autumn clear of the village hall car park

Are you available from 10.30am for an hour on Sunday 26th November to clear the Village Hall of its leaves and broken conker shells? The date of 26th November is provisional, subject to the Hall not being in use.

Please let the Parish Clerk know if you are able to assist and she can let you know of any date change if required. *parishclerk@marsworth.org.uk* 07557 289049.



Photo: Jeremy Whitehead

### Parish Council meeting 9th October 2023 - highlights

For full Minutes of all Meetings, future Agendas and much other information go to *https://www.marsworth.org.uk/marsworth-parish-council/*.



Councillor Brazier attended this month's Parish Meeting and having been supplied with a list of outstanding questions by the Clerk came fully prepared with answers for which MPC were extremely appreciative.

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#### Marsworth Airfield

The extension request by Ainscough to 23rd November 2023 was approved by Buckinghamshire Council (BC). The planning application has been sub-contracted to Michael Glasgow at Atkins Consultancy who already works as a contractor for BC. He is highly respected with vast experience in these matters.

#### SAC (Special Area of Conservation)

The Special Area of Conservation is an internationally recognised designation with habitats and species of significant ecological importance. The relevant sites to Buckinghamshire are the Ashridge Commons and Woods and the Tring Woodlands Site of Special Scientific Interest. A Suitable Alternative Natural Green Space (SANG) to mitigate the impact would be in place by the end of the year. All planning applications for building within 12.6 kms are on hold until determination.

The good news is that although the BC Cabinet Member for Planning and Regeneration had written regarding 'tilted balance' (see article on page 17), it will not affect areas within the SAC, e.g. Marsworth Airfield, The White Lion and Bluebells.

The National Trust (NT) is also working to renovate other buildings at Ashridge to create more choices for refreshments and car parking to alleviate the burden on the Monument. NT is also seeking to remove a covenant to enable it to stop cars being parked on the grass verges.

#### Marsworth Airfield – greenfield v brownfield

Councillor Brazier will meet with the Planning Officer, Michael Glasgow, to discuss MPC's comprehensive letter requesting a decision on the status of the land.

### Rights of Way/Highway issue reported to MPC at Manor Farm.

Clerk has contacted Buckinghamshire Rights of Way team in relation to the condition of stiles, inadequate signage and members of the public being turned away.

#### Dog Waste Bin

A new dog waste bin is to be provided by MPC along Lower Icknield Way and the junction with the bridlepath which runs parallel to College Lake.

Police Report - no report again this month

#### **Marsworth Parish Councillors**

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> Parish Council meeting dates 2023 8.00pm in Village Hall

13 November 11 December

#### Section 137 Funding

A donation of £200 will be granted to All Saints Church for grounds maintenance and a donation of £200 to Marsworth CofE Infant School as a contribution towards swimming lessons.

A donation of £59 was given for the wilding project at the corner of Vicarage Gardens and Vicarage Road.

#### **Next MPC Meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 13th November. Any items for the agenda need to have been submitted to the Parish Clerk by Sunday 5th November. All members of the public are welcome to attend but please let the Parish Clerk know in advance if you plan to be present (*parishclerk@marsworth.org.uk*).

### New Year's Day ramble

Monday 1st January 2024

Meet at All Saints Church from 10.45am for an 11.00am prompt departure for one of Steve's rambles, arriving back at the Church around 12.30pm for a light lunch courtesy of Gill and John White. It may be muddy, so wear suitable footwear. No stiles.



The route of the walk will be in December's newsletter.

### Marsworth Village Hall

The Village Hall Committee needs new volunteers to help run the Village Hall. We meet at 7.30pm on the first Wednesday of the month at the Hall. Apart from attending the meeting, input can be as little or as much as you are able. Why not come along to the next meeting to see what being a member involves?

We also run The 100 Club and Fireworks Night.

All local organisations can have a representative on the Committee without being elected. To date we have eight members, three of whom are shortly leaving due to longevity, one of which is the current Secretary.

Dick Brake, Chair

### All Saints Church



Autumn is upon us with temperatures dropping and a hint of frost in the air. The church has been busy this weekend (13th to 15th October), holding a Harvest Supper followed by a Harvest Festival Service and a Baptism. More about that later.

The harvest has largely been completed and in the words of the hymn "All is safely gathered in", words that reflect God's care for the natural world. In fact I noticed when out walking recently that the next cereal crop is already showing green. Marsworth is still a rural community, despite the fact that very few of us actually work in agriculture, but it is certain that we all appreciate what goes on in the fields around us.

To return to the Harvest Festival weekend, celebrations commenced with the Harvest Supper held in the village hall on the Friday evening. A team effort from across the village prepared the dishes and many hands helped to set up and decorate the tables in the hall. There was help with serving and finally the washing up and clearing away of the tables and chairs afterwards.

The Saturday that followed saw the church being decorated, mainly with foliage and berries gathered from local hedgerows.

On the Sunday our Harvest Festival Service took place with the very welcomed inclusion of Marsworth Infants' School. It was very gratifying to see children, staff and parents at the service. Many of the congregation brought gifts which were taken up to and received at the altar. Previously goods had been collected by the children at the school and placed around the font. These, together with the goods presented at the altar, would be collected later for distribution around the community.

Finally on the Sunday afternoon a Baptism took place. What better time to introduce a little child into the Christian world?

John White, Churchwarden

#### Who's Who at All Saints Marsworth

https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/5941 Find us on Facebook

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#### Services for November 2023

Sunday 5th November9.15amHoly Communion, Common Worship3.00pmBaptism

Sunday 12th November 10.15am Remembrance Sunday Service Wreaths laid at the War Memorial

#### Sunday 19th November 9.15am Holy Communion, Common Worship

#### Sunday 26th November

4.00pm Christ the King – Evensong



Stone head on All Saints church Jeremy Whitehead Please send us <u>your</u> photos!



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# Marsworth Village Hall (

#### 100 Club draw results for October. Our congratulations to the winners.

#### £20 prizes

- 142 Sylvia Frost Lukes Lea
- 141 Hannah & Phil Reid Lukes Lea
- 92 Valerie Thomasson Stepnells
- 121 David & Sarah Crombie Vicarage Road
- 94 Keith Thomasson Stepnells

The next draw for our regular five £20 prizes will be at the Hall Committee meeting on 1st November at 7.30pm.

If you haven't joined, please do so now.

Bank details: MARSWORTH VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB, Sort 20-39-07, Account 00602809. For those who wish to pay by Transfer, please give the reference as house number and initials of your road.

The membership is £20 for twelve months. Four new £50 prizes will be made available In April and August.

Thank you all for taking part.

Stephanie Hurley - stephanie.hurley@btinternet.com





#### All Saints Church will be floodlit for Christmas and New Year from 1st December 2023 until 6th January 2024

#### Would you like to sponsor a few hours of floodlighting?

This is a nice way to remember a loved one, to mark a special occasion or simply to enjoy the sight of the floodlit church over the festive period. All dedications will be recorded on a list in the Church porch.

If you would like to take part, please complete the form below and return with your donation to Jenny Sheils, Leveret Lodge, Church Lane, Marsworth.

Donations can be made by cash, cheque (payable to All Saints Church) or bank transfer.

The bank details are: All Saints Church Sort code 55 70 10 Account no 06507239

Please include your name and F/L in the payment reference.

Name	
Address	
Date required	Amount enclosed
Dedication	

### Theft of White Lion bridge sign

The cast iron white with black writing diamond shaped sign that detailed how the bridge was not suitable for heavy motor cars was stolen from the White Lion canal bridge on the night of Friday 13th October.



Paul Rance, who restored the sign in 2016, has reported the theft to the Police.

The sign is very heavy so a vehicle and probably two men would have been needed to remove it.

If you have any information, please let the Police know (we don't have a crime ref yet) or email *MarsworthNHW@gmx.com*. The incident is also on the *Everything Marsworth* Facebook page.



### This was the front page story of *Marsworth News*, December 2016.

Paul Rance's comment in the first paragraph: "Don't worry - it's not been nicked" is now very ironic.

### The Diamond Sign is Back!

By Elaine Standen and Sandra Costello

On 21st November 2015 a comment was posted on Facebook's 'Everything Marsworth': *"Just to let you all know that today (Saturday) we removed the diamond shaped sign next to the White Lion bridge.* We are going to restore it with funds from the Steam Rally. So don't worry, it's not been nicked, it will be back fully refurbished. – Paul Rance"

True to his word, almost a year to the day it is now back where it belongs. It was reinstalled on a bitterly cold November morning and it took four men to do the job; Parish Council Chairman Dick Brake, ClIr Bob Kennedy and fellow Steam Rally committee member Graham Dickinson were on hand to



'lift and hold' while Paul drove the bolts through. It is made of cast iron and it needed specially adapted nuts and bolts to secure it in place – the original type is no



type is no longer available!

The sign in the 1920s

After sandblasting the sign it was revealed that it belonged to the Grand Junction Canal Company – which became the Grand Union Canal Company in 1929, then British Waterways and now Canal & River Trust (CRT). The sign was first placed at this location between 1910-1920.

The Steam Rally Committee decided that it was a worthwhile community project that they could fund and so they set to work after gaining permission from CRT.

The sign had to be powder coated and Paul set about painting all the letters by hand, a delicate and time-consuming task he had underestimated. The weights restrictions noted on the sign are no longer applicable in this modern age so to avoid confusing any lorries passing over the bridge, these measures had to be blanked out.





Work in progress

Graham Dickinson, Dick Brake and Paul Rance

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### Marsworth Bonfire and Fireworks Night

Saturday 4th November

Gates open 6.00pm - Bonfire lit 6.30pm Fireworks 7.00pm

Entry £5 adult, child £2.



This year the burgers and hot dogs are from Grooms, cooked and sold by Rural Roasts, a local Company.

Marsworth Recreation Ground, Watery Lane HP2 34LY

### BONFIRE

#### Saturday 4th November - at the Rec.

If you wish to deposit <u>combustible rubbish</u> please ring to gain access for large deposits, or walk it in and put it on the bonfire.

Dick Brake 01296 662533

To the person who put the bed on the fire, please remove it as it will cost the Village Hall money to dispose of the springs and other metals in it.



The bonfire!

Photo - Jeremy Whitehead



### Sunday 19th November 11am to 3pm

Wilstone Village Hall Tring Road, Wilstone, Tring HP23 4PE

Come and join us, for some Perfect gifts at your local Winter Market this Christmas.



### Fun Quiz Night

Saturday 11th November Marsworth Millennium Hall

7.00pm for start at 7.30pm Teams of up to 8 people

Tickets £10 including a light supper Please let us know if you have any dietary requirements.

Please bring your own drinks and glasses and light table nibbles.

Terrific Raffle

To reserve your table contact:

Richard Cooper: 01296 661725 / Caroline Smith: 07557 289049

In aid of All Saints Church Marsworth

### Dangerous parking at Watery Lane by The Anglers Retreat

The residents of Watery Lane would like to draw attention to the very dangerous parking that occurs at the end of Watery Lane, by The Anglers Retreat pub. Almost every day the residents of the Lane and also those leaving the pub car park have to make dangerous turns onto Lower Icknield Way because of the vehicles parked on the corner of the road. It is impossible to see past the vehicles and drivers have to pull quite far out into the road to get a view of the oncoming traffic. This is an accident waiting to happen.

Marsworth Parish Council has notified Buckinghamshire Highways and Thames Valley Police. Councillor Peter Brazier has taken this matter up with Steve Broadbent to try to break the cycle of responsibility between Council and Police.

The Highway Code recommends parking not more than ten metres before a junction. Please be aware of other road users.













Photos: Caroline Smith and Jeremy Whitehead



At work re-pointing the Red Lion Bridge.

Photo: Jeremy Whitehead

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### Marsworth CE Infant School

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#### November 2023

This term our value is Thankfulness. 'Always be thankful' 1 Thessalonians 5.16

We have been thinking about what we are thankful for and that we should count our blessings. The children wrote a blessing prayer.

> Father God, We have so many blessings to be thankful for. Butter, bodies and bikes, Lessons, leopards and laughter, Earth, eggs and elephants, Sun, sea, sand, School, snakes and snails, Ice, Ice-Iollies and ice cream, Netflix, night-time and noodles, Giraffes, grapes and grass, Sheep, sunflowers and space. Amen

The children shared this with parents at the Celebration Service and took a moment to reflect on what we as adults are truly grateful for. What are *you* thankful for?

#### **Open Day**

We held a successful Open Day on Tuesday 10th October, where many new faces came to find out about our lovely School. Our next open day is in January, however we are able to arrange alternative dates, so if your child is due to start School next year and you've already started thinking about where you'd like them to go, please contact us to arrange a visit, either by phoning 01296 668440 or emailing us at office@marsworth.bucks.sch.uk.

#### **Harvest Festival**

We celebrated Harvest in School through our Collective Worship and RE lessons. We participated in the service on 15th October at the Church. The children performed the song, 'Thank you for the Harvest' and recited a Harvest prayer. The children collected donations of

non-perishable food items, which were then used to decorate the font in the Church.



These items contributed to the food bank. Many thanks for all the generous donations!

#### Fundraising

The School is now registered with Easyfundraising, so you can raise FREE donations for us when you do your everyday online shopping. All you have to do is find the brand you want to shop with on the Easyfundraising website or app and they will donate to us when you make a purchase – at no extra cost to you! Sign up for free at: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ marsworthcofeinfantschool/?utm\_campaign=raisemore&utm\_medium=email&utm\_content=rm-sch-n3.

#### Art Exhibition

We held an Art Exhibition where the children created a painting on canvas, which was displayed for parents and family members to view. They then had an opportunity to purchase the work. As part of the event, we held a raffle on an art theme with prizes ranging from the following: craft packs and art equipment from The Works Bookshop, a voucher for a slime party from The Craft Station, three children's art classes from *www.art-K.co.uk* based at Silk Mill in Tring and a voucher to attend an event organised by Brush Party.



Some examples of the children's art work

#### Bags2School

Thank you to all who dropped off bags of clothing and fabric for the Bags2School event. This will really make a difference to our School!

I will keep you updated with more fundraising events throughout the year.

#### **EVENTS COMING UP**

#### School trip

As part of our Space topic in KS1, we will be taking the children to the National Space Centre in Leicester, where they will explore the museum, listen to a talk in the planetarium and take part in a rocket workshop. I'm sure the children will love this despite it being a long day! Find out how we got on in the next edition.

#### **Children in Need**

Once again, the children will be taking part in raising money for Children In Need and we will be holding another cake sale on 17th November at 3.20pm at the School. Please feel free to pop along.

#### **Countdown to Christmas**

Our annual Christmas performance will take place in the Church on **Tuesday 13th December** at approximately 9.15am. This year it is called **'The Nativity'**. The children have already been introduced to the songs and have been given their parts.

#### **Christingle Service**

On the last day of term, 19th December, the children will be participating in a Christingle Service at the Church. The children will have made a Christingle and learnt about the meaning at School.

These are just a few events coming up! Life in School is always so busy and varied with lots of learning opportunities taking place.

*Mrs Polatci,* Headteacher

### Marsworth Women's Institute

By Denise Cornwall

#### WI Report for October



Our meeting this month started off very sadly when our president had to express

our sorrow on hearing of the death of Evelyn Barber, a very long-standing member of Marsworth WI who died on 25th September. Evelyn was a well-known and very much liked member of our WI and joined when she lived in Marsworth. She moved to Tring but remained a big supporter of our WI and everything that went on in Marsworth - especially our Flower Festival where her floristry skills came to the fore. She would be beavering away in the flower tent all day making endless flower arrangements for us to sell. Her last outing to a village event was the concert that All Saints Choir put on in the church. She sang along to all the songs and thoroughly enjoyed herself. She will be very much missed.

Our trip to Bletchley Park was a great success and the weather stayed fine. The guided tour was very much appreciated, and the guides' enthusiasm and knowledge were amazing. The guides are all volunteers and come from as far away as Banbury and further. It was a very interesting place, and we would recommend it. Many members will be taking advantage of the fact that the tickets are valid for a year and can be used for as many return visits that you want to do. Excellent value.

Our trip to Greatmoor Recycling had to be cancelled as they were experiencing processing problems. This meant that there would have been nothing for us to see taking place. We will be booking it again.

Supper Club this month was at Da Vinci in Tring: lovely food, good atmosphere and a lot of banter and chatting. Oh - and consuming of wine, though not for us drivers.

Craft Club is well attended, and we continue to make interesting things.

Our Book Club / Bake Off is also well attended and all are enjoying their chosen books as well as the food. I'm sure they only have tea and coffee at these meetings!

Ruth Waine, our speaker for last month, sent a very nice email to us via Wendy Fitzgerald, thanking us for our donation following her talk on Mercy Ships, which had totalled £154.25.

Our meeting was well attended, and we have a new member joining us; welcome to Sue Rattue. Sue came along to a couple of meetings to see what we were all about and decided to join us. Our doors are open to anyone who would like to do the same. We had a lady do that at this month's meeting.

Other business was to vote on members of our committee - those already on the committee and new members. Two new members had been proposed, Lynne Allen and Caroline O'Donovan and we are delighted that they accepted the proposals.

It was then over to our speaker Richard Stark, who we booked as a speaker on "A Night at the Movies". He politely told us that he wasn't a speaker but an entertainer. He swiftly changed from a hand-knitted patterned cardigan and jeans to full evening dress as he readied for the performance. 'What on earth are we going to be getting?' went through our minds. We were then entertained in fine style by Richard who serenaded us with songs from films. He started back in 1931 and then went through the decades, singing songs which we knew and could sing along to. He gave some background information about how films using music had evolved over the years. Accompanied by backing tracks, he started with 'Moon River' ("Breakfast at Tiffanys") and worked his way through the years and songs connected to films. He covered the Bond films and mimicked the slow motion of the start of one of the Bond movies. He had a gun and pretended to shoot our president. He was very entertaining and had a great voice. He sang for about an hour - it was lovely and although a bit more money than most it was worth every penny. It was a very different, but very enjoyable evening.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 7th November. This will be our annual meeting which is always a Cheese and Wine event. Yes, we're at it again, drinking wine!

### Evelyn Barber

The family of Evelyn Barber is sad to announce her passing on 25th September 2023 following a short illness.

Her funeral will begin with a committal at Bierton Crematorium on Friday 10 November at 2.15pm, followed by a Service of Thanksgiving at All Saints Church, Marsworth at 3.30pm. All who knew Evelyn will be very welcome to join the family at either or both services and afterwards at Marsworth Village Hall for a time to share memories.

Family flowers only - donations in Evelyn's memory to Cancer Research.

See obituary on page 11.

# HRCs change to winter opening hours

From Sunday 1st October, all ten of Buckinghamshire's Household Recycling Centres (HRCs) will have switched over to the usual winter opening hours of 9am to 4pm.

The days each centre is open will remain unchanged but the change in hours reflects the fact that as it gets closer to the clocks going back at the end of October

and over the winter months, the number of visitors to the sites decreases.

To find out which days your local HRC is open and also further details of what can and cannot be taken to a centre,



visit: buckinghamshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/

Any items such as furniture, garden equipment, bicycles and household equipment in good condition can be taken to any HRC where they are collected for reuse. Items donated are sold on by the South Bucks Hospice which runs the reuse shop in Aston Clinton HRC.

#### Evelyn Gladys Barber 30/10/1933- 25/9/2023

Evelyn was born in Tring to very humble beginnings. She lived all her life either in Tring or Marsworth. Married to Ted, they had three children -Stephen, Paul and Tracy.

In the early and mid-sixties they lived at the Toll House up the canal towards Bulbourne. Ted was foreman at the British Waterways pile shed, making concrete 'piles''' to hold up the canal banks. The site is now



developed as houses at Marsworth Wharf. Evelyn played landlady to Waterways students on work experience, and hosted film makers and celebrities for the 1963 making of the film "The Bargee" staring Harry H Corbet and Julia Foster. Later in life she would give talks about the experience to WI groups and local history groups.

She started up 1st New Mill Cub Scouts as Arkala; she drove for Stan Gregory, Butcher, and made holly wreaths for everyone. In the severe winter of 1963 she would transport children and groceries on the 18 inches of ice using a sledge, from the entrance of the Wendover Arm to the Grand Junction pub at Bulbourne and on to New Mill and Tring.

Evelyn and Ted ran a mini mart and florists in Tring for over 20 years. Staff who helped were treated like family and the friendships established have lasted a lifetime. On retirement from the retail trade, they moved to Vicarage Road in Marsworth, where Ted helped build the house. They loved their garden and Ted would make sure no unwanted builders' debris / rubble was left in the soil. Evelyn did voluntary work delivering meals on wheels, prescriptions and worked in the lan Rennie Charity shop. She was never happier than when helping out at the Marsworth church Flower Festival. She was a member of the WI and made many friends in the village.

Following Ted's passing she moved back to Tring, where she lived the rest of her life, suffering cancer but was very proud of defeating it.

She will be sadly missed by family, friends and the many who knew her.

Following the funeral on 10th November, her ashes will be laid to rest at All Saints along with those of Ted.

#### **Beacon Villages Community Library**

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Open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 2-5pm, Saturday 10am-1pm.

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### Startops footbridge update

In response to a number of queries regarding this footbridge, Dale Canfield, Area Manager of the CRT has replied:

"I have had a few complaints raised on this one. I can only respond by saying there is a



reason for the works taking place and that is safety, in particular around the integrity of the reservoirs, in this case the spillway itself.

I would suggest complainants Google 'Toddbrook'\* and this will explain why this work is necessary and until it is complete and considered safe the area will be closed for public access.

This necessary work far outweighs the desire to use the area for walks, and the compromise will be beneficial to all in the long run. There have been some delays in completion, but I expect this to be finished in the



next few weeks and everything will be open again, and I hope everyone can enjoy walking in the area as they did before."

\* Toddbrook Reservoir in Derbyshire - the dam auxiliary spillway was damaged in August 2019 after a period of intense rainfall. This resulted in a a major incident affecting settlements at Whaley Bridge and nearby below the dam.

See CRT update on page 12.

Photos: Jeremy Whitehead.

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- To join us, visit our website at www.girlguiding.org.uk Children from Marsworth welcome at both groups.

### Slow Ways Network

Slow Ways is a website launched in 2021 which enables users to plot a route between two settlements in the United Kingdom. The routes are not intended to be the fastest possible, but rather encourage walkers to rediscover unused footpaths and engage in more leisurely walks.

### Get your community properly connected to the Slow Ways national walking network

Marsworth is invited to contribute to the creation of Slow Ways - an ambitious crowd-sourced, community-verified national walking network that connects all of Britain's towns, cities and national parks. Boosting walking and wheeling remains a top priority for all councils and Slow Ways is a great resource to help you achieve that goal.

Supported by the National Lottery Community Fund, its mission is to make it easier for people to walk and wheel between places. Having a network of recommended and trusted routes is key to unlocking this - and you have the power to help.

- These routes need checking on the ground to make sure they are good enough for people to follow. Councils are uniquely positioned to help with that challenge.
- Help is needed to scale-up Slow Ways' national effort and verify the whole of the network. Each route requires at least three positive reviews and a survey for it to become part of the Slow Ways trusted network.
- The aim is for every place in the network to be 100% checked. Once that's happened there will be a jointly created national network that everyone can use.
- Walk the walk Choose a suitable route from *https:// beta.slowways.org/* or the iphone app. Walk it and then leave a review.

For more information go to https://beta.slowways.org.

### Canal & River Trust items

**Startops and Tringford Reservoirs Works** These should be completed by Friday 20th October.

#### Fly-tipping by the Red Lion Bridge

Following a complaint by residents of the state of the illegal rubbish that has been dumped in the Biffa bin

container area, Dale Canfield, the Area Operations Manager – Grand Union South, Canal and River Trust (CRT), wants to let residents know that the cost of removing this illegal waste – just for the Grand Union South – is around £15,000 per year. Clearly this money could be better spent.

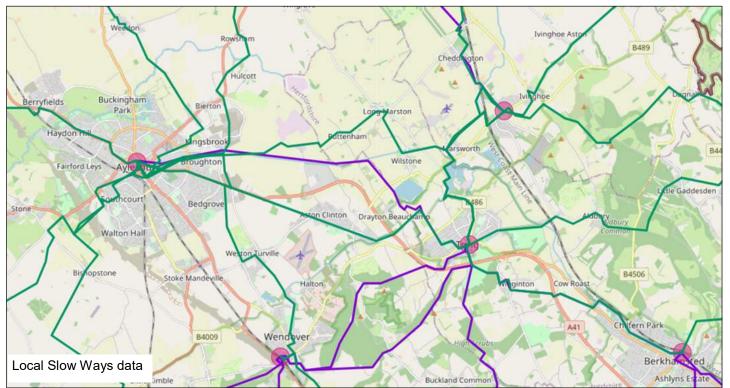


If you see illegal dumping, please report it. Call: 0303 040 4040.

Caravan Illegally parked at Startops car park CRT is aware and has asked the residents to move on.



Photos: Jeremy Whitehead



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### Marsworth Neighbourhood Watch

By Linda Beardsley, NHW Co-ordinator

Every year, we move our clocks back one hour at 2.00am on the last Sunday in October, so in the UK we are now on Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) rather than British Summer Time (BST).



#### BST was first introduced

more than a century ago as part of the Summer Time Act 1916. This came into effect following a campaign by builder William Willett, who proposed that the clocks go forward in Spring and go back in Winter so that people could save energy and spend more time outdoors during the day.

This has the effect that days become darker earlier on Autumn and Winter afternoons. It is always at this time of year the Police and other safety organisations hi-light home safety. Double glazed windows and doors are harder to break into; think about alarming these too. Motion sensor lights are seen as a deterrent. If you are out when it is dark, close the curtains and consider a timer for your lights or smart bulbs to give the impression someone is at home. As we approach Christmas, don't leave valuable items where they can be seen, or post your Christmas plans on social media. Repair any broken fences and use robust locks on gates and outbuildings.

ROSPA (Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents) remind motorists to be especially aware of other road users at this time of year and also remind cyclists and pedestrians to make sure you can be seen with lightcoloured clothing and hi vis accessories. They also advise it is good practice to test that your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are working properly.

#### **Bonfire Night**

Remember to follow the firework code for your own display or visit an organised event, like our own excellent Marsworth display, advertised on page 7.



- Plan your firework display to make it safe and enjoyable. Only over 18s can buy fireworks. Do not use between midnight and 7.00am on November 5/6th
- In England only buy fireworks which carry the UKCA marks. Keep your fireworks in a closed box, and use them one at a time.
- Read and follow the instructions on each firework, using a torch if necessary. It is an offence under the Explosives Act 1875 to tamper or modify fireworks.
- Light the firework at arm's length with a taper and stand well back.
- Keep naked flames, including cigarettes, away from fireworks.
- Never return to a firework once it has been lit.

- Don't put fireworks in pockets and never throw them.
- Direct any rocket fireworks well away from spectators.
- Never use paraffin or petrol on a bonfire.

Make sure that the fire is out and surroundings made safe before leaving.

Thank you for making Marsworth a safer place to live.

### The Tring Anglers

Following on from the October Tring Anglers article regarding the improved relationship between boaters and anglers, I have been approached by the trade



boats representative asking if we could work together for an open day event on the Reservoir pound of the canal. They would apply to Canal & River Trust for mooring restrictions between locks 39 and 40 sometime in April. We would aim to set up four coaching stations for which you could book one hour sessions in advance; in addition, two stations would be available on the day. Look out for advertising just after Christmas.

If you have been walking around the reservoirs lately you may have noticed that waste and dog poo bins have been removed by Canal & River Trust. I think we are all aware that severe monetary restraints have forced a tightening of the CRT belt. There is also an argument that waste paper bins attract excess rubbish when full as well as fly tipping. People will be encouraged to take their rubbish home. It is hoped that increasing numbers of CRT volunteers with such teams as the Plastic Challenge and Towpath Taskforce will assist in controlling litter and plastics.

Tring Anglers have alerted its members to the litter problem, and I shall remind CRT that the club has often joined forces with the various volunteer groups in keeping the towpath in a fit state for all people to enjoy. As we pay for our fishing rights it is in our own interest to look after the canal.



Refreshment time for the combined team of Tring Anglers and Aylesbury Towpath Taskforce. Lock 16 Aylesbury

The warm early October weather has meant the fishing for all species has been excellent. I have particularly enjoyed catching some roach from the Ressie pound at the rear of the Waters Edge Café. The best technique has been to fish in the deeper water, introduce a small amount of black ground bait with some squats (mini maggots) with casters (chrysalis) or red maggot on the hook. I have only caught the odd fish on sweetcorn, unlike during the summer. We can also expect to find the big perch appearing in the usual areas such as the Cooks Wharf car park swims.

### Rural Rambler By Steve

A series of walks around Marsworth and the local countryside. All the walks in this series can now be downloaded from the Marsworth website: *https://www.marsworth.org.uk/the-marsworth-news/rural-rambler.* 

#### No. 12: Dunstable Downs and Whipsnade Tree Cathedral

I offer a shorter walk than normal this month. The basic walk is only about 2.5 miles but there is the opportunity to add an extension for up to another 2.8 miles if you want something longer. We start and finish at the Chilterns Gateway Centre (CGC) on Dunstable Downs (pay and display parking, £3.50 for the day, National Trust members free). This is located on the B4541 which runs between the B489 at Dunstable (turn right at the BP garage as you enter the town) and the B4540 at Whipsnade (at the roundabout about half a mile past the zoo). Highlights of the walk are the magnificent views along The Chilterns scarp and across the Vale of Aylesbury and the Tree Cathedral at Whipsnade.

The walk is easy going, mostly on good quality tracks and tarmac paths, with gentle hills and occasional muddy/ slippery patches when wet. For refreshments there is a café at the CGC and good pubs in nearby Whipsnade (Old Hunter's Lodge) and Kensworth (The Farmer's Boy).

Start from the noticeboard outside the CGC which shows this path and other trails from this point. This month's walk is marked by purple way-mark arrows (a free leaflet with map is available in the Centre).



Map at the Chilterns Gateway Centre

Head towards the gravel car park and turn right onto the tarmac path that runs across the field along the crest of the hill. On reaching Chute Wood (Point A) turn left onto a footpath through the trees until reaching the tarmac 'Sallowsprings' lane (B). Follow the lane for approximately half a mile until you reach a clear path on the right with a "National Trust Whipsnade" sign (C). Turn right here taking you to the north entrance to the Tree Cathedral.

This was planted in 1930 by Edmund Blyth to commemorate his friends who died in the 1st World War and uses trees to mark out the form of a medieval cathedral. A variety of trees are used to form various features; for example, the Nave is planted with lime trees and the Transept with horse chestnut and tulip trees.

The best way to explore the cathedral is to walk



straight through from the North Entrance towards the Porch where there is an information board with map and description of the planting. Take some time to explore and admire the foresight of Edmund. An online search ('Whipsnade Tree Cathedral') offers information on the history and the planting of this, probably unique, feature.

To continue with the walk, take the exit from the grounds of the cathedral via a kissing gate in the west corner of the site (D); at the time of writing this is marked by a mown path through the long grass adjacent to the information board. Pass through the kissing gate into the field beyond and follow the path along the edge of the field towards a modern cottage. Beside the cottage another kissing gate (beware-very rough underfoot!) leads to a short narrow path and to a T junction (E).

Turn right onto the Icknield Way Path. Follow this path through the trees, it later becomes a 'sunken lane' between banks and hedges, an indication of the great age of this route, until you come out of the trees above the Bison Hill car park on the B4540. Here there are outstanding views along The Chilterns scarp to the southwest, to Ivinghoe Beacon, Waddesdon and, on a clear day, beyond.

Stay on the upper levels of the hill and bear right through a gate (F) to continue on the lcknield Way Path along the scarp to the north-east. Each time I have done this walk I have seen many birds of prey in this area (kestrels,



View from Bison Hill

buzzards and the ubiquitous red kites). The open countryside and the updraught on the hills must make this a good hunting ground. Follow the path along the ridge, taking time to watch the gliders and ground activity at the London Gliding Club below.

At the path junction with the strange monolithic structure (point G, actually part of the CGC ventilation system) turn right, returning to the start.

To extend the walk it is possible to add on the National Trust "Stone Age Walk", marked red on the NT map and waymarkers. This is another three miles but can easily be shortened. Instead of leaving the Icknield Way Path at the ventilation structure carry straight on and follow the red way-marks.



Ventilation structure close to the start/finish point

Turn left at the old car park and head on a curved path downhill then turn right at the bottom and follow the path along the edge of the fields, returning by the upper path adjacent to the road. There are plenty of shortcuts, a couple are shown on the map on page 15.

### Marsworth and District Miscellany

Items for *Bucks Herald,* by local journalist *Kate Andrew.* Some of these get fuller treatment or have been covered elsewhere in this issue.

#### LITTER PICKERS

Marsworth litter pickers recently collected lots of rubbish, hub caps and more. They had a catch-up at Waters Edge afterwards. On Sunday 5th November they will do a litter pick at the Rec following the fireworks, and will maybe visit the Red Lion afterwards. Joanna Bethell-Rance is the organiser.

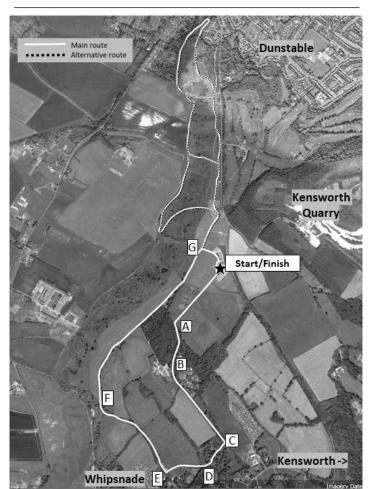
#### **BRIDGE SIGN STOLEN**

The wonderful antique 'diamond' weight restriction sign on a post at the White Lion Bridge, Marsworth, which Paul Rance painstakingly restored in 2016, was stolen on the evening of Friday 13th October.

The heavy, cast-iron sign dates back to Edwardian times and was created under the Motor Car Acts 1895 and 1903. The wording begins, 'This bridge is insufficient to carry a heavy motor car...'

Paul says: 'It really is so much part of the village. It must have been there for a hundred years plus. And Woody Wilson comments: It is priceless to us boaters and people like myself that have been part of the village for over 30 years. Saddens me so.'

The hope is that the thieves may have been caught on CCTV and that the pictures will be shared enough online to make the sign unsaleable. It is estimated to be worth about  $\pounds300$  at auction.



#### **ELVIS NIGHT**

There's a 'Celebrating Elvis' Night at The Haldi Restaurant in Ivinghoe on 7th and 21st December. Call the restaurant to book.

#### CHRISTMAS WONDERLAND

There will be a Christmas market, Santa's grotto, snow globe, treasure hunt, Meet the Owls, mulled wine and minced pies at Cheddington Village Hall, Church Lane, Cheddington LU7 0RU on Friday 22nd December from 3.00 - 7.00pm.

#### CHARGING POINTS

The first of a new batch of Electric Vehicle Charging Points (EVCPs) for Dacorum are up and running in the Forge Car Park, Tring. Installation work is also scheduled to be completed soon in High Street Car Park in Hemel Hempstead.

#### NEW CAFÉ AT SILK MILL

Cow Juice Café has opened at Unit 21, Silk Mill Business Park. Brook Street HP23 5EF, run by Phil Knight. The new cafe will open from 7.00am to 6.00pm serving cakes, sandwiches, coffee, tea, milkshakes and more. The spacious café has a rustic feel, with as much as possible sourced from second-hand shops or reclaim yards, to avoid contributing to waste.

'Come down, get a sandwich, something to keep you going for the day and have a laugh while you are there. Can't be bad, can it?' says Phil, whose website says that Cow Juice Cafes are about chilled, friendly people no matter who you are or where you are from.

The café can host children's milkshake making parties for up to 16.



Plan of the Tree Cathedral

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# Winter support offer for Bucks residents



Buckinghamshire Council has confirmed its package of support to those most in need as we head into winter. £4.8m of Household Support Fund (HSF) from the Department for Work and Pensions is being used to provide a wide range of support to residents. The HSF money is also being used to provide grants to food and welfare voluntary and community support organisations, to help those struggling with the ongoing cost of living pressures.

The HSF support includes the Monthly Monday Meals programme at Buckinghamshire New University which offers students a free monthly recipe kit and meal bag, as well as access to an online cookery course to learn how to prepare healthy and budget friendly meals.

The HSF supports the council's Helping Hand service which assesses applications for financial help and navigates residents to the most appropriate support. Since April this year, using the Household Support Fund money, the council's Helping Hand service has:

- managed 5,120 applications for support
- helped 2,540 residents with bespoke support
- referred 1,709 households to local food banks
- funded 1200 white goods and essential items
- issued nearly 30,000 free school meal holidays digital food vouchers during the May and Summer school holidays in 2023
- supported over 40 food banks and local voluntary organisations

In addition to the support provided to eligible families during school holidays through the Household Support Fund, Buckinghamshire Council also runs the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme during the Easter, Summer and Christmas school holidays. Funded by the Department for Education, HAF provides free holiday activities and a healthy hot meal for children in Reception – Year 11 who receive benefits-related free school meals.

Buckinghamshire residents who are in need can contact Helping Hand to request help accessing or paying for food, bills, essentials, and debt advice.

*www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/helping-hand.* Visit *www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/cost-of-living* to find out about the cost-of-living support available and advice reducing bills.

Household Support Fund 4 funding is allocated for April 2023 - March 2024. More information on spending allocation is available at: www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/ cost-of-living/household-support-fund.



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### Important planning update

Buckinghamshire Council has issued a statement regarding an important planning update that will impact, in the short term, on how Buckinghamshire Council will make decisions in the North and Central planning areas of the county.



Cllr. Peter Strachan, Cabinet Member for Planning and Regeneration, writes:

"Many of you will know that the Council has a duty to maintain a five-year supply of deliverable housing sites. However a recent assessment has shown that for the first time since the adoption of the VALP, the position in the North and Central planning areas has dipped below five years (now at 4.5 years).

There are many reasons for this but mainly as a result of a slowdown in development, linked to rising construction costs as well as delays in bringing forward some of the major allocated sites of the VALP. The consequence of this is that in accordance with national policy, the Council will have to apply what is known as the 'tilted balance'\* when determining some speculative applications and **it may be necessary either to approve some of those** 

#### applications, where they may otherwise have been refused, or we may find some of those sites are approved on appeal for the same reasons."

Because of this situation happening across the country the Government is planning to introduce changes to national policy which will remove the need to demonstrate a five-year supply of housing where, as is the case in the VALP area, the Council has an up-to-date Local Plan. These changes should be made later this year or early next year.

In the meantime, Buckinghamshire Council must apply the existing national policy and this will be reflected in decisions over the coming weeks and months."

\* The tilted balance 'tilts' the balance in favour of approving an application, such that planning permission should only be refused where the harms significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits.

The good news for Marsworth – as explained by Councillor Brazier at the Parish Meeting on Monday – is that this will not affect areas within the 12.5 kms of Special Area of Conservation (SAC) around Ashridge which covers Marsworth and includes the current planning applications for the 320 houses on the Old Airfield site, the White Lion and Bluebells.

### Water meter readings

Given that water meters are often in obscure places outside your property and usually a couple of feet underground, people tend simply to pay their water bills (from Thames Water in the case of Marsworth) without any kind of check. However, current practice, at least by Thames Water, seems to be to rely almost exclusively on estimated readings – something which can be problematic for consumers. It may lead either to under payments and nasty surprises when an actual reading is done; or (as in my case) a significant interest-free loan to Thames Water!

An anomaly caused me to look back and discover that our last **actual** reading was in April 2021 – some 2.5 years ago. This is almost certainly a cost-cutting exercise to avoid paying staff to undertake the work. We all know that Thames Water is hard up, but their recent 11.6% increase in charges ought to ensure proper customer service!

OFWAT guidance states that:

"If you have a water meter, it should be read at least once a year, and read by your water company at least once every two years. Some water companies read your meter more frequently."

Thames Water clearly honour the guidance in the breach. My own issues are presently being sorted out but I have invited the editor of Marsworth News to flag the current practice up to villagers so they can monitor the accuracy of their bills and avoid surprises – pleasant or unpleasant. I realise that monitoring water meters is easier said than done for some, especially the elderly or infirm; and that is why the current practice seems so unsatisfactory.

Stephen Wooler



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#### New exhibition at Discover Bucks Museum in Aylesbury

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'I Grew Up 80s'

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#### 'ART AT WINGRAVE' 2023

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During the weekend Julie Pugh's lovely studio will also be open for her annual pre-Christmas showing of **'One of One' Jewellery** at **Home Farm**, Castle Street.

And at **Field View**, Castle Street we will be hosting an exciting collection of works from a dozen local Artists and Makers – and expect to meet new Artists too!

From the beginning of November, leaflets detailing the artists and showing examples of their work will be available in locations locally and at the Wingrave Shop. Look forward to seeing Ceramics, Ceramic and Paper Sculptures, Textiles, Glass Art, Designer Lamps, Pencil and Pastel Portraiture, Photography, Furniture Design, Hand-turned Wood, Mixed Media Paintings.

So here's the perfect occasion for that spot of enjoyable browsing; keep the dates free, bring a friend, head down Castle Street and pay us a visit: a warm welcome is guaranteed along with something mulled to drink and yummy cake of course (proceeds from refreshments to Breast Cancer Research).

Andrew and Margaret Liversidge, Field View Studio

Check out (and follow):

Julie Pugh's Facebook page and Instagram Account: https://www.facebook.com/oneofonejewellery https://www.instagram.com/oneofone\_jewellery/?hl=en

Our 'Art At Wingrave' Instagram page for the Event: *https://www.instagram.com/art.at.wingrave/* featuring participating artists and their lovely work.

Margaret's Instagram Page and website: https://www.instagram.com/margaretliversidgeart / https://margaretliversidge.co.uk/.



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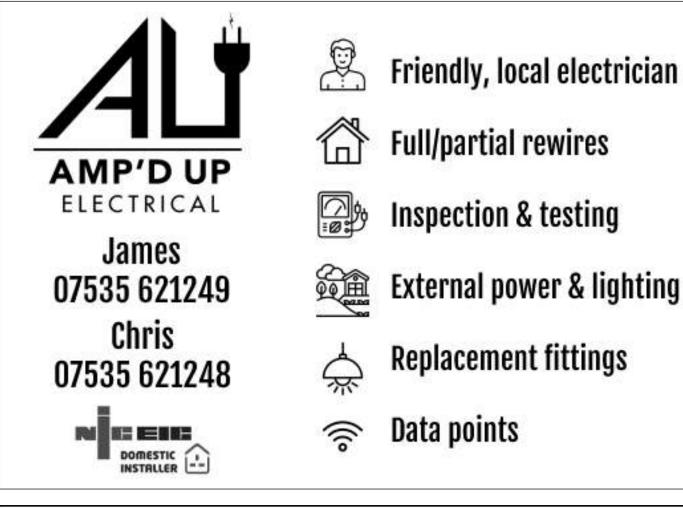
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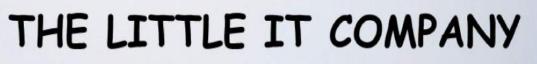


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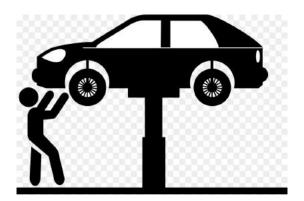
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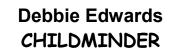
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### **Diary Dates - November 2023**

4th	Saturday	6.00pm	Bonfire and Fireworks Night - see p.7
11th	Saturday	7.00pm	Quiz Night - see p.7
13th	Monday	8.00pm	Parish Council Meeting
29th	Wednesday	10.30am	Village Hall car park clear-up - see p.2
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#### **Coming events**

2nd December	Christmas Fair and Market - see p.4	
19th December	Christingle service at All Saints	
1st January	New Year's Day ramble - see p.3	

#### **Recycling information**

For your own bin collection day, go to: https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/find-out -when-its-your-bin-collection/

#### Village Hall defibrillator

Guidelines for usage of the defibrillator at the Hall are available on the Marsworth website: www.marsworth.org.uk





#### Dates for 2023

11 November 2 and 16 December

#### Marsworth Food Bank

We are extremely grateful for all the donations that have been received. We are looking after even more families currently and would love to receive donations of:

- Tins of soup, fruit, rice pudding, custard and baked beans.
- Tea, coffee and biscuits.

Donations may be left in the box in the porch of All Saints church or at Karibu, Vicarage Gardens.

Thank you very much on behalf of the Marsworth Food Bank Team.

### Marsworth

Wanted - articles for newsletter **Either a regular feature or an occasional article** Photos are always welcome. Email *editor@MarsworthNews.co.uk* 

#### The Bucks Herald

Please send items about upcoming events, or any other items of local interest, however small, to: Kate Andrew 01296 668727 / 07963 180466 or kate.andrew@btinternet.com

### **POLICE**

Your area is covered by The Wing & District Neighbourhood Policing Team

73 Leighton Road, Wing, LU7 0RD

To contact the local team, email: greatbrickhillwingivinghoenhpt @thamesvalley.police.uk

To report a non-urgent crime, visit *www.thamesvalley.police.uk* or tel: 101 to speak with an operator

In an emergency always dial 999

#### Local names and numbers

**Millennium Hall bookings** Frances Brown - 01296 661211 after 4.00pm

All Saints, Marsworth churchwardens Richard Cooper - 01296 661725 John White - 01296 662252

Marsworth Parish Council Chair : Bob Kennedy - 01296 661533

Clerk to the Parish Council Caroline Smith parishclerk@marsworth.org.uk

Bucks Councillor for Marsworth Derek Town - 01296 661637

Marsworth Infants School 01296 668440

Marsworth Preschool 01296 661164 enquiries@marsworthpreschool.org.uk

Neighbourhood Watch MarsworthNHW@gmx.com

Items for Bucks Herald Kate Andrew - 01296 668727 / 07963 180466 kate.andrew@btinternet.com

Marsworth WI Chris King - 01296 660019

Canal & River Trust Customer Services: 03030 404040 enquiries.southeast@canalrivertrust.org.uk

Marsworth Craft Club marsworthcraftclub@hotmail.com

Police Non-emergency calls 101 Emergency calls 999 PCSO Megan Dean (101) megan.dean@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Crime Stoppers 0800 555 111 https://crimestoppers-uk.org/

Public information Highways on Call (roads, lighting, etc.): 01296 382416

Church, Hall and Startops:Mon-Fri9.00amSat7.00am

Tring Post Office - Last post 5.30pm

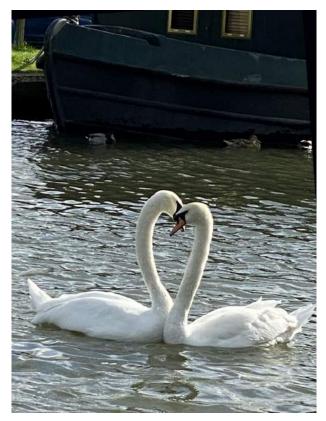
Tring Distribution Centre 6.00pm

Ivinghoe Post Office: OpenMonday - Saturday:7.30am - 8.30pmSunday:9.00am - 4.00pm





Misty morning towards Cheddington - Jeremy Whitehead



Swans on the Grand Union - Chas Pearson



Startops Reservoir reflection - Jo Taylor



Startops Reservoir - Jeremy Whitehead



Lock 40, Marsworth Flight - Jeremy Whitehead



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