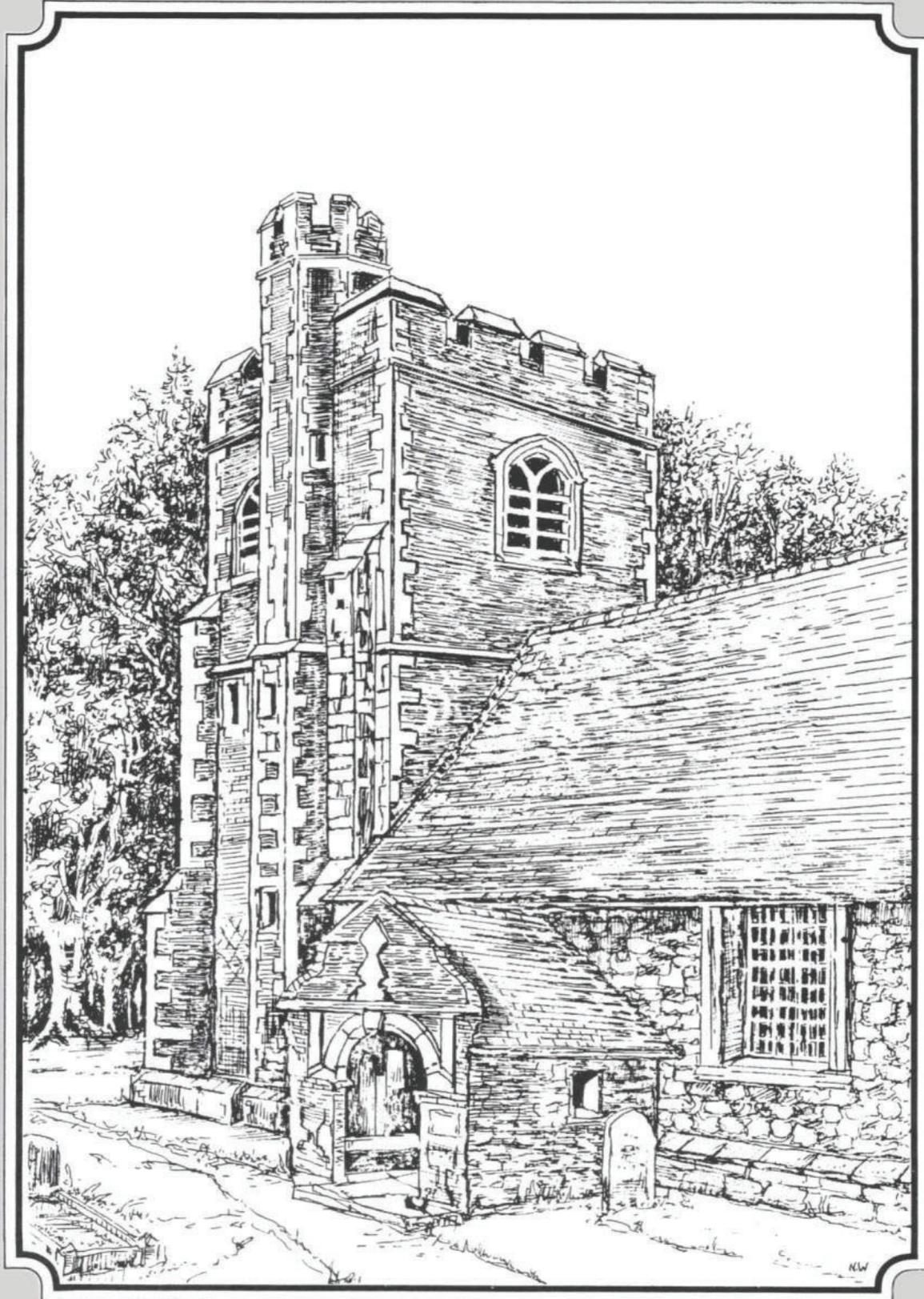


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**EDITORIAL**

As we enter a New Year, we are in the midst of a political crisis. A right wing group seeks to rise roughshod over relationships that have endured for decades. Many citizens would like to return to how it was in the 1960s. Others feel what they were promised in the 1970s is different to how things have turned out. Meanwhile, remainers are striving to find any legal means to prevent what the government intends. Yes, we have to face it – the plans for a Unitary Council in Buckinghamshire are not going well.

As the erstwhile Bucks district councils plan legal action against the Secretary of State's scheme, one wonders again just why our County Councillor is so, to use his phrase, 'delighted', at Mr Brokenshire's decision. Some call for a 'Buxit' with us re-locating in the Royal Borough and I recommend Virginia Silvester's article in this issue on the evolution of Bucks' borders to get an idea of how Dorney came to be poised on the edge of two counties.

Anybody reading the Parish Council minutes in this issue will see how our representatives believe that decisions over liaison with the M4 Project are being taken far to the north of Dorney. My impression while attending the December PC meeting was that the worthy chaps from Highways England had barely a rudimentary idea of the lie of the land once they were off the motorway and discussing initiatives like a mini roundabout at Dents Corner. Before Christmas, the Parliamentary Transport Committee reiterated its concerns over the safety implications of abandoning motorway hard shoulders, but politicians do seem rather ineffective these days and it seems that the badgers and their preference for mating on home territory (and we can all sympathise with that) may be the ones to thwart the bulldozers, at least in the short term.

People, perhaps especially the more mature, can look at this and think that life must have been better 'back in the day'. Twice in the last week I've heard that round here was 'the place to be' in the sixties. This may well be true if you were young, well-funded, and especially true if you were Mick Jagger. We heard a talk by Nigel Smales of Taplow at Hedgerley History Group on the Rise and Fall of Skindles. Mick and his chums featured heavily. Nigel is talking to the Eton Wick History Group in May. Don't miss it. Now I see the Monkey Island Hotel is re-opening on Valentine's Day. Their rather brilliant website has much to enjoy, including the assertion that in 1964, the Hotel was the 'place..etc...etc.'

This issue of DPN will come with a request from your hard working distributor for your £5 annual subscription. Thanks in advance for your support. Make their life easier by prompt payment. Thanks to you and thanks to them – and a Happy New Year to all our present, and future, readers.

Peter Bowman

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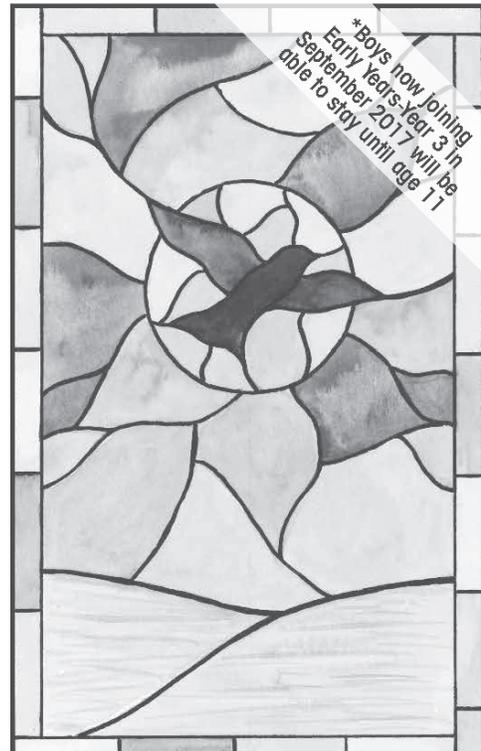
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## **Rev La Stacey writes:**

I have somewhere a photograph of the moment my oldest grandchild first held her new baby sister. It captures the wonder on her face. Last autumn I was watching Prof Brian Cox on television talk about the beginnings of the universe. He showed us a photograph of the cosmic microwave background radiation. I was struck by the awe and wonder on his face. He described this picture as a 'baby photo of the universe'. There is something about the beginnings of life that fills us with wonder. We get a glimpse of the essence of life – as distinct from non-being perhaps.

Of course, younger sisters grow up to go through a phase of thinking that they are the centre of the universe and that can be very annoying. But the consistent witness of all those who were closest to Jesus, including those who were as close as brothers, was that here was one human life that somehow did perfectly embody truly aware humanity. Their witness was that here was one life which was lived with such total vitality and integrity, that all existence could be contemplated in him. The logos, the contemplative intelligence the universe is inevitably set to produce according to Prof Cox, was supremely manifest in Jesus. This was the thought that set me off at the turning of the year. It'll keep me going through the year, I think! With warm wishes for 2019.

## **Church Services in February 2019**

### **Sunday 3rd February**

9.30 am	Holy Communion (said BCP)	St James the Less, Dorney
9.30 am	Family Praise (half hour with coffee)	St John the Baptist, Eton Wick
11.00 am	All Age Family Service	St John the Baptist, Eton Wick

### **Wednesday 6th February**

10.00 am	Holy Communion (said BCP)	St John the Evangelist, Eton
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### **Sunday 10th February**

9.30 am	Holy Communion	St James the Less, Dorney
9.30 am	Family Praise (half hour with coffee)	St John the Baptist, Eton Wick
11.00 am	Holy Communion (children's group)	St John the Baptist, Eton Wick

### **Sunday 17th February**

9.30 am	Holy Communion	St James the Less, Dorney
9.30 am	Family Praise (half hour with coffee)	St John the Baptist, Eton Wick
11.00 am	Holy Communion (children's group)	St John the Baptist, Eton Wick

### **Wednesday 20th February**

10.00 am	Holy Communion (said BCP)	St John the Evangelist, Eton
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### **Sunday 24th February**

9.30 am	Morning Worship	St James the Less, Dorney
9.30 am	Family Praise (half hour with coffee)	St John the Baptist, Eton Wick
11.00 am	Holy Communion (children's group)	St John the Baptist, Eton Wick

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## BOUNDARIES

Readers may have noticed the recent decision by the Government that Dorney is to fall under a new unitary authority combining the existing functions of Bucks County Council and South Bucks District Council. This outcome has not so far been greeted with much discernible enthusiasm by local residents. Rather, some have expressed dismay that decisions on local services will now all be made in faraway Aylesbury, and wondered whether Dorney might not be better served by coming under Windsor and Maidenhead. So how did we get to this position?

The establishment of shire counties began in England once the separate Anglo-Saxon kingdoms were consolidated under one king, Aethelstan, in 925. The Normans continued to develop the system, and the county became accepted as a convenient administrative unit, a useful way to divide the country into manageable chunks. This can be seen in all sorts of contexts, like the Domesday Book, or the collection of taxes remitted to fund the latest military campaign; and from within the county, men could be called upon to fight in defence of the county town.

Buckingham was the county town for the shire which bore its name, close to the northern boundary. The southern boundary was formed by the river Thames, and extended east as far as the river Colne. Professor Stephen Rippon has written, "*The historic...county of Buckinghamshire was a curiously shaped long, narrow territory whose boundaries cut across two very different landscapes: to the south of the chalk escarpment it included part of the dip slope of the Chilterns and lowlands of the Middle Thames valley...while to the north it embraced part of the clay vales...It is almost as if two formerly separate blocks of landscape were bolted together to create this tenth-century shire in order to support the burb at Buckingham*". Dorney found itself in the southernmost part of the county.

When John Speed drew his map of Buckinghamshire in 1610, it was notable that none of its eleven market towns was large and prosperous, and even the most important, Buckingham, was much less developed than, say, Reading. The same point was being made in 1912 (by which time Aylesbury had become the county town), when it was observed that market towns just outside the county, like Windsor and Maidenhead, attracted far more business from Buckinghamshire villages than those within the county.

England's county structure remained unaltered for centuries. Buckinghamshire's boundaries did not change until 1844, when there was some rationalisation, and subsequently sporadic adjustments occurred. Locally, significant change came in 1974, when Slough and neighbouring parishes, including Eton Wick, moved to Berkshire. The eastern county boundary was now much closer to Dorney – just the other side of Dorney Common.

This change followed intense debate locally. Since 1894, Dorney had been part of Eton Rural District, a local authority with a set of responsibilities which had their origin in the poor law union established in 1835. In 1971, as part of the national reorganisation of local government, the Government had initially proposed that the whole of Eton Rural District, together with Eton Urban District and Slough Borough, should transfer from Buckinghamshire to Berkshire. Driven, apparently, by a fear of being swallowed up by Slough, Dorney residents strongly opposed this change, arguing that their connections were with Taplow and further north, and that they wished to be within a local authority sympathetic to small rural communities. The Government accepted these arguments and agreed that Dorney could remain in Buckinghamshire.

As a consequence of the county boundary changes, Eton Rural District was abolished. Dorney along with Burnham and the parishes north of Slough joined Beaconsfield Urban District to become Beaconsfield District, renamed in 1980 as South Bucks District. A review in 1985 saw Berkshire's bid to take over Dorney, Taplow and part of Burnham countered by Buckinghamshire seeking a return to the 1974 position; both were rejected, and the status quo remained.

A final major change occurred in 1998. As part of the national move to unitary authorities, Berkshire disappeared, and its responsibilities were passed to the equivalent of district councils. Locally, these were the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead (which includes Eton Wick, Eton and Datchet) and Slough Borough.

Now it is Buckinghamshire's turn to go down the route of unitary authorities. In this case, however, the Government has decided to merge county and district councils into a single body covering the whole county, combining South Bucks with Chiltern, Wycombe and Aylesbury Vale (Milton Keynes became a unitary authority in 1974). It is too early to say what the impact will be for us, and the new arrangements are not due to take effect until 2020. It is clear, though, that, in setting priorities, the new authority must have regard to a greater extent than South Bucks to the needs of communities which are much larger and more urbanised than our own.

Rather like the people of Dorney in the tenth century, we find that a central decision has been taken to impose on us a system of administration which is geographically remote and maybe unfamiliar with our concerns. But perhaps more than those early inhabitants, we may question whether we might prefer to be aligned with closer neighbours...

**Virginia Silvester**

## OBITUARY

### **Vivienne Rowlands 10.3.29 – 8.11.18.**

Vivienne came to live on Dorney Common in 1966 when her husband 'Rowley' bought a piece of land from Peregrine Palmer and built their dream house, 'Dornview'. After 11 years, they moved to 'The Spanish Bit' where they lived in a mobile home for several years whilst they built up the business and a new home. Whilst living in Dorney, they threw themselves into village life, with both of them joining the Horticultural Society and entering into the Best Kept Gardens competitions, which they won a couple of times. Vivienne joined the then thriving Dorney WI, and acted as secretary for many years. Rowley stood on the Parish Council for 10 years until he passed away in 1987. As a widow, Vivienne started to take on more voluntary work, and served 18 years at the Wexham Park WRVS; only when she gave up driving at the age of 82 did she retire from her duties.

Vivienne could talk for England, making friends right up until the end, and always enjoyed helping others. It was lovely to see so many locals at her memorial service, held at the church in the village which she and Rowley both loved so much.

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### **NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY 2018 IN DORNEY VILLAGE HALL**

The New Year's Eve Party was well supported this year with more locals attending and having a great time. We managed to raise £211 from the Raffle for Cancer Research thanks to the many prizes donated by Local Businesses and friends as follows and we also received £55 worth of donations:

The Palmer Arms, Roots Car Wash, Dorney Badminton Club, Tesco Taplow, Sainsbury's, Pat and Dave Brewer, Virginia Silvester, Paula Smith, Rosemary McIntosh and Tina Stacey.

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Many thanks

Teresa.

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## Elbow Grease on Dorney Common

Chaos continues to reign over us - as the corridors of Westminster surge with frothing members, I try to shut my mind to the continuing debacle, and to reflect back on the warm memories of last year. An endless scorching summer, my new commitment with the Horticultural Society that brought so much fun and laughter, ending on a Panto high as the Drama Guild sold out to an appreciative audience.

Although the production management was at times fraught, to say the least, as the complexity grew in stature daily, in the end our *Sleeping Beauty* run opened to a packed auditorium each night. Our Dorney home-grown mahooosive red dragon successfully rose high with his jets of nasal smoke, an 8-metre flapping wing span, horns of Lucifer and long curling tongue of fire (that last bit was a slight exaggeration as it was made of felt and glitter not real flames).

Now as 2018 recedes, I see the fresh map of this New Year, very swiftly becoming peppered with projects and multifaceted missions. That old saying, give a job to busy man, rings true to my ears. My husband Dave's words also ring in my ears, 'don't take any more on', but these old lugs are now quite deaf.

We lost our rehearsal space at the large office block opposite the cinema in Maidenhead. Lying on my tissue ridden bed with a raging flu tap dancing through aching limbs, just a few days before Christmas, the news broke that finally, our studio one-month notice to leave had arrived, to make way for the demolition men and developers. Our Chair rang in a mad panic, so from my prone position, calls were made, and with great relief an empty unit was fortuitously secured in the same building as our current costume and set build, a convenient location since it sits just around the corner from Waitrose.

Planning the move from my duvet and persuading my husband Dave to enter into the spirit of imminent manual labour, we strategically plotted the move of eleventy-eight different large and small theatrical items from one building to the other. There was little time to waste, the deadline was mid-January! A call on our members Facebook page, brought 25-odd people with willing hands and stout feet, to pack, lift and fill Dave's horse trailer, which shuttled the whole lot a mile down the road, a task of multiple journeys to shift speedily into our new home.

Ever forward planning the Chair asked, 'and when will the rehearsal space be marked out?' Replying with a scowl and a grimace, (hidden by the fact it was a phone call) my response was 'when we find the stash of white stage gaffer tape from somewhere within the 18-foot-tall pile of boxes!' We have a little festival play audition about to start, so as the hamster wheel rotates so do the back-stage exertions, a continual adjustment to maintain spinning plates.

Back here, in the village, following the fabulous success of our Christmas Supper, the Dorney & District Horticultural Society wakens up after the seasonal break, to plan our Hot Supper and Grand Quiz for Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. This promises to be another joyous evening of fun and good merriment, so make a little pencil note in your diary to come along. Everyone is welcome, for those who would like to join in with good banter and nearly accurate answers, or those that have sharp memories to supply clever correct answers. If you fall into neither category, come along for a glass of something and some home cooked tasty food.

So, this year promises to be packed with more of the same, enduring creative activities with many dynamic events, necessitating much elbow grease from yours truly. Start planning your planting of Annual Show entries, it's going to be a good one this August, no time to waste to make sure your carrots are standing to attention on time!

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## Dorney Diary

<b>Day</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>FEB</b>				
Sun	3	Rollerski	Dorney Lake	
		Dorney Short Mat Bowls Club	Dorney Village Hall	7 to 10 pm
Tue	5	Dorney Badminton Club	Dorney Village Hall	8 to 10 pm
Wed	6	Yoqa Class - Gentle Yoqa	Dorney Village Hall	10 am
		Yoqa Class - Chair Yoqa	Dorney Village Hall	11.45 am
Thu	7	Dorney Youth Club (during term time)	Dorney Village Hall	6 to 7.30 pm
		For Children of the Parish.		
Sun	10	Dorney Short Mat Bowls Club	Dorney Village Hall	7 to 10 pm
Tue	12	Dorney Parish Council Meeting	Dorney Village Hall	8 p.m.
		Dorney Badminton Club	Dorney Village Hall	8 to 10 pm
Wed	13	Yoga Class - Gentle Yoga	Dorney Village Hall	10 am
		Yoga Class - Chair Yoga	Dorney Village Hall	11.45 am
Thu	14	Dorney Youth Club (during term time)	Dorney Village Hall	6 to 7.30 pm
		For Children of the Parish.		
Sat	16	F3 Events Duathlon & Run	Dorney Lake	
Sun	17	Rollerski	Dorney Lake	
		Dorney Short Mat Bowls Club	Dorney Village Hall	7 to 10 pm
Tue	19	Something New	Dorney Village Hall	10.30 to 12.30
		Dorney Badminton Club	Dorney Village Hall	8 to 10 pm
Wed	20	Yoqa Class - Gentle Yoqa	Dorney Village Hall	10 am
		Yoqa Class - Chair Yoqa	Dorney Village Hall	11.45 am
Thu	21	Dorney Youth Club (during term time)	Dorney Village Hall	6 to 7.30 pm
		For Children of the Parish.		
Fri	22	DHS Hot Supper and Fun Quiz	Dorney Village Hall	7.30 pm
Sun	24	Dorney Short Mat Bowls Club	Dorney Village Hall	7 to 10 pm
Tue	26	Dorney Badminton Club	Dorney Village Hall	8 to 10 pm
Wed	27	Yoga Class - Gentle Yoga	Dorney Village Hall	10 am
		Yoga Class - Chair Yoga	Dorney Village Hall	11.45 am
		Eton Wick History Group Meeting	Eton Wick Village Hall	7.30 pm
Thu	28	Dorney Youth Club (during term time)	Dorney Village Hall	6 to 7.30 pm
		For Children of the Parish.		

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## From our friends at the Eton Community Association:

Following a recent near miss on the pedestrian crossing in the centre of Eton Wick, a concerted campaign in support of the long-requested Pelican crossing in its place was mounted.

In response, and to the credit of Cllr Samantha Rayner and RBWM, the necessary funding has now been quickly secured. The response by residents to this news has been very well received.

So, combining these works in Eton Wick with the improvements at Keate's Lane in Eton, two of the major 'black spots' for pedestrians on the road between the two communities will have been dealt at the same time.

With any luck these works will have the added bonus of slowing the traffic thereby potentially making this road less attractive to 'rat runners'.

## Dorney Traffic Working Group

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## **M4 Upgrade to a Smart Motorway Junctions 3-12**

### **Spring 2019 Phase 2 of construction begins**

*Since our last issue, Highways England have issued their January News Bulletin and Matt Orchard of Balfour Beatty, the project's Public Liaison Officer, has updated DPN.*

2019 will see a step up in the project with bridges and structures work between Junction 8/9 and Junction 3. There will be another set of Public Information Events for these areas in March and April. Anyone driving on the M4 around Reading may have seen newly built offices and a compound. This might be good news because this will store the majority of equipment and materials and 'reduce the need for large local compounds'. 11 bridges over the M4 require replacement.

Alas, around the date you read this magazine there will be further night works on the motorway when they plane off the existing road surface and relay it to enable the repositioning of the traffic lanes. I gather this work will concentrate around the area of the Thames Bridge. Depending upon weather and any incidents elsewhere on the M4 and wider motorway network this should start in the first week of February.

The Dorney badgers have re-entered the setts that were closed in the autumn. The situation is being monitored by the Project's ecologists and by remote cameras. At the moment it looks likely that works will have to be planned to work around the badgers until the summer when they have finished breeding. After the breeding season the whole Natural England Licencing process can start again leading to closing the setts once more. There is a possibility that if a continuous period of six weeks or more with no badger activity is recorded then works can continue unhindered. However this is highly unlikely and they are planning on the assumption that this will not happen.

It seems the badgers had been bribed to migrate to alternative setts by peanuts and butter, but the stubborn creatures have returned home. All power to the badgers, we might say, but such interruptions could diminish the wriggle room built into the Project's timeline.

The Project is aware of the deterioration, which their vehicles may have caused, of the road surface at the entrance to the track to the village hall and are liaising with local authorities. In any case, they will maintain a regular presence at Parish Council meetings. They do not expect a quiet time.

## **A Grand Quiz, the Annual Show and the return of Ray Broughton**

Dorney Horticultural Society is looking forward to a busy 2019. Only a year ago, we wrote in these pages of imminent closure, but we look back now on a Harvest Supper graced by one of our most popular speakers, a packed (and delicious) Christmas Supper courtesy of Chrys of the Palmer Arms, a re-invigorated committee and a surge in interest among residents.

We relaunched our Quiz evening last year, so on February 22 there will again be a 'Hot Supper & Grand Quiz' with teams battling through rounds of horticultural and more general questions. Ray Broughton has been just about our most popular speaker and he returns on April 12 to accompany our Spring Buffet evening.

The summer sees our popular Garden Visit to be scheduled in May (details to follow) and, of course, the Annual Show, this year to be held in the Village Hall on August 31. As the nights draw in, we plan the Harvest Supper with another guest speaker (September 27) and the Christmas Supper (November 22).

Remember, the Society provides just about the best way in our village for neighbours and friends to meet socially while sharing a common interest in gardening and rural pursuits...and DDHS welcomes *everybody* whatever their level of horticultural interest and expertise.

### **Dorney & District Horticultural Society Committee**

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### **'Something New'**

'Something New' refers to the group who meet for coffee, biscuits, an activity and a natter in the Village Hall at 10.30am on the third Tuesday of each month. Please come and join in if you are available at that time.

**19th February.** An illustrated talk by **Jean Tyler** about the history of the **Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital** which was built on the Cliveden Estate at Taplow.

**19th March.** Card making for Easter and other occasions. All materials will be supplied. Come on and have a go!

**16th April.** Programme to be confirmed.

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## **Minutes of the Meeting of Dorney Parish Council**

Held at the Dorney Village Hall on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2018** at 8 pm

**Present:** - Councillors K. Harris (chaired the meeting), A. Purdie, A. Foxley, P. Smith, G. Easton and R. Ormond.

**In Attendance:** - Bucks CC Cllr Dev Dhillon, Nick Balsdon (Highways England), Jim Stacy (Highways England), Matt Orchard (Balfour Beatty), Rev La Stacey, Paul Humpleman (Parochial Church Council), 4 MoP and Sue Moffat (Clerk).

### **123. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**M4 Smartmotorway Works:** - Jim Stacy explained that the enabling works for the statutory undertakings e.g. gas, electric, clearance of vegetation etc has started for Marsh Lane bridge so activity has commenced in this area. Marsh Lane bridge will be demolished in situ and the new bridge built online. The demolition will take place November 2019 with completion of the new bridge by November 2020. The bridge will be closed for approximately one year. The construction of the new Lake End bridge will not commence until after the completion of Marsh Lane bridge. However, prior to the completion of Marsh Lane bridge, enabling work will commence in the area of Lake End bridge. The new Lake End bridge will be built offline, next to the old bridge. Access across the bridge will never be closed but there may be restricted traffic on occasions. The completion date is May 2021.

Dorney Parish Council has suggested, at the very beginning of the dialogue with Highways England, that a temporary roundabout at the junction of Court Lane with Village Road (similar to the one constructed for the 2012 Olympics) would ease congestion when the bridge works are taking place, particularly for Marsh Lane bridge when all residents from Dorney Reach have no option but to exit the village via this route. Cllr Dev Dhillon said he has been asking for this but has had no response. Jim Stacy said that there are regular Key Stakeholders meetings for Traffic Management with the Traffic Manager for Bucks CC. Cllr Dev Dhillon will ensure he attends these meetings so the matter of the roundabout can be raised. Dorney PC stressed it was important to take on board local knowledge that the PC can provide to ensure there is least disruption as the closure of the bridges are going to make it very difficult for residents of Dorney, especially Dorney Reach.

The matter of the recent noise disturbance late at night was then next broached. Jim Stacy said that noise levels were monitored constantly from the grounds of Dorney School and there is an alert system if noise levels exceed the recommended level. A letter was sent out to residents within a 100m of the works. Dorney PC responded that the letters arrived too late and should have included residents in Harcourt Road who were also disturbed. One resident living in the first house of Meadow Way reported that the level of the noise actually caused his house to vibrate. Matt Orchard asked for any complaints to be reported to him for investigation as he was very keen to find out what caused such a disturbance. Jim Stacy

said that any feedback will be examined at the highest level. It was agreed for complaints to be sent to the Clerk of Dorney PC who will then pass them on to the relevant officers, Nick Balsdon and Matt Orchard. However, the demolition of the bridge will be unavoidably noisy. The Thames bridge will be accessed via Trumpers Field which will also be used as a flood plain. If there is any dangerous parking of construction vehicles, please contact Nick Balsdon straight away and he will deal with the matter immediately. Lastly Cllr Harris raised the matter of even more congestion when cars are parked along the entrance to Eton Rowing Lake in Court Lane and has Highways England taken this into consideration, particularly when there is an event at the Lake? Lastly Jim Stacy said there will be regular 'Drop-in' sessions from 3-6pm at Dorney Village Hall and it was agreed that better communications were essential for the smooth running of the M4 Smartmotorway works.

**Parking congestion in Court Lane outside Entrance to Eton Rowing Lake** – Rev Stacey and Paul Humpleman raised concerns about proposals to install double yellow lines along Court Lane and up to the cottages in Richmond Path. Parking restrictions would have a severe effect on users of the Church. Mr Palmer has offered to provide a field for parking which would then have to be managed by the Church. The Church Parochial Council have considered this but resolved that the practicalities of managing such a car park would be too problematic. Cllr Dev Dhillon has received a quote for installing double yellow lines of £15k of which £5k is for the feasibility study and £10k for installation. It was agreed that Eton College must take some responsibility for the parking problems as it was the introduction of car parking charges at their car park that instigated the problem, exacerbated by closing the car park during busy times. It was agreed to organise another meeting with all interested parties for either 7pm on 8<sup>th</sup> January or 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019 to seek a solution.

**BCC Report** – Cllr Dev Dhillon reported:- (i) He has secured funding of £450; £300 to the Something New group for wildflower planting and £150 towards a new dog bin at the River car park which will then be topped up out of next year's LAF funding as approximately £450 is needed for a new dog bin and installation; (ii) Secretary of Housing and Community has approved for Bucks to become a Unitary Authority and Bucks CC and the 4 districts must all agree the changes to make this happen. By March 2019 the Shadow Authority must agree a Shadow Cabinet to work towards a Structure Order to be agreed by the Minister for commencing the Unitary Authority by May 2020. At present there is dissent as the District Councils have asked for 148 councillors to be part of the new structure but Bucks CC believe 148 are too many and are proposing 90 councillors.; (iii) The Leader of Bucks CC, Martin Tett, has now reversed the decision to change the length of the Devolved Highways Services Agreement back to 4 years after announcing it was shortened to one year when Unitary Authority was approved; (iv) Cllr Dev Dhillon is investigating the unexpected notice that Orchard Herbs Farm is a Green Waste Centre. Cllr Harris added that it has also been used for motocross biking as well; (v) Cllr Harris reported that

the very dangerous pothole on the corner of Boveney Road has still not been repaired. Cllr Smith reported that further up Boveney Road, the Palmer's Estate have installed new bunds. These bunds are obstructing the public highway which includes the verge as lorries are now flattening the bunds This is causing mud across the highways and puddling which makes it impassable for 2-way traffic. Cllr Dev Dhillon will organise for Highways to write a letter to the Landowner to rectify this; (vi) Cllr Purdie reported that road markings at the junction of Marsh Lane with the A4 have still not been repainted and he reported this two and a half months ago. These fading line marking are causing a seriously dangerous problem as no warning for drivers to stop at this busy junction. Cllr Dev Dhillon will follow this up.

**SBDC Report** – Cllr Pepler sent in a report about the Freedom of Information request from Burnham Parish Council regards the planning enforcement at Orchard Herbs Farm.

- 124. Apologies** were received from Cllrs L Kittel and SBDC Cllr D Pepler,
- 125. Disclosure of interest in items on the agenda** – None.
- 126. Resolved** to receive and approve the minutes of the previous meeting Council held on the 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018.
- 127. Clerk's Report** – None.
- 128. Chairman's Report** – No further reports.
- 129. Resolved the budget** for 2019/2020 as recommended by the Finance Committee on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018, but with a slight amendment to the end of year deficit to accommodate the revised income from Dorney Village Hall (as circulated). This budget has included the possibility of election expenses which SBDC has estimated to be £2802 and a number of budgeted costs were increased in line with inflation expectations.
- 130. Resolved to set the precept** for 2019-20 at £22,546 as recommended by the Finance Committee on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018. This is a 3% increase from the 2018/19's precept of £21,890.
- 131. Resolved the** meeting dates for 2019 (as circulated) being the second Tuesday of each month but no meeting in August. The Finance meeting to be after the Council meeting in November 2019.
- 132. Defibrillator Update** – Cllr Foxley is in the process of seeking a grant for the defibrillator.
- 133. Update on the parking situation in Court Lane** outside the entrance to the Rowing Lake. Stakeholders meeting to be arranged to resolve this problem.
- 134. Devolved Highways Work** – Bucks CC have reduced the Devolved Highways Work contract from 4 years to 1 year in response to Bucks CC setting up a Unitary Authority. However Cllr Dev Dhillon has stated that this has now been reversed back to 4 years. (See Minute 123).
- 135. Planning**
  - (a) To note planning issues, decisions and appeals recently notified by South Bucks District Council were noted.
  - (b) To consider and comment upon applications where agreed.

(c) Orchard Herbs Farm – Green Waste Recycling – Cllr Dev Dhillon is investigating this matter (See Minute 123).

**136. Finance**

- a) Resolved to authorise payment of Accounts for December 2018 (as circulated).
- b) Resolved to receive list of income for December 2018 (as circulated).
- c) The bank statement had not been received in time for this meeting so deferred until the January meeting.
- d) Resolved to receive the budget for 2018/19.

**137. Member's Reports – None**

**138. Correspondence:-** (i) Police & Crime Bulletin for November 2018 Response from Mark Jaggard, Head of Planning & Economic Development to the questions raised at the SBALC meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> September; (ii) Nick Cooper M4 letter Dec 18; (iii) Call for sites to inform the Chiltern & South Bucks Joint Local Plan by 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2019; (iv) Dorney School Admission Arrangements 2020–2021 by 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019; (v) Beeches LAF Minutes 17 October, 2017

**139. Resolve any complaints/comments received from residents –** Various members of the public regards noise from the M4 Smartmotorway works.

**140. Highways employee/work – All going well.**

Meeting ended 9.46pm.

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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Dorney Parish Council**

Held at the Dorney Village Hall on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019** at 8 pm

**Present:** - Councillors K. Harris (chaired the meeting), A. Purdie, A. Foxley, G. Easton and R. Ormond.

**In Attendance:** - Bucks CC Cllr Dev Dhillon, SBDC Cllr D Pepler, Jim Stacy (Highways England), Matt Orchard (Balfour Beatty) and Sue Moffat (Clerk).

**123. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**M4 Smartmotorway Works:** - Jim Stacy circulated maps of proposed traffic routes when the bridges are closed.

Cllr Harris responded that when Marsh Lane bridge is closed it is imperative that the entrance to Eton Dorney Lake is kept clear to avoid congestion. During the consultation for the Jubilee River and Eton Lake developments, Dorney Parish Council was involved in the stakeholders' meetings. To date, no one has asked Dorney Parish Councillors for their local knowledge. Jim Stacy responded that Highways England has no powers over the road network and it is the Traffic Network Manager from Bucks CC who is responsible for this at the Traffic Network Stakeholders meetings. Cllr Foxley asked for the names of those who attend these meetings. To date, Cllr Dev Dhillon has had no response from Bucks CC Officers regards these meetings.

Matt Orchard went on to explain the problem of badgers who are a protected species in Buckinghamshire and have now made their way back on to part of the

construction site. The badgers are kept under night surveillance and construction work will need to stop for the badgers in this area until after they have finished breeding (by July) or if there is a 6 week spell of no activity. Natural England will assess the situation.

Noise monitoring – Matt Orchard investigated the nights of disturbances as reported by the local residents and believes this occurred when the white lines were removed from the carriageway. This will happen again but in future he will alert local residents. The sound levels at the time were slightly increased. Night work will start again after the Christmas break and will include vegetation clearance so there will be some visual change. The vegetation will be replanted eventually.

The new sound barriers and low noise tarmac will be installed towards the end of the construction works.

### **8.30pm Cllr Easton joined the meeting.**

Matt Orchard went on to report that the footpath, on the south side of the River, will be closed for a couple of weeks to remove cables but during this time the footpath on the north side will be kept open.

Cllr Harris asked about the bridge closure at Junction 7 which would prevent traffic entering and exiting at this point. Matt will check this out and report back.

**SBDC Report** – Cllr Pepler reported:-(i) The Burnham public refuse tip will be closed on Wednesdays and Thursdays from the 1<sup>st</sup> April to end of September following the recent consultation. Bucks CC need to make enough savings in order to rescind this decision. Slough BC have been asked to pay more to keep the Burnham tip open but no response. Burnham PC have lodged their complaints to Bill Chapple and Martin Tett as regards this closure; (ii) Orchard Herbs Farm has recently had a new owner. There seems to be some confusion as to what is happening regards enforcement action between BCC and SBDC but he should have better information by the end of the month and will report back to Dorney PC at the February meeting.

**BCC Report** – Cllr Dev Dhillon reported:-(i) He organised for the large pothole in Boveney Road to be repaired the day after the last Council meeting. However, Cllr Harris responded that this was all very well but there were 3 more potholes next to this one which were not repaired! Cllr Dev Dhillon did report that the whole of Boveney Road will be plane patched in the next financial year; (ii) The white lines at the end of Old Marsh Lane with the junction of the A40 will be repainted at the same time as the markings for the new cycle path. The installation of the new cycle path will commence on 23<sup>rd</sup> January and will take a couple of months with road markings being painted towards the end of the works. It was noted that the white lines outside the Rowing Lake have been repainted by Eton College; (iii) Cllr Dev Dhillon assured the Council that a letter has been written to the landowner of the newly installed bunds in Boveney Road that are causing problems; (iv) Eton College have raised £200,000 to replace the traffic lights at Keats Lane. Concern was raised that these road works may cause tail backs along the Common Road in Dorney. RBW have not informed Dorney PC about these works. Cllr Dhillon will ask the Traffic Manager at Bucks CC to ensure the necessary signage is installed

to warn drivers about possible delays; (iv) Cllr Dev Dhillon will also enquire about the closure of Junction 7 during the M4 Smartmotorway works.

**124. Apologies** were received from Cllr P Smith.

**125. Disclosure of interest in items on the agenda** – None.

**126. Resolved** to receive and approve the minutes of the previous meeting Council held on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 2018.

**127. Clerk's Report** – Due to the change to a single unitary authority for Buckinghamshire, Parish Councils' elections have been postponed from 2019 to 2020 once the Secretary of State has approved this in March 2019.

**128. Chairman's Report** – Cllr Harris reported that, sadly, Leanne Kittel has resigned as a parish councillor. She was thanked for all the work she contributed to Dorney Parish Council.

**129. Defibrillator Update** – Cllr Foxley is in the process of seeking a grant for the defibrillator.

**130. Update on the parking situation in Court Lane** outside the entrance to the Rowing Lake. Stakeholders meeting to be arranged to resolve this problem. It was agreed to include the Bursar of Eton College, Janet Walker, the local police Sergeant, Trevor Walker, as well as the Church, Lord of the Manor and Dorney PC.

**131. Planning**

(a) To note planning issues, decisions and appeals recently notified by South Bucks District Council were noted.

(b) To consider and comment upon applications were agreed.

**132. Finance**

a) Resolved to authorise payment of Accounts for January 2019 (as circulated).

b) Resolved to receive list of income for January 2019 (as circulated).

c) The bank statement for January 2019.

d) Resolved to receive the budget for 2018/19.

**133. Member's Reports** – None

**134. Correspondence:-** (i) Household recycling centre service review; (ii) Ttro-Event Wallingford; (iii) Ttro-Event Junior Sculling Regatta; (iv) Ttro-Event Oarsport Junior Sculling Head; (v) Ttro-Event The Ball Cup; (vi) Ttro-Events National Schools Regatta

**135. Resolve any complaints/comments received from residents** – Various members of the public regards noise from the M4 Smartmotorway works.

**136. Highways work** – The new MVAS sign along Village Road, near to the Pineapple PH, will need to be moved to a more suitable position in more sunlight so that the solar panelling will work effectively. Cllr Harris has offered to do this and re-programme the sign.

Cllr Foxley reported that she has received many thanks from residents who like the new sign and the wording that flashes up.

Meeting ended 9.20pm.

Date of next meeting – Council meeting at 8pm on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 at the Dorney Village Hall.

## Dorney History Group

The Dorney History Group has no meetings, currently, but it has a wealth of information about Dorney's past on its website: [www.dorney-history-group.org.uk](http://www.dorney-history-group.org.uk), with over 6,000 web visitors each year.

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## Eton Wick History Group

The Eton Wick History Group has been meeting regularly since 1992. Eton Wick and the surrounding area is rich in history and the village has a heritage dating back to 1217.

Meetings are held at 7.30 pm in Eton Wick Hall, Eton Wick, and everyone is welcome. Refreshments are served, and there is a charge of £2.00 to cover costs.

Visitors and new members are always very welcome.

### 2019 Programme

23rd January 2019	'A Phoenix from the Flames: The Fire and Restoration of Windsor Castle,' with <b>Mr Josh Lovell</b>
27th February 2019	'St. Laurence Church', Slough, with <b>Mr Allan James</b>
10th April 2019	'An Eton Wick History Miscellany', with <b>Mr Elias Kupfermann</b>
22nd May 2019	'The Rise and Fall of Skindles', with <b>Mr Nigel Smales</b>
10th July 2019	'The Revd. John Wells Wilkinson – Tales from my Grandfather's Diaries', with <b>Gaby Appleby</b>
11th September 2019	'Flora and Fauna of the Jubilee River', with <b>Mr Bill Stacey</b>
30th October 2019	'1919 and the Peace Conference', with <b>Mr Martin Davey</b>
11th December 2019	'The Early Days of Fire Fighting in Bray, Eton and Eton Wick', with <b>Mr Geoff Hayes</b>

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## Hedgerley History Society

Monthly Meetings of Hedgerley Historical Society take place at Hedgerley Memorial Hall, Kiln Lane, Hedgerley SL2 3UZ at 8pm (unless otherwise stated) and visitors are most welcome.

### 2019 Programme

20th February 2019	The Churches Conservation Trust. <b>Simon Wiles</b> will describe the important work of this important conservation charity
23rd February 2019	Wonders beyond Numbers. <b>Johnny Ball</b> presents a talk to coincide with the publication of his paperback on the history of Maths Tickets £5
20th March 2019	Lord Austin & Lord Nuffield- giants of the British Motor Industry. The 2018 Harry Kirby Memorial Lecture will be delivered by popular local historian <b>Julian Hunt</b>
6th April 2019	Beatrix Potter: Artist, Scientist & Conservationist. <b>Anney Harris</b> will describe the amazing life of Beatrix Potter author of The Tale of Peter Rabbit and other children's stories. Tickets £5
17th April 2019	The real world of Jane Austen. <b>Sarah Stockdale</b> will lead us on a ramble around the social world of early 19th Century England

Further details from: John Lovelock 01753 647187 [jdlovelock@btinternet.com](mailto:jdlovelock@btinternet.com)

## The Roundmoor Ditch Improvement Project

Roundmoor Ditch, despite the name, is in fact a chalk-fed stream that rises in Taplow and flows southeast to Dorney Common via Lake End. There, it is joined by the Cress Brook and continues as the Boveney Ditch, until it joins with the River Thames, south of Eton Wick.

The Thames Basin suffered significant flooding in the winter of 2014. This included extremely high groundwater levels in many areas, including Slough. Surface water infiltrated the sewer systems and overwhelmed the sewage treatment works.

Under these extreme conditions, the Thames Water sewage treatment works in Slough were permitted to discharge storm flows into the Roundmoor Ditch at the north east corner of Dorney Common. This continued for an unprecedented period of about three months and led to overflows onto Dorney Common.

Significant concerns were raised by residents in Eton Wick, community groups and landowners which highlighted that the public highly values the river, its ecology and its use as an open space for people to enjoy.

Thames21, in partnership with Thames Water, embarked on a two-year project in 2017 to restore the series of waterways at Roundmoor to a significantly better state than before the 2014 pollution incident and to address community concerns.

Thames21, using its strong reputation and experience with communities to improve and protect waterways, is working with local groups to improve and protect 750 metres or more of the Roundmoor Ditch as it flows between Dorney Common and Eton Wick.

Those groups include the Eton Wick Waterways Group, Thames Valley Angling Association, Dorney Court Estate, Eton College, Environment Agency, and the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead.

Luke Damerum, Non-Tidal Thames Project Officer for Thames21, says "A BIG thank you goes out to everyone who has been a part of the Roundmoor Ditch Improvement Project so far. Over the last 6 months you may have seen the improvement works put in place by the volunteers. Information on this can be read in our community project updates and our website [www.thames21.org.uk/Roundmoor](http://www.thames21.org.uk/Roundmoor)"

During the project, volunteers took part in bank restoration work which will help regulate the flow of the river. They constructed natural features such as permeable berms and deflectors, to prevent erosion to the riverbank.

They carried out planting of vegetation to increase marginal habitat that will attract a wider diversity of wildlife including invertebrates and improve the cover for fish.

This project also aims to improve local understanding of the river and its relationship with the Slough Treatment Works and local flood risk. It also runs an education programme that links with the Thames Water Education Centre at Slough Sewage Treatment Works and provides a range of learning opportunities for local schools.

The next Volunteer events for the Roundmoor Ditch will be on 9/10 February 2019 @ 10:30 – 14:30 and 23/24 February 2019 @ 10:30 – 14:30. See the Thames21 website for full details.

## **Changes to Dorney Parish News**

As the relatively new Editor of this respected publication I am aware that not all readers would welcome change. However, I do have to listen carefully to both readers and advertisers and respond to their very helpful suggestions.

I have had requests to increase the type size a little as occasionally certain articles were difficult to read. I have not only increased the type size but have also standardised it to Verdana which, I understand, is easier to read than Arial or Times New Roman.

I have also increased the space given to the Dorney Diary events of the month and listed them in date order to make it more of a reference source for readers.

We are very fortunate to have three local history groups in the area - Dorney, Eton Wick and Hedgerley - and, with encouragement from readers, have included their details and upcoming events.

I do enjoy reading other local publications like Dorney Parish News which serve other communities. They spark ideas for useful content in ours. I noted in one of these a list of Emergency Contact Details so have included this to see what readers think of it.

Our advertisers are extremely important to the viability of Dorney Parish News and we are fortunate to have such a loyal group of them. They too have requested some changes and we have actioned some of them in this edition.

Firstly, we are now able to print in colour with no increase in cost, thanks to technical advances. We have taken a tentative step in this direction with the new advertisement from the Susan Handy School of Dance as a trial.

Secondly, we are now able to change advertising copy every edition, providing more flexibility to our advertisers – which has been very well received.

To encourage more advertisers, we are publishing our Advertising Rates in each edition.

Finally, we are now able to print the date of each edition on the front page and number the pages. Not a major change, but suggested by several of you.

We are planning to survey our readers shortly to get their reaction to these changes as well as seeking ideas from you as to how Dorney Parish News should develop in the future.

Peter Bowman

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## In praise of volunteering

It never ceases to amaze me that the RNLI is staffed largely by volunteers supported by public donations - such responsibility for life and death situations in the hands of some well-trained people who give their time to save the lives of others.

Our villages are full of people that I know are giving their time and skills - to local causes, such as SHOC (Slough Homeless, Our Concern), Wexham Park Hospital, Alexander Devine or to national causes like Mind, Diabetes UK, BEN or international causes like Traidcraft, Christian Aid. Then there are those keeping our own clubs and societies operating, one of the bits of glue which make this a community rather than simply rows of houses.

Finding a definition now for 'Community' is difficult. It's interesting how technology has moved that definition on. Speaking purely from my own view, I first came across the word at our Community Centre in the corner of Bletchley where I grew up (before Milton Keynes existed!). It held discos on a Friday night. Adults moaned about it being variously a den of iniquity (clearly, I was going to the wrong events), a space out of touch with what people wanted (I don't recall much advancement in what would put it back in touch) or "at least you knew where your kids were". We were a community because we were all in the same place.

Community now has a much broader meaning, embracing the fact that the internet can create groups of people with common interests without local or national borders. "Working" as a volunteer therefore invites you to become part of a community and, as humans we are drawn to social interactions, it is part of what defines us as a species. By extrapolation, volunteering should be something which we are naturally drawn to.

Yet volunteering is under threat. Fewer people than ever are putting themselves forward to give a little of their time to join with a social community of others to further what they view as a worthwhile cause. The scandals of Oxfam for example hit the whole sector hard - a comment made with no judgement on who or what amongst the sector deserved it. And there is a difference in volunteering over simply being part of a community or being *in* the particular club - it takes time outside of the activity itself and it puts you in some ways in the public eye.

Speaking personally, sometimes the time required is a right nuisance! I know that this is a common theme with others. Things never seem to happen when they are supposed to, then things take longer than they should. And the public eye however you gain it, is a double edged sword. I have learned that there will always be other opinions and views, sometimes hugely enthusiastic, sometimes really helpful, sometimes misunderstood or mistimed, sometimes hurtful even if unintentional.

And then someone, one day, says thank you. And then it is alright.

Because both being part of a community and volunteering bring people together. Volunteering truly does make you feel good inside. You've used a skill set that you have for the good of someone else and they have appreciated it. That skill set may be just listening - from Wexham Park to the Samaritans that's a needed but underrated and underused skill. It may be making or fixing things - Marlow have a repair cafe, see [transitionmarlow.org](http://transitionmarlow.org). Our own organisations would never turn down help- laying out tables for the Annual Show (or boosting entry numbers), maintenance checks for the Playground committee, showing prospective hirers around the village hall occasionally, and writing the odd interesting note for the magazine. It's a plea that goes up regularly.

Think about volunteering, for any level, any type of organisation that gives you an interest. It does bring a sense of community, and that's what the human psyche needs. In the end, it's worth it, because someone will, one day, thank you.

## Alice Foxley

### **Dorney Parish Council Website**

The Dorney Parish Council website address is:

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