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COMMUNITY LITTER PICKS

The following litter picks will take place in Dinton and Ford.

Please join us to help clean up the parish.

We need, and appreciate your help to clean our community

Ford Village Litter Pick will take place on Saturday 18th March, meeting at the cross roads at 10.30am. Arranged by Ford Village Society

Join us at Dinton Village Hall at 10am on Saturday 25th March to plan the litter pick. Arranged by the Parish Council.

Litter Pick equipment will be provided for both events



ALL DOGS MUST BE KEPT ON A LEAD NEAR LIVESTOCK

With the lambing season upon us, sheep and lambs are often grazing in fields close to footpaths. Your dog can harm or kill sheep and cattle.

Please remember, when enjoying the countryside with your pet, use a lead to keep them and farming livestock safe. If you are a

dog owner, please check your property is dog proof. A loose dog from a nearby house could cause havoc to livestock.

Our countryside is also someone's working environment.

Dog attacks cost! It could be you and your pet who pays.

Allowing your dog to chase and attack livestock is a serious animal welfare offence and can lead to significant fines as well as your dog being shot by a landowner if your dog is bothering livestock.

PLEASE put your dog on a lead anywhere near sheep and other livestock

**PLANNING
PERMISSION
APPROVED**

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL

FIND OUT IF YOU NEED PLANNING PERMISSION

A new online self-service planning tool has been launched that enables any one in Buckinghamshire to check if an idea they have for a project is likely to be allowed under national permitted development rights or whether it may require planning permission. The service is part of a national pilot by the Department for Levelling Up, Communities and Housing (DLUCH) to improve submitting and processing planning applications.

The new service works by doing a high-level check of the project against legislation and Geographic Information System (GIS) data to see if the project may fall under 'permitted development'. The service also warns if other types of consent, such as prior approval, tree consent or listed building consent may additionally be required.

This new service is available to use now on Buckinghamshire Council's website:
<https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/check-if-you-need-planning-permission/>

There is also an option to use a new online application service to allow homeowners and planning professionals to apply for a lawful development certificate as an alternative to using existing planning application submission tools.

Both services ask applicants questions specific to their project, meaning that users don't need to be planning experts to start researching the changes they can make to their homes.

The self-service planning tool is free to use and can be accessed on the Bucks Council website

In addition to these two self-serve public-facing tools, the planning team at Buckinghamshire Council is also testing a new back-office system to make the lawful development assessment process more efficient and transparent for both applicants and planning officers.



Dinton Village Hall:

Suitable for parties and all types of get-togethers.

For all enquiries for the Village Hall please contact the Bookings Secretary:

Honor Vane, Summers Cottage, Dinton, HP17 8UG - 01296 748177

DINTON PLAYGROUND PLAQUES - Children's Name Plaques

If you would like to mark the birth, or other event, of your children/grandchildren, you can purchase a plaque to be installed in the playground in the Parish Field, Dinton.

Please contact Nick Cottman for the price of the plaques

Cllr Nick Cottman **07762 159530** - nick.cottman1@btopenworld.com



WHICH PAVEMENT & WHO FIXES IT?

If you have a problem with a footpath/pavement, you need to register the problem with Buckinghamshire Council Fix-my-Street reporting system — 01296 382416 or www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk If your problem is with a Public Footpath crossing a farmers or other landowner land or a Bridleway then please contact Buckinghamshire Council Rights of Way Team.



They prefer you to use their website for reporting problems.

This includes: broken stiles, overgrown vegetation or fallen trees, damaged or dangerous path surfaces, damaged or dangerous bridges, damaged or missing signposts and waymarks. Landowners are required to keep rights of way open and useable; this includes providing and maintaining stiles

SIMPLY WALK STONE, HADDENHAM & DINTON

Simply Walk in Stone, Haddenham & Dinton

Come suited & booted for whatever the weather
To **Simply Walk** for an hour or so in the countryside.
Just come to our walks throughout the year from:

Methodist Chapel, Eythrope Road – **STONE**
Wednesday: 8th – 22nd March

Bradmoor Farm (rear) car park, Stanbridge Road – **HADDENHAM**
Wednesday: 1st – 29th March

Seven Stars PH, New Road – **DINTON**
Wednesday: 15th March

We meet in the morning for 10.30
It's friendly, fun and **free**
More ladies than men! Why the scarcity?
Of menfolk, outnumbered by 1 in 3
So come on you chaps, we're really friendly
And there's biscuits, with the coffee or tea!



Simply Walk

Simply Walk Diary Dates

MONTH	STONE	HADDENHAM	DINTON
April	5th - 19th	26th	12th
May	3rd-17th31st	24th	10th
June	14th - 28th	21st	7th

Walking for Health with Simply Walk

Visit www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/simply-walk Telephone 01494 475367 Mobile 07802 260812



KING CHARLES III

CORONATION 6th May 2023

LONG LIVE THE KING

Are you considering becoming a Non-Executive Director?

Why not start as a trustee of a Charity, established over 50 years ago. CHUF is a Preschool, building the foundations of our local community.

*‘Early childhood shapes us as adults
— it is when we learn to understand ourselves, others
and the world in which we live’.*

The Princess of Wales

The Princess of Wales is on a mission to ‘Give Children the Very Best Start’ with the recent launch of her new early years initiative **Shaping Us**, so timing to get involved in Early Years couldn’t be better!

“Through CHUF we have been giving children in the area the very best start for over 50 years, and we have exciting ambitions for the next 50 years”

Anna Coates, Chair of Trustees

About CHUF - Chearsley and Haddenham Under Fives Preschool

Established over 50 years ago, Chearsley and Haddenham Under Fives (CHUF) is a thriving preschool for children aged 2 to school age. CHUF provides a structured, learning group with our main aim being for the children to enjoy themselves, and at the same time to learn at their own pace in a warm, caring and friendly environment.

CHUF is a registered charity governed by a group of Trustees, who provide support to the Preschool Manager and staff, enabling them to focus on the running of the settings and the care of the children. We are seeking a commercially aware Trustee who is passionate about the importance of early years and can help guide CHUF in an ‘eyes on – hands off’ approach through this next phase – especially given the growth of Haddenham.

If you would like to find out more please get in touch: Vic Shenton: Vic.shenton@gmail.com



Tony Hadley supporting CHUF's 50th Birthday in 2017 with past pupils

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LONG LIVE THE KING!

Three Hundred and Seventy-Four years after the legendary Dinton Hermit, John Bigg, said to King Charles 1 “this may hurt a bit”, on 6th May 2023, Charles the third will be crowned King.

In celebration of the coronation, the Parish Community Events Team are organizing a Treasure Hunt on Sunday 7th May, that will start at Dinton Village Hall from 2pm, with competitors solving Clues that lead them through our Parish history over the last 374 years.

We want to make the event appealing to young and old and everything in between. We encourage families and groups of friends to form teams and engage in friendly competition.

The Treasure Hunt will culminate in the Seven Stars pub garden towards the latter part of the afternoon where a BBQ will take place with appropriate drinks available to toast King Charles III. There will be a prize for the best Historic Team and we hope that many of you will stay and have fun together probably finishing about 9pm. The following day is a Bank Holiday so plenty of recovery time!

As this will be the first Coronation for 70 years, we want to make it a memorable day, particularly for the children of the parish and encourage them to learn about Parish history. Many of us will still have Coronation memories of 1953 and if you have any stories or memorabilia of those times, then please let us now and we can perhaps build those into Treasure Hunt Clues.

We will be advertising the event around the parish in the coming days, and it will help the organisers if you can indicate your intention to attend, the likely numbers in your team and if you intend taking advantage of the BBQ. We can assist individuals who are looking for help to form or join a team.

Please contact any of the following Events Team for more information:

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Given that a past member of our parish played such a prominent role in the demise of Charles I, then perhaps we should send a polite reminder to Charles III that our parishioners are not be trifled with and many of us own an axe.



John Bigg (baptised. 22 April 1629 – buried 4 April 1696), also known as The Dinton Hermit, was a 17th-century English Hermit.

Little is known about John Bigg as few people were involved in his life, being that he lived in obscurity. He is recorded as being baptised on 22 April 1629 and a 1712 letter of Thomas Hearne identifies him as the highly educated former clerk of Simon Mayne a member of the Long Parliament, magistrate, and judge in the trial of of King Charles I. Some sources even identify Bigg as a possible candidate for the executioner of Charles I.

Upon the restoration of the English monarchy. Bigg's employer, Mayne, was executed for regicide on 13 April 1661. Bigg, either out of fear for his own life or despair at the state of his country, grew reclusive and took to living in a cave in Dinton Buckinghamshire. Bigg lived on a diet of meat, milk, ale and beer which was supplied to him from unasked charity of local people. He is said to have lived off charity but to only ask for gifts of leather, which he used to patch his boots and clothing, giving him his famous look of a patchwork of leather. His boots, massive with decades of tacked on leather, remain on display at the Ashmolean Museum in Oxford. Bigg was buried on 4 April 1696, in Dinton.



CUDDINGTON & DINTON SCHOOL NEWS

It has been a busy start to the year for us, We have enjoyed a visit from Ofsted, The Inspection was an ungraded visit. This means the HMI Inspector came to review the school to assure Ofsted that Cuddington and Dinton is still a good school. We are very pleased with how the inspection went and look forward to sharing the full report on our website when it is published, in approximately a months' time.

The children were absolutely fantastic, as always. We were very impressed with their behaviour, work and attitude to learning which they articulated eloquently on both sites. All pupils were great ambassadors of the school.

Perhaps even bigger news is that after 13 years in post as Head Teacher of Cuddington and Dinton CofE School, Mrs Price informed us in November that she was leaving. We then started the process of recruiting a new Head Teacher to take up the role in September 2023.

We were told to expect just two or three applications but our wonderful school attracted seven, several from people currently in Head Teacher positions. From these, we were able to short list three strong candidates. In the last week of January, the Governing Board recruitment panel, together with the support of our Diocese Advisor and an Advisor from Bucks Local Authority, put our shortlisted candidates through a rigorous assessment day.

We are thrilled to let you know our current Deputy Head, Mrs Nicola Wilde excelled in all activities, including quite a grilling from our School council, (it could easily have been Prime Minister's Questions!) Mrs Wilde delivered one of the most beautiful assemblies the Local Authority advisor had ever seen. You will be delighted to know that we have offered Mrs Wilde the role and thankfully she accepted.

We are now in a very fortunate position where Mrs Price will be able to support Mrs Wilde in her transition. This will enable her to create a strong start in the next phase of Cuddington and Dinton's journey, fully supported by the staff and Governors.

Even with such a busy start to the year, the children have remained focused on their learning and true to the school values, We were so proud showing round prospective candidates.

One of the demonstrations of this is the introduction of baskets on both sites to support Aylesbury Foodbank. We welcomed 2 representatives from Aylesbury Food bank to one of our Collective Worships. They spoke to the children about what they did to help families. We have already filled both foodbank baskets and they have been collected by Aylesbury Foodbank. They still need the following items: Long life sponge puddings, Long life fruit juice, Long life UHT milk, Instant mash, tinned tomatoes, pasta sauce, table sauces, tinned fruit. The baskets are in the reception at Cuddington, should you wish to contribute.

Vic Shenton
Chair of Governors

Kim Price
Headteacher

CUDDINGTON & DINTON SCHOOL FOOD BANK
We welcome all food donations which can be left at the entrance of the
Junior Site between 8am and 4pm
All donations of food will go to the Aylesbury Food Bank

St Peter and St Paul Church, Dinton

DINTON CHURCH NEWS

The Bigg Issue, Easter 2023



Every Easter is like a fresh start for us all as we celebrate the joy of the self-sacrificing love of Jesus.

Our Church of St Peter and Paul in Dinton will take you on the journey from our service of Holy Communion on Palm Sunday when we remember the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem on a donkey, through Good Friday's Reflection: Hour at the Cross when we reflect on the heavy price paid by Jesus for his love for us. The week then culminates with our Easter Sunday All Age Holy Communion Service, where in addition to the glories of an Easter Morning celebration there may well be little chocolate treats scattered around the church to seek out!

We do hope you will join us this year at any of the services listed below, you will be sure to find a warm welcome:



April 2 nd	Palm Sunday	9am	Holy Communion
April 7 th	Good Friday	2pm	An Hour at The Cross Reflection
April 9 th	Easter Sunday	10am	All Age Holy Communion
April 9 th	Easter Sunday	6pm	Sung Evensong for Easter

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy Easter.

Revd Nigel Featherston

PARKING IN THE PARISH

Can we please remind everyone not to park on the grass verges.

Many of the verges in the parish are being severely damaged and the cost to the parish to repair or replace the grass and make good and safe the verge, is significant.



Volunteers Needed

We could do with your help

If you can help your community and Village Hall Committee by carrying out any maintenance Jobs such as painting, gardening, tidying up etc. Please contact:

Dick O'Driscoll (Chairman) 01296 748283
odriscoll110@btinternet.com



FOOD BANK COLLECTION

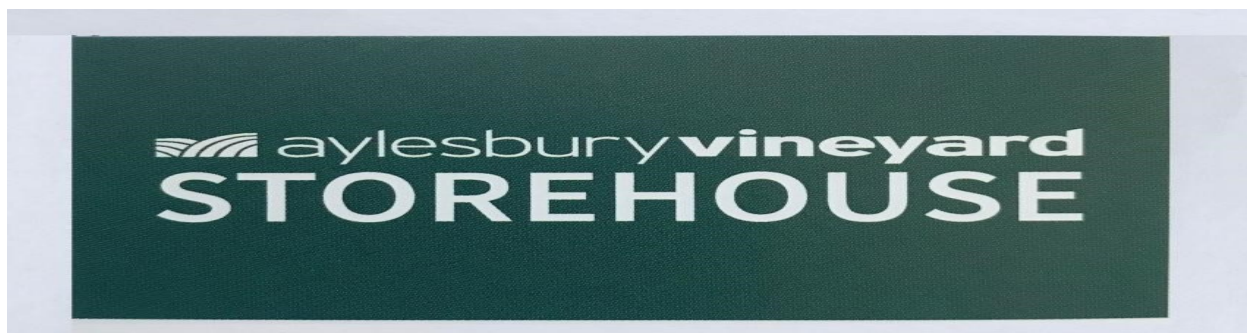
The Seven Stars in Dinton has a foodbank collection box.

The box is situated under the tall table on the patio adjacent to the entrance to the pub.



All foodstuff will be collected by the Bernwode bus on the first Saturday of each month and delivered to the Aylesbury Vineyard Church foodbank.

**Please donate any kind of tinned food or food in jars.
You could also give toiletries or household goods.**



Buckinghamshire Council Helping Hand team is available to help individuals or families in need, those on low incomes and those who are experiencing a financial emergency or crisis. Let us know if: you are struggling to afford food, you cannot keep on top of your bills, you are in debt or you are struggling to pay for essential goods in your home.

Request support from the Helping Hand team using the online form or contact us by phone on 01296 531 151.

Our phone lines are open:

Monday to Thursday (9am to 5:30pm) Friday (9am to 5pm) If you're in immediate need and your request cannot wait until the next working day call 0800 999 77677.

Parish Council: We meet every month on the 2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm. Parish Councillors are elected to make decisions for the parish and to raise a parish precept (tax) to pay for various responsibilities they have and choose to take on such as the playground, parish field, land and open spaces, the spinney, tree works and grass cutting. We are consulted on planning applications and matters affecting the parish. Residents are welcome to attend the parish council meetings and raise any matters they wish that affect the parish. We often have to engage with other stakeholders such as Buckinghamshire Council if the issue, or concerns raised, is not something we have responsibility for.



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Cuddington & Dinton School

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Office - office@cds.school

Dinton Village Hall Bookings

Honor Vane - 01296 748177

Haddenham Community Library

0845-2303232

Parish Magazine (Dinton)

Mike Thompson - 01296 748561

Police Station (Waddesdon)

Neighbourhood Team —101

Fly Tipping:

01296 382416 <https://www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk/>

Akido - Antony Pinchbeck - 07966 151462

Cubs & Beavers

Emily Gray - 07746 973805

Dinton Cricket Club

chairman@dintoncc.co.uk

Pot Hole Reporting 01296 382416

<https://www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk/>

Planning Applications:

Buckinghamshire Council 01296 395000

Pavement Problems: 01296 382416

www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk

Public Footpaths & Bridleways - contact

Buckinghamshire Council Rights of Way Team

Community Events Team - contact

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GOOD NEIGHBOURS SCHEME

Transport to doctors, hospital, opticians, collection of prescriptions, help with getting out of the house in bad weather and shopping in the case of illness.



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UPTON:

Jo & David Troup 747735

Chloe Lambert 748221

DINTON:

Lorraine Gooch 747655 Sylvia Eaton 748537

Carol Lynch 748392 Keith Mitchell 747018

Honor Vane 748177 Helen Wild 748679

Valma Thompson 748561 Stella Young 748771

Alan Weston 748287

Co-ordinators: Jo Troup and Helen Wild

HADDENHAM COMMUNITY VEHICLE (HCV)

The HCV is for all who are disabled or have walking or mobility problems. The door to door service is free although donations are welcome. To find out more, become a volunteer or to make a booking, contact the coordinator David Hammond: 07483 806171 or email haddenhamcv@gmail.com. The service is for all those having difficulty accessing public transport or private cars. Our vehicle is adapted for wheelchair users. **Trained volunteers ensure covid-safe arrangements in line with guidance and the service, including journeys to vaccination centres, operates up to 20 miles from Haddenham.**



Haddenham Community Library

**Banks Park
Banks Road
Haddenham
Aylesbury
Buckinghamshire HP17 8EE**

Tel: 01296 387865

Email: info@haddenhamcommunitylibrary.org.uk

OPENING TIMES

Tuesday 10am—5pm
Thursday 10am—5pm
Friday 10am—5pm
Saturday 10am—1pm

When the library is closed, books can be returned to any library in Buckinghamshire



Drop In Coffee Mornings

Every Thursday morning we are hosting drop in coffee mornings from 10.30am. Come along, have a drink, have a biscuit, meet new friends or join old ones! All in our lovely library environment. You can borrow a book to read while you're here or take it home afterwards.

Thursdays at 10.30am
Every week
See you there!



Regular gatherings

Many of the regular meetings and activities which usually take place in Haddenham Community Library have begun again!

We are pleased to now be able to host the following:

Tuesdays 10am -12pm Knit & Natter
Tuesdays 10.30am and 2.30pm Storytime
Thursdays 10.30am Drop in Coffee Morning
Fridays 10.30am -11am Bounce & Rhyme (fortnightly term time)
Saturdays 10.30am Lego Club

Book the library as a venue

Haddenham Community Library is popular with social groups as a meeting venue. There is plenty of space; there are chairs and tables; there is a screen for audio visual presentations; free wifi; central location in Haddenham with car parking.

If you would like to explore further the potential for us to host your meetings, please contact us: info@haddenhamcommunitylibrary.org.uk or on telephone 01296 387865