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**The Community Events Team proudly announces:**

**The MIDSUMMER BALL**  
**Saturday 24 June**  
**6.30 pm - midnight**  
**In the Marquee at Dinton Cricket Club**

Black Tie & Cocktail Dresses  
Bring your own food but NOT drinks  
Live Band Sledgehammer playing a 3 hour set Licensed bar  
Auction for Wheelbarrow of Mixed Drinks  
'Heads and Tails' Knock-out – bring a £1 coin

Tickets are £25 per person  
Early Bird £20 if paid before 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Seats can be reserved in advance on full payment  
for the seats required

Tables are maximum 10 seats and a full table can be  
reserved on payment of the full 10 seat price.  
Price includes 2 bottles of Prosecco per table

To make a reservation contact  
Mel Kidner [melaniekidner@hotmail.com](mailto:melaniekidner@hotmail.com) or  
Steve Merry [stephentmerry@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:stephentmerry@yahoo.co.uk) 07850 049587

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU  
AT THE MIDSUMMER BALL**

**PLANNING  
PERMISSION  
APPROVED**

## BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL

### FIND OUT IF YOU NEED PLANNING PERMISSION

This 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.

### 100 CLUB—WE NEED 15 new Members

At the moment we have 85 subscribers, so just need the final 15 to make 100.

To join costs £3 per month - preferred method of payment is £36 per year either on Standing Order or by BACS transfer. The money raised will help fund our Village Hall.

If we get to 100 members, our plan is to have two prize draws each one of **£150 (1st Prize), £75 (2nd prize) and £50 (3rd prize)**.

The idea is to make the draws at Village Hall events. Current thoughts are to have one at the end of the summer (October?) and one next year (February?) when the Wine & Cheese evening is planned.

For a 100 Club Application Form, please contact Nick Cottman, the Village Hall Treasurer, Homelea, High St, Dinton HP17 8UN on 01296 748894 or 07762 159530  
Email : [nick.cottman1@btopenworld.com](mailto:nick.cottman1@btopenworld.com)



#### 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](mailto: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](http://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: 14<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> June

Bradmoor Farm (rear) car park, Stanbridge Road – **HADDENHAM**  
Wednesday: 21<sup>st</sup> June

Seven Stars PH, New Road – **DINTON**  
Wednesday: 7<sup>th</sup> June

We meet in the morning for 10.30  
It's friendly, fun and **free**  
Spring into summertime activity ...  
Walking, talking and a coffee or tea!



# Simply Walk

### Simply Walk Diary Dates

MONTH	STONE	HADDENHAM	DINTON
July	12th-26th	19th	5th
Aug	9th-23rd	16th	2nd-30th
Sept	6th-20th	13th	27th

### ..... Walking for Health with Simply Walk

Visit [www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/simply-walk](http://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/simply-walk)  
Telephone 01494 475367 Mobile 07802 260812



### ALL DOGS MUST BE KEPT ON A LEAD NEAR LIFESTOCK

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



## DINTON BEER FESTIVAL SAVE THE DATE

The eighth annual Dinton Beer Festival will be held this year on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August, in the garden of the Seven Stars pub, from noon to 6pm.

There will be a selection of real ales, ciders and Pimm's, with live music through the afternoon and a barbecue hosted by Steph and her team.

**COME & JOIN US, YOU WILL LOVE IT!**

All proceeds will go towards parish projects and we are delighted to report that to date, the Beer Festival has distributed over £12,000 with donations from last year's festival covering the installation of super-fast fibre broadband in the Village Hall and refurbishment of the village stocks on the green down from the church (see photo).

**So, please put the date in your diary and come along to the Seven Stars to enjoy a family day out.**

We are always looking for sponsors and if you would like to sponsor a barrel or some cider or Pimm's or contribute to the cost of the glasses, please contact:

Dick O'Driscoll on 07711 731740 or email [odriscoll110@btinternet.com](mailto:odriscoll110@btinternet.com) or

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**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU  
AT THIS FANTASTIC COMMUNITY EVENT**



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## CORONATION TREASURE HUNT – Held Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May

I was having a quiet beer with Chas (III) in the Seven Stars snug during the week, he was travelling incognito of course, not wearing his crown and with his sceptre well hidden. He had heard about our Historical Treasure Hunt and rumours of a Hermit being sighted in the vicinity of Biggs Lane. As he fingered his neck somewhat nervously, he enquired if it was true that Cromwell's sword was still being kept sharp within Dinton Hall. I quipped back 'yes, but just in case we needed it for those involved with HS2'. At that, he knocked back his pint of IPA, aptly supplied by Rebellion Brewery, made an excuse about the Queen wanting to catch up on Coronation Street and he was gone quicker than you can say "off with his head"!

More than 100 parishioners took part in our Historical Treasure Hunt the day after the Coronation and what a beautiful day greeted all who gathered at Dinton Village Hall and took brief instruction on the Routes to follow. Twenty-Nine clues led 23 teams of families and friends, including many children, around the parish exploring points and artifacts of historical interest dating from the ill-fated Charles I through to the crowning of Charles III and Queen Camilla.

Commemorative Pencils, Bookmarks and Badges were handed out at the start where it was made clear that the 'Treasure' is in fact the wonderful history of our Parish told through the clues and prepared information sheets on display throughout the routes. Each clue led to the discovery of a letter of the alphabet hidden near an historical point of interest, collect the letters and solve the topical anagram to complete the Treasure Hunt.

Thanks to Rosemary and David Jackson we were able visit the church of St Peter and St Paul which became the centerpiece of the route with 4 letters secreted amongst the artifacts and memorials and a wordsearch puzzle for the kids to complete referencing items within the church.

The magnificent hand crafted Appliqué needlework depicting scenes of the parish was much admired as were the memorials to the Regicides Simon Mayne and Richard Ingoldsby but none more so than the splendour of the stained glass window in memory of St Paul and St Peter.

Depicted within the window, and of more bloodcurdling interest to the kids, is the Dinton Hermit himself, John Bigg, suspected executioner of Charles I, dressed in his patchwork leather clothes and boots which are now on display in the Ashmolean Museum.

Free ice cream was available in Dinton High Street as the trail wended towards Westlington and back past the 'Alpaca's' eventually to Moat Cottage site of the cave John Bigg fled to after the King's execution and where, if you had an 'eagle' eye, could be spotted the Hermit himself. The trail came to its conclusion in the garden of The Seven Stars where the masses gathered to feast on a BBQ supplied by Steph and her team and there was much toasting to our new monarch, King Charles III, and his Queen Camilla. The Treasure Hunt Trail anagram was solved by most of the teams and the winners announced as: "The HARRIKINGS" a combo of the Harrison's and Hawking's families who gratefully received a beautiful standard rose tree they could plant and to bloom in forever celebration of the momentous occasion. The Dinton Lodgers and The Union Jacks also received commemorative shrubs for their gardens. The feedback from those who took part has been magnificent and the organizers thank you all for turning out and making the day so memorable. The scenes in the garden of the pub were a brilliant example of the community coming together in celebration and friendship and one we can all be proud of.

Perhaps we will not have to wait so long for the next coronation? and if Charles III steps out of line, then perhaps The Dinton Hermit will rise once more and sharpen his AXE!!

**Steve Merry (Community Events Team)**



## CUDDINGTON & DINTON SCHOOL NEWS

What a busy few weeks we have had!

For the coronation the children all decorated a stone which formed part of a crown. We created one for the infant site and one for the junior site where they are now on permanent display.

We have attached a picture and the prayer written by year 4.

The year 6 children have completed their SATs papers this half term. They have all tried their best and we are very proud of them. We said a big thank you to the Junior children and staff who kept quiet whilst the tests have been taking place- what a team! Some of you may have also seen on the BBC news the outcry about the SATs reading paper. We checked with the year 6 class and the consensus was that it was the same as previous practice tests, no harder or easier.

Also year 4 had a whole day workshop with Garsington Opera. The children performed songs from The Barber of Seville and wrote their own operatic song. In July they will be going to Garsington Opera to watch a shortened version of the Barber of Seville. The children, and Mrs Chaplin, had a wonderful day and it was a joy to see their enthusiasm in their performance to year 3.

Year 3 & 4 spent the whole day on a Design Technology project in the hall making Ancient Egyptian Shadufs, devices for moving water from the Nile.

Year 5 & 6 had a workshop on the dangers of knife crime. The children listened intently and had lots of great questions.

Across all year groups, the Spirited Arts project was amazing . All the children produced such wonderful pieces which were displayed for all parents and carers to come and see. The commentary to describe their work and to explain where is God, was very moving. It showed a great deal of compassion, understanding and deep thinking: as ever, we are very proud of the children. Rev. Phil has asked to display some of the work in the church and we have shared some here.

**Mrs Price (Headteacher) & Mrs Spencer (Chair of Governors)**

### *Yr 4 Prayer for the Coronation*

*Dear God,*

*Let us celebrate King Charles the Third and the Queen Consort's important day at Westminster Abbey, a very special place of worship.*

*Help us to realise the historical significance of their Coronation, whether we are travelling to London to see this exciting event or watching it on TV like many people from around the world.*

*Help us if we feel sad about the death of Queen Elizabeth and when we think about our own sad times. Help us remember the many happy times we have had with our friends and family and all that we have to be grateful for.*

*We pray that you will give King Charles courage and wisdom to do his duty and to make good decisions.*

*We thank you that King Charles continues to give his message to people that it is important to protect our environment, plants and animals.*

*Please bless them and us on their special day. Amen*

## St Peter and St Paul Church, Dinton

### DINTON CHURCH NEWS

The repairs to the old privies in the churchyard is progressing. This will make the area look very much better.

The Patronal Festival this year will be on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July. We will have Choral Evensong at 6pm followed by prosecco and anzac biscuits!

We will celebrate Harvest on September 10<sup>th</sup> again at a Choral Evensong with similar refreshments after the service.

For all events information and matter relating to the Church, please contact:

Church Warden - Rosemary Jackson 01296 748655



## 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**

## 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

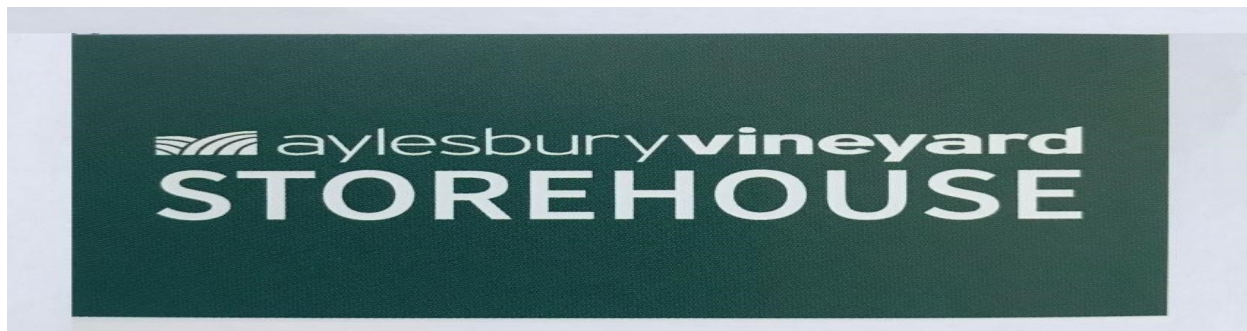
The Seven Stars in Dinton has a foodbank collection box.

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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**Dinton Village Hall Bookings**

Honor Vane - 01296 748177

**Haddenham Community Library**

0845-2303232

**Police Station (Waddesdon)**

Neighbourhood Team —101

**Fly Tipping:**

01296 382416 [https://](https://www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk/)

[www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk/](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](https://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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**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:info@haddenhamcommunitylibrary.org.uk) or on telephone 01296 387865**