

December 2024

# Chaddleworth News

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- ✓ Goodbye to the alpacas at NAWT Trindledown Farm (it is good news!)
- ✓ ...and plenty more information about our local groups, charities, businesses, GP practice and West Berkshire Council.



**Happy Christmas and  
Merry New Year  
to all readers of  
Chaddleworth News!**

Please provide your letters, suggestions and contributions for the next, February edition by 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

Thank you, go well and Happy New Year too!  
**Ed.**



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## Chaddleworth and Shefford Schools PTFA

(Registered Charity 1190914)

On 16<sup>th</sup> November, the PTFA took over the whole school for our **Winter Fete!** No classroom was left untouched, affording villagers and visitors a chance to look around our super school while enjoying the festivities!



Our team of committee members transformed classrooms into craft areas, tuck shops, and even a Father Christmas photo booth! Our brilliant refreshments team ran a café in the Robins classroom; and staff and parent helpers ran an exciting Christmas games room in Owls!

Special thanks go to ***Ruth from Priscilla's Kitchen in East Garston***, who was our guest judge for our Bake-Off competition, along with school's ***Mr Withers***. Both were impressed by the high standard of bakes from both children and parents and enjoyed every delicious bite.



Enormous thanks **THANK YOU** too to the generous local businesses who donated prizes for the raffle itself.

With everyone's hard work and support, we took a **fantastic £1,800**, which after expenses will fund £1,400 towards the whole school pantomime trip this December!

**THANK YOU** to all who attended our fete and helped us reach such a super total!

Thank you for your continued support!

Best wishes from ***Kathryn, Charlotte and the PTFA team***

Congratulations to our winning bakers; **Everly** for the best jam tarts, **Eleanor** for the best biscuits, and **Mrs Liddiard** for the best puff pastry bake!

**THANK YOU** to our lovely vendors who brought their wonderful products along to offer visitors some Christmas shopping ideas and inspiration!

We had a super raffle and would like to extend our **THANK YOU** to everyone who purchased tickets in support of our school.



# Chaddleworth St Andrew's and Shefford C.E. Federated Primary Schools



November is a month full of experience, challenge, remembering and change.

We joined together for reflective worship on **Remembrance Day**. Everyone was able to gather at 11 am for our 2-minute silence to reflect of the bravery, dedication and lives that have been given to keeping others safe. We were able to use a poignant BBC animation to help us understand a little more about the meaning of Remembrance.

[www.bbc.co.uk/ceebies/watch/poppies](http://www.bbc.co.uk/ceebies/watch/poppies)



A **THANK YOU** arrived from the **West Berks Foodbank Trustees** for our Harvest donations. What fantastic community spirit has been shared!

Miss Oram and Mrs Wilson accepted a special invitation to **Trinity School's Year 7 Tea Party**. They were able to spend time with our children who have moved on to Secondary School and chat about their experiences so far and how Primary School had prepared them for the next step in their education journey.



**We Love Reading** and have started to recommend favourite books in our KS2 library area. We look forward to adding more examples of reading for pleasure soon to our school display for all to be inspired!



**Primary Golf Experience Day:** Thank you to Mrs Brown for organising a super PE experience for everyone. We were so lucky to welcome Stu Warren to our school for the day, to introduce and develop the knowledge and skills of golf with our children. They absolutely loved trying out something a little different and learnt so much!





Another fantastic example of the Christian value of Community across our school with, **'Pennies for Pudsey' galore!** The big count up revealed a fantastic **£79** of fundraising for *Children in Need*.



An extra big thank you to Sophie, Emily and Eleanor for the well planned and enjoyable activities everyone was able to take part in too!

We must say the biggest **'Well Done and Thank You'** to the PTFA team for all their time, effort and energy used to plan, prepare, run and clear down after the Winter Fete. So many smiling faces, and a wonderful start to the festive season! The grand total raised from the event is **£1,400!** The PTFA have confirmed they will be able to fund our whole school pantomime trip next month! *Another BIG thank you from us all!*

**Ms Munday, Acting Headteacher**  
[www.csfschools.org](http://www.csfschools.org)





## Great Shefford Under Fives



Our “drop in” Monday **Baby & Toddler Group**, run by Debbie and Kathryn, has been busy with many new parents, carers and their very young children. This runs on Monday mornings from 9.30 – 11am for £3 including refreshments for all so please come along with your little ones.

At **Pre-School** we are now in the swing of Christmas preparations, learning the Christmas story, songs and making decorations for the room, the village tree and to take home. We are looking forward to performing a traditional Nativity play at St. Mary’s church followed by a party lunch at the Manor House Barn, courtesy of Miranda and Dominic Armstrong.



Our first two weeks of the half term were equally busy with firework pictures to celebrate Bonfire Night and the Hindu festival of Diwali, together with wonderful Indian room decorations. We thought about how to live peaceful lives as we took a poppy wreath and laid it at the War Memorial then supported those less fortunate than ourselves through BBC Children in Need.

We have welcomed a new committee of parents to be the management committee of the group in its 53<sup>rd</sup> year. Our staff have undertaken language, literacy and special needs training as we continue to develop our knowledge with up-to-date practice.

Our term ends on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December** and restarts, in line with schools, on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025**.

We do have Pre-School spaces so if you would like to know a little more about what we can offer your pre-school child, please do get in touch.

Best wishes, **Denise Herrington**  
[www.greatsheffordunderfives.co.uk](http://www.greatsheffordunderfives.co.uk)



## Santa's Parade

Sunday 8th December  
from 4.30pm

Come and see Santa and his elves as they walk through Great Shefford, spreading festive cheer and sweets, while raising money for **Great Shefford Under Fives!**



The sleigh team will be heading to the village hall where hot drinks and refreshments will be on sale! Join us for a wonderful evening of festive fun for all ages!



The Santa Parade  
will be coming through  
Great Shefford village  
on  
**Sunday 8th December**  
**from 4:30pm**

Join the parade as it  
walks through the  
village bring a pocket  
full of change to throw  
in our buckets in return  
for sweets!





## Letters

**Harvest Auction:** We want to extend our thanks to everyone who made the Harvest Auction a great evening of entertainment and generosity. The event was a resounding success and, alongside the Compost Cup, raised just over **£2,000**.

These funds go towards the Seniors Christmas Lunch which we are looking forward to seeing you all at this month!

THANK YOU to anyone who volunteered their time, and to those who donated prizes which make this whole evening possible.

Finally, THANK YOU to everyone who came along, placed a bid, or simply enjoyed the evening. We appreciate the support!

**The Old G.s**

**Macmillan Tea and Cake:** A big THANK YOU to all the people, who came to the tea on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September. And thanks for all the Raffle Prizes.

A special thanks to **Martyn and Lea**, for making the cakes for the tea and **Sue, Heather and Grahame** who helped on the day.

We raised **£406** for Macmillan Cancer Support  
**Phyllis**

**In Memory of Graham:** Daffodil bulbs are now planted by the white village entrance gates and should make a good show in the spring.  
**Jan**

The regular Downlands Ward Councillor's Report is available via West Berkshire:

[www.westberks.gov.uk/downlandsparishcouncilreport](http://www.westberks.gov.uk/downlandsparishcouncilreport)

Kind regards, **Councillor Clive Hooker**



**Terrier Race:** Come along to The Ibex Inn on **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December** for the annual Terrier Race! Dogs of all shapes and sizes are welcome to join in on the open race (**1:30pm**) but we ask that dogs entering the terrier race (**2:00pm**) are of course a terrier breed and are no taller than 14 inches from floor to shoulder.

Registration is open from **12:30pm** at The Ibex Inn.



## Oli for CrelD1 Warriors

From the 9<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> December, Oli is taking on a massive challenge!

He will be running SEVEN MARATHONS IN SEVEN DAYS to raise awareness and funds for CrelD1 Warriors, a vital organization dedicated to research and support for children affected by CrelD1.

CrelD1 is a rare genetic disorder that affects the development and function of multiple organ systems. Children with CrelD1 often face severe health challenges, including heart defects, immune dysfunction, and neurological issues including severe seizures.

Tragically, many of these children do not survive past early childhood due to complications from this devastating condition.

Earlier this year our beautiful boy, Angus, was diagnosed with CrelD1. Since Angus was 6 months old, he has suffered from multiple seizures ranging from fairly mild to very severe and resulting in a coma. Finding out about his diagnosis was extremely tough. We don't know what the future holds for him, but we do know we



will do anything we can to help him, and every little warrior, get the funding they need to kickstart ground-breaking research into this rare condition.

Currently, there is only one medical paper written on CrelD1 and no effective medicine. By supporting Oli's marathon journey, you will be directly contributing to fund critical research, raise awareness, and provide support to affected families.

The pain of running all seven marathons will end after a week or so (hopefully!), but the pain of the CrelD1 warriors won't end until proper research is done.

We live just at the bottom of Chaddleworth.

Thank you so much,

Love Angus, Sophie,  
and Oli XX

[www.justgiving.com/  
page/creld1-7in7](https://www.justgiving.com/page/creld1-7in7)

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## The Ibex Inn

We are open every day!

01488 639052

[bookings@theibexinn.com](mailto:bookings@theibexinn.com)



### ATTENTION – CHRISTMAS BOOKINGS

It's not too late to get your  
Christmas party booked!

Whether that's celebrating with the  
family or with friends, we can  
accommodate parties of any size.

£10pp deposit. Pre-order your  
meals at least 7 days before. Menu  
available from 1<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>  
December!



Whether you're stopping by for a hearty meal, a refreshing pint, or a friendly chat, you'll always find a warm welcome here. We have plenty of events and live music to keep going through Christmas and into the New Year!

### • COMING UP •

**Christmas Market – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

The Christmas market is around the corner, the perfect opportunity to celebrate the festive season! We will be providing some delicious food and drink for you to enjoy. Market is running from 4-7pm, and then we

will have the brilliant *Josh Smith* to sing us some Christmas classics from 7:30pm.

### Boxing Day Karaoke

Carry on the celebrations with us with some Boxing Day Karaoke. It was quite the hit last year so we hope that you'll join in again this year! The tunes start from 4pm.

### Live Music with The Playthings – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December from 8pm

Enjoy a fantastic mix of crowd-pleasing hits that are guaranteed to have you singing along and dancing right away.

Grab a drink and get ready to enjoy the music – it is a night you don't want to miss!

### New Years Eve Rum & Reggae Night

Enjoy a taste of summer and ring in the new year in style! With a mixture of Reggae music, steel pans, and rum cocktails.

It is another evening you won't want to miss! Everything kicks off from 8pm and continues until late.

And that takes us into January when have our Quiz, Smash Burger Night, and Australia Day to keep us busy in the new year! Keep an eye on our social media or sign up to our mailing list for updates.

**JOIN OUR TEAM!** We are on the lookout for new *over-18* members of staff to join our friendly team at The Ibex. If you, or anyone you know, would be a good fit please do get in touch for more information. Must be flexible on weekends and evenings!





## OUR AGM ROUND UP

'It has been a fantastic year, where once again, we have come together as a community to celebrate this village through a variety of events, all made possible by this dedicated team of volunteers and the enthusiasm of Chaddleworth residents.

I just want to express my gratitude to the volunteers on this committee. I would like to thank each one of you for your hard work, commitment, and enthusiasm - giving up weekends and evenings to make all this work (although I think hosting meetings at the pub where there is beer probably helps!) None of what we have done in the past year would be possible without the dedication behind the scenes.' ***Tish Slade, Chairperson***

The funds raised by any event we do are dedicated to supporting future events for the village. At the beginning of next year we will tot up our 2024 profits, and then **50% of those profits will be donated to Help for Heroes**. If you would like to see a more detailed breakdown of our funds, please do come along to one of our committee meetings. Get in touch to find out when our next meeting will be held.



## CHADDLEWORTH CINEMA

We now have the facilities to provide a cinema at Chaddleworth Village Hall. Come the new year we will be planning to have frequent Movie Nights with a range of snacks and drinks available to purchase. We look forward to your support!

## WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

We have lots of great ideas to bring to the village in 2025, but we can't do it without a few more pairs of hands on board.

If you have a few hours to spare, your involvement can help us plan and deliver some fantastic events.

If you, or anyone you know, are interested in joining our committee please get in touch at [entertainment@chaddleworth.net](mailto:entertainment@chaddleworth.net)



**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December | Market from 4-7pm | Live Music from 7:30pm**

### What to expect...

- ✓ Santa's Grotto
- ✓ Gifts & Craft Stalls
- ✓ Fun Festive Games
- ✓ Delicious Food & Drink
- ✓ Choirs & Carols
- ✓ Live Music straight after

It is the perfect way to support local sellers, find special presents, and enjoy the festivities. All in collaboration with **The Ibex Inn** who will be providing delicious food and drink for you to enjoy!

### HELP US OUT WITH DONATIONS!

Ahead of the Market, we need donations:

- Chocolate (whether that's a luxury box of chocs or a lonely penguin bar sat in the back of the cupboard – we just ask that it's unopened)
- Books/Jigsaws
- Christmas Decorations

Please **drop off your items to The Ibex on the w/c 9<sup>th</sup> December. THANK YOU!**



## St Andrew's Church, Chaddleworth – part of the West Downland Benefice



### West Downland Benefice

The Church of England in Brighton & Hove  
Chaddleworth, Fawley, Great Sheffield & Sheffield  
Woodlands, Leckhampstead and Welford & Wickham.

Dear Friends,

It always feels strange writing about Christmas events when Remembrance Sunday has only just passed (certainly as I type!) but it feels like now is the time when we can break the lid on all the amazing things that are planned across the Benefice this December.

The Church of England's theme for Christmas this year builds on the "Follow the Star" motif and reminds us that Christmas is Calm and Bright (the line from the Carol, Silent Night). In the frenetic activity of December, it is a helpful reminder that our churches are places of sanctuary – places of the peace that comes only from the Prince of Peace.

It reminds us also that they are places of Light and Hope. In John 1:5 (which we will hear in many of our Advent and Christmas services this year) we read that *"The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it."* When we read in the news of the abhorrent abuses that occur, it may feel a long way from being Light.

But at Christmas we remember that the Light of the World stepped into the darkness and made it light. That is our prayer again this year.

There are many opportunities to Follow The Star this December and we hope you will be able to join in with whichever fits with your busy diaries. You can find the whole list here:

<http://westdownland.co.uk/whats-on#2024Christmas>

and you will hopefully be getting a flyer through your door soon too. These services and events are in addition to the regular Sunday morning services across the benefice.

If I could just highlight the Community Christingle event that will start at **10:30 on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December in Brighton Walton School Hall and then move into the Church** when we have made our Christingles so we can light our candles and enjoy the sweets!

I hope to see you there. With my love and prayers,



For service details, news and events please visit [www.westdownland.co.uk](http://www.westdownland.co.uk) or follow us on Social Media





# Advent and Christmas in the West Downland Benefice

01

## Advent Sunday Carols

4pm - St James, Leckhampstead  
A festival of Advent music and readings followed by a bring and share tea

08

## Community Christingle

10:30am - All Saints, Brightwalton  
Starting in Brightwalton School Hall, this is a must for adults and children alike

12

## Carols on the Green

6pm - Leckhampstead Green  
Christmas Carols around the tree followed by festive refreshments in the Village Hall

15

## Christmas Café Church

10:30am - St Marys, Great Shefford  
The Christmas Story, Café Church style. Breakfast served from 10:15am

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## Contemporary Carols

6:30pm - St Marys, Fawley  
Readings and Carols with a live band, this is an experience not to be missed

17

## Carols in the Five Bells

7:30pm - The Five Bells, Wickham  
We'll bring the carol sheets, you bring the voices and we'll raise the roof

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## Carols Through the Avenue

6:30pm - St Marys, Great Shefford  
Join us through the beautifully lit avenue of trees into church for carols & festive drinks

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## Christmas Music Cheese and Wine

7:30pm - St James, Leckhampstead  
Music from local artists with cheese, wine and very good cheer

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## Christmas Carol Service

3pm - St Thomas, East Shefford  
Christmas Carols and Readings in the beautiful 12th Century church.

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## Nine Lessons and Carols

6:30pm - All Saints, Brightwalton  
Readings and Carols led by the benefice choir. With Mulled Wine and Mince Pies

23

## Carols in the Ibex

7:30pm - The Ibex, Chaddleshall  
Another chance to grab a carol sheet and bring the joy of carolling to the local

24

## Carols by Candlelight

3pm - St Margarets, Catmore  
Carols and readings in the beautiful church. In aid of the Church Conservation Trust

24

## Crib Service

4pm - St Swithuns, Wickham  
5pm - St James, Leckhamstead  
Come dressed as your favourite nativity character as we celebrate Christmas Eve

24

## Christmas Eve Communion

9pm - St Marys, Fawley  
Carols and Communion on Christmas Eve. An earlier version of the traditional Midnight service

24

## Midnight Communion

11:30pm - St Andrews, Chaddleshall  
The most famous Christmas service of all. Join us as we celebrate the birth of Christ

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## Christmas Day Communion

9am - St Marys Great, Shefford  
10:30am - St Gregorys Welford  
All welcome at this all-age communion service. Even bring your favourite present!

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## Christmas Communion

9am - St Stephens, Shefford Woodlands  
10:30am - St James, Leckhamstead  
A simple service of Holy Communion in the Christmas Season.

Follow The Star  
CALM and BRIGHT

Follow us for more info

f @westdownland  
@westdownland

Everyone is welcome  
at all our services!





## Remembrance Events

Thank you to all who led and supported the Remembrance Events at RAF Welford and at Chaddleworth War Memorial this year.

## Poppy Appeal

**Marion Walker, Sue Ridgeway and Grahame Murphy** are pleased to report that the Area Fund including Chaddleworth raised **£2063.23** for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal so thank you to all those that gave so generously!







## Chaddleworth Village Hall

The latest winners of the 100 Club draw for October are **Sue Ridgeway** with her lucky number 29 and **Ryan Brady** with his lucky number 49. **They win £40.** The winners for November are **Iain Lochhead** with his lucky number 25 and **Rose Fishlock** with her lucky number 17. They win **£40.** We are currently at 80 Members so thank you one and all. It would be nice to actually get to 100 Members so please consider joining. This is a really good way of supporting YOUR Village Hall. The Hall has been around for well over 100 years and as you can imagine needs constant on-going maintenance. This period the 100 Club has paid for Fire Equipment Maintenance, Emergency Bulkhead lights for the Ladies and Gents toilets, Spring Loaded Wheels for the Car Park Gates and repair of the Hall History picture. This was a total of £215.59.

The 100 Club is a vital source of income for the Village Hall. It is really worthwhile being a Member to keep the Village Hall going and I implore every villager to join. The Village Hall Committee have a programme of improvements in the coming year that need financing, and the 100 Club will support these (currently there is £942 that can be spent).

If you would like to utilise the Hall, become a trustee or assist with the care and maintenance of it, please contact us via [ChaddleworthHall@gmail.com](mailto:ChaddleworthHall@gmail.com)

### How do I join the 100 Club?

Set up a standing order for £2 per month (one number) or £24 a year. Payable to Recipient '**Chaddleworth 100 Club (Newbury Building Society)**', Sort Code **62-28-74**, Account No **00000000** (eight zeros), Reference **2856684010**.

Alternatively, by cheque or cash is fine.

Contact **Grahame Murphy** on  
**01488 638628**

or [botmoorway@btinternet.com](mailto:botmoorway@btinternet.com) to get your allocated lucky number!

## Saunders Wynn and Coventry Educational Foundation

The three named benefactors set up the Trust to offer financial help to further the educational needs of the children and students (up to the age of 25) of the Parish of Chaddleworth. The Trustees meet four times a year with the next meeting scheduled for **7<sup>th</sup> February** to consider applications including any relating to the additional costs of home-schooling and remote study for students. Previous contributions have been made towards the cost of school uniforms, books for university courses, specific equipment and kit for courses, and residential courses.

If you wish to apply for funds please contact the Foundation's Clerk, **Heather Murphy**, Tower Hill Cottage, Botmoor Way, Chaddleworth RG20 7EU or email [botmoorway@btinternet.com](mailto:botmoorway@btinternet.com) for an application form. All applications are treated in the strictest confidence. Any applications received after this scheduled meeting will still be considered for awards by the Trustees but there may be a delay before awards are made.

# DOWNLAND VOLUNTEER GROUP



## The Downland Volunteer Group

(Registered Charity 1112181)

***Help is required taking residents to their medical appointments.***



You may have heard of the Downland Volunteer Group (DVG) or even used our service. We are a registered charity set up in 1986 to help residents in the Downland Villages attend their medical appointments at surgeries, hospitals, dentists, etc in the surrounding area.

The residents we support are mainly the older members of our community, but we are here for anyone unable to drive or get transport to their appointments. In the period April 2023 to March 2024, we made nearly 1,000 such trips.

We are one of a number of volunteer groups around the country assisting the NHS and the local community especially where public transport is limited

**Car Drivers:** Could you spare a few hours each month? The demand for driving residents in our area to their medical appointments is increasing as the NHS tries to clear the backlog of appointments.

We need volunteer drivers, using their own cars to take patients to the surgeries, dentists or hospitals in our area. As a volunteer driver you can claim 50p per mile, tax free, whilst transporting a patient.

**Office Volunteers:** Could you spare two hours a couple of times a month? We need volunteers in our office in the Compton surgery which is open Monday to Friday from 9:30am to 11:30am. If you are happy dealing with telephone requests for transport to medical appointments, we would love to hear from you.

Volunteer work is rewarding for both the volunteer and those we help. If you can spare some time and want to help others, do please contact us.

Email: [dvq.office@btinternet.com](mailto:dvq.office@btinternet.com)

Phone: **01635 578 394**

Web: [www.downlandvolgroup.org](http://www.downlandvolgroup.org)

We look forward to hearing from you.

Thanks for your help. **Joe Clerkin**

## HandEBus Magical Fridays

Email: [DVG.Handebus@btinternet.com](mailto:DVG.Handebus@btinternet.com)

Call: **07713 813523**

Planned trips:	Destination
January 17 <sup>th</sup>	Beaulieu Motor Museum
January 31 <sup>st</sup>	Harry Potter World
February 7 <sup>th</sup>	Windsor
February 21 <sup>st</sup>	Welford Snowdrops
March 7 <sup>th</sup>	Watercress Line
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Blenheim Palace

Leaving Chaddleworth @ 11:40

Fare £5, separate entry fees and booking most often required.



## The Downland Practice

[www.downlandpractice.nhs.uk](http://www.downlandpractice.nhs.uk)

### **Stay well this winter**

The winter months can be difficult for many of us, with the colder weather and shorter daylight hours affecting everything from our finances to our feelings.

West Berkshire Council have put together a 'Stay Well in Winter booklet' – follow the link for details:

[www.downlandpractice.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Staying-Well-in-Winter-24\\_everyone.pdf](http://www.downlandpractice.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Staying-Well-in-Winter-24_everyone.pdf)

The Patient Participation Group recently met at Chieveley Surgery:

### **Practice Update**

Flu clinics have been completed during October, with Covid-19 vaccination also administered and new vaccination Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) also made available to those eligible.

This is a registered GP Training Practice and mentors, supports and supervises qualified doctors who are training to qualify as General Practitioners. Downland has 2 new Registrars who joined in August they are Dr Tim Eden and Dr Chen Xi Gong. Both Drs hold their own

clinics and patients are offered to be booked in with them as they would be with any other GP.

The Practice provide Long-acting reversible contraception (LARC) clinics to patients. Dr Sally Lewis and Nurse Amy Brewer lead on this service and currently the waiting time for an appointment is just 2-3 weeks compared with 6-9 months at the Royal Berks Hospital.

The Practice has been able to reduce the cost to patients of providing Gun Licences by utilising less staff intensive methods to review medical records. The cost will be reduced to £85 from 1<sup>st</sup> October.

### **Pharmacy Update**

Improvements continue at the Pharmacy. Have recently recruited 2 new Counter Assistants and an additional Dispenser.

The new Superintendent Pharmacist (SIP) Mr Ali Jaffar is able to see and treat, where appropriate, patients with 7 common conditions identified in the national Pharmacy First consultation service. These include sore throat, impetigo and sinusitis. This frees up valuable GP appointment time and the day's Duty Doctor will often refer patients onto Mr Jaffar.

The Pharmacy is now providing walk-in Blood Pressure reading service for patients. Ambulatory Blood Pressure monitoring (ABPM) is also available for some identified patients.

The Pharmacy is looking to produce a monthly news update which patients can subscribe to. More details to follow.



## NAWT Trindledown

The countdown to Christmas is officially here! The festive season is just around the corner, and we at Trindledown Farm are buzzing with excitement for all things holiday-related!

We've got some really exciting things lined up for this month! Our **Christmas Online Auction** kicked off on 18<sup>th</sup> November! Join us over in our Facebook group – **Trindledown Treasures** – where the auction will be live **until Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December**. You'll have plenty of time to snag those perfect Christmas gifts while also supporting out our lovely animals in rescue.



This month has also been a busy month for rehoming! We saw all our Halloween kittens make their way off to their forever homes, and we also said goodbye to our beloved Bertie, who had been under our care since May!



We also recently welcomed Moose who came to us with a pretty serious leg injury that required quite a bit of surgery on both his cruciate and knee. The good news is that he's recovering amazingly well! While he's feeling a bit frustrated not being able to run and play like he used to, he's on the mend and ready to find his forever home.

Moose does get along with most dogs, but he would really love to be the only pup in the household so he can soak up all the love and attention. If you're looking for a loving companion, Moose might just be the one for you!

If you're interested in applying for Moose, just pop over to our website





This month we have also said goodbye to our alpacas who have been with us since 2018.

Although it is a bittersweet moment for us, we know they will be in the best hands, and we know their welfare won't be compromised if we do flood again.

The great news is their new owners have promised to keep us updated, so we'll still get to hear all about our three fluffy boys, and we share any updates that we can over on our social media.

As always, don't forget to follow us on

Facebook [@nawt.berkshire](#)

Instagram [@nawtberkshire](#)

Web [www.nawt.org.uk/rehoming/](http://www.nawt.org.uk/rehoming/)

to stay up to date on all our latest news.

**Molly Hall**

## Chaddleworth Monday Club

Join the Monday Club at the Ibex Inn each Monday for a social time with a complimentary hot drink and bowl of soup which are kindly funded by the Chaddleworth Bakers Trust.



## Chaddleworth Parish Council

Chaddleworth Parish Council meets every other month with the next regular meeting on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 7:30pm** in **Chaddleworth Village Hall**, all welcome.

The minutes from previous meetings and the agenda for the next one can be found on the Parish website in the 'Parish Council' section. To contact the Council, please email the Clerk via [Chaddleworth.PC@outlook.com](mailto:Chaddleworth.PC@outlook.com)

## Councillor Sought...

*Are you passionate about our parish? Do you want to help make a long-lasting change? Do you have innovative ideas for the council? Do you have concerns about specific issues and want to do something about them?*

If this is you, then Chaddleworth needs you! We welcome people from all backgrounds and experiences who reflect our community to put yourselves forward to join as a **Councillor for Chaddleworth Parish**

Please email the Clerk for a short application form to complete to confirm your interest...

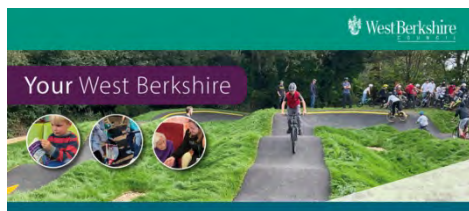
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## Chaddleworth Bakers Trust

The Trustees recognise that energy bills have dramatically increased and are set to go up again in the autumn. All applications are always treated with the utmost confidentiality. If anyone is having difficulty in paying their bills and or are in 'fuel poverty' (spending 10% or more of their income on energy) they are urged to contact the Bakers Trust via the Parish Clerk on [chaddleworth.pc@outlook.com](mailto:chaddleworth.pc@outlook.com)



## West Berkshire Council

**Balancing our budget for 2025/26:** As part of our annual budget setting cycle, we undertake a consultation with residents to ensure all voices across the district are listened to.

West Berkshire Council is currently working through a range of different options to produce a balanced budget for financial year 2025/26. To ensure that we fully understand the views and concerns of residents we are consulting on some of the proposals. Please take part via:

[www.westberks.gov.uk/  
balancing-our-budget](http://www.westberks.gov.uk/balancing-our-budget)

The proposals are:

- *Explore options to deliver Adult Social Care (ASC) Resource Centre services through an alternative provider or in a different way*
- *Turn off streetlights in residential roads between midnight and 5am*
- *Increase some Adult Social Care (ASC) fees and charges above the rate of inflation*
- *Discontinue the mobile library service*
- *Create a voluntary charitable contribution (via Council Tax payments) scheme*
- *Reduce the number of winter gritting routes*
- *Cease providing the Adult Respite in the Community (ARC) Service*
- *Remove Downland Sports Centre from the Leisure Management Contract*

- *Remove a proportion of the litter bins and dog waste bins from the Grounds Maintenance Contract*
- *We'd also like to hear your views on where to focus spending, and an overall 5% increase in fees*

Please let us have your comments **by midnight on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2024.**

All feedback will be analysed by the service, and a recommendation made to elected Members as part of the budget papers for 2025/26 at the Executive meeting on Thursday, 13 February 2025. A final decision whether to proceed with the proposal will then be made by elected Members at the meeting of Full Council on Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025.



**Gritters:** Usain Salt, Sir Gritlot, Melty Micky, and the rest of West Berkshire's 9-strong gritter fleet are prepped and ready for action as West Berkshire Council gears up for winter:





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## CHRISTMAS 2024

### TUESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

### THE VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS (CHRISTMAS EVE)

4pm Vigil ('Crib') Mass

*The first Mass of Christmas.*

8pm Mass during the Night

### WEDNESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

### CHRISTMAS DAY

9.30am Parish Mass

11.15am Mass *at S. Patrick's*

### SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

### THE HOLY FAMILY

9.30am Parish Mass

11.15am Mass *at S. Patrick's*

6pm Mass

### TUESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER

### S. SILVESTER'S DAY (NEW YEAR'S EVE)

6pm *Te Deum* & drinks

*To thank God for the past year.*

### WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY

### MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

9am Mass

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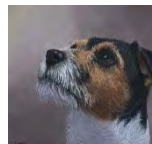
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