

# The Villager

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The community newsletter for Mapledurwell,  
Up Nately, Newnham, Nately Scures & Greywell

  
NOTICE OF THE MAY 2016  
**MAPLEDURWELL & UP NATELY  
PARISH ASSEMBLY**  
TO BE HELD ON **WEDNESDAY 18TH MAY**  
COMMENCING **8 PM** IN THE **VILLAGE HALL**  
Everyone is warmly invited to attend



**AGENDA FOR MEETING**

- 1 WELCOME & INTRODUCTION
- 2 APOLOGIES
- 3 PC ANDY REID'S REPORT
- 4 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Lorna Cuthill will briefly describe the year's events and achievements – with thanks to all those who contributed – and projects and plans for the future – plus a summary of planning issues

- 5 FINANCE REPORT from Robin Best
- 6 QUESTIONS & ANSWERS OPEN TO ALL
- 7 THANKS & MEETING CLOSED

Lorna Cuthill, Chairman

  
NOTICE OF THE MAY 2016  
**GREYWELL PARISH COUNCIL  
AGM AND PARISH ASSEMBLY**  
TO BE HELD ON **WEDNESDAY 11TH MAY**  
COMMENCING WITH THE AGM AT **6PM**  
IN THE **VILLAGE HALL**  
Everyone is warmly welcomed to attend

It will be followed by the Parish Assembly at 7.30pm (refreshments will be served from 7.00pm). The Parish Assembly is your chance to hear what your Council has been doing for the village and our plans for the future. It is an opportunity to ask questions and comment on issues that concern you. We will also be inviting representatives of relevant organisations like our county and district councillors to report on developments in their areas. And, of course, there will be an update on where we stand regarding the possible development of the Deptford Lane field.

The full agenda will be published in due course, but, in the meantime, please put the date in your diary. We look forward to seeing you, so come along.

## Diary dates

### May

- 3** Greywell Teapot Cafe
- 5** Local Elections
- 11** Greywell Parish Council AGM and Parish Assembly, 6pm
- 13** Up Nately Coffee Morning
- 14** Mapledurwell & Up Nately Queen's Birthday Spring Fete, 2-5pm
- 14** Greywell Coffee Morning Plant Sale, 10am-12.30pm
- 17** Newnham Parish Council AGM, 7pm
- 18** Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Assembly, 8pm
- 25** Maple Tea & Cake Gathering
- 29** Cream Teas, St Swithun's 2.30-5pm
- 31** Greywell Teapot Cafe

**Basingstoke in Bloom**

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**Photo Competition**

Plant portrait  
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Macro

Closing date: 29th July 2016



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Schools: A well-grown container depicting school colours, uniform, activities etc.  
Schools: Most edible plants grown in a large container or square metre of garden  
Schools: Best grown container or small garden

Closing date: 1st July 2016

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**May Election for Police & Crime Commissioner**

Seven candidates are standing for election on 5th May for the post of Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire up to May 2020. Their statements can be found by following this link:  
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# Mapledurwell & Up Nately

## Next Up Nately Coffee Morning

The coffee morning on Friday 13th May 10-12, will be at Jackdaw Cottage, phone Helen for directions and information 760110



## Maple Tea & Cake Gathering

Please come and join us for afternoon tea on Wednesday 25th May at 3pm. Hosted by Malcolm and Camilla Douglas at Manor Court, Tunworth Road. All welcome but please call Camilla Douglas on 01256 321056 if you would like to attend.

## Queens Birthday Party

The proposed Mapledurwell Village Pond Tea Party on Saturday 11th June will NOT now take place. THE Party to attend is the Queen's Birthday Weekend Spring Fete at Mapledurwell & Up Nately Village Hall on 14th May 2016. We can then look forward to celebrating the Queen's Birthday on this special occasion in mid-May!

## Appeal for Wool

Our very supportive ladies, who are busy knitting all year round for the Shoe Box Appeal, are running short of wool. If during your spring cleaning you find any you have no further use for, please get in touch with me and I will be very happy to collect from you. Thank you, Patricia Stubbs, Tel: 323324.

## Camrose Drop-in Centre

The response during the 6 weeks of Lent was tremendous and thank you to all those who gave so generously.

We are mindful that we are now supporting the Foodbank, but a special appeal has appeared on Facebook from the Camrose Centre for help with the food parcels they provide for the homeless. The numbers seem to be increasing all the time - 18 is becoming the norm at each session and their stocks for these parcels is running low: they desperately need items that are easy to prepare including pot noodles, crisps, snack bars, soft drinks and ring pull cans. Plastic bags are now in short supply due to the charge of 5p. per bag,

but we have had a wonderful offer of 250 bags this for purpose. Please help in any way you can to support the homeless and needy in Basingstoke.

## PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### New Application

**16/01029/FUL** (24th March) Land At Andwell Mill, Andwell Lane, Andwell. Erection of one detached dwelling with associated garage, landscaping and new private driveway.

### Application pending

**16/00320/FUL** (3rd March) Greenacres, Down Lane, Mapledurwell. Erection of replacement dwelling and detached double garage. (Amendment to approved planning permission 13/00996/FUL to cover the addition of a basement, porch and removal of a step.)

### Applications granted

**16/00040/HSE** (18th April, reg 6th January) Manor Farm Barn, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Erection of rear conservatory.

**16/00312/PREMN** Licensing application (29th March, reg 29th February) Andwell Brewing Company LLP. Application for a new premises licence (to replace existing licence). To extend the licence time to Monday to Sunday 09.00 to 23.30 (currently Monday to Saturday 10.00 to 21.00, Sunday 10.00 to 17.00).

### Appeal Dismissed

**15/02281/FUL** Land Adjacent to Blaegrove House. New dwelling house, access etc. Appeal ref APP/H1705/W/15/3140579 (31st March, registered 14th January).

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Allotments available to residents of the parish of Mapledurwell & Up Nately. Please contact Russell Price on 01256 329 680.

Before lighting bonfires please be considerate of neighbours and aware of wind direction.

### Local Elections

The five current Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Councillors will remain in post via uncontested election. Ward Cllr Sven Godesen will be standing for re-election on 5th May, as will the Hampshire Police and Crime Commissioner.

### Next Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Council meeting,

Next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 18th May. This will be a short AGM at 7.30pm in the meeting room followed by the Annual Parish Assembly in the main hall from 8pm. All residents are warmly invited to attend.

### Tennis

We are only charging £5 key deposit this year and no membership fee to encourage more use of the courts. Please contact Lorna on lornacuthill@hotmail.com or tel 354651 if you need a key. We will use the same keys as last year this time.

### Diary dates:

Please put in your diary Friday 10th June, 10-12, at The Rectory, this will be the coffee morning farewell to Jane Leese and it would be wonderful to have as many people as possible to come along for coffee and cake together to wish Jane all the best in her forthcoming retirement. Even if you never make these events, you would be most welcome and we would love to see you!

The flower ladies in Up Nately are planning another Flower Festival in St Stephen's Church on 2 and 3 July. The theme this time will be 'Life in Present Day Up Nately'. It will be followed by Songs of Praise on 3 July. See June Villager for more information.

### Up Nately Safari Supper

This popular event will take place this year on Saturday 18th June 2016. The event will commence at our house Linbern in Heather Lane, where everyone can enjoy some nibbles, drinks and a chat before we all move on to various houses for the next course.

We would welcome any volunteers who would be prepared to host a course (including drinks), usually for 6-8 people including yourselves.

The event is free for those hosting, however for guests there will be a small charge. Recently this money has been donated to charity.

Please contact Hazel Ivory on 01256-762648 or email hazelivory@onetel.com if you are interested in joining us, we look forward to hearing from you.



## POLICE UPDATE

Dear Residents

Sadly my reporting of a reduction in reported crime last month has come back to haunt me. I am seeking any information / witnesses to a series of twelve burglaries to outbuildings and garages all

across our area from Preston Candover through to Up Nately, this over two separate occasions. However the area of this magazine was only mainly affected overnight of April 5th /6th when the thieves returned and a further six outbuildings and garages were broken into, one in Weston Patrick, five in Herriard. A garage was also broken into in Upton Grey. On the same night three outbuildings were broken into at separate premises in Up Nately. In Blaegrove Lane a chainsaw and petrol can containing petrol was stolen from one premise whilst in another more fuel, a hedge trimmer, garden strimmer and chainsaw was stolen and at the third nothing was stolen and the garage was entered.

At 01:30 am on Wednesday April 13th a silver Subaru was seen in Tunworth being driven into private wooden gates which thankfully held and the criminals did not managed to get into the grounds of the house. The same night metal containers were broken into at a farm in Old Basing where £`1,400 worth of tools was stolen, this at 04.30 am and a garage was entered in Blackstocks Lane, Nately Scures where again nothing was stolen. At 04.30 on April 19th we had three further sheds broken into in Tunworth Road at Mapledurwell.

I ask if any one saw or heard anything suspicious or unusual over these nights please give me a call direct, as always all calls treated in strictest confidence. Whilst at this time of year we often do see a rise in outbuildings and garden sheds etc being broken into this clearly not to this extent and I continue to urge residents to have good security with shed alarms etc to protect their property. Please record serial numbers, take photographs and engrave your postcode on items. If you are not a member I ask you to consider contacting your local Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator and have ONLY your email address added to their contacts list so I can update local residents at the TIME of such crimes taking place, and likewise residents can contact me. Our local NHW co-ordinators who do a really first rate excellent job: For Newnham we have newnham.clerk@btinternet.com, for Mapledurwell we have gillyradcliffe@hotmail.com I am looking for someone at Andwell, Nately Scures and Up Nately, basically all I need is some who is available to send out emails to a contact list of local residents that live in that parish, no meetings etc just a point of contact who can keep other residents who only need to supply an email address, (no other details), up to date with events as and when they happen. If anyone is interested within these parishes please give me a call direct.

May I also conclude that the above burglary pattern is part of a much larger set of crimes all of a similar nature across various parts of North Hampshire not just our area in particular. If you want crime prevention advice please give me a call and I will call around. Likewise I am preparing some advice which I will send to the local NHW who will then pass on if you are signed up.

On May 5th 2016 the second Police & Crime Commissioner Elections are due to be held, Polling Stations will be held in the usual places. This is an opportunity for you to vote for who you would like to hold the position.

Many thanks and please remain vigilant but do not worry, if you have any concerns please give me a call direct.

**Andrew Reid, Local Constable**

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**Queen's Birthday Celebrations**

**Spring Fete**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2-5pm**

**Mapledurwell & Up Nately Village Hall**

**Queen's Birthday Cake Competition**

**Best King, Queen & Prince/Princess categories**

**Craft Stalls**

**Tomboles**

**Children's 'Tattoos' & Craft Table**

**Bric a Brac Stall**

**Pimms & Afternoon Tea**

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## Jekyll in June

*In aid of The Gene Therapy for Cystic Fibrosis Appeal, Friday 24th June 7.00 pm.*

Calling all garden lovers!! Come and join us for drinks, canapés and a private viewing of the stunning garden of The Manor House with its owner and restorer Ros Wallinger. Tucked away in the heart of Upton Grey, the garden has been lovingly restored over the past 20 years to its original glory. Designed by Gertrude Jekyll in 1908 for Charles Holme, a leading figure in the Arts and Crafts movement, the garden is seen at its best in June with beautiful scented roses, magnificent terraced herbaceous borders and a secluded water garden in the heart of the Hampshire countryside.

So treat yourself to a thoroughly enjoyable evening whilst helping a most worthwhile cause.

Tickets are £25 and available from:

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Tel 01256 862475. email: tessamorrish@gmail.com

Please make cheques payable to "Imperial College (CF Gene Therapy)"

# Newnham & Nately Scures



## Newnham Clubroom is for hire

Please visit [newnhamclubroom.org.uk](http://newnhamclubroom.org.uk) for availability, booking and further information.

### Diary Dates:

#### Newnham Open Gardens Takes a Break

It is with regret that a decision has been made not to go ahead with this year's event. Our regular date clashes with the Queen's birthday celebrations and in recent weeks it has become evident that there are many local events which will impact visitor numbers. It has proved very difficult to find an alternative date that works for all those who contribute to the day. We will be back next year! Philippa and Jackie

#### Royal Birthday Celebration on the Green!

Keep Sunday 12 June free as plans are being drawn up for our own "street party" on the Green in the afternoon. More details to follow. If you'd like to help or have any ideas please contact Carolyn Peck (764037) or Jackie O'Regan (762407)



North Hampshire Downs Mothers' Union

One Sunday in March there was a bright array in Church of "Fish and Chips" jumpers, so called because some women in Africa are so poor that they wrap their babies in newspaper. Some knitted by MU, others by the Knit and Natter group and also by people who heard about the project and wanted to help. We are planning to send them to Hoima with a large party from Hartley Wintney heading to Uganda this summer.

On Thursday, 19th May, we shall be meeting at 8 pm in the R.A.F Church Hall to hear from Angela Bushnell from Hartley Wintney MU, who we have heard many times and is always inspirational.

This year's RAF Families Day is on Thursday 21st July, and we will again be asking for lots of cakes to serve to RAF personnel and their families, so please put the date in your diaries.

Come and join us, we start with refreshments, Sue Murphy 01252 845011 will tell you more.

## PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### New Applications

**16/01206/FUL** (7th April) Land Adjoining Scures Hill, House Scures Hill, Nately Scures. Demolition of existing buildings and structures and replacement with one detached two-storey dwelling with attached double garage together with pedestrian and vehicular access off existing shared access off Scures Hill with associated landscaping and planting. (Second of two new dwellings – 15/02851/FUL granted 18th March 2016.)

**16/00742/FUL** (4th March) Highview Business Park, The Barracks, Newnham. Demolition of existing buildings and erection of four dwellings (four-bedroomed) with associated landscaping.

### Application pending

**16/00097/OUT** (13th January) Land Adjacent to Oakfield Farmhouse, Scures Hill. Outline planning application for three detached dwellings, including means of access.

### Application granted

**16/00278/FUL** (15th April, reg 5th February) Basingstoke Country Hotel, Scures Hill. Internal alterations to provide an additional 21 bedrooms and two offices plus new dormer window and additional window to west elevation.

## NEWNHAM NEWTS NEWS

It's good to see that our Great Crested Newts (and also smooth and palmate newts) have once again returned to our Newnham Village ponds. They spend most of their lives on land and return to the water after their winter dormancy to breed, leaving the water again after mating. Hence the conditions of the



habitat around the ponds (woods, uncultivated land, gardens) are just as important to a thriving newt population as is the condition of the ponds themselves. Other ponds within a short distance are vital for dispersal of young newts and for standby water should a pond dry out. Other wildlife undoubtedly benefits from well-maintained habitat in and around the ponds.

In association with CAEcology, a private ecology company, I have undertaken a Habitat Suitability Index (HSI), torch-light inspection and bottle-trapping of Great Crested Newts (GCN) on our 3 village ponds. The HSI is a recognised method of analysing the state of habitats in and around the ponds. It consists of ten measurements including water quality, presence or absence of fish or waterfowl, presence of other ponds within 1km etc. Our two biggest ponds score extremely well due to optimal size, not drying out too often, good water quality, absence of fish, only moorhens as waterfowl (they don't bother newts), other ponds within 1km, good terrestrial habitat close by and optimal weed cover. The HSI for the two bigger ponds was .9 (out of 1.0) and therefore scored as excellent for a thriving newt population. The smallest pond scored lower due to its increased weed cover and closely overhanging foliage. Torching revealed 1 male and 1 female GCN in the largest pond. Bottle-trapping overnight produced 4 female GCNs and 2 smooth newts from the biggest pond and 1 smooth newt from the middle-sized pond. No newts were found in the smallest pond. It was still early in the mating season and these numbers probably reflect a healthy newt population.

Interestingly, the newly-excavated Rotherwick pond produced no newts at all from bottle-trapping.

CAEcology were highly complimentary regarding our management of the ponds and have offered to help us continue to assess the conditions of the ponds and advise on future maintenance. The habitat surveys were undertaken with no cost to the Parish. I would like to thank the "Band of Brothers" who helped with the winter pond work; John Broughton, Nigel Downes, Marcus Jefferson, and Chris Bingham. I would like to see more helpers when we tackle the ponds in November. With more willing hands we can achieve even more, especially with the middle-sized pond. As before hot-dogs and tea will be provided and who knows, if the pub reopens then we may be able to provide beers all round!!!!

Peter James

### Newnham Litter Pick

Sadly only 6 people turned up for the Spring Litter pick and this represents just 2 per cent of the Newnham population! So if you have any idea how we can increase the volunteers, then please let me know, after all the village looks so much better without litter, don't you think?





**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

**2:30 until 5:00**

**at St.Swithun's, Nately Scures**

**followed by**

**Choral Evensong at 6:00**

Come and enjoy a cream tea at St.Swithun's and hear how the funding for the building works is progressing



### **SOLVE Report**

Local Plan sound says Inspector – Good news for the Loddon Valley. The Planning Inspector has accepted the Basingstoke and Deane Local Plan as sound. He agreed the Council figure of 850 houses per annum and did not suggest any further Greenfield sites. The news for Old Basing and Lychpit and sites in the Loddon Valley is excellent. Lodge Farm, Poors Farm and Hodds Farm, sites in the Loddon Valley, were put forward as 'omission sites' by Taylor Wimpey in an attempt to get this area developed. However, The Inspector considered that they were not suitable on several grounds, e.g. environmental, biodiversity and flood risk. He also cast doubt on the future viability of all these sites beyond this Local Plan (2029 onwards).

In reply to those who thought that the housing allocations were skewed towards the West and South-West, the Inspector echoed our views in a number of comments. These are best summed up by - recent growth has been to the north and north-east, the west and south-west plan can be viewed as catching up.

SOLVE would like to thank all our supporters who contributed in any way to our campaign to save the Loddon Valley from inappropriate development. A special thank you to our Local Borough Councillors, Sven Godesen, Onnalee Cubitt and Clive Pinder (also founder member of SOLVE).

A further report appears on the SOLVE website at <http://www.solveloddon.org/> The Inspector's report is at <http://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/planningpolicy>

Peter Bloyce  
SOLVE



## **PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

### **Newnham Parish Assembly**

Thank you to everyone who attended the Newnham Parish Assembly, the fourth and final assembly of this serving Parish Council. Numbers were down rather this year but there was still a good mix of fun, social event and parish information. An entertaining and memorable royal-theme quiz was devised by quiz-master Clive Pinder, the winning table comprising Joanna Bell, Linda & Robin Dixon, and Angela & Nigel Downes who share a £50 voucher kindly donated by the Hatch, Old Basing. In spite of his supposed day off, PC Andy Reid attended to share the event and present his local policing report. Massive thanks were extended as always to Andy. Clive Pinder, who chaired the event, said Andy was a paragon of commitment, effort and attitude; that he represented authority and commanded respect without any of the negative connotations that may come with that. Revd Jane Leese who will be retiring in July thanked the communities she had been part of for the past eight years. Jane's last weekend as our local vicar will be 9th and 10th July with a tea party on the Saturday and Service on the Sunday, with details in the Villager nearer the time. Peter James reported on Newnham Green ponds which have been assessed as A1 status for wildlife, and in John Broughton's absence, Clive reported on the highs and lows of this year's litter pick with thanks to all those who took part; a regular weekend litter pick along Newnham Road was suggested.

Clive thanked the many Village volunteers: Footpaths officer Nigel Downes; Carolyn Peck and all those who helped with the Newnham BBQ; Monica Wardrop for leading the church community initiatives and the Nately Scures summer fun day; Richard Wilson and the St Nicolas' churchyard maintenance team; also to Chris Broughton and her team who look after the church and flowers; Colin Lewin & Michael Crockford for mowing the Green; Peter James and the pond working parties including Chris Bingham, Marcus Jefferson, John Broughton & Nigel Downes; Becky Brookes, Kate Guy and Richard Fouracre for their hard work on the Oppé Garden; Philippa Heffner and Jackie O'Regan for taking the lead in organising the Newnham Open Gardens, as always with thanks to the hard work of the Clubroom Committee. Michael Rogerson thanked Peter Brown in his absence for his pivotal role in the Clubroom rebuild and therefore its current success.

The efforts and success of SOVLE, Country Watch and Ward & County Councillors were recognised in protecting the Loddon Valley; the Chairman said that the major tasks of the next Parish Council were to keep their pub – the Old House at Home – and to prevent Newnham being linked to Hook as part of the new Hart Local Plan.

Thanks are due to all Parish Councillors for taking on the role over the past four years. Both Clive Pinder and Peter Lumley are stepping down this year and Richard Wilson thanked Clive on behalf of the Parish Council for his role as chair, saying he had been a brilliant chairman and would be a massive loss.

The Parish Annual Report, unaudited Accounts and full report of the Parish Assembly are available on the Parish Council website.

### **Local Elections 5th May**

The six Newnham Parish Councillor roles have been filled for the next four-year term by uncontested election. Ward Cllr Sven Godesen will be standing for re-election as will the Hampshire Police and Crime Commissioner.

### **BDBC Local Plan 2011-2029**

The Planning Inspector has approved the final draft of the Basingstoke & Deane Local Plan which is expected to be adopted at the full council meeting of 26th May.

SOLVE's report reflects relief that major sites in the Loddon Valley put forward again by Taylor Wimpey as 'omission sites' in a last ditch attempt to have them included for development, were rejected by the Inspector. Massive thanks are due to SOLVE and CountryWatch for their roles in a process that started in early 2010 – with 10,000 houses being proposed for the 'Loddon Village' – and then centred on the legal challenge to BDBC in 2011/2012 resulting in the inclusion of Manydown in the site selection process. Land East of Basingstoke (Pyotts Hill) is now allocated 450 houses for this Plan Period.

Despite successes in the Loddon Valley, the Local Plan figure of 850 dwellings per annum equates to a total of 15,300 – including approx 7,690 on Greenfield sites – over the 18-year Plan period 2011 to 2029. This is 1,800 dwellings above the Council's original recommendation. Cllr Onnalee Cubitt commented that: 'Monitoring of the river and water quality will remain paramount and we need to ensure we watch that data carefully.'

### **Next Parish Council meeting**

AGM Tuesday 17th May, 7pm Clubroom. This is the first meeting of the new Parish Council who are due to serve for a term of four years. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

# Greywell



## VILLAGE HALL

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**Coffee Morning Plant Sale...**  
**Saturday 14th May,**  
**10am-12.30pm**

## THE TEAPOT CAFE



will be open from 3pm on **Tuesday 3rd & 31st May**

## Dates for your diary.....

**Greywell Open Gardens -**

Saturday 18th June

**Beetle drive - Saturday 25th June**

## GREYWELL PARISH COUNCIL A.G.M and PARISH ASSEMBLY

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council will take place on 11 May at 6.00pm in the village hall; the proceedings are largely procedural but anyone can attend.

It will be followed by the Parish Assembly at 7.30pm (refreshments will be served from 7.00pm).

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## PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### Applications pending

**16/00811/PREAPP** (31st March)  
Old Pound Cottage Hook Road  
Greywell Hook Hampshire RG29  
1BU. Removal of cloakroom and  
dividing wall. Strip back paint on  
beams to the original oak beams.

### Applications granted

**16/00613/HOU** (8th March)  
Anscar Hook Road Greywell Hook  
Hampshire RG29 1BT. Single storey  
Side Extension Utility Room.

15/03062/HOU (16th Feb) 8  
Dorchester Way Greywell Hook RG29  
1BX. Erection of a single storey rear  
extension.

### Applications refused

**16/00399/FUL** (16th Feb) 4  
Dorchester Way Greywell Hook RG29  
1BX. Erection of a new 3 bedroom  
dwelling (attached to No.4) with  
parking and first floor rear extension  
to existing house (submission of  
15/02649/FUL).

### Applications withdrawn

**15/03063/HOU** (16th Feb) 8  
Dorchester Way Greywell Hook  
RG29 1BX. Erection of a replacement  
outbuilding.

## Phillis Kent Retires from the Fox and Goose Public House, Greywell.

Phillis worked at the Fox and Goose pub as the morning cleaner for 58 years and has finally retired. Over the years she has worked for many Landlords and Landladies and has been the familiar face to many people, and therefore surely will be missed.

As a regular dog-walker I would always see Phillis in the mornings; she would cycle to work from her cottage in all weathers, often without a coat. Every morning Phillis would open all of the windows, even on the coldest days, and would be seen with all of the chairs upside down on the tables, but would always find time for a cheery 'hello' with duster in hand. She knew all of the locals and everyone loved and respected her.

The Fox and Goose was not exclusive to Phillis though in the Kent family; her father and brother were both frequent patrons there and her daughter Mandy and grand-daughter Laura have both worked there at some time.

We wish her well in her retirement and hope she can enjoy that bit of extra time in the mornings.

Karen Booker.

## Beetle drive 25th June 2016 @ 7pm. Greywell Village Hall

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# Church Notices

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## Mid-Week Holy Communion

We next meet in the warm and welcoming home of Lady Nell at The Dower House in Greywell on May 12th at 11.00am. We have a traditional service, with a chance to discuss the gospel reading, to offer our own prayers and then to enjoy coffee, cake and conversation before we go home! We'd love you to join us – and if you would like to hear more about it, or would like a lift, please contact Rev Jane (765547)

## Looking ahead

**Baptism Anniversary service** St Nicholas' Newnham on June 5th at 3.00pm

We shall be welcoming back to the church families from across the parish that have had children christened in any of our five churches in the last few years. There will be a chance to renew the promises made at baptism and to celebrate being part of God's wonderful family. If you would like to come along please let Rev Jane know in advance.

## Celebrations for the Queen's birthday

There are different events happening across our villages and around the country to celebrate this wonderful event – our Queen's 90th birthday! As she is the Supreme Governor of the Church of England we shall be having a special United Parish service on Sunday June 12th at 11.00am at St Nicholas' Newnham. This will be a communion service but suitable for all the family to attend. We shall sing popular hymns and give thanks for her life and her faith. Please do come along and be part of another very special United Parish celebration.

## Jane's Final weekend

Please 'save the date' July 9th/10th which will be my final working weekend! I really hope as many of you as possible will be able to join us at some point over the weekend – more details to follow!

## Diary Dates for May:

**1st 12.30pm Baptism at Mapledurwell (Ellie Gallie)**

**5th 7.30pm Benefice service for Ascension Day at Greywell**

**10th 6.30pm Greywell VCC**

## Church Services

May 1st		
8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Nately Scores
9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Mapledurwell
11.00am	Holy Communion (CW)	Greywell
May 5th		
7.30pm	Holy Communion (BCP) for Ascension Day	Greywell
May 8th		
8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Up Nately
9.30am	Family Service	Mapledurwell
11.00am	Morning Service	Greywell
11.15am	Matins	Newnham
May 15th		
8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Greywell
9.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Mapledurwell
11.00am	Family Communion	Up Nately
11.00am	Matins	Nately Scores
May 22nd		
8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Newnham
9.30am	Morning Prayer (said)	Mapledurwell
9.30am	Morning Prayer (sung)	Up Nately
11.00am	Family Service	Greywell
May 29th - United Parish Services		
9.30am	Rogation Walk	Mapledurwell
6.00pm	Evensong	Nately Scores

## Special Church Services

### Ascension Day May 5th

This has become rather neglected as a church festival and yet it marks one of the most important moments in the Christian story. We celebrate as a benefice with a service of Holy Communion to be held at Greywell at 7.30pm. Everyone is very welcome. It will be a traditional communion service, with hymns, and our choir will be singing too.

### Rogation

We are having our United Parish Rogation walk around Mapledurwell on Sunday May 29th at 9.30. As we walk we shall ask God's blessing on all our villages – the families that live there, the farmers who work the fields around them and the life of the community in general. We shall begin and end in the church. All the family welcome – and dogs too if you want to combine dog walking and worship! It won't be too long a walk – but depending on the weather might be a bit muddy in parts!

### Your Kingdom Come

The Archbishop of Canterbury is encouraging all churches to take part in a nine day prayer event from Ascension (5th May) to Pentecost (15th May). On Sunday 1st May we will be handing out tea lights and asking people to commit to praying for the Church's mission and evangelism during the period whilst the candle stays alight. This doesn't have to be completed in a single session but will amount to approximately two hours of prayer. A leaflet will also be distributed giving a full explanation and ideas for prayer. In addition, it is hoped that the deanery will host 9 prayer stations in different churches where a variety of prayer styles can be explored (Long Sutton and Odiham have been identified as probable places). The event will culminate at a selection of 'beacon' cathedrals of which Winchester is one. There will be a variety of events taking place over the Pentecost weekend on the Cathedral Green and a final informal evening of prayer, worship, baptisms and confirmations led by the Bishop of Basingstoke. This will feature Matt Redman and Carla Harding from 24-7 Prayer. Tickets are free and available on [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/winchester-cathedral-your-kingdom-come-pentecost-beacon-event-tickets-22411712034](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/winchester-cathedral-your-kingdom-come-pentecost-beacon-event-tickets-22411712034)

It is highly recommended that you book a ticket before the day.

## From The Rectory

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Dear Friends,

Well my last letter to you, full of doom and gloom about our troubles with builders as we try to get our house in Basingstoke refurbished ready for our move in the summer, certainly provoked a variety of responses! Most of you were very sympathetic, having had similar experiences yourselves, some offered advice and some said how nice it was to know that the vicar was just as likely to be fed up and discontent as they were! Perhaps my favourite though was from the lady who told me that her mother used to 'count her blessings crossly' when she was feeling fed up – and I think that might work very well!

You will be pleased to know that there is light at the end of the tunnel now! Some progress has been made and Roland is busy painting and removing tiles and stripping wallpaper, we have had a wood burning stove installed and a new stable back door into the garden. The builder is still some few weeks away from replacing the kitchen and bathroom but hopefully all will be well – and on time! There's also a lot of clearing out to be done here at The Rectory as we are downsizing and of course I shall no longer need all the theological books and files of papers that line the walls of my study now. Roland can be quite ruthless at that job, but I find it much harder!

But in between the grey skies there have been wonderful bursts of sunlight! We have been generously wined and dined by a number of you, and as one who loves eating but is far less keen on cooking, that is always a pleasure! I was taken to see the live screening of the Royal Ballet production of Giselle which was totally absorbing and sublimely beautiful. Thank you to the ladies of Newnham whose company I enjoyed that evening. I have enjoyed walking Cracker in the spring sunshine amongst the primroses and bluebells, wood anemones and celandine, wild garlic and violets, all within a few minutes' walk of our house. But probably my biggest smile came when I was given the opportunity to drive one of the enormous state of the art tractors that we see in the fields round about our villages. Having made it known that this was one of the things I really wanted to do before I retired, I had a call 'I'm drilling in Frog Lane if you can get down here!' As soon as possible I was there – and even took charge, under very strict supervision! What an experience! And I am delighted to say the spring barley is coming through – even the little bit that I was responsible for sowing!

We all have our down moments, we all have our troubles and we all too often forget just how fortunate we are in the place and the circumstances within which we live, but what a difference the love of family and friends can make. Thank you for the loving care and the friendship you have shown to us, which has made us feel so much at home in these lovely little villages. I believe that God is at the heart of every act of loving kindness, every gesture of peace every step towards justice. I know my blessings are almost too many to count – and certainly not 'crossly' – and may God bless you this month too.

With my love

*Jane*

Revd. Jane Leese

## Help Hoima

As a Trustee of the Help Hoima charity and having visited Hoima and seen their work for myself, I was delighted that between the Mothering Sunday collection made for the work of the Mustard Seed Orphanage and our Lent Lunches, we have raised about £1,300 towards their various projects supporting mothers and children, maternity services and education in that town. Thank you so very much for all your contributions – and especially those who hosted and attended the delicious Lent Lunches! Rev Jane

## Annual Church Meeting

The Annual Church Meeting was held on Wednesday April 13th. Our churchwardens were all re-elected and so are:

Newnham: Richard Fouracre (with one vacancy)

Nately Scures: Monica Wardrop and Maureen Ashworth

Mapledurwell: Russell Price (with one vacancy)

Up Nately: Michael van der Gucht and Hansie du Bruyn

Greywell: Libbie Bromfield and Nick Kavanagh.

Other PCC members are Jeff Ford, Gill Rendall, Sara Paterson, Angela Williams and Lyn Boswell.

Our representatives on the Deanery Synod are Patricia Stubbs and Anita Gardner.

Our PCC secretary is Joyce Roberts and the treasurer is Jon Webster.

Rev. Jane thanked everyone for their contribution to church life over the past year and reports were received of the activities of each of our five churches.

## SCRATCH

A huge thank you to those who contributed to the large number of children's toys given at Christmas for the Southampton based charity, SCRATCH. I delivered these last month and the team was most grateful to receive this wonderful selection of toys for children of all ages and asked me to pass on their thanks to you all. During the year as those in need are housed by the council, SCRATCH helps the families to get a good start in their new homes by providing decorating materials and second-hand, donated furniture. They like to leave some toys for the children as a welcome. For many children these will be the first new toys they will have ever played with. Some of the toys will be kept until this coming Christmas so that parents have something to give to their children from Father Christmas.

Revd Linda Scard

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