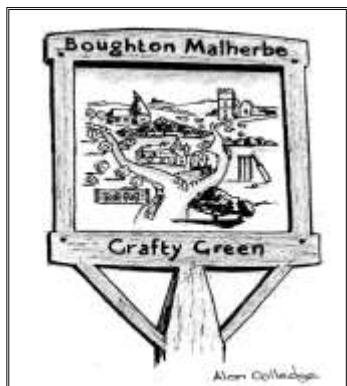


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Front cover: Canada Geese enjoying a break on the reservoir at Ivy Farm Boughton Malherbe. See colour picture on Boughton Malherbe Parish Council website at

www.boughtonmalherbepc.kentparishes.gov.uk/

News from St. Nicholas Church

Harvest Supper was a great success. With help from the Village Hall committee ladies, it all ran smoothly and was enjoyed by everyone present. Many thanks for your help Sandra and friends...

Morning Prayers will be said in St. Nicholas and All Saints Ulcombe on Tuesday 3rd, 10th 17th and 24th November on alternate weeks starting with 3rd at St. Nicholas Boughton Malherbe at 9.30a.m. - all are welcome.

Coffee Morning will be in the Village Hall Grafty Green on 11th November at 10.30a.m. until 12.00 noon, when coffee, tea and homemade cakes will be served. Do come along and join us - we are a friendly group and you will be most welcome.

A Joint PCC will be held at St. John's Harrietsham at 7.30 p.m. on 11th November

The marriage of Matthew Buckley and Lucy Sparrow will take place in St. Nicholas on 14th November at 1.00p.m. We wish them well and many congratulations.

Gentleman's Breakfast will be on 28th November at the Dog and Bear, Lenham at 8.00a.m. The cost is £8.50 per person for a full English and there will be a Speaker Michael Cooper.

Christmas Craft Fair will be held in the Village hall Grafty Green on Sunday 29th November at which the church will be manning a stall of Christmas goodies. From 11.00-3.00p.m

Joan Davidson

Boughton Malherbe Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held in Grafty Green Village Hall on **Monday 16th November 2015 at 19.30.**

The Agenda for these meetings and the minutes for the last meeting (and all previous minutes) can be viewed on the Boughton Malherbe Parish Website or by contacting the Parish Clerk

Grafty Green Short Mat Bowls Club

New Members Always Welcome - Join Us

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Further information - Chris Wheal 01622 858100

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Boughton Malherbe Parish Council has received the following Planning Appeal. It will be discussed at a Planning Meeting at 7pm on 16th November to which, as always, members of the public are welcome. However, should you wish to make new or additional comments either for or against this application, you must do so as described below.

Planning Reference 14/506376/OUT

PINS reference: APP/U2235/W/15/3136323

Notification of Appeal Lodged with the Planning Inspectorate

Proposal: Outline application for development of 6no. detached dwellings with associated car parking and gardens with access to be determined at this stage and other Matters Reserved.

Location: Land At Woodcock Lane Boughton Malherbe

An appeal has been lodged by Mr John Collins in relation to the above for the following reason: The Council has refused permission for this application.

The Planning Inspectorate/Secretary of State has decided that the appeal will be determined on the basis of Written Representations.

The Council has been asked to give notice of the appeal to owners and occupiers of properties near the site as well as other interested parties. Any comments and/or representations received in relation to this application have already been forwarded to the Planning Inspectorate and will be considered by the Inspector when deciding the appeal. If you wish to add to modify or withdraw your previous representations then you can do so by contacting the Planning Inspectorate by email to: or in writing to 3/04, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Bristol, BS1 6PN, quoting reference(s)

APP/U2235/W/15/3136323.

Please note you must do this by 18 November 2015.

You can get a copy of one of the Planning Inspectorate's "Guide to taking part in planning appeals" booklets free of charge from the Planning Portal at www.planningportal.gov.uk/pes

You may view the application online at <http://pa.midkent.gov.uk/online-applications> or by visiting:

Maidstone Gateway, King Street, Maidstone, Kent, ME15 6JQ (ME15 6AW when using a Sat Nav)

When determined the appeal decision will be published on the Planning Portal website and on the MBC website.



The Crafty Grafty

Christmas Craft Fair

Sunday 29th November 2015

Grafty Green Village Hall ME17 2BA

11am – 3pm

Handmade Crafts to purchase for loved ones!

Cake Stalls, Jewellery, Cards, Gifts, Raffle, Tea and
Coffee, and much more!

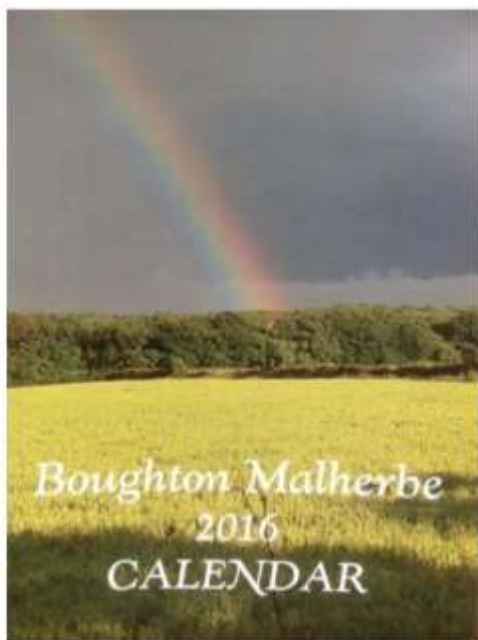
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contact Teegan

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Tel: 07846 186639



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5 th September	scrub clearance & fence repair	Chilston Ponds
3 rd October	Coppicing & footpath clearance	Bull Heath
7 th November	Footpath clearance	Hurst Wood
5 th December	Pond work and scrub clearance	Chilston Ponds
2 nd January	Coppicing & footpath clearance	Bull Heath
6 th February	Coppicing/glade creation	Hurst Wood

All events 10am to 2pm on Saturdays

more information



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info@heathsgcc.co.uk



www.facebook.com/heathscountrysidecorridor



Grafty Green Gardening Club - 2015 Programme

Date	Speaker/Event	Topic
November 3 rd	Mrs Rayney	Homes for wildlife – practical session
December 1 st	Outing to the Kings Head Grafty Green for supper.	

Our next meeting is on November 3rd and will be led by Mrs Rayney of Kent Wildlife Trust. This will be a practical session and will give us an opportunity to ask questions too.

We are pleased to congratulate our winners of the Autumn Show 2015. In first place Veronica Moore, 2nd place Sue Burch, 3rd joint place Irene Ayling and Rosemary Smith. Thanks all our members who contributed to this event and to Lesley Feakes who explained her judging tips to us all.

Tip of the Month - Hedgehog Rose - *Rosa rugosa* a robust, deciduous shrub of dense prickly growth. In summer, it bears single, spicily fragrant magenta or white flowers with a boss of yellow stamens. Each flower produces a large, bright, tomato-red hip. *Rosa Rugosa* makes a very good hedge!

Members are advised that there is a change of venue for our Christmas Meal in December. Due to closure of The George in Egerton we will now be going to the Kings Head Pub in Grafty Green. Meals are £25.00 per person. There will be a turkey meal or veggie option and choice of desserts. Please can you book your place by the November meeting.

The Village Hall garden plot is to receive some urgent attention in order that a path can be re-laid. Volunteers are needed to assist the working party on Saturday 21st November 10.00am onward. An hour of your time would be much appreciated.

A date for next year's diary is June 10/11/12th when we shall be going to Cambridgeshire for our weekend away. More details about this and all other events for 2016 will be announced at the November meeting. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Bulky Refuse Collections (Saturday Freighter Service)

Maidstone Borough Council have issued the timetable for the Saturday Freighter Service up to 31st December 2015.

Grafty Green

Saturday 14th Nov

15:15 – 15:45 -: Church Rd - Junction Headcorn Rd

Platts Heath

Saturday 14th Nov

14:30 – 15:10 -: Green Lane

Ulcombe

Saturday 21st Nov

09:25 – 09:55 -: Lodge Gardens

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

www.graftygreenvillagehall.co.uk

Many thanks to all of you who contributed a donation to 'Phil The Bag' last month. We once again had a massive turn out (in every sense of the term!) and were able to hand over more than 100 bags to 'Phil'. In return for this we should receive about £200 for Hall funds, and this we will put towards further Hall improvements.

Our current priority is to replace the rather tired looking curtains in the Hall. We have chosen some smart new blinds and, by the time you read this, I hope they will have been fitted.

Our next priority is to install dimmable lighting. These two projects between them will set us back around £2000, so you can see how important it is to maintain a healthy cash-flow.

That leads me on to tell you about **Village Calendar**. This year it is being funded by (and any profit will accrue to) the Village Hall. It features the images that were voted most popular by you at our summer fete and it is on sale now for just £5 at the village shop.

Next, some forthcoming events in the Hall. The first is the annual **Grafty Craft Fair** which is on **Sunday 29 November** from **10.00am**. This is not organised by the Hall committee but the Hall receives a generous donation from the organiser so I hope you will support the event, which offers genuine hand-made products of exceptional quality made by a number of very talented local people. Refreshments will be available, so it's another opportunity to mingle and chat with other villagers, too.

Then we have our traditional **Christmas Quiz**, on **Saturday 5 December**. The format will be the same as previous years, with a ploughman's-style supper included and a pay-bar. This has proved to be a very popular event in the past, so don't delay in buying your tickets, which are available from the village shop. Teams may consist of up to 8 people. To help us ensure that you are able to sit with the people you want to, please leave your name and a contact number with Rob at the Shop as you buy your tickets.

We are already planning fun and games for the New Year, but more on that in future editions of this magazine!

Richard Pilborough

Hall Committee Chairman

Yoga classes in Grafty Green Village Hall and St. Edmunds Centre, Platt's Heath

Classes continue for the next 6 weeks in Grafty Green Village Hall on Wednesday evenings at 7pm and Thursday mornings at 9.30 also at St. Edmund's Centre on Friday mornings at 9.30. If you would like to try yoga give me a call to arrange which class would be right for you.

A **Saturday** practice is planned for 14th November at 10am in Grafty Green Village Hall. Open to anyone!

All classes are mixed ability and I encourage people to work to their own level as yoga is non-competitive!. Contact me for more information on 01622 850381.

If my classes don't fit in with your routine The British Wheel of Yoga web site can direct you to a class convenient for you www.bwy.org.uk org

Susan Burch - British Wheel of Yoga Teacher

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Stained and Fused Glass at Christmas Craft Fair

Sunday 29th November

Mandy & Sylvia will be selling stained and fused glass on their stall at the fair in the Village Hall.

Commissions taken

BOOKS

The Great Leeds Sale

FRIDAY 13th November

4.00pm to 8.30pm

&

SATURDAY 14th November

10am to 2.30pm

in

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(Leeds village ME17 1RJ)

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House Fire – Tuesday 13th October

Unfortunately the village suffered another house fire late morning on 13th October – a fire which started in an airing cupboard due to an electrical fault and spread to the roof threatening to engulf the two semi-detached properties. Potentially very serious but mercifully by the quick actions of a passer-by and that of a near neighbour the fire was quickly reported, subsequently the very prompt response by the fire service checked the fire in the nip of time. Returning home to see five fire appliances is heart stopping.

In total four fire engines and a water tanker attended and crews deployed a relatively new piece of kit – fog spike, literally a spike which can be jabbed through the fabric of a building or structure and then deliver a high pressure mist which quickly reduces temperature and spread of fire, the fire then being completely extinguished by conventional fire fighting. The net result both properties are still habitable albeit there is fire damage and significant water damage to one plus of course material and personal losses.

It is perhaps timely for a reminder about having working smoke alarms (at least one on each floor level) and checking them weekly. Electrical fires remain a significant statistic for Kent Fire and Rescue and the advice is always to switch off at the socket all appliances and pieces of equipment you are not actually using, particularly tumble driers, washing machines, any kind of charger, furthermore never leave these items unattended or use them over night despite the temptations of cheaper electricity tariffs. All household electrics should be checked by a suitably qualified electrician every few years.

At this time of the year as we head into colder weather chimney fires are all too regular – often as a result of un-swept chimneys / flues or burning unsuitable 'fuel' – chimneys / flues should be cleaned and checked annually. There have been a significant number of injuries recently with persons attempting to fight fires themselves – advice is simply - 'get out, stay out, call 999'. Just 3 breaths of any smoke can kill – carbon monoxide is produced during the burning of any fossil fuel – wood, gas, oil, coal. Carbon monoxide alarms are recommended to provide that vital early warning.

KFRS offer free home safety advice as well as FREE home safety visits simply call **0800 923 7000** or email your contact details to **home@kent.fire-uk.org**

Chris Wheal - KFRS Volunteer 01622 858100

Mid-Winter Market

The Tithe Barn Lenham Me7 2qd

21st & 22nd November 2015 10am – 4pm

Lenham's medieval tithe barn is to be the host venue for its 4th Mid Winter Market. It is believed to be one of the largest of its kind in the county this year. This successful and buzzing market, will showcase the work of 60 (mainly Kent based) artisans, working with a wide range of materials as diverse as clay, glass, iron, wood,

wool, fabric and silver. Also including producers selling meat, cheese, honey, preserves, wine, chocolate, fudge, nuts and many more..... Visitors will have the opportunity to meet the craftsmen and purchase some original and unique gifts.



Sharon Prior, representing organiser of Cloth and Clay, said "We have tried to include something for everyone. The atmosphere in the barn bubbles with happiness and enthusiasm. We will be offering a light lunch and refreshments all day, it is our hope that visitors of all ages will find plenty to keep them interested" The charity we are supporting this year is ART FOR LIFE (charity no.1070560).

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For further information please contact Sharon Prior 07776 401405 or Jean Crosbie on 07709611740 (clothandclay.wordpress.com)

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Items of Planning received by Boughton Malherbe Parish Council, October 2015

APPLICATION REF:	15/507624/FULL
PROPOSAL:	Proposed rear extension with roof over hang to create terrace, single storey side extension and proposed solar panels on roof.
ADDRESS:	The Oaks Church Road Boughton Malherbe Kent ME17 2BA
APPLICATION TYPE:	Householder
COMMENTS DUE BY:	14 October 2015
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APPLICATION REF:	15/507742/FULL
PROPOSAL:	Install a stable block for storage animals
ADDRESS:	The Oaks Church Road Boughton Malherbe Kent ME17 2BA
APPLICATION TYPE:	All other minor development
COMMENTS DUE BY:	21 October 2015
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Notification of Appeal	Lodged with the Planning Inspectorate
Planning Reference	14/506376/OUT
PINS reference:	APP/U2235/W/15/3136323
Proposal:	Outline application for development of 6no. detached dwellings with associated car parking and gardens with access to be determined at this stage and other Matters Reserved
Location:	Land At Woodcock Lane Boughton Malherbe
Comments due by:	18 th November 2015
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Mondays to Fridays

Service No	School Days Only		Not School Days	
	59	59	59	59
Grafty Green, Kings Head	0653	0711	0930	1325
Ulcombe, The Harrow	0700	0719	0937	1332
Kingswood, Village Hall	0706	0723	0942	1337
Kingswood, Ashford Drive	0710	0726	0944	1339
Warmlake Corner	0717	0732	0950	1345
Chart Sutton, Buffalo's Head	0722	0735	0953	1348
Boughton Monchelsea, Cock Inn	0727	0739	0956	1351
Boughton Monchelsea, Albion	0730	0741	0958	1356
Linton Corner	0737	0746	1003	1358
Loose, Loose Road/Old Loose Hill	0743	0750	1006	1401
Wheatsheaf, Loose Road	0751	0756	1012	1407
Maidstone, King Street	0803	0804	1020	1415
Maidstone, Cannon, Stop B	0814	0815	1021	1416
London Road, Somerfield Hospital	0814	0815	1021	1416
Tonbridge Road, Oakwood Park	0825	0826	1032	1427

Saturdays

59	59	59	59
0733	0930	1336	1604
0740	0937	1343	1611
0745	0942	1348	1616
0747	0944	1350	1618
0753	0950	1356	1624
0756	0953	1359	1627
0759	0956	1402	1630
0802	0959	1405	1633
0807	1004	1410	1638
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Maidstone, Chequers Bus Stn, Stop J4	1232	1612	1747	1748
Wheatsheaf, Loose Road	1239	1619	1754	1755
Loose, Loose Road, Old Loose Hill	1243	1623	1758	1759
Linton Corner	1247	1627	1802	1803
Boughton Monchelsea, Albion	1252	1632	1807	1808
Boughton Monchelsea, Cock Inn	1255	1635	1810	1811
Chart Sutton, Buffalo's Head	1258	1638	1813	1814
Warmlake Corner	1301	1641	1816	1817
Kingswood, Ashford Drive	1309	1649	1824	1825
Kingswood, Village Hall	1316	1656	1831	1832
Ulcombe, opp. The Harrow	1316	1656	1831	1832
Grafty Green, Kings Head	1323	1703	1838	1839

Saturdays

59	59	59	59
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via	1254	1538	1808
Sutton	1258	1542	1812
Road	1303	1547	1817
and	1306	1550	1820
Langley	1309	1553	1823
0906	1312	1556	1826
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St.John Burch – I would like to thank all those who sent messages of comfort; your words and thoughts are very much appreciated.
I have been prompted to tell you a little more of the life that St.John lead; here is one from the mid 60's – written by St.John's friend Rita.

Sue Burch

St.John and Rita on a Three Masted Schooner

In the sixties when St.John and I were working at Autocue a mutual friend, who had just come back from a trip to Sweden, told us about a beautiful old three masted schooner and a delightful English skipper who was looking for crew to man the ship on a trip to the Greek Islands where he was planning to charter it out. We decided this sounded like a cheap holiday, although neither of us knew anything about sailing, and we told our friend to inform the skipper that we were on our way.

We got a ferry to Gothenburg and tracked down one of the small islands where the ship was moored. Instead of a rapturous welcome, we were enlightened to the fact that skipper and 4 crew, already aboard, had assumed that as 'television people' we obviously had loads of dosh to pay our passage to Greece as paying passengers.

Within a couple of days, however, good fortune smiled on us as two crew members, chief engineer and cook, resigned, and returned to Hull. We were invited to fill the breach, working our passage.

We now had to find about 10 people paying £1 a day which would pay for expenses, ie food mainly as we were living on a diet of rice and tinned reindeer balls. The plan was to put ads on message boards in youth hostels as we sailed to Oslo via the Oslo fjord. We managed to recruit about 8 people and so we set off.

We sailed to Denmark and through the Kiel Canal to Hamburg and thence to Amsterdam which was to be our last port of call before Greece. Charts were purchased, rice and reindeer balls overflowed from cupboards and our mutual friend arrived to accompany the skipper in his lonely position of responsibility.

We set off in a force 9 gale, and the skipper, long ago re-named Capt Ahab, announced that he no longer had any intentions of going to Greece, and was returning to Gothenburg. Fury was unleashed, and he said he would tack up and down the N. Sea until all agreed. Mutiny ensued between Skipper and mutual friend versus the rest. Tempers were high, utensils were thrown and injuries incurred. Fortunately we were off the coast of Esbjerg in Denmark where we were able to put into port for medical assistance.

Escape was now possible, and we fled back to England on the next available ferry with the last of our pocket monies.

Although my culinary skills had been sorely tested, St.John as chief engineer never had to prove himself. Surprisingly, mutual friend remained a friend, although we were never to learn the outcome of the affair.

Grafty Gourmet

This is great for those with a sweet tooth. The Italian hazelnut liqueur Frangelico is stocked by some supermarkets and is also available online. Serve with double cream and extra Frangelico.

Chocolate Tart with Crunchy Hazelnut & Frangelico

For the Praline:

150g blanched hazelnuts
125g caster sugar

150ml Frangelico

150g unsalted butter, softened at room temperature

4 large eggs, separated

For the Tart:

300g plain chocolate with 70 per cent cocoa solids, broken up into small pieces

150g icing sugar, sifted

200ml double cream, at room temperature

1. For the praline, heat the oven to 180°C. Line a baking tray with non-stick baking paper and set aside. Put the blanched hazelnuts on another baking tray and roast in the oven for about 10 minutes until the nuts turn a light golden colour. Tip on to the baking paper lined tray.
2. Pour the caster sugar into a frying pan and, over a very low heat, without stirring at all, allow the sugar to melt. Once melted you can swirl the pan around a little to ensure the sugar cooks evenly. When the sugar has become a rich, brown caramel immediately pour over the hazelnuts and leave to cool completely. Once hard, break up into pieces and place in a food processor. Process to a fine crumb and set aside.
3. For the tart, base-line a 22cm spring-form cake tin with a circle of baking paper. Place the chocolate and Frangelico in a pudding basin over a saucepan of gently simmering water, making sure the basin does not come into contact with the water. Melt the chocolate then, using a wooden spoon, beat in, a tablespoon at a time, the room temperature butter. If the mixture starts to separate, stir in a little tepid water to bring it together. Take off the heat and leave to cool for 15-20 minutes. Beat in the egg yolks.
4. Place the egg whites in a large mixing bowl and beat to stiff peaks. Gradually beat in the icing sugar. Fold into the chocolate. Whip the cream to floppy peaks and fold into the chocolate. Finally fold in half the praline. Pour into the prepared tin, cover with cling film and refrigerate, preferably overnight, until very firm. To serve, run a knife around the sides and release the spring-form mould. Place a flat serving plate over the chocolate tart and invert. Lift off the metal base and peel off the parchment. Dust the surface with the remaining praline and cut into thin slices. Serve with cream laced with a little Frangelico.



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8	Beef	Dairy	Grid	
9	Sharp	Six	Trouble	
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11	Book	Frequency	Typist	
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WINDOWS 10 – Security

Windows 10 includes an in-built Security application called Windows Defender. This was also available in Windows 8.

What does this mean to you?

- 1) If you are upgrading your existing PC, there is no need to worry about changing anything regarding your virus protection. If you have applications like Norton or McAfee there is no need to renew your subscriptions and you can uninstall them if you want. This could speed up your PC, but you may need to download a remover to do this. (**Note:** there is no need to uninstall them if you are happy with them).
- 2) If you are buying a new PC, there is no need to purchase additional Virus protection.



Windows Defender works in the same way as MS Security Essentials which was the Virus Protection recommended by the Egerton Telecottage. You need to keep it Updated and Scan your PC regularly, which can be set automatically.

We also recommend installing a **Malware** remover, which you can download free, and run manually weekly or monthly. You can search for these on the internet, eg: SUPERAntispyware (<http://www.superantispyware.com/>).

Remember to make sure you read the instructions properly and do not download additional applications by accident. Also make sure you check/uncheck boxes that ask if you want marketing material etc.

'Malware' is an umbrella term used to refer to a variety of forms of hostile or intrusive software, including computer viruses, worms, trojan horses, ransomware, spyware, adware, scareware, and other malicious programs.

If you need any help, please visit the Egerton Telecottage on Saturday morning between 10am and 12noon <http://www.egerton-kent.co.uk/telecottage>. Advice is free and there is always someone there it help you. If you would like any topics covered in this magazine please email me at carolhulm@gmail.com

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Lenham Valley Business Association

Business Networking is about . . . **getting to the meetings!**

Tuesday 3rd November. Dog & Bear Hotel, Lenham. Presentation by Steve Elliott, Senior Adviser/Trainer at ACAS. How the advisory conciliation arbitration service assists businesses large and small to resolve and more importantly, prevent disputes at work with timely intervention, information and advice.

Tuesday 1st December. Another big annual get together with South Maidstone Business Association coming up soon at Chilston Park Hotel, Lenham. Our speaker will be Hiliary Steel, Editor of Kent Women in Business Magazine. **"The power of predicting personality"**. An interactive look in to understanding what makes people respond and behave in the way they do in the world of business.

Tuesday 5th January 2016. Town Planner Peter Court will tell us about some of the **pitfalls of running a business from home**. Venue to be confirmed.

2016 events. Continuing with business networking meetings at the most convenient time for attendees - on the way home from work - 5.45pm on the first Tuesday of every month (with the exception of June). Something for everyone. Aimed at people in business (big and small) looking to increase their contact list for rural customers, clients and suppliers. Venues are all local to this area from Harrietsham to Charing to Ulcombe. Structure of meetings has been created to maximise the two hours. 20 minutes of speaker presentation, 20 seconds of each individual around the room (optional) followed by 60 minutes of networking. Relaxed, friendly, beneficial and fun. If you haven't yet tried it you are missing out on a good opportunity for your business. Check out the website www.lenhambusiness.co.uk

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Len Valley Churches Ladies Breakfast

Join us at The Dog and Bear, Lenham on Saturday November 7th at 8.30 am

A chance to enjoy a cooked or continental breakfast, meet new friends and listen to an inspiring speaker. This month it will be Gwyn McPherson who volunteers with Street Pastors in Maidstone.

Maidstone is the clubbing capital of Kent with up to 10,000 party goers on a Saturday night. Street Pastors work closely alongside the police, paramedics and the "Urban Blue" bus project to provide emotional, spiritual and practical support to those who need help. To book your place, please ring or email the church office on 850604 or churchoffice@lvb.org.uk



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Music Notes - November

I give no apology for repeating my recommendation of the Hospice Concert on October 31st, in the hope that some readers will get this report in time to be reminded. This is the biggest charity concert in the area, held every 2 years, with all the singers and players giving their time without charge. Really not to be missed. The November events also offer plenty of excellent choices – I would point particularly to MSO's concert on 28th:

- Saturday 31st. October is the 11th International Voices for Hospices Day. In our area this will be celebrated at 7.30pm with a concert performance of Gilbert & Sullivan's *HMS Pinafore* at Mote hall, organized by and in aid of the Heart of Kent Hospice. The festival choir will be conducted by Maidstone Choral Union's Martin Hindmarsh. Tickets 01622 726193
- Saturday 14th, November 7.30pm at St. John's CofE Primary school, Grove Green (ME14 5TZ), Bearsted Choral Society will perform a concert version of Bizet's *Carmen*. Tickets at the door.
- Friday 20th November, 7.00pm at Sutton Valence school (note earlier start), the Sutton Valence Music Society presents a concert by the Piatti Quartet, playing chamber music by Schubert, Ravel and Brahms. Non-members are welcome and can buy tickets at the door.
- Sunday 22nd November at All Saints' church, Maidstone, Sutton Valence choral Society perform Handel's *Sampson*. Tickets from SVCS members or at the door.
- Saturday 28th, November 7.30 pm at Mote Hall Maidstone, Maidstone Symphony Orchestra's concert features Laura van der Heijden, BBC's 2012 Young Musician, playing Walton's *Cello Concerto*. Tickets 07817-429143 or at the door. Free for under 18's!

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Christian Message November 2015

I can still hear her voice. **"Will ya listen to me now?"** A Belfast mother talking to her little girls during a stay in Kent at the height of the troubles. We all want to be listened to; to be heard. Often it seems that no one is interested in what we have to say.

Maybe this feeling of being ignored explains the popularity of change.org on the internet. Signing a petition provides an opportunity to express an opinion confident that it will be read by someone with responsibility for the cause. Similarly, it is possible that the enthusiasm for voting in the Scottish referendum last year and the interest in the recent election of the Labour party leader stem from the same source.

No one wants to be silenced; to feel that their view doesn't matter. Cynicism is widespread. Votes are solicited but often it seems that those in Parliament or on County, Borough and Parish councils have not listened to the views of the electorate but have pursued their own programmes. As a result they are judged to have betrayed those they were elected to serve.

2000 years ago crowds flocked to see Jesus. In his they discovered someone who listened and who was genuinely interested in them.

I pray every day. I know that God listens. This assurance is based on his words recorded in the Bible. When the people of Israel were ill-treated slaves in Egypt God said to Moses, "I have seen the misery of my people. I have heard them crying out. I am concerned about their suffering." (Exodus 3:7)

No one has to say, "Will you listen to me?" The Bible assures us that God does and in the life of Jesus who became human like us, he listens, guides, loves and cares. We are not unimportant and we find security in the Lord who has said that he will never leave us or abandon us.

Joan Drury

Pamela Cuerden

Thank you to everyone who attended the reader licensing service at Canterbury Cathedral at the end of September, or sent cards, gifts, good wishes and prayers. It was such a special, joyous, experience and it meant so much to see friendly faces from the Len Valley Benefice, Maidstone, Ashford and Sittingbourne areas. Your support is really appreciated.

I am excited about serving God and the community to the best of my ability but would value your continued prayers please, both to enable me to do this effectively, and to complete two more years of study. Many thanks. Pamela Cuerden 06/10/15

The Great Leeds Book Sale

The annual Great Leeds Book Sale will be held this year on Friday November 13th from 4.00pm to 8.30pm and Saturday November 14th from 10.00am to 2.30pm at St. Nicholas' church Leeds. Note that we are again extending the opening hours to cover the Friday evening for people who can never make Saturday mornings – last year many people said they found it helpful. There will be some 14,000 books for sale – yes 14,000! – so something must be there to suit everyone's taste. As well as paper-backs and hard-backs for a quiet read yourself, there are plenty of splendid books in as-new condition which would make excellent gifts.

For sale of this size we obviously need and get support from a wide area and it has now become a major local attraction – it is not just for Leeds residents. Refreshments will be available to sustain you while you browse. So don't miss out – make a note NOW to keep some time free on the 14th or 15th or indeed both! If you like handling and exploring books, and would be interested in helping with setting out the books in the week before the sale, do let us know (see phone number below).

If your bookcases are already full, it is not too late to make some space for more inexpensive purchases by donating some books to the sale – just deliver them to the church any day between 9.00am and 4.00pm, and leave them in the South porch (but no old magazines, videos or second-hand toys please; save these for the next jumble sale or boot fair; and please no encyclopaedias – we can't sell them nowadays)..

If you would like more information about this important local happening, please give Brian Hardy a ring on 01622 842915, or email bjhardy@theiet.org. Otherwise, just come along!



November's Messy Church will be packing shoeboxes full of goodies to send overseas to children who wouldn't otherwise get any Christmas presents. I imagine many this year will be going to refugee camps in Turkey, Lebanon and similar places. If you and your family are coming, or if you would like to support us in any way, these are the things we are collecting to pack: small toys,

school supplies, hygiene items, and small things like hats, caps, gloves or scarf, sunglasses, hair accessories, jewellery sets, a wind up torch, wrapped sweets (but no chocolate). Also, each shoebox needs £3 to cover the cost of transport.

November Messy Church is on Sat 14th at Harrietsham Primary School from 4 – 6 pm, tea included. If you want to support this but can't come along, and you don't know anyone on the Messy Church team to give your gifts to, please ring Helen Venn on 01622 858195.

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10.45am Ulcombe: Family Worship
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3.30pm Harrietsham: GIFT Family Worship

Sunday 8th November

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10.15am Harrietsham: Remembrance Service
10.15am Ulcombe: Remembrance Service
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4.00 – 6.00pm Messy Church – Harrietsham School

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5.00pm Harrietsham: Prayer and Praise

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