



Happy 20th



Cliddesden Village Hall, 1999 - 2019

The whole Village is cordially invited to the Hall for a Celebratory Tea Party*

8th September 2-5pm



*Savouries, cakes, tea and coffee (or bring your own drinks)

** Under 5's free. Ticket includes entry into a cash prize draw

RSVP by 25th August to Jo Capehorn 07528 856157 or Angie Fewster 01256 475848

WINE WALK 2019



Another year, yet another Wine Walk, what would be this year's theme?

Well this year was Spanish-inspired and with the weather on our side, like it often is in Spain, what better way to celebrate the event! The walk itself saw a less challenging route than previous years although the thirst of the participants remained remarkably undiminished despite this.

Yet again the hosts excelled themselves with decorations, preparation, bars, welcome signs, bunting, Love Island lights, gazebos and al fresco cooking. Paella, Tapas and Spanish pulled pork wraps satisfied the appetites of even the hungriest and to provide a base for the Rioja, Cava and cerveza on offer!

As participants we saw a lovely mix of previous participants (and hosts) as well as a great participation from enthusiastic new guests and hosts.

The end result was a fantastic £1,074 towards Church Funds. Thank you to all who participated and in particular to the hosts Lou and Jim, Rachel and Charlie and Val and Robert, long may it all continue! Speaking of which I must check if we have reached any milestones in running the Wine Walk!

Best wishes, John and Miche

Would you be interested in joining the Cliddesden Golf Society?

The Society is for male and female golfers of all abilities and the object of the day is to play some golf, have some fun with a light meal afterwards at an affordable price.

We play individual Stableford off full handicap.

Depending on the uptake we may possibly have a team competition for a trophy!

If you are interested please contact me directly via mobile 07947070494 or email oherlihyfamily@btinternet.com

This is open to anyone living in Cliddesden and Farleigh Wallop.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Carrie O'Herlihy



DIARY DATES

August

- 1 Film Night Village Hall
- 4 Horticultural Soc Summer Show, Village Hall
- 12 Coffee Morning Village Hall
- 15 WI Games Evening

September

- 3 Parish Council meeting
- 5 Film Night Village Hall
- 8 Village Hall Birthday Party

SEEKING NEW COLUMNIST

Anyone interested in taking over the *Gazette* column, please email maz.pennington@gmail.com

COME ALONG TO OUR NEW PILATES CLASS

Every Friday morning 8.45 - 9.45 Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall. All ages and abilities welcome. Pilates is ideal for ALL ages (never too old!), men and women, all fitness levels, post surgery, bad backs, shoulders, hips etc. Most issues can be beneficially accommodated. Call Vicki MacAndrew 07770 500663.

REGULAR EVENTS AT THE VILLAGE HALL**Art classes**

Tuesdays 12pm & 7.30-9.30pm
Wednesdays 10-12pm & 1-3pm

ATWAS drama group for eight to 15-year-olds

No classes this month hopefully back in September Fridays 4 to 5.30pm, contact maz.pennington@gmail.com

Brownies

Tuesdays 5 to 6.15pm

Coffee morning

Second Monday of each month
10.30am to 12pm.
Rose Bevers tel 475 944

Pilates

Fridays 11am to 12noon
Call Vicki 07770 500663

Playgroup

Fridays 8.45 - 9.45am)

Zumba

Mondays 7.30 to 8.30pm
no Wednesday class in August
maz.pennington@gmail.com

NEWSLETTER COPY DATE

20th preceding month
Please send to
bootofthedailybeast@gmail.com

SOCIAL & ENTERTAINMENT CLUB
CLIDDESSEN MILLENNIUM VILLAGE HALL**Thursday 1 August 'Becket' (1964) 148 minutes, certificate A**

Starring Richard Burton, Peter O'Toole, John Gielgud, Donald Wolfitt, directed by Peter Glenville and produced by Hal B Wallis.

Becket is an Anglo-American dramatic film adaptation of the play *Becket or the Honour of God* by Jean Anouilh. The screenplay was based on the play. It tells the story of the relationship between Thomas Becket and Henry II from their early years to the tragic end.

Becket won the Academy Award for Best Adapted Screenplay, and was nominated for 11 other awards, including for Best Picture, Best Director, Best Supporting Actor, and twice for Best Actor for Burton and O'Toole.

**Thursday 5 September 'The Help' (2016) 146 minutes, Certificate 12A**

The Help is a 2011 period drama film written and directed by Tate Taylor (*Girl on a Train*). The film features an ensemble cast, including Jessica Chastain, Viola Davis, Bryce Dallas Howard, Anna Camp, Allison Janney, Octavia Spencer and Emma Stone. The film and novel recount the story of young white woman and aspiring journalist. The story focuses on her relationship with two black maids, during the Civil Rights Movement in 1963 Jackson, Mississippi. The film was co-produced by Chris Columbus, Michael Barnathan, and Brunson

Green. It was a critical and commercial success, receiving positive reviews and grossing \$216 million in worldwide box office.

The Help received four Academy Award nominations including Best Picture, Best Actress for Davis, and Best Supporting Actress. It also won the Screen Actors Guild Award for Outstanding Performance by a Cast in a Motion Picture. Budget \$25M Box office \$216.6M.

You'll be sure of a warm welcome and a great evening at the cinema without adverts, rustling crisp packets, buckets of popcorn and Coke cups. We meet at Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall. The bar opens at 7:30pm (please don't arrive too early as we need time to set up the equipment), we start at 8pm. There is an intermission half-way through during which ice creams are available and the bar is open. Subscription is only £2 per person per evening, with no membership fee. Please do remember to pay at the bar. All our films are suggested by members; please suggest your own favourites or films that you missed and would still like to see.

Ted Dowson

Next Parish Council meeting Tuesday 3rd September 7.30pm Village Hall meeting room. Everyone welcome

Speed Indicator Device has been delivered and will be installed soon.

Neighbourhood Plan Thank you to everyone who returned their questionnaire! The results will be available shortly.

Reducing fly-tipped garden waste In the summer months there is often an increase in fly-tipping garden waste, and often the misconception that it does not matter. But depositing garden waste can smother native plants and may introduce non-natives that can take over. Garden waste can also cause an area to become over nutrient rich. If one person does it, others often follow.

Green waste can be collected by BDBC for a charge.



Recent Parish Planning & Tree Applications

19/01675/HSE (Validated 24 June) The Beeches, 10 Church Lane, Cliddesden. Erection of two storey rear extension and detached double garage.

19/01413/HSE (Granted 26th July) Mulberry Cottage, Farleigh Road, Cliddesden. Erection of a front porch

T/00216/19/TPO (Granted 16th July) Church Farm House, Church Lane, Cliddesden. T1350 Horse Chestnut: Reduce to height of 22m and 9m spread. T1351/T1352 Horse Chestnuts: Reduce to height of 10m. T1361 Lime: Pollard to 8m. T1362 Sycamore: Tip reduce over extended canopy over road.

T/00207/19/TCA (Granted 17th June) Thatches, Farleigh Road, Cliddesden. T1 Yew: Crown reduce to no smaller than 5m in height, with a 5m canopy spread, crown raise to 7m over the public highway. T2 Norway Maple: Crown reduce to no smaller than 5m in height with a 6m canopy spread, remove the lowest limb. T3 Beech: Crown reduce to no smaller than 6m in height, with a 5m canopy spread, remove deadwood and ivy from all three trees as necessary.

T/00217/19/TCA (Granted 14 June) Church Farm House, Church Lane, Cliddesden. T1345 Horse Chestnut: Prune to improve old pruning stubs, prune southern canopy bias by no more than 1.5m. T1346-1349 Leyland Cypress: Prune to tidy hedge. T1363-1365 Birches: Crown reduce to no smaller than 10m in height. T1366 Goat Willow: remove broken/hanging limb. Sycamore (in the Vine House, Farleigh Road): Tip reduce southern canopy over Church Farm House by no more than 1.5m.

18/03172/FUL (Pending appeal decision) Appeal ref APP/H1705/W/19/3221562. Land At Langdale, Woods Lane, Cliddesden. Erection of a detached dwelling and new access (new plot – between plots 3 and 4 – approved at 18/01162/FUL).

17/03487/FUL M3J6 Moto MSA. No recent update.



POLICE UPDATE

Dear Residents

I start this month with a brief outline of reported crime in Cliddesden. For the first half of this year, four crimes have been reported compared with seven for the same period last year

Overnight of 1st and 2nd July, a small vehicle drove through fencing on Axford Road at Ellisfield, in so doing this allowed sheep to run onto the road, one sheep was hit by a car and other appear to have been stolen from the field. I ask if anyone saw anything suspicious between 6pm on the 1st and 7.30am on the 2nd July to please give me a call direct, as always all calls treated in strictest confidence.

I am also appealing for information concerning theft from a car at the Dummer Golf Club between 6.40pm and 10pm on 21st June. This is a very rare event, and I ask if anyone was in the area and saw anyone acting suspicious to please give me a call direct.

I am also aware of the illegal Pedlar calling in and around Dummer on 1st July. I wish to thank all the local residents who reported his presence. Fortunately for him I was dealing with his friend in Preston Candover who has been reported for summons to court and his goods seized, so when I got to Dummer this one had disappeared!

For residents' information, it is illegal to cold call at any door and offer or show goods for sale unless you have a Police-issue Pedlars Certificate. These can be purchased from the Police, however you have to be of good previous character. It is my experience – of the many that I have reported for summons to Court for acting as a Pedlar without a Certificate – that they have many previous convictions and hence no police-issue Pedlars Certificate. Cold callers will state they are unemployed, homeless, ex-services etc, frequently these excuses are simply that, an excuse.

If they call at your door it is a matter for you if you purchase anything from them, however please remember unless they have a Police-issued certificate they are acting unlawfully. Please let me know and I will do all that I can to witness them at their 'work' and will be the witness and take the appropriate action to reduce any intimidation against residents.

Many thanks

Andrew REID, Local Constable

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For the Borough Council's
Tree Advice and frequently
asked questions see
www.basingstoke.gov.uk/treesfaqs

VILLAGE HALL NEWS



'LOCO MOTIVES'

An update on the money raised from the Cliddesden Players performances in June of *Loco Motives*. The final tally revealed a profit of £2,103.97 with a further £78.30 raised through the sale of programmes in aid of St Michael's Hospice. Huge thanks again to the Players and to everyone who contributed to the collection. Looking forward to the 2019 Panto.

important team and is willing to help in any way – organising events, looking for grants, monitoring contractors... Just four meetings a year but lots of other things going on, so if you have some spare time and would like to get actively involved in any way then send a mail to volunteering@cliddesdenhall.org.uk.

WIFI

WiFi may have noticed that we now have WiFi at the Hall. This has been on our wish list for a long time and is part of our drive to bring the Hall into the 21st century with regards to social media, internet presence and connectivity. Next step is a long overdue review

and update of our Website, hence previous requests for help with our logo (which we still need – send a mail to logo@cliddesdenhall.org.uk if you can help).

GIVE AS YOU LIVE

Another plug for Give As You Live – a great opportunity to raise donations for the Hall just by shopping online. Last year we received almost £200 from this source, up from 2017's £150, and we would like to increase it further. If you have not done so already, please sign up for free at www.giveasyoulive.com/join/cliddesdenhall before you do any more on-line shopping so that you can donate to the charity of your choice (hopefully the Hall) at no extra cost to you.

Finally, visit the Hall's website at www.cliddesdenhall.org.uk and FB page at www.facebook.com/CliddesdenVillageHall for the latest news, photos and events.

Greg Mendelsohn.

20TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

A key piece of news on the previously mentioned 20th Birthday Tea Party, to celebrate (you guessed it) the Hall's 20th Birthday. Preparation is well underway for what we hope will be the village social event of the year, to be held 2-5pm on Sunday 8th September.

The event is open to all Villagers and anyone who has been or is involved with the Hall in any way, so put this in your diaries now! Entry will be by ticket at the nominal cost of £1 with half of the ticket proceeds going to a cash raffle prize to be drawn during the afternoon.

Do you have any photos or memorabilia of the old or new Hall or of events that have taken place over the last 20 years? If so, it would be great to display these on the day – please let us know via 20th@cliddesdenhall.org.uk.

NEW TRUSTEE WANTED

As you may have noticed, the Trustees are always busy with the Hall, working to ensure its continued success as a vibrant and thriving part of village life. We are looking for an additional Trustee to join us, someone who wants to be part of this behind-the-scenes but

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BASINGSTOKE LIONS JUNE REPORT



An eventful month!

The month started with half of our members going off to Tadley to support the Loddon Valley Lions Club's Treacle Fair. It was a huge, entertaining event and very well supported as usual. Our putting game raised £125 and Lennie the Basingstoke Lion garnered another £25 which we made up to £200 and donated to St Michael's Hospice.

Old Basing Carnival was the putting game's next outing, but inclement weather conditions caused a bit of mayhem. The target and screens were blown over a couple of times and even the arrival of a local funeral director (always good for a laugh) failed to lighten the atmosphere. I've no idea how much we made because the collecting bucket was accidentally left in our lockup.

The next event was our annual twinning weekend with the Lions of Alençon Cité. It was their turn to host. Normally, between 12 and 16 of us go over. But on this occasion we were whittled down to seven by a series of untoward events like a broken arm, fractured wrist, fractured eye socket (fortunately not all to the same individual) and a contretemps with a deer on the Tunworth road. But those who went had a wonderful time. Our French friends are always very welcoming and we generally get by with the lingua franca known as Franglais. Their programme for the weekend included a visit to La Michauderie, a magnificent dray horse training and exhibition centre, a tour of Le Mans including a vintage car museum and a formal dinner where a new recruit was badged up (lucky them). The weekend ended with the annual BBQ and boules match. We lost (This is not necessarily a bad thing as the beautiful pink marble trophy is the sort of artifact that tests your car's rear suspension.)

Back at home Lennie went solo to the Winklebury Gala, but even that redoubtable soul was driven home in short order by the 34C heat. Imagine what that must have been like in a big furry suit!

Lastly we had our own Handover do at the Red Lion in Overton – lasagne, chips and desserts worked off with a hotly contested skittles match – great fun. Julian Bridges was voted Lion of the Year.

Handover is supposed to be the occasion on which Club duties are handed over to the next incumbents. Normally it's more of a stand by your beds exercise. But this year we have a new Treasurer, a new Welfare Chairperson, a new Fundraising Chairperson and a new Dinner Secretary. Exciting times!!!!

OUR PROGRAMME FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR IS

21st September

– Ali Mak Rhythm and Blues band at the Royal British Legion

9th November – Quiz Night at the Millenium Hall

16th November – Basingstoke's very own Heritage Light Orchestra – who are putting together a special performance for us entitled Music of the Orient Express. Should be good!

FREE TREES FROM THE WOODLAND TRUST

Parish councils, schools and community organisations can now apply for their free Community Tree Pack from the Woodland Trust, which will be delivered from November 2019.

Full details from www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/free-trees/



WOODLAND TRUST

100 CLUB



Hello Members

The draw for July was called at the Coffee Morning of 8th July 2019. Here are the lucky winners

1st	267	Pamela Tarling
2nd	119	Rhona Randal
3rd	175	Bob Kew

Congratulations!

The Coffee Mornings are held on the second Monday of the month, with second-hand book stall, home-made cakes and good company, do come.

Rose Beevers Tel 475 944
100club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk

CLIDDESSEN

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Next meeting, Thurs 15th August

A games evening *This should be a really fun evening and various games are being organised so we hope you can all come along.*

Diane Rampton Tel 01256 467533

ALL ABOUT BEES

Phil Blockley came along in July to tell us all about bees. It was a fascinating talk. Phil built up a hive from the beginning and explained all the component parts as he went along. From the bees' entrance which although very slim has a guard put over it in the winter to prevent mice stealing the honey. The next frame to go on was the brood chamber where the Queen bee lays all her eggs which are fed and nurtured by the workers (all ladies of course) the drones (males) do absolutely nothing – I'll say no more. A mesh is then laid over the top of this chamber to prevent the Queen going up into it and it's where the workers store the surplus honey – their pantry and where honey is harvested. A good Queen which can cost as much as £50 comes in the post artificially inseminated and can lay as many as 1000 eggs a day. Honey is harvested about August time and it is important to leave enough to see the bees through the winter but if supplies are low then a syrup is added to boost their diet.

Phil bought along some bees in a special frame which enabled us all to see exactly what goes on inside. We all had a good look to spot the Queen which is slightly bigger than the workers and is marked with a colour coded for the year she was born. Queens can live about four years and when she needs replacing a new Queen is produced by feeding an egg royal jelly.

All in all we had a great evening and learnt a lot about the bees' lives and looking after them.

EVENTS

Also at our meeting we started organising our trip to Weald & Downland Museum next week; our Christmas dinner and a trip to see 9 to 5 at the Haymarket in November. We also talked about arranging to go out for a pub lunch somewhere.

A few of the craft group met at my house to have a go at patchwork foundation piecing. On the whole it went well although there seemed to be a lot of unpicking and cutting off of the wrong pieces of fabric! We got there – eventually.



CHURCH SERVICES FOR AUGUST

Sunday 4th August 9.45am

Holy Communion (Common Worship)

Sunday 11th August 11.15am

Family Communion (Common Worship)

Sunday 18th August 11.15am

Family Service

Saturday 24th August 6pm

Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

Sunday 1st September 9.45am

Holy Communion (Common Worship).

Farleigh Parish Playgroup



Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall

Friday Mornings 11-12 Term Time

August closed. September: 6th, 13th, 20th (not 27th)

October: 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

0 - 4 year olds and their grownups.

Join us for an hour of fun activities,
sensory play, songs and stories.

A warm welcome awaits you - we look
forward to you joining us.

Cost: £2 per family



Contact:

Melanie Previous Pre-school Head (07833-528040)

Claire Qualified teacher (01256-477197)

CLIDDESSEN, FARLEIGH WALLOP & ELLISFIELD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY



*Horticultural Society News for Aug
Hello from Claire!*

A little late with my offering this month – however, as I’m sitting here listening to the rain, and enjoying a moment of cool, I realise that I’m thinking about what to do today. And it’s ‘hmmm, better do the hoovering/dusting/cleaning..’

So a very appropriate offering from the wonderful world of the internet!

And as we are so very British, we can now bemoan the weather for being wet for a day or so. Makes a change from the cry of ‘It’s too hot,’



WHAT’S BEEN HAPPENING?

‘Wild Flowers of the Greek Islands’ Gerald Ponting

July at Ellisfield Village Hall

Unfortunately I wasn’t able to attend the meeting with Mr Ponting as I was in Manchester.

Feedback from those who did said it was a really interesting evening, and thoroughly enjoyed by all who went.

HERE’S WHAT THE RHS SAYS ABOUT GARDEN JOBS IN AUGUST

- 1 Prune Wisteria
- 2 Don’t delay summer pruning fruits trained as restricted forms
- 3 Deadhead flowering plants regularly
- 4 Watering! - particularly containers, and new plants, preferably with grey recycled water or stored rainwater
- 5 Collect seed from garden plants
- 6 Harvest sweetcorn and other veg as they become ready
- 7 Continue cutting out old fruited canes on raspberries
- 8 Lift and pot up rooted strawberry runners
- 9 Keep ponds and water features topped up
- 10 Feed the soil with green manures

One thing that isn’t on the list – caterpillars! I’m watching my nasturtiums in the window box play host to the munching beasties, ruing the fact that my display is being ravaged. And yet I’m loathe to get rid of them, because I love having the butterflies in the garden. There don’t seem to be as many butterflies this year, so I gladly make that small sacrifice. On my cauliflowers and cabbages though – I’m trying my best to keep them caterpillar free!

Happy gardening.

Claire

WHAT’S COMING UP?

Sunday 4th August at Cliddesden Millenium Hall
Our second show of the year.

Please do come along for a feast of colour for the eyes, and cakes for the tummy!

SUMMER SHOW

Staging of entries	0920 – 1040
Viewing from	2pm
Presentations at	3.30pm

Flowers, vegetables, fruit, flower arrangements, photographs, and more, well worth coming to see the displays.

Only members can exhibit, however visitors are welcome from 2pm, entry is free. Tea/coffee and yummy home-made cakes will be on sale, and there’s a raffle. To join the Horticultural Society please contact any member of the committee.

30th August – evening

SAVE THE DATE! – Full details to follow

A proposed visit to a local company that creates eco-friendly living roofs.

Thursday 26th September at Cliddesden Millenium Hall

‘PERENNIAL PLEASURES – BORDERS’ JOHN NEGUS

John Negus is from Farnham. His love of gardening spans over 70 years, and having read about him on the internet all I can say is: ‘PHEW’, if my life is half as full as his has been then I’ll count myself fortunate.’ This is promising to be one of those talks you really don’t want to miss.

Everyone is welcome at our speaker evenings
– members £1, non-members £2

Tea/coffee and biscuits - donations please

Raffle on the night.

ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AWARDS



On Thursday 27 June 2019, I attended on behalf of the Council – and as Cabinet Member for Planning, Infrastructure and the Natural Environment – the Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management Awards in London.

Due to the hard work and dedication of the Council's Natural Environment Team, we were a finalist in the 'Planning Authority of the Year' category. Although we did not win, our Council was highly commended, which is a fantastic achievement.

In the last two years as the Cabinet Member, I have sought to raise the profile of the Natural Environment, through stronger planning policies, through an overarching Green Infrastructure Strategy and through strong biodiversity protection policies in development briefs for larger house building sites. I have also worked closely with local volunteer groups whose expertise and advice has directly shaped our policies.

This is all work in progress. There is much more that we can do. This award is a national recognition that we are moving in the right direction.

Mark Ruffell

CANDOVER VALLEY STORE

<https://www.cvcs.org.uk/the-store/>

The new community-owned and community-run Candover Valley Store opened on Saturday 20th June.

The Store is managed by Garry Green and assistant Emma Simpson with the help of our crucial band of willing volunteers. It is home to the Post Office as well as offering a place to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and a bite to eat.

Wherever possible we stock local produce, providing you with an authentic taste of Hampshire including;

- **Home made frozen ready meals**
- **Lyburn cheese**
- **Tunworth cheese**
- **Isle of Wight cheese**
- **Moonroast coffee – artisan coffee hand roasted in the Candover Valley**
- **Fresh & frozen meat from Evans of Alresford**
- **Award-winning Hattingley Valley sparkling wine**
- **Real ales from local breweries.**

The store also offers a wide range of groceries and other products, including:

- Bread and milk
- fruit and vegetables
- chilled and frozen food
- household products
- sweets and confectionery
- soft drinks, beer and cider, wines and spirits
- stationery and greetings cards
- gifts
- pet food
- over the counter medicines
- cigarettes and tobacco.

If there are products that you can't find but would like to buy please suggest them to Garry or Emma.



Candover Valley Store, Alresford Road
Preston Candover RG25 2EE
Tel 01256 389500

The store is open ...

Monday - Friday	8 - 6
Saturday	8.30 - 5.30
Sunday	8.30 - 12.30

Post Office Opening Times

The Post Office is open ...	
Monday - Friday	8.30 - 5
Saturday	9 - 12.30
Sunday	Closed



NATURE'S CALENDER

Help us track the effects of weather and climate change on wildlife near you. From leaf buds bursting to blackberries ripening, let us know what's happening. You'll be contributing to a long biological record that dates back as far as 1736.

<https://naturescalendar.woodlandtrust.org.uk/>



What effect has recent weather had on wildlife? Does climate change affect timings in nature? Join Nature's Calendar and you'll help scientists discover answers to these questions.

It's the UK's biggest record of the changing seasons, with over 4,400 nature-watchers noting down the behaviour of 70 species of plants, animals and fungi. From the first ladybird to the last oak leaf, let us know what's happening near you on our [Nature's Calendar website](#). You can plot your findings and upload your photos and view them instantly on the live map. You can also check out what other recorders are spotting in the UK.

Your records are an invaluable source of information for researchers across the world trying to understand the impact of climate change.

Whether it's your favourite dog walk, route to work or garden, if there's a place you visit regularly we'd love you to get involved. There's no time commitment - you just need to note the date of seasonal changes and add them to the website.

Let us know what's happening to wildlife near you



Redwings are winter visitors to the UK. Let us know when you see your first arrival.

**Record your
wildlife sightings**

Trees and wildlife



Trees and wildlife

Trees provide an important habitat for wildlife and it is important to be aware of protected species if you are planning to carry out work to trees.

In simple terms, you should make sure that there are no wild birds nesting in or bats roosting in or adjacent to the tree that you are proposing to work on. Emergency tree work can proceed, although measures should be taken to mitigate any harm that is caused.

Birds

The law protects all wild birds, their eggs and nests and these must not be harmed by tree work.

Natural England advises that the bird nesting season is from February until August, although it should be noted that sometimes birds can nest outside this period.

Wherever possible, you should not carry out any tree work between these dates. However, if this is unavoidable you will need to ensure that the tree you are working on does not have an active bird nest.



Bats

It is more difficult to determine whether there is a bat roost in a tree and you should ensure that your tree surgeon is aware of the signs to look out for.

Works to trees with potential for bats is best done from late August to early October when young bats are mobile, female bats are unlikely to be pregnant and the hibernation season has not yet begun.

If bats or signs of bats are found, no work should start and Natural England should be contacted for further advice. If work is already in progress, then it should stop immediately if it is safe to do so.

Dormice

Dormice are traditionally found in coppiced woodland, although they can also be found in hedgerows and other areas of scrub. It is illegal to harm dormice, including their breeding and resting sites.

Tree work in these areas should be planned carefully with mitigation and compensatory measures to prevent or offset any harm. Before carrying out work in potential dormice habitat, you should contact Natural England for further advice.

BOROUGH TRANSPORT STRATEGY



The new Basingstoke Transport Strategy was recommended for adoption at the Full Council meeting of Thursday 18th July. The Strategy supports developments in the Basingstoke & Deane Local Plan to 2029 – and also considers longer-term requirements.

Key themes include

- A new vision for Mass Rapid Transit (MRT) public transport corridors with priority or dedicated lanes and high-quality low emission vehicles with turn up and go frequencies. To improve access to the town centre and Basing View including reviewing the current one way system around the Top of the Town and Eastrop Roundabout.
- Improved interchange at the station which will allow buses and trains to work better together and support the growth plans for Basing View and Station Hill approach regeneration.
- Improved walking and cycling accessibility in the central area, plus corridors and improved crossings.
- More electric vehicle chargers, consideration to the approach to car parking in the town centre, plus new technology to assist drivers.

The Borough's Cabinet Member for Planning and Infrastructure Cllr Mark Ruffell said: 'Produced in partnership with Hampshire County Council, the Transport Strategy is a key document to support the implementation of the Adopted Local Plan as well as looking beyond. It now gives us a framework for more detailed studies and subsequent action, as well as helping us to deliver some of our most important sites such as the successful regeneration of Basing View, much needed homes and infrastructure at Manydown, a vibrant and accessible town centre and improved facilities at the Leisure Park.'

NEW DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Ian Boll is set to join BDBC as Executive Director of Borough Development and Deputy Chief Executive.

A civil engineer, Ian currently leads on strategic infrastructure planning at Northamptonshire County Council. There he is developing the strategic infrastructure plan for Northamptonshire, supporting sustainable growth.

In his new role, Ian will oversee the building of homes and community facilities at Manydown and the regeneration of Basing View business district.

His key responsibilities also include promoting the borough for inward investment, attracting new employers and helping businesses to grow.

VILLAGE GUIDE

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