

Editors' Notes

You will notice that some of our regular Printer for the time being. Hopefully the contributors have sent items about change will not affect the quality of the upcoming Festive events! Christmas to output. me is a celebration at Church and a time for family and friends. I am not very keen on the fact that shops have Christmas produce out on show as early as September! However, I will admit that, with our busy lives these days, it is often important to advertise and book Christmas parties and events well in advance. Last year's visit from Santa riding on the back of a lorry, proved very popular and raised significant funds for community activities. Watch out for the information next month.

Remember—There is NO JANUARY ISSUE of Parish News!! If you have an event or date in December January or early February, then please try to get it to us for the December issue. Thanks.

Printing

As mentioned last month. We have experienced a few challenges recently concerning the printing of the magazine.

The Printer we have been using since going "full colour" a few years ago, suddenly became unavailable. This means we have been searching for a offer new Printer who can US comparable deal. One local Printer kindly rescued the September issue for us and also printed October's, despite having a few issues of his own.

At a recent Parish News Committee meeting, we agreed to continue with the

We have a number of spaces available for advertisements, should you run or know of a local business which would like to appear in our pages. Please contact Jo Moss, her details are in the back of the magazine.

Local and Neighbourhood Plans

Following the item in September about the potential development of land east of Slip End, we believe that there may be residents who are confused by the differences between Local and Neighbourhood Plans.

There are several levels of plan across the country. These include plans at County level as well as the Neighbourhood Plan by our Parish Council in conjunction with that of Caddington. Information can be found at www.slipend.co.uk Should you wish to understand more about the various plans, I am sure one of the Parish Councillors will happily explain the details and differences. (Contact numbers on page 30.)

The Parish Council has sent an update on Traffic calming and Parking. Please read it and respond if you have any feedback. They will not know what you think, unless you tell them!

Alison Wilson



SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO THE VILLAGE AGAIN

Look out for him in December making an appearance in a road near you with his elves and helpers, bringing treats for the children. Definite dates and the planned route will be announced in the December edition of the Parish News

We do need more helpers so if you feel you could walk with us one evening, for some or all of the way, please call Mrs Claus, or Jill Acton on 0795 858 7595 and volunteer to be one of Santa's helpers.

Slip End Parish **Christmas Biscuits 2017**

Please bear in mind that to be eligible for your Christmas gift you need to have lived in the Parish for 5 years or more and have reached the age of 65. Only one tin is given per couple.

To help us keep the CPG list up to date, if you are newly qualified, please contact Simon Patterson on 01582 419 487

or email smp1511@sky.com

Stormy Weather!

Storms whipped up Sahara dust to turn

skies orange in places and the sun red this week. It really was rather surreal outside. was Ashridge and the colour of



the created an eerie picture.

Alison Wilson

sun

Gardening Club

We had an interesting talk at our September meeting from Chris Thorne, of Ayletts Nursery, St Albans, pointing out the differences, if any, between products on the Garden Centre shelves which do the same thing, and how to read between the lines! He was an extremely nice man and his talk will certainly make us more discerning about our choices of which products to buy to aid us in the garden.

November meeting.

Date for your diary:-

Gardening Club AGM Monday 22nd January at 8pm in the Village Hall

PN Gardening Correspondent

Caddington & Slip End Runners

I am just writing to introduce our new For anyone starting, or new to running, we running group which has been meeting in recommend that you start out gently and Slip End since July. I started the group follow a structured programme such as the having started running earlier this year to NHS "Couch to 5k programme.". train for a number of events and noticed that. whilst out and running around the village, there seemed to be a number of other runners.

We cater for a range of abilities; we have new to running through experienced runners who have completed marathons or compete regularly in events.

GARDENING CLUB

MON 20th NOV (8pm Village Hall)

Guest Speaker Michael Brown "Bouquet of Weeds"



New Members Welcome Guests/Visitors £2 each



Several of our number will be running in the See box (opposite) for details of the *Herts 10k* and the *Love Luton* half marathon.

> We intend to be as inclusive as possible and recognise that often the biggest is deciding to get out there and start running.

> Currently, we meet on a Wednesday evening at 8pm by the car park entrance to the Rising Sun and have several routes around the village which normally cover 6km or so.

We have run a couple of beginner's groups and will do again if there is demand.

If you would like to join us, come along on a Wednesday evening, or sign up to our facebook group Caddington and Slip End Runners.

For more information, please feel free to contact Peter Barber on 07587 189260.

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Message from St Andrew's



I am writing today, October 16th, expecting some strong winds to bend the trees outside in the garden. The expected wind

never came! I believe, though, the north of the country was badly affected.

I was reminded of the winds that weren't expected, but came in 1987. I expect many of you will remember them. I was sitting in my office in the school where I was the Head -teacher, holding a meeting with my Chair of Governors. The phone rang. It was my wife asking me to come home because the roof had blown off the demountable classroom at my daughter's school in Harpenden and she and the rest of the class were inside! A quick thinking teacher ordered the children to get under their desks and nobody was hurt I drove home via several diversions where trees had blown across the road until I eventually reached home. The misfortune my daughter suffered was the loss of her shoes which got left behind in the classroom. I recall a trip to a shoe shop to replace them!

The next day at my own school, there was little disruption or damage, except for an ancient and very large oak tree which had succumbed to the strong wind and was now lying on its side. It was eventually reshaped so that the children could use it to climb

over. I'm not sure whether Health and Safety would allow that today!

You cannot see the wind, but you can see the effect it makes. There is a lot in the Bible about wind. The prophet Elijah was told by God to meet him on a mountain. When God passed by there was a mighty earthquake, followed by fire, followed by a great and powerful wind. God didn't speak to Elijah in any of these, but in a gentle whisper. When we meet God, his response is often quiet and gentle, speaking in the silence of our hearts. As it says in the well known hymn, Dear Lord and Father of Mankind, he speaks in the still small voice of calm.

A man called Nicodemus came to Jesus one day wondering about being born over again. Jesus reminded him about the wind, how it blows wherever it pleases. "You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit." When we come to Jesus it is like being born all over again into God's family. When that happens life becomes very different and often very exciting. It's like being blown by the wind, you never know where God may lead you, or blow you!

That is what the Christian life can be like, exciting and scary because who knows where God might blow you! Why not give God the chance to show you how you can be blown by his Spirit!

Richard Palmer (Reader, St. Andrew's Church)

Dates for St Andrew's Church - November

Sunday 5th: 10.30am: Informal Communion: The Lord's

servant

Sunday 12th: 10.30 am: Traditional

Remembrance Day service with 2 minutes of

silence

Sunday 19th: 10.30am: Holy Communion: Shoe Box Sunday "The one who is kind to the

poor lends to the Lord"

Tuesday 21st: 11am: Woodside Care Home Service

Sunday 26th: 10.30am: Morning Praise: Keep Watch

(band)





Little Stars for November

Every Wednesday parents, babies and pre-school children gather in the family room at St. Andrew's for chat, a story, crafts and songs – all based round a simple Bible story or theme. All are welcome and we are very relaxed about timing if the morning doesn't pan out quite as expected. If you are new to the Village or new to motherhood do come along, you will receive a warm welcome.

Refreshments from 10.00 with a 10.30 start

Weds 1st: Escape from Egypt – The Red Sea

Weds 8th: Saul – Israel's first king

Weds 15th: David & Goliath

Weds 22nd: King David

Weds 29th: Solomon - The wise king



OUR FARMING YEAR

Angela Speirs of J Speirs & Son, Pepsal End Farm, provides a monthly insight into agricultural life

signed uр to an EU environmental scheme compensates us for taking small areas returning many parcels of land back into of arable land out of production to arable cropping. improve biodiversity. You may have noticed, for example, the mixed grass strip behind Summer Street and the small flower meadow between the Green Lane and the motorway bridge. Sadly, due to EU rule changes, we are not deemed to be in a water catchment zone and there are no options open to us in the new scheme, which would be economic with а new domestic agricultural policy being hatched post-Brexit. This does prove that environmental schemes must he compensated at a level comparable to growing crops. Nationally, this has caused a 70% drop off rate in people

For the past 10 years, we have been signing up to the EU environmental funded schemes. This does seem a retrograde therefore which step. We find ourselves

> We apologise for any inconvenience to users of the cross field path between New Street and Green Lane during our cultivations and sowing of the following wheat crop. This path, being so heavily used, soon returns to being well trodden.

> Autumn sown crops of 1st wheat and Oats are nearly all in the ground with the improved weather conditions allowing rapid progress from the first week of October. With the blip of warm weather currently being enjoyed, we are also harvesting our final cut of grass for big baled silage to add to the stocks of winter fodder for the cattle.

Photography Group

The Club held an EGM recently to discuss a few changes to the Committee and the running of events.

We said goodbye to Sue Wilson who has been our Secretary for a number of years. She has moved to Cornwall, so we wished her well with gifts, including flowers.

Adam and Vanessa Newell will be sharing her former role. Brian Mead stood down as the events organiser, to have a short break. Thanks to Brian for his hard work! This role is now being shared by Martin Parrish and Martin Peck Look out for news on future activities soon.



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Traffic Calming & Parking

In 2009, the Parish Council formed a steering committee of residents to draw up a Parish Plan. This group of volunteers worked with the assistance of Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity and other organisations. Devising the plan involved a questionnaire to every home, exhibitions, planning events and consulting with community groups. The final plan identified speeding and parking as the major concern for the residents in the Parish.

The Parish Council commissioned Bedfordshire police to carry out speed surveys throughout the Parish. The extent of speeding in the Parish was extremely disturbing and Bedfordshire police commented that we had the worst speeding problem in Bedfordshire.

As a result of this data, the Parish Council began discussions with Central Bedfordshire Highways Dept. to develop plans to significantly reduce speeds and prevent dangerous parking. A senior engineer designed a scheme in consultation with Emergency services, Health & Safety and bus companies.

The proposals were publicised widely in Parish News. There was a two-day public consultation exhibition in the village hall where the proposals could be seen in detail. Following analysis of all the feedback received from residents, it was clear there was huge support from for speeding and parking measures to be implemented.

The Parish Council has since implemented;
The initial proposals
Additional works proposed by residents
during the consultation
Improvements to the phase 1 works
following feedback from residents

Speed Tables slow traffic by providing a vertical deflection from the normal road surface.

Church Road - Church & Playing Field

Crossing

Church Road - Summer Street Markyate Road - School Crossing Markyate Road - Village Entrance Front Street - New Street

Removal Of The Centre Line gives both lanes of traffic equal priority which slows traffic.

Church Road
Markyate Road
Lower Woodside Road
Front Street (still outstanding)

Build Outs narrow the road which slows traffic, prevent parking close to corners and provide better sight lines when exiting side roads

Church Road - Summer Street Front Street - New Street

Parking Bays narrow the road which slows traffic and indicate where it is safe to park.

Front Street Church Road Markyate Road

Extended Speed Limits slow traffic as drivers have a longer distance in which to slow to the speed limit.

Markyate Road Lower Woodside Road

Reduced Speed Limits slow traffic as the majority of drivers do not intend to speed. Pepperstock

Upper Woodside

Redesigned Junctions slow turning traffic. Lower Woodside Road - Mancroft Road Lower Woodside Road - Manor Road

Parking Restrictions discourage dangerous parking.

Church Road - Summer Street Summer Street - The Oaks Front Street - New Street Front Street - Crawley Close Markyate Road - Claydown Way Markyate Road - Rossway

Upper Woodside Road - Grove Road

Rossway - School Entrance

Pedestrian Crossings provide safe places to cross busy roads.

Church Road - Church & Playing Field Crossing

Markyate Road - School Crossing

A speed survey commissioned by the Parish Council following the works, shows that the scheme has been a huge success. The speed of traffic throughout the Parish has been massively reduced.

The Parish Council would like to receive feedback from residents on the existing features and any further areas where residents feel traffic speeds or parking could be improved.

Please email any feedback to:clerk@slipend.co.uk Paul Cooper, Slip End Parish Council



Slip End Village School

We have had a very busy start to our new academic year here at Slip End Village School. We have introduced some new members of staff; including myself as Head of School. In just a few weeks I have experienced the energy, enthusiasm and unity of our school and the wider community.

This term we have already visited the community and worked alongside our friends at St. Andrew's Church, to deliver the annual Harvest donations. The children thoroughly enjoy events such as this and seeing their importance within the village. We have also had two rugby players join us for PE lessons and after school club. They shared amongst the children an aspiration for being part of a sporting team when they are older. At the end of September we also held a Macmillan coffee morning and raised £277.58 for the charity.

It has been an absolute pleasure to start to work within your community and with the determined children at Slip End Village School. We look forward to continuing to work alongside the community in the future.









A warm welcome to the new Head of School from all at Parish News

HARVEST SUPPER

Completion of the harvest was celebrated in the traditional way with a Harvest Supper, held at the Village Hall on Friday 29 September. Thank you to all those who donated food and helped serve it on the night. A special thanks to Peter Smith and the Ukulele Band who played background music during the meal, and then after a short break, led everyone in a sing song. (See picture of Band performing at The Little Theatre, Dunstable below) Thanks also to the band member who printed booklets with the lyrics to the songs especially for the evening.



HARVEST GIFTS

Thank you to the children of our school and members of the St. Andrew's congregation who donated gifts of produce and flowers used to decorate the Church during the Harvest Thanksgiving service.

Thank you to those who packed and delivered over a hundred individual gifts on Monday morning to people living in the Parish. A special thank you to Year 6 Children and staff of Slip End School,

who took time out to assist the Volunteers, in distributing the gifts.

(See also the item and photos from Sue Briggs later in the magazine)

There was enough produce left to be donated to the Foodbank. N.O.A.H. and



Azalea. A monetary donation was also given to the Bishop's Harvest Appeal.

Sue Lyons & Janet Buttery

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U3A in Dunstable

Although I had been aware of the U3A organisation for some time I have only recently joined after being asked to take over the Ukulele Playing group. The Dunstable branch currently has 100 groups on the go, covering a wide range of activities from Antiques to Yoga. Everything is non-profit making. Any charges are to cover the cost of booking a Hall if required. Many groups meet in people's houses. There is also a monthly meeting on the first Monday of the month at the Methodist Hall next to Wilkinsons with a range of guest speakers.

Their website is u3adunstable.org.uk

If you'd like to join the Ukulele Group, it meets on Monday mornings at St Fremund's Hall in Westfield Road.

Peter Smith

The Good Neighbour Scheme

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Harvest at St Andrew's

It was once again a wonderful display of fruit, vegetables, tins of all kinds of food, pasta, bread, biscuits, flowers and plants. Richard Palmer, Reader at St Andrew's, had taken the Assembly at Slip End School on the Friday before Harvest and all the goods had been taken along to the Church.

Sue Briggs



On the Monday morning a team of volunteers helped to bag up the harvest goods to be distributed around the Parish. Children from Slip End School arrived to help take some of the bags and plants around the village, within walking distance. There was also a team of drivers to deliver the harvest to Pepperstock and Woodside.

Harvest was also taken to Woodside Nursing Home, NOAH the homeless charity and the remaining goods were given to the Foodbank in Luton. Thank you to everyone who helped in any way with the Harvest Supper, Harvest Festival, the

School and distributing the Harvest.









Slip End School Year 6 ready to deliver their parcels. Derrick and Josie Worsley welcome the young girl with their gift. Some of the children with Mrs Allnutt with their deliveries and Diane Casemore and Gill Downs fill the car with harvest goods.

Aley Green Methodist Church

November Services and Diary Dates

Sunday 5th

10.30am Morning Service - Steve Rogers 10.30am Sunday School

Sunday 12th

Remembrance Sunday

No service at Aley Green We join with the other village churches at All Saints Church Caddington

Tuesday 14th

10.00am/12.00pm 'Cakes & Company' 10.30am - 11.00am Little Lambs

Sunday 19th

10.30am Morning Service - Peter Baker 10.30am Sunday School

Monday 20th

7.30pm Fellowship led by Jo Prowse

Sunday 26th

10.30am Morning Service - Martin Wallis 10.30am Sunday School

Wednesday 29th

7.30pm Coffee Evening For Leaders of Worship & Preachers Trust

December

Saturday 2nd

8.00am Prayer Breakfast

9.30am/12noon Bacon Butty Coffee Morning

Sunday 3rd

10.30am Morning Service 10.30am Sunday School

Our September Coffee evening for Water Aid raised £65. I'm sure we have all seen and been moved by the adverts for the charity on television, the cash will help to provide clean water for drinking and cooking.

The Macmillan Coffee Morning held at the Cricketers was a great success, we raised £403.70. Thank you to all those who supported us by making cakes, buying cakes, Ann Meader ~ Senior Steward

having a go at the competition and tombola and drinking lots of tea and coffee. We were a bit thin on the ground for helpers on the day, just three of us, so we were very pleased when we had some lovely friends volunteer to help us setting up and manning the stalls. The biggest thanks of the day must go to Dave Smith for allowing us to hold the event at the pub and to Jill, Jane and Denise for making and serving endless pots of tea and coffee. A superb team effort. Twelve helpers and supporters staved on for lunch after we had packed up, it was good to be waited on and, between us, we sampled most of the menu, all choosing different dishes!!

Our Little Lambs Club had a Harvest Festival meeting in the church in October. They heard how our food is grown from seed, planted, tended, harvested delivered, using sweetcorn as an example. The little ones brought canned and packet food for the Luton foodbank, their gifts were received by John Bowes a representative from the charity. After the 'service' they played together in the upper school room. If you have any children of pre-school age do bring them along on the second Tuesday of each month from 10 30am. The children enjoy stories, singing, craft and play.

There will not be a service at Aley Green on Sunday 12th November, we will be joining the Remembrance Day service at All Saints.

A date for your diary ~ we begin our lead up to Christmas with our Bacon Butty Coffee Morning and Sale on Saturday December. Join us for breakfast or an early lunch, there will be stalls, gifts, cakes, books and preserves (ideal Christmas gifts). Our friend Pat Batchelor will be entertaining us playing seasonal music

As always a warm welcome awaits at our church, do join us for a Service, Fellowship or event.

God's blessings from all at Aley Green.

Gardening Tips by Russell Sprout

look magnificent. between showers you have been able to do some tidying up jobs in the garden been too ruthless!

Ventilate the greenhouse on sunny days if you still have tomatoes ripening but close them in the afternoon to help keep Alternatively, pick your in some heat. tomatoes and bring them inside to ripen off. White fly can be a problem at this time of year so fumigate with a HCH smoke or spray to eradicate this problem.

If you have a pond, finish preparing for winter by removing old leaves and thinning oxygenating plants. Leave foliage on marginal reeds and rushes as a protection against severe weather. Protect the pool against falling leaves by covering it with small-mesh netting. Overhaul pumps used for waterfalls and fountains, removing submersible types from the water and storing them in a dry place.

Clear up any fallen leaves and add them to the compost heap, or use them to make your own leaf-mould, (but do check that they don't have black spot). Roses planted this month will get off to a good start but only plant them as deep as the old soil mark on the stem. Climbing and rambling roses need to be planted at least fifteen inches away from a wall to avoid lack of water to the roots. tender plants like fuchsias, begonias and geraniums, and bring inside to overwinter if you haven't already done so.

Blackcurrant bushes will require some of the old wood removing but leave as At the time of writing this article the much new growth as possible, treat weather seems to have finally made up gooseberries in much the same way. If its mind that it's autumn and some of the you are planting fruit trees, then prune Hopefully back by about two-thirds of the young shoot straight afterwards. blackberries. raspberries and getting it ready for winter and have loganberries cutting out all this year's spared a thought for the wildlife and not fruiting shoots and tie in new ones and cut out any weak ones. Continue digging as ground becomes vacant and leave for the frosts to break down over the winter. Don't be too zealous, remember that wildlife need somewhere to overwinter and don't forget to check that bonfire for hedgehogs before you light it!

> Check dahlia tubers for drying out and if they appear shrivelled soak them in tepid water for the night. Remove any parts of the tubers that start to rot with a sharp knife and dust them with flowers of Sulphur. Check chrysanthemums left in the soil for waterlogging and insert a fork to it's full depth to aid drainage, stools taken in over winter should be kept moist but not wet. Gladioli corms can be cleaned up any time during the winter and discard any that are diseased and try to grow gladioli in a different position each year to stop dry rot, fusarium rot Continue to plant border and botrytis. carnations and pinks during mild spells complete planting tulips hyacinths as soon as possible.

> If you are interested in an allotment now would be a good time to ring Derrick 736892 or Steve 423622 to see what is available. The next Garden Club meeting at the village hall is Monday 20th November, the speaker is Michael Brown and the subject is 'A Bouquet of Weeds', it should be very interesting. You don't have to be a member, visitors are welcome for a small charge of £2.





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BITS AND PIECES

St Andrew's Baptisms

In September, Mason Murray-Wright was baptised. It was also his 3rd birthday so the congregation sang Happy Birthday to him.

There were a lot of friends and family present and after the service they went to celebrate Mason's birthday and baptism in a hall in Luton.



The photo is of Mason with his mum Nikita Murray. It was a lovely service.

Taylerson, who grew up in Slip End was at celebration afterwards.



the baptism, so it was good welcome him back to the church. is Terry pictured with his son Leighton and partner Jade. He

also has 15 month old twins Logan and Riley

who being were looked after by his mother Sue who now lives in Caddington.

This photo is of the two voung Leighton and Mason.



MBE

One of the regular Slip End Line Dancers. Pat Jones. was awarded the MBE for Volunteer work at the Jain Rennie shop in Hemel Hempstead. It is a special award given for voluntary



work. She has been helping at the shop for 10 years. Last month the Head of Nursing went along to the shop and she was An old friend of St Andrew's, Terry presented with the MBE. They had a

> All the line dancers wore medals to congratulate Pat. She actually lives in Hemel Hempstead but has attended line dancing in the village for many years.



1st Woodside Brownies

Thanks to all who supported the Coffee Evening for Macmillan Cancer Care. £270 was raised.

Entertainment was provided by the Brownies and Zoe and Amy Plummer. There were 40 prizes in the raffle which raised £130.

Since we started back in September, we have had 4 new girls starting. We are now doing our Hostess Badge and in November we will be doing First Aid.

Wise Owl



Well done to all!



Pub News

Christmas is approaching rapidly, so remember to book you Christmas celebrations. Ask in the pubs for details.

The Plough

We are now the local pickup point for the weekly Herald and Post, you can collect these from inside. See advert for information.

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Frog & Rhubarb

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Social Club

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Suddenly it's October and almost time for the 2017 shoebox

campaign to begin. Leaflets are being sent out and distributed to schools and churches and we are lucky enough to be able to use Heathfield Community Centre to co-ordinate the shoeboxes. If you would like to become involved with the checking and packing of the boxes please contact Alan Goodman on email:

alan.goodman@hotmail.co.uk

We will begin processing the week commencing 13th November, and will start on the Monday with renewed training.

Each shoebox that is given to a needy child is an unconditional gift of love, based on need, regardless of their background or religion. I have witnessed first-hand the happiness shown by a child who has nothing, who may never have received a gift to call their own. It is truly a life-changing moment. One of my most



memorable times in Belarus was two years ago when I met Lana a young girl from school in а Holholitsa who told me it was the best day of her life.

If there is anyone who would like to do a shoebox and needs a leaflet please contact me, sue briggs@icloud.com or through St Andrew's Church. It's such a precious gift to give to a child and you can choose whether for a boy or girl and aged 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14. I have been involved for over twenty years now and always put a little card and photo inside the box so the child who opens it can know are thinking of you Unfortunately postage costs have had to increase this year to £5 due to inflation, customs payments, the fall in sterling and carriage costs, but if you want to share a box with family or friends that is fine.

Gift suggestions are Toys:- that a child can love such as doll or a cuddly toy, toy truck, puzzle, musical instrument, ball etc, School supplies:- Pens, colouring pencils, sharpener and eraser. Notebooks, solar calulators, felt tips etc. Hygiene items:-Toothbrush, toothpaste, flannel, soap, comb or hairbrush. Outdoor items:- Hat, gloves, scarf and suggestions as follows, Hair accessories. wind up torch. jewellery, sweets (in date until March of the following year)

There are many wonderful stories of the children who have received boxes in the past and remarkably there is something in that box that makes it very special to that child – as if it was meant to be for him or her. Please give a gift of love this year to a child who will be forever grateful for their shoebox.

Sue Briggs

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FREE events in Luton town centre this Christmas

Saturday 25th November Lighting up Luton



Mike & Evie from Mike the Knight will be entertaining families in the leadup to Luton's light switch-on with personal appearances at intervals from 2.30pm. They'll be at the light switch-on at 6pm too.

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Saturday 2nd December Santa in Luton

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Saturday 16th December Merry Christmas

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In September our Group got together at Houghton Regis.

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Stuart Smith gave an insight into The Battle of the Somme, 1916. He showed slides of the area of Belgium where thousands of men were gunned down or blown up. There are several graveyards where the soldiers fell. Between 1st July 1916 and 18th November 1916 one million men were killed. There were many, many casualties and the conditions the men were under were



extremely basic and appalling. It was quite an eye opener for us listening and watching.

Some of the munitions were made by local people at Kents in Chaul End Road. Stuart was born and bred in Luton and has written many books on Wars and also areas in Luton together with Public Houses and Breweries and particularly the local area in Luton many years ago.

The competition of a War Memento was won by Carol Jones with Joanne Sherwood Second and Lou Cobb Third. It was an interesting table of memorabilia from the ladies that night.

Our Darts team is playing regularly and well.

Ann Wilcox is giving us a Patchwork & Quilting evening in November and will be bringing along her quilts to show us.

We have our Christmas Meeting and a Winter Wonderland meeting in December with our Group ladies.

You are welcome to join us. We meet on the First Tuesday of each month at the Baptist Church Hall, Luton Road, Caddington at 7.30 p.m. There is always cake and tea!

Linda Edwards

Diary Dates:

5th December Social Evening

2nd January 2018 Luton Street Names with Howard Chandler



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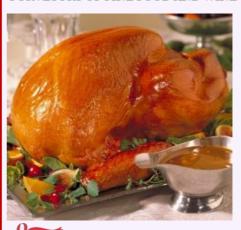
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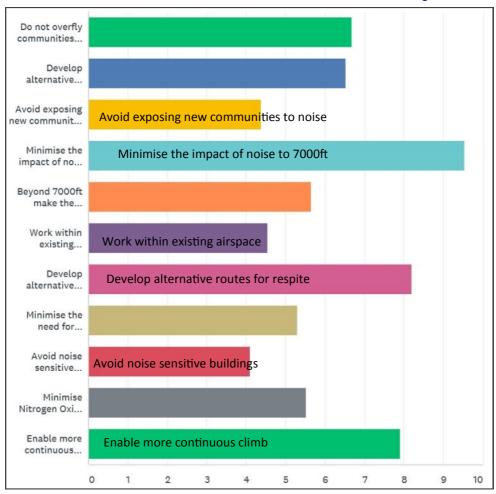
The responses from the LADACAN Many thanks to members who provided feedback on the completed the survey.

ranking of Design Principles for airspace change are shown here.

The final results show that the responses have rated minimising noise group which below 7000ft as top priority, followed by campaigns for Noise Control at Luton develop respite routes, and getting Airport. Residents my be interested in higher faster as next most important, and so on down the line.

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November

Mon 6th Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm

Tues 7th Caddington WI (Patchwork & Quilting) Baptist Hall 7:30pm Tues 7th Photography Group Talk—Colin Southgate Social Club 8pm

Sat 18th Fish & Chip Quiz for Africa Fundraising Slip End Social Club 7:30pm

Mon 20th Gardening Club - Guest Speaker Village Hall 8pm Tues 21st Photography Group - Outdoor Night Photography

December

Sat 2nd Bacon Butty Coffee Morning & Sale—Aley Green Church 9:30—12:00

Mon 4th Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm

Tues 5th Caddington WI (Social Evening) Baptist Hall 7:30pm

Wed 6th GNS Tea Party Village Hall 2:30—4pm (see poster for details)
Tues 12th Photography Group Christmas Party Slip End Social Club 8pm

2018

January

Tues 2nd Caddington WI (Luton Street Names) Baptist Hall 7:30pm

Mon 8th Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm Mon 22nd Gardening Club AGM Village Hall 8pm

NO PARISH NEWS IN JANUARY SO SEND US YOUR DATES SOON



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Don't forget to advertise your events here!

Please contact us with details of events to add to our diary so that everyone in the community can read about what is on in the Parish and hopefully avoid any clash of dates for events!



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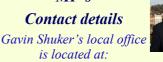
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