

# The Villager

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

## FURTHER SITES FOR BASINGSTOKE & DEANE'S DRAFT LOCAL PLAN?

**The events of the last few weeks have emphatically demonstrated the folly of building in flood zones.**

Flood zones 2 & 3 (it goes without saying) run through the Loddon Valley. In addition, the Site Selection Report for selected site SS3.9 east of Pyotts Hill (formerly BSA 121) identified an area of localised flooding to the west of SS3.9 with parts of this site at risk of future surface water flooding in a one in 200 year event.

**The Public Consultation ending October 2013 resulted in aspects of the Draft Local Plan being reviewed.**

BDBC's housing allocation for SS3.9 east of Pyotts Hill was reduced by landowners Hampshire County Council from 900 to 450, leaving Officers looking for an alternative site for 450 houses to take up the shortfall. Taylor Wimpey came forward with Hodds Farm between Old Basing and Water End – a site not included in the original site selection process.

The Residents Association of Water End Park has expressed reservations about the site and support for the SOLVE campaign in a letter sent to Maria Miller MP, County Cllr Elaine Still and Ward Councillors.

**SOLVE and CountryWatch have jointly submitted a proposal to BDBC for a reduced Local Plan period as an alternative to allocating further Greenfield sites.**

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)'s mandatory requirement for a Local Plan period is a minimum of 10 years – ie housing land identified for a 10-year supply of the agreed housing quota – with a recommendation that 15 years be adopted where possible.

Each additional year of the Plan period requires Greenfield sites to be earmarked now for housing provision for another 748 dwellings (current quota per annum) – and once Greenfield is allocated for housing it tends to remain within sight of developers.

Currently BDBC's Draft Local Plan specifies an 18-year Plan period – to allow for delays, but arguably creating delay in exacerbating controversy surrounding the additional Greenfield sites required. Indeed the uncertainties that exist in all walks of life and in particular the present economic situation are such that to forecast any events beyond 10 years becomes a lottery, and while the risks associated with a 15-year programme may be acceptable, any longer period would carry increasingly damaging and possibly unnecessary commitments.

Solve/CountryWatch therefore proposes that the Plan period should be from 2011 to 2026, ie 15 years maximum, as an alternative to allocating further Greenfield sites and for consideration at the P&I OSCOM meeting of Wednesday 5th March.



Hodds Farm land 7th January 2014

An alternative is Hounsme Fields to the south west of Basingstoke, to be discussed at the Planning & Infrastructure Overview and Scrutiny Committee (P&I OSCOM) meeting of Wednesday 5th March.

### Diary Dates

#### March

- 1-9 Newnham Spring litter pick
- 4 Rowan Lodge Coffee Morning
- 5 BDBC Planning Committee Meeting
- 7 Greywell Friday Coffee Morning, Village Hall, 10.30-11am
- 7 Women's World Day of Prayer, All Saints' Odiham from 12 noon
- 8 Benefice Quiz Night
- 10 Tylny Hall Ladies Luncheon
- 11 Teapot Cafe, 3-4pm, Greywell VH
- 14 Up Nately Villagers' coffee morning 10 - 12 noon, Beavers
- 19 Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Council meeting, 8pm, Village Hall
- 20 MU meeting, 8pm, RAF Church Hall.
- 22 Greywell Coffee & Mobile Library
- 22 Mapledurwell & Up Nately Village Quiz, 7.30pm for an 8pm start
- 22 Farnborough Symphony Orchestra, 'The Circus' 3pm & 7.45pm, Maltings
- 25 Newnham Parish Council meeting 7pm
- 27 North Warnborough Garden Club
- 30 Tylny Hall Mothering Sunday Luncheon or Champagne Afternoon Tea

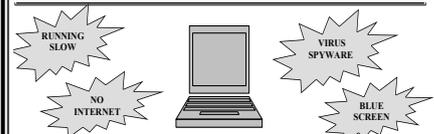
#### April

- 6 Basingstoke Choral Society, 7pm
- 24 Newnham Parish Assembly in the Clubroom 6.30 for 7pm till 9
- 26 Hook Choral Society, 7.30pm
- 27 Up Nately Great British bake-off from 12 noon, Plume House

#### May

- 10 Greywell Plant Sale Coffee Morning Saturday 10th May, 9.30-11.30.

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# Mapledurwell & Up Nately

**Farewell** - from Mapledurwell - It is with much sadness that we have to say goodbye to Pamela and Murray Bywater who are leaving after 28 years at Webbs Barns. They have been stalwarts of the church, good neighbours and active supporters of the village social life. They will be greatly missed and we wish them well in their new home in Odiham when it is finished.

## Up Nately Villagers' coffee morning

will be on 14th March from 10 - 12 noon at Beavers. For more information phone Jane on 763 649. Everyone is welcome, it is good to get together!

The charity we send our donations to for this year is MacMillan Nurses.

## More Farewells and Welcome...

Up Nately is beginning to look very different with so many new people...

We have said farewell to Terry Nicholson and the two spaniels who have moved to Odiham.

## A very warm welcome to

John and Juliet Wauchope who have moved into their brand new home in Blaegrove Lane next to their son and his family.

James and Claire Horniman and six-year-old twins Henry and Milla, and the two dogs Oscar and Willow, who have moved into Dell Cottage.

We hope all our new villagers will be happy here and join in all Village and Village Hall events.



## POLICE UPDATE

Dear Residents

Crime throughout the 78 sq miles of this beat fell considerably during 2013 compared with 2012.

That said we did experience more house burglaries (eight) and while a man was arrested for three of these, I still have concerns (though looking back to 2001 we had 21 houses broken into).

I admit I do keep on, but again I must reiterate that residents need to do more to protect their homes and property. I do suggest a good alarm system, leaving lights on when going out in the evenings, things as simple as a 'Beware of the dog' sign for the front gate, sensor lighting - even CCTV, not expensive at all these days - and all helps to protect your home.

Andrew Reid, Constable  
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andrew.reid@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

## VILLAGE HALL



## MAPLEDURWELL & UP NATELY

Your village needs you and your brains!

## VILLAGE QUIZ



**Saturday 22nd March**

**Mapledurwell & Up Nately Village Hall**

**7.30pm for an 8pm start**

**Book Now**

email to

**coleman\_diane@hotmail.com**

**or diseylew@aol.com**

Pay bar, but bring your own food!

Teams of 8 or fewer  
£10 per team

proceeds to Village Hall fund.

**To hire the Village Hall** contact Caretaker Jayne Norman on 474 432.

**To book the playing fields** call David Ellison on 478 810.



## CAMROSE DROP-IN CENTRE

During Lent we will be collecting for the homeless and needy families in Basingstoke. As from Sunday 9th March thro' to Easter Day on 20th April, there will be a box at the back of the Church to receive tinned and dried foods. Please give as generously as you have in the past. Thank you Patricia Stubbs

## PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### New applications

14/00341/HSE (5 February) Nunnery House, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. New pitched roof over existing flat roof extensions. New dormer windows over existing windows. Replacement of external materials.

14/00262/LDEU (29th January) Rose Cottage, Tunworth Rd, Mapledurwell. Application for Certificate of Lawfulness for use of land as residential.

### Pending decision

14/00207/ROC (23 January) Andwell Brewing Company, Andwell Mill Trout Farm, Andwell Lane. Variation of condition 1 of planning permission 13/00937/FUL to allow various amendments to the approved scheme.

14/00036/FUL (7th January) Telecommunications Station (Telecomm Securicor), Blackstocks Lane, Nately Scures. Removal of 3 x antennas, and installation of 6 x antennas mounted upon new support poles at the top of the structure. Installation of 3 x remote radio units (RRVs) and 2 x 600mm transmission dishes affixed to the lattice tower and ancillary works.

13/00996/FUL (12th July) Greenacres, Down Lane, Mapledurwell. Erection of replacement dwelling and detached double garage.

13/00772/FUL (1st July) Land at Nunnery House, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Construction of detached one and a half storey 2 bedroom lifetime dwelling.

### No objection

T/00071/14/TCA The Old Orchard, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Notice of intent to fell of one large Leyland Cypress.

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

**Mapledurwell allotments available** to residents of the parish of Mapledurwell & Up Nately. This includes one established plot. Please contact Russell Price on 329 680 for further information.

**Hampshire Wellbeing Services** have expanded the focus of their Wellbeing Group to include people who are isolated, lonely and would benefit from social activities. Having started off as a carers group, they are now inviting carers, the cared for, and others to get involved.

More information is available from Jayne Morgan, the administrator, at Hampshire Wellbeing Services, email [jm@hantswell.org](mailto:jm@hantswell.org) tel 423 830.

**The next meeting of Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Council** will be held on Wednesday 19th March at 8pm in The Village Hall. All welcome.

You're invited to Join the Ultimate

UP NATELY

# GREAT BRITISH BAKE OFF BAKING BATTLE™



DATE

**SUNDAY 27TH APRIL 2014**

TIME

12 - 1PM DROP OFF  
3PM PLEASE RETURN  
FOR PRIZE GIVING  
AND CAKE EATING!

LOCATION

**PLUME HOUSE, GREYWELL ROAD, UP NATELY**

BY KIND PERMISSION OF MR & MRS VAN DER GUCHT  
ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO ST MICHAEL'S HOSPICE

ALL VILLAGES WELCOME

CATEGORIES AND ENTRY FORMS AVAILABLE FROM JO BUTLER

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## MAPLEDURWELL ALLOTMENTS

**History...** from Parish Council website  
<http://mapledurwellupnately.co.uk>

Two acres of land in Frog Lane were allotted to the Parish in 1863 following a survey of local Common Land to be enclosed by Act of Parliament. The land was given to the Villagers, in perpetuity, in compensation for their loss of Commoners' Rights such as grazing.

The Allotment Society now has use of eight allotments on Frog Lane for the use of Mapledurwell & Up Nately residents and administered by the Parish Council.

To apply for a plot, please contact Russell Price, Allotment Society Chairman, on 01256 329 680.

### Mobile Library Service

F/borough Mobile Library, week 2

**Saturdays**

22nd March, 19th April, 17th May,  
14th June, 12th July

10-10.30 Greywell Village Hall  
10.45-11.20 Water End Park  
11.30-12 Newham Green

F/borough Mobile Library, week 3

**Thursdays**

27th March, 24th April, 22nd May,  
19th June, 17th July

09.45-10.15 Linden Spar Old Basing

**Saturdays**

1st March, 29th March, 26th April,  
24th May, 21st June, 19th July  
12.30-13.00 Rotherwick nr school

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## EVENTS OUT & ABOUT

### North Warnborough & District Garden Club

Next meeting Thursday 27th March, North Warnborough Village Hall, 2.10pm for 2.30 start. Speaker James Crebbin-Bailey on 'The Art of Topiary'.

Competitions for March are: 1. A Posy of Spring Flowers; 2. Five varieties of Narcissi; 3. Any Vegetable you have grown.

Visitors are very welcome to join us. For further information, please telephone 01252 843848.

2013 --2014 Season

Music Director Mark Fitz-Gerald  
Leader Tessa Welford

### THE CIRCUS (U)

Live orchestral accompaniment to the 1928 Academy Award  
Winning silent comedy -- Music by Charlie Chaplin



Saturday 22nd March 2014  
3pm & 7.45pm -- Farnham Maltings

Tickets: £12 (children/full-time students £6)  
Available from the Ticket Secretary on 07582 345898  
or buy online at [www.farnboroughsymphony.org.uk](http://www.farnboroughsymphony.org.uk)

### DIVINE ROSSINI

**Stabat Mater  
William Tell Overture**

**VERDI  
Te Deum**

New London Sinfonia  
**Basingstoke Choral Society**  
Croydon Philharmonic Chorus

Conductor  
David Gibson

**7pm Sunday, 6th April 2014**

The Anvil, Basingstoke

Tickets available from  
The Anvil Box Office 884 244  
or [www.anvilarts.org.uk](http://www.anvilarts.org.uk)

### Hook Choral Society

DIRECTOR Nicholas Woods

HAYDN

**MARIA THERESA MASS**

Lauridsen

*Lux aeterna*

**7.30 pm Saturday 26th April**

St John's Church, London Road,  
Hook RG27 9EG

Tickets £12.00 available from Trees Newsagent,  
Hook or ring 01256 882067 (£10.00 concessions,  
accompanied children under 11 free)



# Newnham & Nately Scures



**Newnham Village Litter Pick**  
**REMINDER FOR SPRING LITTER PICK**  
**SAT 1ST - SUN 9TH MARCH INCLUSIVE**

Volunteers can choose any day that week, which will take 1 - 2 hrs, leaving their litter at the Church Path sign for the Council collection the following Monday. Each person will be advised of their location beforehand and will be supplied with plastic bags, safety Tabards and pick-up sticks. This must surely be an opportunity not to be missed!

Could you please email me on [cjbroughton@talktalk.net](mailto:cjbroughton@talktalk.net) to let me know if you can help? Many thanks, John Broughton



**NEWNHAM CLUBROOM** is for hire from £12 per hour inclusive. Tables and chairs may be borrowed for use at your own venue for £3 and 50p respectively – hirer collects. Call Rosemary on the Clubroom booking line 07435 782 122.

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## NEWNHAM OPEN GARDENS

**Sunday 8th June**

Here we are again looking towards June! All our gardens are springing into life after the mild but very wet winter, no chance of drought conditions at the moment.

**As always, we would love to have some new gardens to open, so can I ask you all to think ahead with that prospect in mind?**

They do not have to be perfect weed free plots, just gardens that you and your family enjoy.

For further details, please contact Rosemary Richardson 762 369 or Chris Broughton 762 490.



**NEWNHAM'S FIRST BIRDHOUSE EXHIBITION**

Getting inspiration from a Scarecrow exhibition in Bentworth Village a few years ago, I thought, given our strong community spirit, that it would be great to stage our own.

Everyone is invited to take part. More details to follow next month or contact Claire McDonagh – 07717 725 878.



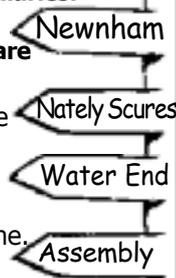
## PARISH ASSEMBLY



**THURSDAY 24 APRIL 7PM CLUBROOM**

Please put the date in your diaries. All residents of Newnham, Nately Scures & Water End are warmly invited to attend.

It will be a fun evening – the format will be much as last year – so please do come along with your family and neighbours. Children welcome.



## POLICE UPDATE

Dear Residents  
 I am pleased to report a further low reported crime rate for the parishes of this magazine.

I do however wish to make you aware of an incident in our area where an opportunist man saw that a conservatory flat roof had a large amount of moss on it and stopped. He knocked on the door and spoke to the lady of mature years who aware of the problem let him in. After checking various things he quoted a price of £3,000 which was obviously too much.

Thankfully the lady called me and together with Hampshire Trading Standards (HTS) we visited and spoke to the lady concerned. I have also spoken to the man himself so he is aware that Police have 'noted' his activities: enquiries are continuing. My point of mentioning this is to make all residents aware not to allow anyone into their homes from the street offering services or things for sale.

If you want any work carried out please check the Hampshire Trading Standards 'Buy with Confidence' scheme which is a ground breaking step in reducing rogue traders.

Every business listed had undergone a series of detailed checks before being allowed on the scheme. HTS say that all members are fully audited by them to ensure they trade legal, honest and fair. All of the business staff that attend peoples home have passed the criminal records check, they are insured and obviously HTS are available to help there is peace of mind that the members are competent to do the job and there is clear pricing with no hidden extras.

For more information click onto [www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk/](http://www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk/) or 01962 833620.

Also may I thank all those people who assisted within the recent problems with the weather be it fallen trees or flooding, your support to me and the community is most gratefully appreciated your assistance cutting up trees in so doing getting the roads open when Hampshire Highways simply were unable to help due to other major commitments across the area, was greatly appreciated.

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<http://www.parishofnewnham.org.uk>

**Next Parish Council meeting Tuesday 25th March, 7pm.**

## HOOK (HART) PLANNING APPLICATIONS

**Application for outline planning permission for up to 60 dwellings with access from Brown Croft**

**13/02567/MAJOR** Land At High Ridge Farm, Newnham Road, Hook.

The Hart District Council Planning Committee of 12th February referred this application to Full Council with a 'Recommendation to Approve' subject to pre-conditions (see Hart website for meeting minutes).

However the Full Council meeting of 27th February did not issue a decision notice and instead commissioned an independent Highways survey of Brown Croft and surrounding, due to report in a month's time. On the basis of this it is up to the Hart Chief Executive to approve, require mitigation measures or refuse.

In its response to the consultation, Newnham Parish Council objected on the grounds of development in the Local Gap (contrary to Hart Saved Policies 5.2, Conservation Policies, Con 21 Local gaps), and the potential for future encroachment and access onto Newnham Road.

However, bearing in mind the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)'s 'presumption in favour of development' the Planning Officer concluded: 'On balance, considering the need to provide for the housing need of the District, and in the context that the proposals will retain a majority of the existing planting and vegetation on the site, the loss of this small part of the Local Gap is considered acceptable. (See Hart website, documents for this application, Committee Report.)

The Parish Council also objected on the grounds of drainage and flooding issues, the proximity of Sites of Interest for Nature Conservation (SINCs) including ancient woodland and a tributary of the Whitewater, and supported the comments made by Hook Parish Council and Hampshire Wildlife Trust.

### Application Refused

**13/02724/FUL** High Ridge House Owens Farm, Newnham Road. (18th February, reg 24th December). Erection of a four bedroom dwelling following demolition of existing four bedroom house.

#### Reasons for refusal

The proposal... would result in a disproportionately larger dwelling in the countryside... and would result in an adverse impact on the rural character of the countryside and a reduction in the strategic gap.

Newnham Parish Council made no objection to this application.

# SOLVE

Save Our  
Loddon Valley  
Environment



### HOUSING TARGET UNCHANGED

The BDBC Planning & Infrastructure Overview and Scrutiny Committee (P&I OSCOM) of January 30th recommended an unchanged Local Plan (LP) housing target of 748 hpa. After uncertainties expressed over assumptions on economic and employment growth they went against recommendation from Planning Officers for an increase to 807hpa. One Councillor suggested Officers were naïve if they accepted the assumptions, given the record on economic predictions in the past.

Councillors also questioned the consequences of BDBC's Economic Growth Strategy, used by developers to show the need for more people to move into the town rather than improve the prosperity of those already here. Handing developers a weapon with which to press the case for increased housing in the Borough was not, it was said, the smartest move.

### 15-YEAR PLAN PROPOSAL

CountryWatch and SOLVE have prepared a proposal to reduce the Local Plan period to 15 years, 2011-2026,

instead of the proposed 18-year plan to 2029 (see front page). Adopting a 15 year plan, which is all that is required, reflects the position of neighbouring councils and would reduce the Borough housing target by 2,400 homes. Adopting the longer period would allocate, some say blight, some sites for an unnecessarily long period of time and simply increase developers' land banks.

SOLVE is lobbying Councillors to reject the Officers' housing growth agenda and instead reflect the very clear wishes of residents across the Borough that we have already carried more than our fair share of development.

Meanwhile the extremely wet weather continues, and demonstrates the consequences of development on and around river flood plains. We have a number of photographs of flooding problems in and around Loddon Valley. If anyone has any they wish to share with us please send these to our email address [info@solvelloddon.org](mailto:info@solvelloddon.org).

For more information go to <http://www.solvelloddon.org/>

Peter Bloyce, SOLVE



## Rowan Lodge Nursing Home

Like us here at Rowan you are probably all fed up with the sight of constant rain, fingers crossed the weather will brighten up and those poor families who have had their lives turned upside-down by flooding can perhaps start to get some form of normality in their lives. **On that note, our coffee morning on Tuesday 4th March will be raising a little money to go towards a charity aimed at helping the people of this country to get back on track after the flood damage, so if you are able to support us at 11am that would be super.** Phoenix Cards will also be here for your interest.

We've had a busy month here with lots of activities, arts and crafts, cooking to enjoy and some good entertainment, we were all serenaded by Marc with his singing and violin on Valentine's Day and had a couple of trips out locally, getting out and about makes all the difference after the winter months.

Coming up at Rowan during March we have:

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| Saturday 1st       | - | 2pm – 'Sing for Fun'                             |
| <b>Tuesday 4th</b> | - | <b>11am Coffee Morning – Flood Charity</b>       |
| Saturday 8th       | - | 2pm – Vic here to sing to us!                    |
| Monday 10th        | - | Evening Film Showing of 'Quartet' – 6pm          |
| Saturday 22nd      | - | 2pm Peter here to sing and play Guitar           |
| Thursday 27th      | - | 3pm – our Church Service with Jane Leese         |
| Saturday 29th      | - | 2pm – Roger here with toe tapping entertainment. |

Our doors are always open for you to join us!

Before we know it Easter will be here (Saturday 19th is our Easter get together) I will put details of this in the next *Villager* article. Hope to see you soon!

# Greywell



**Friday Coffee Mornings** in the Village Hall, 7th March, 10.30-11am.

## Coffee & Mobile Library

**Saturdays** The Mobile Library will outside the Village Hall from 10am - 10.30 on 22nd March. Coffee from 10 - 11am in the Village Hall.



**THE TEAPOT CAFE** will be open **3-4pm** on **Tuesday 11th March**.

If you need a lift please call Jackie Giles on 702 859.

## ST MARY'S GREYWELL



### HAPPY PANCAKE DAY 4TH March

So Lent starts on the 5th. What will you be doing?



### Womens' World Day of Prayer

Two villagers are helping at the Womens' World Day of Prayer service 1pm on 7th March in Odiham church. Noon for free lunch beforehand.

## GREYWELL VILLAGE HALL

### Sausage Supper Evening



Twenty eight people enjoyed good company and a delicious supper on Saturday 1st February in the village hall. The description of a Sausage Supper didn't do justice to the delicious food served! Thanks again to David Millard for his wonderful onion gravy and Ali Barter's chocolate and raspberry desert melted in the mouth. The new dishwasher was again put through its paces and the cleaning up was done in record time. Thanks to everyone who attended, £250 was raised for Village Hall funds.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS



### Plant Sale Coffee Morning Saturday 10th May, 9.30-11.30

**AGM** Thursday 15th May, 7pm

**Safari Supper** 14th June

**Curry Evening** 13th September

**Bonfire & Fireworks** 1st Nov

**Village Quiz** 15th November

To hire the Village Hall please contact helenjullivan@gmail.com.

**Marquee hire** (within Greywell) mike@cmburnside.fsnet.co.uk.

**Mothering Sunday** This month's family service is Mothering Sunday on 30th March. All mums and grans will receive a bunch of flowers. Refreshments to follow.



**It will be a busy weekend as the day before it's the Village and Churchyard tidy.** All, but particularly families who want to help, would be most welcome to come and tidy in the churchyard on **Saturday 29th March**.

## GREYWELL PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### New applications

14/00213/HMC (householder & minor commercial) & 14/00411/LBC (listed building consent) 10th February. The Old Forge, Hook Road, Greywell. Installation of a domestic in-ground swimming pool

14/00147/PREAPP 31st January, Dunromin, Hook Road, Greywell. Pre-application advice for alteration to first floor to include a new roof and construction of a new garage.

### Applications pending

14/00047/PREAPP (reg 16th January) Manor Farm Buildings, The Street Greywell. Pre-application advice for alterations to 10/01670/MAJOR & 10/01681/LBC. Answered – see Hart website for up-to-date information.

13/02711/LDCP (10th January) Marlow Lodge, The Street, Greywell. Application for Lawful Development Certificate for installing 39 solar panels on south facing roof of the house.

**NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** 10th March, 6pm, Village Hall.

# Church Notices



**North Hants Downs Branch**

## Branch activities

We were joined by Linden Hansen from Hartley Wintney MU for our Wave of Prayer Service in the RAF Church in January which was led by Sue Murphy. We prayed for our linked MUs: Thunder Bay & Saskatchewan in Algoma Diocese, Canada; Kajo-Keji Diocese, Sudan; Muhubara & Kitgum Dioceses, Uganda; and Masisi Diocese, Tanzania. All very different from our own. In December some of our more intrepid members went round with the Rotary Club's Santa's Sleigh and we have received a cheque from Rotary for £250, so many thanks, Rotary, for that. Rev Alison Brown held a Renewal of Marriage Vows in All Saints on 9th February as part of National Marriage week. We all found it joyful and moving.

## And now looking forward...

**Next MU meeting** On Thursday March 20th we are welcoming Judy Giles to talk about Dementia awareness. As usual we will meet at 8pm in the RAF Church Hall.

Also in March is Women's World Day of Prayer – see opposite If you ring our Leader, Sue Murphy, 01252 845 011, you can have more information about our branch and its activities.

## Church Services

### March 2nd

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Nately Scures
9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Mapledurwell
11am	Morning Service	Greywell

### March 5th

7.30pm	Ash Wednesday Communion	Odiham
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### March 9th

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	UP Nately
9.30am	Family Service	Mapledurwell
11am	Holy Communion (CW)	Greywell
11.15am	Matins	Newnham

### March 16th

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Greywell
9.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Mapledurwell
11am	Family Service	Up Nately
11am	Matins	Nately Scures

### March 23rd United Services:

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Newnham
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Mapledurwell

### March 30th Mothering Sunday

9.30am	Mothering Sunday Service	Mapledurwell
10.30	Mothering Sunday Service	Greywell
11am	Mothering Sunday Service	Newnham

# Church Notices

## From the Parish Registers...

### Funeral services

The funeral service of Dot Ellesmore of Rowan Lodge was held on Weds February 12th at St Nicholas' Newnham, followed by cremation.

And the funeral of Georgina Read, who had lived very briefly at Crossways Nursing Home, was held on Wednesday February 19th at Basingstoke Crematorium.

Our sympathy goes to their families.

### March Diary dates:

- 3 Monday 7.15pm SingUp rehearsal at Mapledurwell church
- 5 7.15pm Ash Wednesday service, Odiham
- 7 Friday 12noon Women's World Day of prayer lunch and service, Odiham church
- 8 Saturday evening, Benefice Quiz at the Cross Barn Odiham
- 9 Sunday 12.30pm Baptism, Mapledurwell
- 10 Monday 6.30pm, Nately Scures VCC
- 11 Tuesday 6.30pm, Up Nately VCC
- 12 Weds 12th and following Wednesdays at 2.30pm and 7.30pm, Lent Studies
- 18 Tuesday 8pm Newnham VCC
- 23 Sunday 9.30am United services at Newnham and Mapledurwell
- 23 Sunday 3pm Baptism at Newnham
- 31 Monday 8pm church wardens meeting - venue to be confirmed.

## LENT 2014

### Benefice Services

Ash Wednesday  
March 5th, Odiham 7.30pm

Maundy Thursday  
April 17th, Weston Patrick 7.30pm.

### Lent Studies

The Benefice Lent course will be led by Bishop Peter of Basingstoke. The course will run from 7.30 - 9.00pm on Wednesday evenings in Mapledurwell Village Hall on 12th, 19th, 26 March, 2nd and 9th April.

The course will be repeated with Bishop Peter on video every Wednesday afternoon at 2.15pm in the Bell Tower, All Saints' Odiham on 19th, 26th March, 2nd, 9th & 16th April.

Bishop Peter will also preach at the Ash Wednesday service in Odiham at 7:30pm and Maundy Thursday Service in Weston Patrick at 7:30pm.

This year we shall be joining all of Winchester Diocese by exploring more deeply the vision and strategy being promoted by our new Bishop and seeing how this can be applied and used in our village communities. This will be Bishop Peter's swan song for the diocese before he moves on to be Bishop of Bath & Wells. Please do join us, you are all welcome.

A Lent course is a real opportunity to help us reflect for a moment in our busy days, where we are in our lives. Please join us, you are all welcome.

### Camrose Centre

All our churches will have a box at the back of the church during Lent to receive donations of dried foodstuffs for the Camrose Centre for the homeless and vulnerable people in Basingstoke. Please donate generously as they are always very grateful for the gifts we give them.

### Mid-Week Holy Communion

Our monthly mid-week communion service, usually held at The Dower House, Greywell, will be on Thursday March 27th at 11am. Please join our little group for prayer and worship and conversation - and also coffee and cake! It's worth checking the venue with Rev Jane (765 547) in advance.

### Mothering Sunday March 30th

There will be services for Mothering Sunday at Mapledurwell (9.30am) Greywell (10.30am) and Newnham (11am). There will be posies for all the mums in the congregation and a very family friendly service. Do join us on this special day.

Along with all the churches of our Deanery, all collections that day will be given to the Mustard Seed Orphanage at Hoima in Uganda, supporting children there. If you will not be at a service that day but would like to make a donation please pass it to a churchwarden or to Revd. Jane in a clearly marked envelope.

### MU Coffee Morning postponed

The Mothers' Union coffee morning on March 6th at The Rectory has had to be postponed. Watch this space for a new date!

### Confirmation

There will be a confirmation service later this year (date to be confirmed) and preparation for both young people and adults will be starting soon. If you would like to speak to Rev Jane about this please call on 765 547.

The minimum age is usually 11 years - there is no upper limit at all!

### Women's World Day of Prayer

### STREAMS IN THE DESERT



This year the annual and beautiful Women's World Day of Prayer service will take place at All Saints' Odiham on Friday March 7th at 12 noon. The service has been put together by the women of Egypt - one of the oldest civilisations in the world and a country widely mentioned in Old and New Testaments. The WWDP service has been included in our benefice worship for many decades and despite its title is open to men and children as well. The beauty of this service is not only its upbeat and simple manner of worship, but the fact that people all around the world are saying the same words on the same day. Every year women from a different country devise the service and their message is pertinent to their country's specific culture.

It is a short service of about one hour and it always starts with fellowship over a simple meal of homemade soup and cheese rounded off with a hot drink. Whilst folk are gathering and enjoying a bite to eat, a CD provides context by explaining the background to the service and the country.

Please put the date in your diaries now - everyone is welcome. Tell your friends, family and neighbours to come and spend an hour sharing worship with folk the world over.

For any further information please contact Eve Baker on 702 565.

Lent Course  
with  
Bishop Peter  
Begins Ash Wednesday  
5th March at 7.30pm  
All Saints Church  
Odiham RG29 1LZ  
Three for 5 more weeks:  
Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm in Mapledurwell Village Hall with Bishop Peter  
Wednesday afternoons at 2.15pm in the bell tower at All Saints Odiham to view the recordings of Bishop Peter's evening talks



## From The Rectory

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Dear Friends

This winter of 2013/14 is one that will not be forgotten in a hurry: the rains fell, the

winds blew, the rivers and ponds burst their banks, the electricity failed, the fields were sodden, the damp crept indoors and our spirits were low. And yet in between the grey days there has been some glorious sunshine, the snowdrops are brightening the hedgerows and the catkins hang thick and long on the branches.

The heart of Mapledurwell is, as I write, one big sea of water from half way along Frog Lane up to the church, and I have been grateful for those with big cars who have ferried me there on Sundays. The boiler room at Greywell church has been awash and pumps and balers have been hard at work to keep the boiler dry and operational. The electricity has failed again in Up Nately – the third time in five months – but at Christmas we carried on bravely with our church services using oil lamps, gas heaters and unaccompanied singing! Oh yes, we'll remember this winter for a good few years to come!

But, no matter how hard we've found things, our hearts go out to those who have had months of real flooding. We've watched in horror at the scenes from the Somerset Levels, the Thames Valley and the South West and, perhaps because we live in a fairly rural area, it is the farmers that have moved us most and the plight of their poor livestock. And we've understood the frustration, tipping over into anger, of those whose homes are full of water, those evacuated, until finally, too late, help arrives. Of course the 'Dunkirk Spirit' has come to the fore once again and communities have rallied round, neighbours have helped one another and farmers have travelled hundreds of miles bringing dry hay and fodder. Even the Royal Family has come forward to raise the morale by visiting as well as rolling up their sleeves and offering practical help and support.

A young man who is struggling with a tragic family situation admitted to me this afternoon that his faith had hit a brick wall; he could see no rhyme or reason for this thing to have happened and he couldn't pray to a God that seems to have allowed it. That is part of the cost of discipleship; the need to live with unanswerable questions, to trust in a God who is beyond our human understanding. In the darkest of days it is hard to see the hand of God at work, to see a glimmer of light and a ray of hope. But love and care are a gift from God and he is present wherever they are offered and received. The willingness to go the extra mile, to put yourself out to help, to listen, to walk alongside, maybe just to hold a hand – all these are avenues for God's love to be known. And pray: and when words are hard to find the silent, honest offering to God of all our mixed up thoughts and feelings will be 'acceptable in his sight.'

For most of us the events of this winter have been an inconvenience and a nuisance rather than anything more serious – but even so the hand of friendship or a sympathetic ear has been very welcome. How much more do those whose lives have suddenly been plunged into darkness need us to bear the Christlight for them and to reach out with God's peace and love.

With my love and blessing

Rev Jane Leese

*Jane*

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### RURAL FUNDING IN NORTH HAMPSHIRE

'Opportunity knocks for the early bird!'

**Over the last five years, the European funding programme 'LEADER' has grant-aided more than 60 rural businesses, farms and forestry projects in north Hampshire, allocating nearly £1.2million. Now the time has come for local rural action groups to make their bids to the EU for further funding to support rural businesses for the next seven years.**

**The local action group that aims to cover most of the north Hampshire area (including Test Valley BC, Basingstoke & Deane BC and Hart DC) has developed a rural business needs survey, acting as a form of consultation to give rural businesses, farmers and foresters their chance to direct where the funding goes. The survey results will help to shape the strategic direction for north Hampshire, directly contributing to economic prosperity in the area.**

Emily Preston, Project Manager for the north Hampshire area said: 'We need your help to tell us how best the funding could support your businesses, farms, and communities. This is a really good opportunity to be able to have your say'.

The survey also gives participants a chance to express an interest in the funding by submitting a project idea.

Emily Preston continues 'This will give people an advanced opportunity to submit a project idea early, enabling us to help you to develop your plans in preparation for when the funding is released in January 2015'.

Projects should be able to demonstrate that they will boost economic growth, create new jobs and improve the quality of life in rural areas.

**The survey can be found at the North Hampshire LEADER website: [www.ruralfunding.co.uk](http://www.ruralfunding.co.uk)**

For more information or to submit a project idea, please contact Emily Preston at [emily.preston@hants.gov.uk](mailto:emily.preston@hants.gov.uk) or visit the website. Case studies of previously funded projects can also be found on the website.

Priorities for investment through LEADER will be:

1. Support for micro and small enterprises and farm diversification
2. Support for increasing farm productivity
3. Support for rural tourism – day visitors/holidays/local visits
4. Support for increasing forestry productivity
5. Provision of rural services
6. Support for cultural and heritage activity.

**CARER POSITION** Seeking experienced, kind, gentle and competent carer(s) for my 89-year-old mother who lives in a beautiful self contained ground floor annexe in our home in Nately Scures.

Main duties are getting mum up, showered and dressed, with breakfast each morning, and then getting her ready for bed in the evening. Occasional extra lunch/supper duties if we are out for the day. Care required seven days a week; a job share might be a possibility. Anticipated start date April/May. Current carer highly recommends post.

Please write and tell me about yourself and your experience and ability to do this very important permanent job to: Mrs J Scott, Rosebank Cottage, Love Lane, Shaftesbury SP7 8BG or email to [Jan.scott@fosco.co.uk](mailto:Jan.scott@fosco.co.uk). Alternatively please call on 07831 300 741.