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**Massive groovy
party planned for
when this whole
thing is over!**

Editorial

Welcome to the May issue, and a massive thank you to everyone who has helped get this issue out, given the difficult times we find ourselves in.

All our distributors this month...some of our regulars and some from the Covid 19 Community Response Team... have been happy to be involved and have followed the strict protocols in existence regarding deliveries.

If anyone has not welcomed the mag dropping through their letter box, and have picked it up with the aid of some tongs - or the cat or whatever - and dumped it straight in the recycle bin, I fully understand and apologise...though they won't be reading this anyway will they?

Thanks too to the folk who've suggested that getting a copy of Hanney News out to everyone, particularly those alone and self isolating, would be beneficial. I appreciate your kind words.

Whilst I'm thanking folk, can I give some serious gratitude to the team who took over the Milk and Bread Run that keeps our shop stocked. Numerous folk deserve our gratitude, too many to mention individually, but big thanks nonetheless!

Had we not be in the bizarre situation we find ourselves, I would be telling you excitedly how this is the first issue of my 6th year!!! - yikes - of being Editor of this little mag you hold in your hand. Just a

wide-eyed slip of a lad when I started back in 2015, now a curmudgeonly, wizened and cantankerous old press baron!

I'm sure we've all been occupying our time in a number of different ways during the lockdown. If you're stuck for ideas, you could always follow Steve Kendall's example and put pen to paper and let those creative juices flow...see his splendid pome on page 14. Joys await in our Community Woodland - see page 17.

I meantime, have been consuming the best hot cross buns I've ever tasted, courtesy of the Hanney Community Bakery...see their ad opposite. Unsurprisingly, they are very busy, so there may be a slight delay with your order...it's worth the wait I promise.

Dews Meadow Farm are also offering a home delivery service of their delicious fayre including home-produced meat, bacon, pies, free range chicken and groceries. Just send your order to dewsmeadowfarmshop@gmail.com - they can deliver or you can collect from the shop. Real ale, lager and cider is available from the Plough...see their ad on page 9.

Finally it is with sadness we report the recent passing of two much loved members of our community, Kay Longworth and Di Smith, see pages 13 and 15. We send our sincerest condolences.

Stay well my friends, stay home, stay cool!

An Apology...In last month's Editorial I tried to comment in a positive way about the new management team running the shop, who I believe have made a great start in this very difficult and demanding role. However, my compliment was clumsily worded, and I realise that it could have been read as a criticism of the old management team. This was not in any way my intention, and I'm happy to apologise unre-

servedly for any upset the comment may have caused. I have already apologised by phone to Hazel Abraham, whose long stint as manager saw great improvements and progress, sometimes during difficult times. Indeed, I often worked in the shop with Hazel and witnessed at first hand her hard work and dedication. She has rightly been commended for all her endeavours over many years, and the community owes her a debt of gratitude.

Notices...what's happening this month...or not!

'Oxfordshire Artweeks' - most venues have closed for this event, which has now gone online as a virtual 'Artweeks' so now artists are posting videos and virtual studios and galleries online at www.artweeks.org. Why not have a browse whilst self isolating and look at something other than four walls!

Sun 10th, Local Charity Flexicare's fundraising walk...Cancelled...they intend to hold one next year.

Fri 22nd May WaGCG AGM at the Beacon. Cancelled

...see page 16

And further ahead....

Sat 26th Sept, Michaelmas Fayre...put it on your Hanney Villages Calendar (!) now.

Hanney Community Bakery.



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Due to our delivery team returning to work full time, if you are able to collect from the bakery, this would be appreciated. We are happy to deliver to people who are self-isolating. Please indicate on your order.

Hanney History Group has had to cancel

its meeting on Tuesday 26th May. But we hope to be able to hear Liz Wooley's talk entitled "Oxfordshire and the Spanish Civil War" at some date in the Autumn. The Group would like to thank all its members and visitors for their messages of support, and we are still planning to mount an exhibition in the Michaelmas Fayre on 26th September.

This will cover the impact of water and other services on Hanney over the years – from flooding and drownings in the 19th Century to the installation of mains water, sewerage, electricity and gas in the mid-20th Century.

Andy Robertson would very much like to receive any newspaper cuttings, photographs or just simple memories of these events – email to him at anycwrob@btinternet.com.

Hanney Gardening Club Plant Sale

Regrettably, the very popular and much anticipated Hanney Gardening Club plant sale on Saturday 9th May has been cancelled. Enjoy your gardens and hope to see you all in the not too distant future.

Our political chums... David Johnston is our MP. You can write to him here:

House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA, or phone: 0207 219 3000, or email: david.johnston.mp@parliament.uk

Matt Barber is our Vale of White Horse District Councillor for the Hanneys, and you can contact him by email: councillor@matthewbarber.co.uk. or by visiting his website at www.matthewbarber.co.uk

COVID 19.... This from Steve McKechnie, Chair of East Hanney Parish Council....

"I am sure that not many people knew that within our villages there is a Community Response Team, set up to assist the Emergency Services. We have all seen on TV community centres being taken over for stranded travellers in bad weather, or being used for flood victims and may have wondered how that happened - it only happened as a result of planning.

David Stubbington is the Chair of the team that includes representatives of both Parish Councils and The Hanneys Flood Group, amongst others.

Responding to the unprecedented situation we find ourselves in, the Hanney Covid-19 Community Response Team set up a phone line and email address, and printed and delivered a leaflet to every household in the Hanneys. Within days, villagers were volunteering to assist the vulnerable or those self-isolating. The potential issues had been identified, proto-

cols established and tasks allotted, and within hours of the local emergency number being issued, prescriptions were being collected, delivered and shopping trips undertaken. In addition, our Community Shop has made incredible efforts to stay stocked and quickly had a protective screen installed for everyone's safety.

Funding to support the Hanney Covid-19 Community Response Team was agreed between East and West Hanney Parish Councils as funding was required immediately.

To date the team has over 100 volunteers and is assisting over 40 people in need within our villages. This response has shown what an amazing community we are, and we would like to thank everyone who has volunteered to help. It is much appreciated!

If you still need help, please do call or email the Hanney Covid-19 Community Response Team. They can be contacted on 07385 583000 or hanneycovid19@gmail.com."

An open letter to all our advertisers.....

Dear Advertiser

Thank you for advertising with us. You are our sole source of income and without it Hanney News would not exist.

It is our intention to continue to produce our humble parish mag and get it delivered throughout the Covid19 restricted period, however long that lasts.

Regardless of whether we manage to do that or not - and I'm very optimistic that we will - we have already decided to give all our advertisers a three month 'holiday' - that is to say we will extend their annual



renewal date by a further three months before we ask them to renew, and if the restrictions last longer than that, we will consider extending the 'holiday' period even further.

Additionally, if any of our advertiser's businesses sadly cease trading permanently as a result of the current situation, we will make a full refund for the period remaining on their contract.

Thank you for your continued support."

Jim, Editor

Chris, Treasurer.

Our Community Shop

remains open during these difficult times, providing a vital service - massive thanks all round to those involved. I've received this from Chair of the management committee Margaret Hanlon...

"What a turnaround from the last time I put a piece in Hanney News about the shop. In January I was writing about the difficulty the shop was having in keeping going both through lack of volunteers and lack of customers. We called out for support from the villages and I am glad to say we had response from several people offering to volunteer but we didn't see any particular increase in custom.

Three months on and we have Covid-19, we are all in lockdown and the shop is struggling to keep up with demand. For me this is proof if we needed it that the shop is a key part of the community and really would be missed if it wasn't there.

I would like to say a really big thank you to all the people who volunteer at the shop and contribute to it's running, both those who have done so for some time and those who have just joined. I also want to say thank you to all those people who have started to use the shop. I hope you agree that we have a fantastic little village shop.

Most of all I think we all need to say a huge thank you to Ruth Smith who has been responsible for sourcing and buying the vast majority of our stock. Without her efforts we would not have had some of the hard to find things that we have in stock."

Margaret Hanlon



DO YOU NEED HELP BECAUSE OF THE CORONAVIRUS?

Here's what you should do

FIRSTLY - IT'S OKAY TO ASK FOR HELP

There are lots of reasons people need help right now. Some people can't get to the shops for their groceries or to the pharmacy to pick up their prescription.

Some people need help walking their dog or just want somebody to talk to.

It's okay to ask for help. There are lots of people out there ready and willing to help. We're here to help too.



STEP 1

Speak to your friends and family. They might not know you need help and will be keen to do whatever they can.

If you don't have anyone nearby, speak to a neighbour you can trust - please only do this safely while following the guidelines on social distancing.

STEP 2

If you have no family nearby or neighbours you can turn to, check to see if there are any local volunteer groups helping out in your area, or get in touch with any charities you are already involved in as they could help.



STEP 3

If you've tried Step 1 and Step 2 and you still need help, please get in touch with us. We can put you in touch with a community group or help you directly.

Call 01235 422600

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East Hanney Parish Council

With the Covid-19 restrictions in place, in common with all other small authorities, East Hanney Parish Council has had to respond to and comply with the Coronavirus Act 2020 and conceive a way of meeting remotely whilst still enabling members of the public to attend. It has been decided across the country to use the videoconferencing platform 'Zoom', who will be offering paid for packages at a discount to small authorities.

At its remote meeting on the 4th April 2020, EHPC resolved to try a new meeting pattern. Rather than a monthly meeting that tries to cover all aspects of our busy Parish Council's work, a new pattern, with a meeting every 3 weeks has been drawn up. Not all meetings will look at the same aspects, with dedicated Planning & Development Meetings, and meetings combining Planning & Development with either Council business, or with Recreation & Leisure. Terms of reference will be drawn up to be considered at EHPC's annual meeting on 6th May 2020. The pattern will start on the 20th May 2020 with a full Council business meeting, dates for the year are below and will be on the Council's website and Facebook Page in due course. It is hoped the new pattern will allow a more timely response to Planning applications and give more time for the other important business of our small Council. The Annual Meeting of Parish

Electors, unless cancelled on advice of Government, will go ahead in late May.

As you will read elsewhere, EHPC, in conjunction with WHPC, is supporting the community response to Covid-19. Part of our support has been to apply for grants and funding, providing for example the screen in the village shop, and the Community Response team's phone line.

Finally, delegated powers were agreed at the meeting, enabling the Council to make time-critical decisions without recourse to a council meeting whilst we are working under restrictions.

Meeting dates for 2020-21:

Annual Council Meeting

6th May 2020

Annual Meeting of Parish Electors

27th May 2020

Council Meetings (to include Planning & Development items as required)

20th May, 12th August, 4th November 2020, 27th January & 21st April 2021

Recreation & Leisure Meetings (to include Planning & Development items as required)

1st July, 23rd September, 16th December, 2020 & 10th March 2021

Planning & Development

10th June, 22nd July, 2nd September, 14th October, 25th November 2020, 6th January & 17th February 2021.

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West Hanney Parish Council

I would like to thank Councillor Trevor Brettell for so ably standing in as Chairman whilst I was away on an extended holiday in February and March. My wife and I came back on lockdown day on March 23rd, to a very different country to the one we left. Although we were looking on from afar, I am very proud of the speedy response of our two communities with the establishment of the Hanney Covid-19 Community Response Team to support our most vulnerable residents, and by the number of residents who have volunteered to help. If you, or anyone you know, requires any assistance during this lockdown period, please refer to the article in this edition.

The Council decided to continue to meet using the Zoom video conferencing software and held our first “virtual” Parish Council meeting on April 14th after the Government confirmed that type of meeting was appropriate.

When you read this, I understand that Parliament will have already met using video conferencing technology. We were not able to widely publicise the meeting but plan to meet in the same way for the next meeting, and the meeting link will be available via the meeting calendar on the home page of our website, see below.

We have also linked our website to the Latest News page on East Hanney Parish Council’s website and provided links to the West Hanney and East Hanney Community Facebook page and the community

website, thehanneys.uk, so that people can easily access the latest community and pandemic news. Just click on the links at the bottom of our home page.

Please don’t hesitate to contact any of our Councillors or our Clerk if you have any concerns about our community during this challenging period.

Drainage issues in West Hanney

The Parish Council has been contacted by the Oxfordshire County Council Highways Department and informed that despite the lockdown, essential repair work is continuing, and they are planning to complete the repair to the drainage pipes in the vicinity of St James Way.

All residents of the Church Farm and The Orchard developments will be contacted by the Highways Department to inform them of the date of the work and the access arrangements whilst the work is taking place.

The next “virtual” Parish Council meeting is the Annual Council Meeting on Tuesday May 19th at 7.30pm using Zoom video conferencing software. We have decided to defer the Annual Parish Meeting to a later date.

Stay safe

Graham Garner, Chairman

Councillors: Chairman: Graham Garner - 868684. Edward Wilkinson - 867316
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RESCHEDULED FOR SAT 5TH SEPT!

WE HAVE SECURED THE 5TH SEPTEMBER 2020 FOR THE VE DAY PARTY WHICH WILL ALSO TIE IN WITH VJ DAY, SO A DOUBLE WHAMMY OF A PARTY !!! SAVE THE DATE... 5TH SEPTEMBER 2020

COVID 19....

The Hanney Parochial Trust is a small local charity that has been in existence in one form or another for over 400 years.

Its purpose from it's start in 1605 has been to help alleviate poverty, and it is able to make small, one off grants to residents of Hanney and Lyford.

I am the Chair and there are seven other Trustees; together we administer the charity.

If you have been badly affected by the current Covid 19 situation, and are suffering genuine financial hardship as a result, we may be able to help.

Please contact me, Jim Stagg, by phone 01235 867500, or email: jimstagg@btinternet.com, in the strictest confidence.

Here's Frankie the pony with his owners Tamara Brown and her sister Jessica.

The girls are raising money for the NHS...clue's in the wonderful makeover they've given Frankie...and here's the link to their JustGiving page.....

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/frankietheunicorn>

Apparently if Tamara and Jessica reach their target Frankie will turn into a real Unicorn! That'll be front page news!

Well done to the girls, great initiative, and if you can help them with a donation, I know they'll be very grateful, as will the NHS of course.



The Hanney Lottery... Thank you to all those who support this greatly valued contribution to the on-going maintenance of St James Church. For those who pay monthly by cash or cheque, collections will resume when we are able to - your number/s will continue to be in the draw, should you win a prize this will be paid after we have been able to reinstate collections. For those who pay by Standing Order - thank you and if you win a prize this will also be paid in the usual way after we are released!

The draw will continue to be held monthly (by a remote 'draw') and the winners notified by email or phone call.

Hilary Cakebread-Hall



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

What is your top five books of all time? Your ten favourite films?

What are the three most important items that you own?

It can be fun going through a top ten, finding out what is voted number one and seeing if you agree.

Human beings have an in-built ability to compare and contrast. To assess and analyse, to come up with our own opinions about what is the best and which is better. In Luke Chapter 22, Jesus' friends are arguing about who is the greatest; I wonder what arguments were they making, what examples were they giving. Jesus breaks this up, saying that they should be like children and servants. Then he gives a strange example. He asks who is greater, a master who sits at the table or the servant that waits on them? The master. This seems to go against his first point. But Jesus goes on to say that he came to serve others.

What makes us great, is not the role we have, our position, or job, or reputation, or abilities. It's how we live out that role. What is our attitude to the things we do and the people around us?

Jesus knew who he was, the son of God, God's chosen one. That was his role. But his attitude in doing this, was that of a servant. He came to help others. Jesus encourages us to be childlike not childish; to be a team player, even if we are the team leader.

Being great is not just about what we do, it's about how we do it. We can be successful but alienate others. We can be incredibly talented but outrageously selfish. We can use other people, just to fulfil our own desires. How we treat others is an indication of the type of person that we are.

Jesus' challenge to us is not to have a low opinion of ourselves, but to have such a high opinion of others that we are motivated to care for them, support them, love them and serve them. The disciples were worried about how great they were. Jesus was motivated by how great he thought everyone else was.

God bless,

Alec

MAY

As Hanney News goes to press there is no clear indication when we can get out and about again and when it will be permitted to hold a church service. Currently our Benefice are holding an on-line service every Sunday at 10a.m – if you would like to participate please email hilarycakebreadhall@gmail.com and I will forward to necessary instructions and link.

If during May, services are permitted again, the Sunday Eucharist will resume at 9.30am and full details will be on the Church Notice Board or by emailing as above.

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It is with great sadness that we report the recent passing of **Kay Longworth**, who died on Monday 6th April, following heart surgery.

Kay was born on the 3rd of March 1931, and she, along with her husband Brian and their young family moved to West Hanney in 1961.

Kay's career was as a District Nurse, then a Health Visitor until she retired at age 60. She then became a granny, four times over and spent a lot of time on granny duty!

She continued to run a local slimming club for a number of years after retiring.

Kay and Brian, who died in October last year, were a much loved couple within our community who got involved in many aspects of it, particularly the Shop and the Senior Citizens. Kay continued to take part in community-related activities following Brian's passing and she will be sorely missed.

We send our deepest condolences to her friends and family.

COVID 19.... Other places you can get help .

Oxfordshire County Council have much info on their website. Here's the link: <https://news.oxfordshire.gov.uk/coronavirus-information-from-the-government/>

Oxfordshire Age UK can also help. You can reach them on **01865 411 288**. You leave your name and number and they ring you back. Their offer of assistance includes a friendly weekly call to see how you are doing.

Wantage and Surrounding Area Coronavirus Support Group offer help to folk, young or old, vulnerable or self isolating. All you have to do is call **01235 260033** and we will take care of your needs. We have 122 volunteers and more joining everyday so don't worry about us being busy; we have the capacity to do more if required. Call us TODAY if you or a friend or a neighbour needs our support. Check out the Wantage.com website: www.wantage.com/coronavirus/

Thames Valley Police have lots of info on their website:

www.thamesvalley.police.uk/police-forces/thames-valley-police/areas/coronavirus/

And don't forget our very own fab team of volunteers!...see front cover.

A Poem

Being challenged to make up a rhyme
By a friend in the village, I've time.
Don my cap for some thinking,
Maybe get just an inkling,
And comply with a little po-ime.

I suppose I could go for a sonnet,
Though I haven't got bees in my bonnet,
Compared to day's summer,
T'would be quite a bummer,
But I do want to say that I'm on it.

So I'll try not iambic pentameter,
To do so would be a calameter.
Nor attempting a haiku -
"So very unlike you" -
I'll go for a different parameter.

Then as usual I'll opt for a limerick,
Hoping I won't be illiterit,
There'd be nothing so worse
As a poorly writt verse,
In this tragic demonic pandemic.

Steve Kendall

Michaelmas Fayre Update...

Plans were well under way, a theme chosen, the Grand Potato Challenge launched and then WHAM!!! the world turned upside down.

I have few skills as it is and sadly crystal ball gazing isn't among those - but just to say, we all hope that by the end of September (26th to be precise) we will be out and about again - at least to a limited degree.

So, hold the date and watch this space - and our website

www.hanneymichaelmasfayre.co.uk.

We will post a Competition Category List shortly - and with all this time at home you will have plenty of opportunities to grow vegetables, paint pictures, carve wood, sew, grow flowers and more!

Take care and keep safe,

The Hanney Michaelmas Fayre Team



Very sad news that this magnificent event has been postponed.

Hanney's very own team 'Catch a Falling Star' -

Stephanie, Clare, Katie and Jane - are of course very disappointed, but are ever ready to take part when it is re-arranged, and as soon as a date is fixed, I'll let you know.



Our local businesses need your support...a manufacturer of food blenders may soon go into liquidation, a local bra maker has gone bust, and a submarine company has gone under. Bad news at the dog kennels...they've had to call in the retrievers, and a company supplying specialist paper for origami enthusiasts is about to fold. Finally to report that all employees at the Potato factory have been given the sack!



OBITUARY - DIANA MAY SMITH
13TH NOV 1937 - 30TH MARCH 2020

Fondly known as "Di ", she was born in Solihull on 13th Nov 1937.

She moved to Horspath with her family and won a place at Headington High School for Girls.

From photographs and memories, we know her big love was her horse Sarah, she saved up and bought her herself.

Di always wanted to be a nurse, after nursing her Auntie Mary with whom she spent many happy school holidays.

She did her SRN training at The Old Radcliffe Infirmary in Oxford and loved her job as a Staff Nurse and made many good, life-long friends who she kept in touch with socially and through the Radcliffe Guild of Nurses where she attended their annual reunion.

I'm sure everyone who knew Di will remember her lovely stories about her times as a nurse.

While she was a nurse, she met her husband , Malcolm , who had moved from Yorkshire to work in the Civil Service in Oxford .

In Oct 1961, they bought Sunrise Cottage in St Ebbes Lane for £3,750 with sitting tenants in situ.

Eddie Tarry and his son Cyril both kept their garden beautifully and after his father passed away, Cyril lived in the renovated flat, keeping his own shed, for the rest of his life, and helped to keep the garden tidy .

Di married Malcolm and had three daughters, Jacqueline, Judith and Joanne who all attended Hanney C of E Primary School.

Di was involved with many clubs and groups in the villages including W.I., Art Group, Embroidery, Senior Citizens,

October Club and the Drama Group.

Her support and hard work in many of the groups resulted in her being awarded 35 years' service to The W.R.V.S.

Di's artistic flair was brought to the different groups with makeup and stage painting and many floral displays for various occasions at West Hanney Church.

Also her talents for designing and making embroidered kneelers for the church , together with other keen embroiderers, helped raise much needed funds .

When Malcolm passed away in 1992, she dedicated herself to helping others in the village, using her experience as a nurse and kindness to help with medical support and even helped one friend to speak again after suffering a stroke .

Di loved to drive everywhere and was proud of achieving her advanced driving certificate.

She was an avid supporter of community life and worked in the village shop for many years.

She supported the local shops from Bet's Shop in West Hanney back in the day, to Dews Meadow Farm Shop in present times, and of course kept Waitrose and her favourite John Lewis in business too!

Di took a big interest in the developments appearing in the village and latterly her favourite phrase would be " have you seen how many houses they are building ... " and then walk with her stick to check on their progress .

Di was very proud of the fifty seven years she was a resident of what became Ebbs Lane, and counted herself lucky to have had the pleasure of living there.

Judith Smith

This from Clive Manvell of our amazing Flood Group.....

All future Hanney Flood Group Working Parties are cancelled until the CORVID-19 pandemic is over.

I have been monitoring the state of the Brook during my exercise breaks and happily report that the water is flowing freely through the village, if a little higher than normal.

If, when out exercising, you see any problems, please let me know (Clive's contact details on page 26) and we can add them to the list and begin to sort out priorities.

In the meantime, please keep your own water-courses and ditches clear in case there is a deluge sometime this summer – remember it was July 2007 and again July 2008 when the floods came.

Please encourage your neighbours to do the same – there is plenty of time for little projects like this.

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Update from WaGCG, the 'Wantage and Grove Campaign Group', regarding their AGM on 22nd May...

Given the need to keep everyone safe over the next few weeks/months, we have decided to postpone our public meeting planned for 22 May to discuss the OX12 Infrastructure issues with David Johnston MP, Yvonne Constance and Emily Smith.

We very sorry to have to do this but have added a discussion forum to our website so that we can discuss the issues with you and then send our questions to these people. Although we know that many members of the Campaign Group also use Facebook, not everyone does, so we felt that our own website discussion would enable everyone to get involved.

This is a direct link to the discussion group <https://wantageandgrove.org/discuss.php> or you can just click on the menu bar on the website at www.wantageandgrove.org. Anyone registered to receive our emails can join the discussion.

Thank you

Julie Maberley

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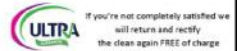


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'YOUR PACE NOT MINE' Hanney's very own mixed ability - and free! - running group meets 2 - 3 times a week. Email Carey Hope carey.hope@gmail.com for more details or visit website: <https://groups.runtogether.co.uk/yourpacenotmine>.

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