



Hanneley News

Number 570 June 2023

Yes folks, it's now the law

here in West Hanney -

and soon to be in East Hanney too. So, slow down Noddy, or you'll be in big trouble with PC Plod!

And there's someone who is already in trouble on page 17.



Councillor Sally Povolotsky re-elected...

as our District Councillor, and we here at Global HQ offer our congratulations to her along with our commiserations to Louise Brown, the Conservative candidate.

I am honoured to know and be a big fan of both these fine community-minded folk and it's my sincerest hope that - as much as the system and their politics will allow - they try to work together for the benefit of us all. I'm sure they will.

Juliette Ash remains our Conservative County Councillor with elections for Oxfordshire County Council not due till May 2025.

I believe East Hanney Parish Council (PC)

currently has a vacancy for a Councillor. In contrast with County and District Councils, Parish Cs are non-political. Of course individual Parish Councillors will hold differing political views that may influence them in their role, but they are not required to declare a political allegiance. Having now attended most of East and West Hanney's PC meetings over the last 8 years, my view is that common sense and the good of the community, rather than party politics, guides their decisions! All our Councillor's contact details are on page 7, and check page 5 where I sum up each council's areas of responsibility.

Editorial

Well, what a busy and merry month May proved to be! Elections, coronations - ok only one of them - street parties, plant sales etc., along with the usual stuff.

So, I hope yours was all thoroughly agreeable and that your June will be equally so. Page 3 reveals there's plenty happening this month too.

20mph is now the legal limit in West Hanney and soon to be in East...it's not universally popular, and I'm sure will not be strictly adhered to, but see page 17!

Recent drives through the village from here at Global HQ, whilst strictly observing the new limit of course, has resulted in a few cars rather close to my rear bumper in a gesture of impatience methinks, rather than a desire to be friendly!

Talking of road-related stuff, West Hanney resident, Caroline Watson is cycling to raise money for charity...do read her story on page 5. And there are more cycling stories, these more of a historical nature, on page 20.

Details of another very worthy charity on page 9, along with a pic of some very proud and happy folk...rightly so, they've just won two awards!

Letters on page 13, along with a request for Holy Mowers - not sure quite how 'holy' one has to be for this - and a brief summary of how St James School celebrated the Coronation. Also a fab pic of the lovely mugs each child in the Hanneys received courtesy of the Parish Councils ...big ups to them.

An article on page 14 from the Wantage based 'Vale Community Impact' charity explains what they do on a very practical and local level...I'm a big fan!

If you can help them by volunteering,

they'd be delighted to hear from you.

I also want to highlight young Miley Bligdon's story...check it out on page 16.

Some snaps from our own Coronation Celebration in the sunshine, on the Rec.

I don't usually include our MP's monthly newsletter - not for political reasons, but simply because I don't have the room - but this month I did want to highlight a short section of it... *"And I continue to encourage people to see if they are eligible for Pension Credit, which can provide an average £3,500 a year to pensioners.*

The figures show the uptake locally is increasing, but there are more people who could be getting it. See if you or someone else you know is eligible here:

<https://www.gov.uk/pension-credit/eligibility>". If you are interested in reading our MP's pearls in full each month, his contact details are on page 7.

Time for a quick thank you to all our commercial advertisers - mostly local businesses of course - since without their financial input we'd be in trouble.

This month we've got an ad on page 8 from a new advertiser, the local estate agents Thomas Merrifield....check them out if you're thinking of moving.

There's info on the East Hanney Neighbourhood Plan on page 6.

If you did miss the recent 'Big Help Out' session, see page 7, where organiser Jenny Corps offers a brief resume.

Worth remembering that much - nearly all - of the good stuff that goes on in our community is done by volunteers. I'm sure I speak for all when I say that we mainly do it cos it's actually quite fun and often very satisfying! Till next month dear readers.

We here at Hanney News Global International welcome articles or letters.

Please submit items to the Editor, preferably by email, or use the Hanney News post box in the Community Shop. Contact me, the Editor, Jim Stagg, on 01235 867500, or by email: hanneynews@gmail.com

What's happening this month Mr Editor?

Thurs 1st June, 7.30pm, Wantage and Grove Campaign Group meeting at Wantage Methodist Church 'Where has all the money gone'. See page 15 of last month's issue.

Sun 4th June, Wantage Carnival, Market Place. Live local bands, Funfair, licensed Bar, Gin & Prosecco Bar, Fantastic food stalls, artisan arts & crafts and more. The Biggest Family Funday of the year!

Sat, 17th June, 1pm - 4pm, East Hanney Royal Legion, Family Fun Day - In Aid of The Brain Tumour Charity. See page 15.

Sat 17th June, Cancer Research Table Top Sale... page 15.

Sat 17th & Sun 18th June, 11am - 5pm, Communita Flower Festival, St Peter's Church, Charney Bassett. Tea, coffee, cake, donations for entry and refreshments. Charney Mill open for exploration.

Sat 17th June, The Grove & Wantage Extravaganza, Free entry. Live music, Dog and Duck Show, Funfair, Bars and more. . Grove Rugby Club

Sat 24th June 'Centenary Polo Day' at Oxford Polo, Bicester, OX25 3AA. Details here: www.oxfordpolo.co.uk/centenary-polo-day/

Mon June 26th 2.30pm, Hanney History Group, a tour of Hinton Waldrist village and 13th century church by Paul Whitton, Village Historian.

And further ahead pray tell? ...

Sat 8th July, Car, Truck and Bike Show...details next month. Keep the day free!

Sat 8th July Blooming Great Tea Party from 3pm at the North Star, Steventon...details next month.

Sat 15th July, Party in the Park, Friends of St James School... details next month.

Sat 15th July, Book Buffs Quiz, 7.30pm, Wantage Comrades Club, part of Wantage Literary Festival. Details on their website.

Sun 23rd July, 10.30am - 4pm, Motorcycles for Mikayla. Abingdon Rugby Club. Details next month.

Mon 24th July, 2.30pm, Hanney History Group, a guided tour of the village of Ewelme, school, church and almshouses, + tea and cakes!

Sat 2nd Sept, Charney Bassett Village Fete...details nearer the time.

Fri 8th - Sun 10th Sept, Hanney Fest at the Black Horse, East Hanney. A full weekend of live music, kicking off with 'Hanney Fest Unplugged' indoor acoustic on Friday 8th. More details to follow.

Sat 30th Sept, Hanney's very own Michaelmas Fayre. Keep it free!! See page 4

Sat 21st Oct - Sat 4th Nov, Wantage Literary Festival, see website.



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Last month I was pleased

to feature the story of Mandy Brewerton who by the time you read this, will have jumped out of an aeroplane to raise money for charity!

This month I want to tell you about Caroline Watson, a West Hanney resident who is also attempting to raise funds for charity, this time by cycling rather a long way. Here's what she told me....

'I'm cycling 500km from London to Paris over 4 days in early June to raise as much money as I can for the charity, 'Cure Leukaemia', which helps blood cancer patients access pioneering drug and transplant treatments by funding specialist research nurses across the UK to trial and develop new and potentially lifesaving treatments. I'm riding with a group of local friends from Steventon and Cholsey. Cure Leukaemia is a cause near to our hearts as we've a close friend whose young son is currently going through the disease.



We want to do what we can to support them, their family and others diagnosed with blood cancer. We all also love a challenge!

As a novice road cyclist, it's a really daunting challenge for me (not least because there are many more very big hills between London and Paris than I realised when I signed up!). It's been tough to fit in the training

miles, alongside work and family life but I can't wait to get started on the road to Paris in a few weeks' time.

Every pound I raise goes straight to Cure Leukaemia, helps save lives and hastens global progress to eradicate blood cancer. I would be enormously grateful if any Hanney News readers could spare a few pennies in support.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Caroline12p?>

Following the recent local

elections, it may be worth reminding ourselves of the three Councils' different responsibilities....

Our County Council is responsible for, amongst others things, Schools, the Fire Service, Trading Standards, the Environment, Roads, and Social and Health Care. Our District Council looks after Recycling and Waste, Housing and Planning, Sport and Leisure, Environmental Health, and Parking.

Finally our two Parish Councils cover Footpaths, Benches, Playing Fields, Allotments etc.

So, don't blame the Parish and the District

for the potholes or the lack of a bus service. Likewise, it's not the County's or the Parish's fault if some hideous new development receives planning permission.

You get the gist I'm sure.

Of course the above doesn't mean that the Councils or their individual Councillors don't care about issues outside their areas of responsibility. They certainly do and will try to influence decisions in those areas. And just to mention that as well as being our District Councillor, Sally Povolotsky is a County Councillor for the Hendreds and Harwell, having been elected back in May 2021, so she'll be very familiar with the workings of the County.

East Hanney Parish Council

Congratulations to Sally P after the recent district council elections. We genuinely look forward to working with her over the next few years on the huge changes proposed for our parish.

Thank you to Rosie Reed and her opposite numbers in West Hanney and St James Church for organising the coronation weekend. Also thanks to Paul and Lisa Aram for keeping the ducks in order over the many races held.

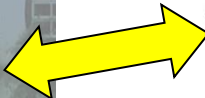
The car park extension and MUGA are well under way with the planned completion, very much weather dependant, in mid-June. The spoil will be used to repair the

banks of the brook downstream from the Iron Bridge, and to create a landscaped viewing area between the cricket pitch and the zip wire. It'll be ideal to watch your children in the playground or the village cricket matches.

The new benches throughout the village will be installed in June, one of which will be a commemorative coronation bench. Go ahead has been given to a new gym/fitness trail funded by developer's contributions. The items chosen will be suitable for all ages and they focus on stretching and cardio exercises. If anyone would like to suggest a location please contact Wendy.

East Hanney Parish Councillors - Chair: Stephen McKechnie - sme-hpc@gmail.com. Vice Chairs: David Kirk - david.kirk@btinternet.com; Paul Aram pvaehpc@gmail.com; Councillors: Dickon Green - dgehpc@gmail.com; Rosie Reed - rrehpc@gmail.com; Garth Dennill - gdehpc@gmail.com ; Hamish Gowen - hgehpc@gmail.com Clerk: Wendy Bates, tel: 07859 924655, email: clerk@easthanneyparishcouncil.org.uk Website: www.easthanneyparishcouncil.org.uk

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West Hanney Parish Council

Councillors: Chair: David Corps - 867454. Graham Garner - 868684.
Peter Packham - 868038. Vicki Ruston. Barbara Martin (Clerk) - 412742
Email: parishclerkwesthanneypc@gmail.com
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Running concurrently with the Gardening Club's plant sale, 'The Big Help Out' happened last month, organised by Jenny Corps. Here's what she told me....

"Thanks to everyone who came along and signed up to help with the fantastic groups working for the benefit of everyone in our villages. These voluntary groups are part of what makes living in the Hanneys so special. If you missed it, don't worry it's not too late to join in! All these Hanney-based organisations need both regular and occasional volunteers in front-line or back-office roles. Contact details are in the Clubs and Societies pages of Hanney News each month, unless listed below."

Hanney Community Shop: can you help weekly or even just monthly? call 867408 or drop into the shop.

Hanney Community Woodland Working Party: monthly working parties to maintain the woodland.

Hanney Emergency Group: available to do whatever is needed in times of flood,

Covid or whatever the next emergency may be. Contact David Stubbington .

djstubbington@icloud.com

Hanney Flood Group: monthly working parties to reduce flooding problems.

Hanney Brownies, Guides, Scouts, Cubs and Beavers : need leaders, helpers and admin support.

Royal Voluntary Service: supporting the weekly Community Coffee Morning and Senior Citizens Club

Hanney War Memorial Hall: bar staff, a bar manager and committee members all needed. Contact Graham Garner, see rear cover.

Could you be a Hanney Holy Mower?

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Our political chums... David Johnston is our MP. Contact him here: House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA, or phone: 0207 219 3000. His website is here: www.david-johnston.org.uk, and his email is: david.johnston.mp@parliament.uk.

Juliette Ash is our County Councillor...her contact details: c/o County Hall, New Road, Oxford, OX1 1ND. Email: juliette.ash@oxfordshire.gov.uk. www.julietteash.co.uk.

Following the recent District Council election, **Sally Povolotsky remains our District Councillor.** She's already been in post for over a year, since the departure of Matt Barber to pastures new as the Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley. You can contact Sally here: Sally.Povolotsky@whitehorsedc.gov.uk. She is also very active on Facebook.

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These lovely folk recently gave a most interesting talk to the W.I...

*'Part of The Air Ambulance Service, the **Children's Air Ambulance (TCAA)** is a national service, changing the face of paediatric and neonatal care through the high-speed transfer of critically ill babies and children, flying them from one hospital to another for specialist care.*

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10th anniversary of providing lifesaving high-speed transfers for critically ill babies and children. To help the charity mark this momentous milestone, why not visit a charity store, donate preloved items, host a clothing bank, complete a challenge event, fundraise, make a one-off donation, or sign up to volunteer.

*Your support will help to keep hope alive for patients and their families, please visit: www.childrensairambulance.org.uk or call **0300 3047 999**.'*

A very worthy cause I'm sure you'll agree, and big thanks to the W.I. for allowing visitors to this event. I went along and was made to feel most welcome. I hope they'll hold more evenings open to guests.



Owain, Luke and their team at the Plough in West Hanney - their first birthday imminent - were recently nominated for not just one but two awards in the '**Ox in a Box**' 2023 Food Awards.

They were up for 'Best Newcomers' and 'Best Pub' in the whole of Oxfordshire! And they only went and won both awards!!

Massive congrats to all of them, and once again, can I urge everyone to use our local establishments - the Plough, Black Horse, British Legion, Hanney Spice and La Fontana - whenever you can!



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In front of me was a wall of Bibles. I needed to buy two as gifts for young people who were going to be confirmed. There was a lot of choice. Which ones to choose?

Over the years I have been given Bibles to mark attending Sunday School, getting baptised, being confirmed and becoming a vicar. I have bought different types of Bibles; to help me study, to carry around with me and with bigger print, so I can read more comfortably.

For me the Bible is both a library and a toolbox.

It is a collection of different writing that has helped me learn about the relationship between God and humanity through the Hebrew Scriptures, the Old Testament, and the life of Jesus and the early church, in the New Testament. It contains historic narratives, biography's, letters, songs, building instructions, laws, poetry (some a bit saucy), reflections on life and lots of long lists of names. Exploring in different ways what in means to be flourish as a human created by God and the ways that we can find meaning and purpose in life.

Like a toolbox, the Bible allowed me to engage with God and shape my life. I use it to examine my motivation, dissected my thoughts, cut into knotty problems, carve out rhythms of life, work on relationships and navigate different seasons of life. Getting to grips with the Bible, is an on-going process that takes time, effort and the help of others to learn the skills and understanding needed to handle it well. Like a hammer, the Bible is ancient but still very useful. Also, like a hammer, if used incorrectly, it can hurt rather than help others.

I ended up buying two study Bibles, with extra notes and relevant information in them, as gifts for the two people getting confirmed. Hopefully, these Bibles will guide them through the different writing styles and help them dig deeper into their relationship with God.

God bless,

Alec

SERVICES in June 2023 at St James **Eucharist is celebrated at 9.30am each Sunday.**

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Church Warden: Stuart Cakebread: 868590 - stuartcakebread@mac.com

Dear Editor

Can we give a huge thanks to everyone who helped our daughter Anna when she fell awkwardly from the play equipment during the Coronation Lunch. It is a tribute to the village that so many people stepped up to help, and in particular Ellie for very calmly administering first aid and knowing how to dress it so we could drive to the JR. Thank you. We are so lucky to live in such a caring community. Anna ended up in the JR for 2 nights having a nasty break on her right forearm with two bones broken and some nerve damage. Hopefully by the time you read this she will be back in the park with her friends, albeit perhaps not on the monkey bars for a while.

James & Claire Smith

Dear Editor

It was wonderful to see the picture of our young Ukrainian mother and baby in the May edition of Hanney News. We wish



them every blessing and the hope that they will be able before too long to return to their home in safety and peace. Villagers might like to know that there is another Ukrainian mother and infant child in the village in the form of an Orthodox icon which depicts Our Lady and the infant Jesus. It was recently carved in a workshop in Lviv, Ukraine, in the midst of war and brought here to be placed in St James Church. All are welcome to come and look upon this symbol of peace and love. If you wish you may light a candle and perhaps offer a prayer for our Ukrainian brothers and sisters both at home and temporarily in exile. Villagers may also wish to know that we have placed a candle on the altar from the beginning of the invasion which is lit at every Eucharist and will be so until peace returns to Ukraine.

Stuart Cakebread, Churchwarden, St James the Great.

St James School here in Hanney

celebrated the Coronation the day before the actual event, with sunshine - unlike the day itself! - crowns, cake, more cake, and the presentation of commemorative mugs donated by our Parish Councils - see pic on the right - to all the children.

The trestle tables set up in the playground positively creaked under the weight of...well, the aforementioned cake mainly, and after much of it had been consumed, a rousing chorus of 'God Save the King' was offered up to our King Charlie.

I was honoured to have been invited as a guest to this splendid celebration, and massive big ups must go to Lucy Ottaway, Headteacher, and all her staff and helpers. There is no doubt that St James is a lovely school full of clearly happy children, and I'm hoping to regularly update you on all the great things that go on there!

(Thanks to Emma Harris for the lovely photo of the mug.)



This from our Gardening Club...

'Thanks for your support for the Hanney Gardening Club annual Plant Sale.

Another very successful year – apologies to those who went home empty handed - it was a sell-out! Next meeting 4th September - 7pm for 7.30pm in the Hall.'



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and one of them, Yulia,
has been in touch to say
that she is available for
part-time work locally,
helping with ironing,
gardening and general
domestic duties.

If you could do with
some help, ring or text
her on...

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There are many talented folk

in our community, and I'm always happy to highlight their achievements, so it gives me great pleasure to pass on the following from Laura Bligdon about her twelve year old daughter Miley, who lives in East Hanney with mum Laura and dad Guy. The family do a lot for our community and are well known and very popular...no surprise there, they are lovely folk!

Since early childhood, Miley has suffered with very poor hearing. That hasn't stopped her from becoming a seriously good swimmer. Here's what Laura told me....

"Miley has been selected for the GB Deaf Swimmers Squad which is just absolutely a dream come true for her and her Swimming Journey. The GB deaf swimmers squad pride themselves on taking hearing impaired swimmers and preparing them for the potential of selection for the Deaflympics, which are run by the same committee that operates the Para-Olympics and the Olympics.

This is an absolute amazing opportunity for Miley who is currently training five times a week with two land training sessions on top.

I am currently trying to organise a fundraiser Family Bingo event in October to raise money for Miley's club, the 'Wantage White Horse Swimming Club', so that we can help



fund more coaches."

An amazing achievement...we offer massive congrats to Miley, and look forward to following her progress. And if you could help Laura get some prizes together for the Bingo Night that would be great. Contact her here - ring / text on 07531 859169 or by email: Laura.brawn13@gmail.com

The splash of colour on this page

is provided by the beautiful tulips outside Bankside, a lovely cottage on Main St, West Hanney.

The residents, Anne and Andrew Taylor, very modestly claim no credit for the display, explaining that the tulips were there before they moved in some 33 years ago!

Well, I'm no gardener, but I'm going to thank them anyway for the superb display they've obviously maintained so well over many years!

Kinda lifts the sprits as I trudge wearily past!
(Photo by Mrs Editor.)



I gather that some copies of the 'Hanney Guide' which I produced in 2019, pre Covid, have been out in circulation. It was - and still is - available (for free!) at all superior, high end retail outlets, i.e. our Community Shop, or direct from me. And I hope they're proving useful. Just a word of caution...it's now nearly 4 years old and some info may be no longer accurate.

Binning the remaining copies and getting an updated reprint would be wasteful, and anyway, funds are tight here at Global HQ, so I've gone through it and now offer the following updates which you may want to note in your copy.

Starting on **page 4**, I believe our school, **St James**, now has closer to 200 pupils.

Page 5: Our Facebook page

now has 2,600+ members...a good deal more than the total populations of the Hanneys! And we also have another page '**The Hanneys Buy and Sell Group**',

Page 6: Hanney News still covers the same area, but now close to 1,250 copies each month are delivered.

Page 8: Neighbourhood Watch is no longer run by Ray Woodyear. It's probably best to go online here - **www.ourwatch.org** - to find out more about local NW provision.

Page 9: The charge that the Vale of White Horse make for a **brown wheelie bin** has increased to £60 per annum.

Page 10: Our current MP David Johnston is a keen advocate for the re-opening of

Grove railway station.

Page 12: Hanney Pre-School has closed and has been amalgamated with **St James Primary School.**

Page 14: Dews Meadow no longer offers an outdoor seating area and hot drinks.

Page 15: The Black Horse pub's current landlady is Laura, and the website is here: **www.blackhorseeasthanney.co.uk**

The Plough is now run by Owain and Luke. Their website is here -

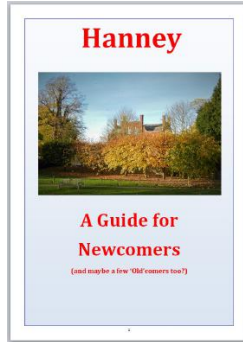
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Page 16: The Hanney Bell-ringers - contact is now Chris Surman on 01235 868749.

Page 19: The Holy Mowers' contact is

Stuart on 07768 583980

Page 22: The contact for the **W.I** is Kate Tyler, tel: 07446



364859.

Page 23: Sadly '**Your Pace Not Mine**' no longer happens.

Page 24: Our **County Councillor** is now Juliette Ash. Her contact details are included in Hanney News.

Our **District Councillor** is Sally Povolotsky. Her contact details as above.

(Matt Barber is now the **Thames Valley Police and Crime Commissioner**, and is no longer a councillor.)

Page 25: East Hanney Parish Council's Clerk is Wendy Bates. (Her contact details are on page 6 of every Hanney News.)

That's it for now I think. If I've missed anything, let me know.

Re our new speed 20mph limit, this caught my eye the other day on the BBC News website...

'The Archbishop of Canterbury has been fined more than £500 and given three penalty points after he was caught speeding in London. The Most Reverend Justin Welby was recorded driving at 25mph in a 20mph zone in his Volkswagen Golf.' The rather nippy 'GTI' model, I assume your Holiness?



Yes Dudes, I put the pedal to the metal and I'm gone like the cool breeze! No, you can't catch me!





As my snaps show - I hope - a great time was had by all as our community celebrated King Charlie's Coronation.

He of course celebrated in the pouring rain on Saturday - well not him personally obviously...umbrellas aplenty on offer when you're the monarch! - whilst we on the other hand enjoyed a glorious sunny Sunday, even to the point that elderly gentleman reached for their union jack bedecked hats, not just for patriotic reasons, but also to protect balding pates from the rays!

There were many Duck races superbly organised and run by Sir Paul of Aram and slightly too short Wellys, with help from his missus Lisa, that were interrupted at one point by a swan making its way along the brook which had become - temporarily - a duck race track.

A cake stall selling the most delicious fayre run by the Friends of St James School, bouncy castles, the usual array of play equipment, recently installed and much used, all added to the day's merriment as did an array of gastronomic delights spread across and weighing down every table. Massive thanks must go to the organising committee - Rosie Reed, Hilary Cakebread Hall, Graham Garner, David and Jenny Corps and Adrian Bodimeade - who all did such a fab job. They worked tirelessly before the event, throughout the afternoon, and afterwards tidying up!

This month's calendar pic

is one of my favourites. Taken in - I would guess - about 1910, it shows the beautiful house 'Castleacre', which still looks magnificent today on the village green in West Hanney at the southern end of Winter Lane. It's Grade II listed, maybe built around 1600, and is one of the oldest in all Hanney. It's also one of the few pure limestone houses



in the village and has a magnificent slate roof....probably Stonesfield.

The gable windows on the roof elevation that faces Winter Lane have been changed but it is largely original. In the recently produced 'West Hanney Character Assessment' it is rightly described as a 'memorable building'.

As well as its obvious charms making the photograph so attractive, I love the children all lined up in the photo, the five slightly older boys separated from the girls and the younger boys with their nannies or maybe teachers? No one in the pic stands close to anyone else, it's all very formally posed. I assume the children had been brought out from nearby St James School for the pic?

On the far left stands a gent with a small white dog. Perhaps he just happened to be out walking his pet, came upon the scene, and was asked to pose with the children, though well away from them.

I think the photographer was Henry Taunt, who also took the photos of the Buttercross in West Hanney when it was dedicated by the Bishop of Oxford in 1908 - see my booklet 'The West Hanney Buttercross'. (He was a most interesting chap and well worth researching.)

Beyond Castleacre the photograph shows a quite large property that no longer exists. For some time it was owned by Billy Hill and his family. They were originally from

London and ran a bicycle repair workshop from the house. Billy was a very accomplished racing cyclist who could cycle from his home to Oxford in 25 minutes...quite an achievement given the bicycles of the time. Billy's dedication... well obsession really ...meant that as an older man he was very disabled. He died aged about 69 in 1945. Billy had a brother called Tom, 6 years older, who was a horse racing tipster, and another called Alfred, 3 years younger. He was a painter and decorator and worked for local builders JP Barrett. He used to swear a lot I'm assured by those who knew him, and suffered with his prostate! Maybe the two were connected? The Hill boys had a sister called Emma, born in 1875. Also a resident for a time in the Hill family home was one Esme Lucy Amy Alcock who was a private teacher. She may have been a relative of the Hill family, but was much younger than the boys, having been born in 1908. She moved to Woodpecker Cottage further up Winter Lane when it was built, probably in the mid 1950s. She set up a little private school, and rumour has it that there are folk still in the village who attended. If you're one, let me know. Esme lived to be 99, allegedly, but had moved to pastures new some time before her death in 2007. Big thanks to my 'boys', John Spindloe, Terry Flynn and Frank Bunce for sharing their memories.



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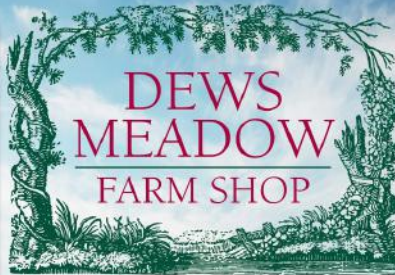
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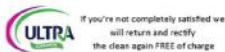


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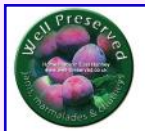
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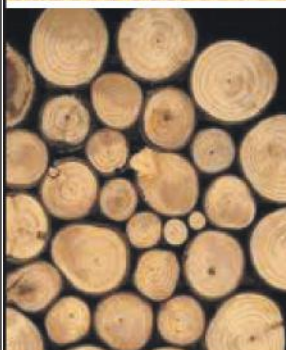
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HANNEY BELLRINGERS 'Learn the Ropes'. Wonderful mental and physical exercise with a friendly mixed group. Why not come along and watch a ringing session at St. James church. For more information contact Chris Surman 868749

HANNEY BOOK CLUB - 8pm, 1st Thurs of the Month, Plough, W. Hanney.
hanneybookclub@yahoo.co.uk

HANNEY BOWLS CLUB - Thursdays 2.00-4.00pm. Contact 868145

HANNEY BROWNIES AND GUIDES (for all girls aged 7-14) meet on Mondays in HWMH 6:00-7:30pm during term time. **RAINBOWS** (aged 5-7) in Grove on Thursdays. Girls and volunteers always welcome. Contact Clare Green 07845 047990/ districtcomgrove@gmail.com / girlguiding.org.uk

HANNEY COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING in the Village Hall, Tuesdays, 10.00-11.30am. Everyone welcome for tea or coffee - a chat and a raffle. Just turn up!

HANNEY COMMUNITY WOODLAND WORKING PARTY...contact Paul Sayers by email pksayers@btinternet.com or 01235 868146

HANNEY CRICKET CLUB Occasional Sunday friendly games. For details ring David Johns on 07770 456147 or 01235 868519, or email hanneycricketteam@gmail.com

HANNEY FLOOD GROUP hold a monthly working party. Contact Clive Manvell for details - clive@manvell216.plus.com, or 01235 868216. www.thehanneysfloodgroup.org.uk/

HANNEY GARDENING CLUB meets on the first Monday of each month, Sept to April, in the HWMH. 7:30 for 8.00pm. Tea and coffee followed by a talk. www.hanneygardeningclub.org.uk

HANNEY HISTORY GROUP. Meets 8pm on the 4th Monday of every month in the main hall of the Village Hall. For further details and programme visit <http://hanneyhistory.org.uk/>

HANNEY OCCASIONAL GOLFERS SOCIETY (HOGS) was formed in 1996, and meets four times a year plus Christmas. HOGS is very much about social golf with all standards welcome. Non golfers/spouses usually join for the evening session when prizes are awarded and 'fines' imposed! Contact 'Poppy' at andrew.fletcher@rer.co.uk for further details.

HANNEY SCOUTS,CUBS and BEAVERS, Contact Janet Green at janet@thegreensonline.me.uk

HANNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB meets on the 4th Thursday of every month except August, at 2.30pm in the Village Hall. Tea, cake, chats, talks and activities. For more details, ring Marcia on 01235 867461

HANNEY TABLE TENNIS in the Village Hall, every Friday at 10am. Also every Thurs eve, 6.30pm - 7.30pm. Just turn up to either, or both! £2 a session.

HANNEY TENNIS CLUB is a very friendly village tennis club and always welcomes new members. For more info email Jenny at membership.htc@gmail.com

HANNEY WHEELERS CYCLING We meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month at 10.00 am prompt at the Hanney WMH. New cyclists, you will be warmly welcomed for recreational local cycling with essential coffee stop!! Call Bob Wilson 868389 or email: bobwilson300@hotmail.com

HANNEY WINE CIRCLE meets on the 2nd Monday each month: www.hanneywinecircle.org.uk

HANNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE (W.I.) meet the second Thursday of the month (except in Aug) 7.30 - 9.30 in the Olde Hanney Room, Village Hall. New members are welcome. Contact Kate Tyler on 07446 364859

HANNEY YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB trains at the rec. on Thursday night. We have teams from age 5 up. If you would like to join us please contact Paul on 07510 435 508, hyfcfooty@gmail.com or visit our website hanneyyouthfc.co.uk

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRANCH meets bi-monthly on the 4th Wednesday of September, November, January, March, May and July in the RBL Club. **NEW MEMBERS WELCOME.**

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BINGO every Sunday, R.B. Legion Hall 8pm. Cash prizes. 18+ welcome.

SJS THURSDAY SINGING, East Hanney, a cappella male-voice group, 8-10pm. Join us for our new season of 4-part Folksongs from the 'Home Nations', Australia, Finland, Slovakia, Peru & more! And a pint at the Black Horse later? David Gahan 868933

WANTAGE CHORAL SOCIETY rehearses every Tuesday at C of E School, Newbury St. (next to Comrades Club) at 7.30pm. New voices always welcome. Contact Judy Gibbons 767408, www.wantagechoralsociety.co.uk, email wantagechoralsociety@yahoo.co.uk.

WANTAGE GARDENERS ASSOCIATION : 9am - 12noon every Saturday Feb-Sept. See website for details of all they offer. www.wantagegardeners.org.uk

WANTAGE MALE VOICE CHOIR rehearses at HWMH on Tuesdays, 7.30-9.30pm. The Choir is looking for more men who enjoy a good sing to join their existing number of a dozen or so. Call Geoff (868440) or Nick (768249), www.wantagemalevoicechoir.org.uk.

WANTAGE U3A: Visit our website detailing current activities - www.u3asites.org.uk/wantage

PILATES CLASS Wednesdays 9.15am - 10.15am, and 6 -7pm (term time only) at the HWMH, aka Village Hall, in East Hanney. Novices and Improvers welcome. To book your place or for more details please contact Pippa Carey (STOTT Pilates teacher) on 07941 260427 or pippa@thrive-nutrition.co.uk

VALE NORDIC WALKING - Nordic Walking is a form of full body exercise, suitable for everyone, irrespective of age, gender or fitness level. A range of group classes or 1:1 sessions available weekly. Telephone Louise on 07709 939997. More information at www.valenordicwalking.com

YOGA CLASSES - Relaxing and welcoming Classes at East Hanney War Memorial Hall every Wednesday 7.30-8.30pm. Gentle movement, calming breathwork and guided meditation to encourage deep relaxation of body and mind, beginners more than welcome! Any questions please email: Helen@yogatransforms.co.uk Please book your place through the payment page on my website: www.yogatransforms.co.uk/payment

FITSTEPS - The 'Strictly Come Dancing' Workout with Debs, every Tuesday 2-3pm at the Village Hall. Suitable for all ages and abilities, this fun and friendly class teaches you ballroom and Latin dance steps while enjoying a full body workout. Dances include the Jive, Cha Cha, Rhumba, Paso, Quickstep, Charleston, Tango, Waltz and Salsa. For more info contact Debs:07968 948007 or email info@workoutwonderful.com

PURE STRETCH - Every Tuesday 3pm at the Village hall with Debs (after the FITSTEPS class). Easy and relaxing stretch class to music, combining elements of Yoga, Pilates and Tai Chi. Suitable for all ages and abilities. Props and cushions provided, please bring your own mat. Please contact Debs: 07968 948007 or email info@workoutwonderful.com

ART CLASS FOR ALL - Be inspired by teacher Sally Middleton, every Tues at the Village Hall, 10.30am - 12.30pm. Beginners and those with experience welcome, all media. 07825 709686
Email: sallyannemiddleton@googlemail.com

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In East Hanney, it's on the left wall of the open porch in the Village Hall.

In West Hanney it's on the wall of the brick garage opposite the Plough in Church St. Both are accessible 24/7 Hopefully we'll have a third one soon!

Hanney War Memorial Hall

To book the Hall, the Committee Room, or the Olde Hanney Room, contact Graham Garner on 01235 868684, email hwmh.hanney@gmail.com

Join the 'West Hanney and East Hanney Community', 'The Hanneys Buy and Sell Group', and the 'East Hanney Parish Council' Facebook groups.

