

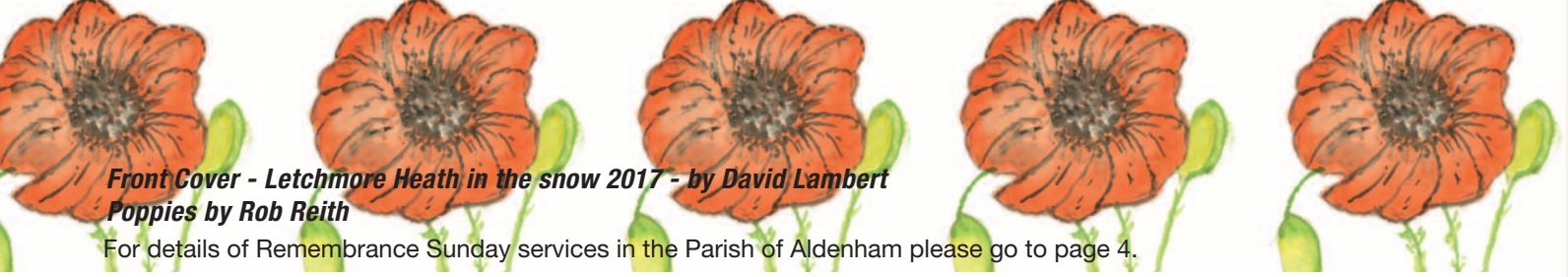


# Around Radlett

Winter 2018

# 118





Front Cover - Letchmore Heath in the snow 2017 - by David Lambert  
Poppies by Rob Reith

For details of Remembrance Sunday services in the Parish of Aldenham please go to page 4.



Councillor  
Viv Charrett

## Chairman's Message

As I write this, the rain seems to have come again after such a long hot summer. I think the Groundstaff need to be congratulated on keeping the hanging baskets in such good condition during this dry period. They still look magnificent and have made Radlett look so colourful during the summer.

Most of you will know that EE have installed a new mobile phone mast at Radlett Gardens, and in the process have helped us with their earth moving equipment to flatten the raised beds and clear the rubble ready for a new action plan. We are in the process of putting together a working party of residents and experts to come up with a plan for the gardens. We would like to see more colour there and make it a pleasant family-friendly area for sitting and relaxing in. I also hope that once the mast is commissioned, the mobile phone signals will improve significantly.

However, I would also like to thank you all for your response to the threat by EE to cut down the iconic cedar tree outside the Radlett Centre. I know that many of you contacted EE directly, and the article from MyRadlettNews was

extremely helpful in getting an apology and a climb-down from EE. A good result.

As part of our attempt to improve the look of the village centre, the Parish Council is in discussions with the County Council and Hertsmere. Between them they own the lamp posts and the other street furniture. We would like to get them painted with their permission. We can use some of the CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) funds, which come from property developers, to pay for this, and we plan to paint a few bollards in some alternative colours to see which ones residents prefer.

In June I had the absolute pleasure of presenting the Award of the Freedom of the Parish of Aldenham to John Apthorp, CBE, OBE a long-term Radlett resident. Through his charity over many years, he has supported many groups in Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire and Buckinghamshire and has given away more than £30m in total. Many groups in Radlett have benefitted from his generosity. He has not been so well in the last year, so we were delighted that he was able to come to the Parish Council to receive his award and bring so many of his family with him.

You will be aware that this year is the 100th anniversary of the end of World War One. There will be an enhanced

Remembrance Day service around the war memorial at 11am on Sunday 11th November, but, in addition, the Parish Council will be arranging an evening event. This will be built around the lighting of a Beacon at 7pm (happening across the country) in the field at the back of the Vision Church Hall. There will be refreshments and entertainment inside the hall earlier in the evening. If you wish to come in WW1 clothing, we would love to see that, but please put it in your diaries and come along to make it a great community event. *(please see page 4 for the programme of events)*

With regard to the Artisan Market in Radlett on the fourth Sunday in the month, we have noticed that there are fewer stalls. We have asked them if they can bring more food stalls, but we also need more people to come along to the market. It is a bit of a chicken and egg situation, but if enough people don't go along, then stallholders won't think it is worthwhile attending. I think most people like having it in Radlett, but it may not survive unless we all support it.



Viv Charrett  
Chairman  
Aldenham Parish Council

## What's On...



Remember to check the Aldenham Parish Council website for all up to date events and meetings  
[www.aldenham-pc.gov.uk](http://www.aldenham-pc.gov.uk)

### Sunday 4th November

Radlett Fireworks Display at Tabard RFC. Doors open at 5.00pm, fireworks start at 6.00pm. Tickets £5 in advance per person (£8 on the door) - under 2s go free. <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/newberriesprimaryschool/201404>

### Sunday 11th November

Remembrance Day Services and End of World War 1 Centenary event. Please see page 4 for further details.



**Tuesday 13th November 7.30pm to 10.00pm**

Aldenham Women's Institute, Aldenham Prep School, Aldenham Road, Elstree, WD6 3AJ. Talk about authentic Indian vegetarian cookery with raffle, second hand bookstall and refreshments.



**Tuesday 13th November 8.00pm**

Radlett Music Club. The Ruisi Quartet at the Radlett Centre. Performance to include pieces by Britten, Haydn and Mendelssohn. Tickets £15.00 from the box office. Further details: [www.radlett-music-club.co.uk](http://www.radlett-music-club.co.uk).

**Tuesday 20th November 2.00pm**

Radlett Flower Club. A demonstration by Joyce Furredonn entitled "Seasonal Greetings" at St. John's Church, Gills Hill Lane. Visitors welcome £6.00. For more information contact 01923 857736.

**Sunday 25th November 2.00pm to 5.00pm**

Aldenham Parish Council Winter Fair at the Radlett Centre. See page 3 for further details.

**Saturday 1st December 7.30pm**

Phoenix Concert Band Christmas Concert at Christ Church. Features a

variety of music including festive tunes. Tickets on sale at door from 7.00pm (£6 adults, £4 concessions, children under 16 free). Light refreshments will be on sale during the interval. All proceeds to Keech Hospice.

**Saturday 1st December 7.30pm**

Annual Christmas Variety Show and Supper, St. John's Church, Gills Hill Lane, WD7 8DF. Tickets £15.00 to include supper. Please contact Julia Beynon 01923 857017 or email julia.beynon@ntlworld.com to book your tables.

**Sunday 2nd December 6.00pm**

**Bloodwise** Bloodwise Christmas Switch-on and fireworks display. David Press, 33 Battlers Green Drive. All proceeds go to the charity Bloodwise.

**Saturday 8th December 10.30am to 12 noon**

Christmas Coffee Morning at St. John the Baptist Church, Aldenham. Coffee, cake and conversation.

**Monday 10th December 11.00am**

Coffee and Carols at Edge Grove School, Aldenham Village. To book your free place please call Claire at Aldenham Parish Council on 01923 856433 or email community@aldenham-pc.gov.uk. See page 9 for more details

**theWI INSPIRING WOMEN Tuesday 11th December 7.30pm to 10.00pm**

Aldenham Women's Institute, Aldenham Prep School, Aldenham Road, Elstree, WD6 3AJ. A Tudor Christmas talk with raffle, second hand bookstall and refreshments.

**Sunday 16th December 10.30am**

HMS Aldenham Service at St. John the Baptist Church, Aldenham. Christmas carol service at 6.30pm.

**Monday 24th December 4.00pm**

St. John the Baptist Church, Aldenham Christingle Service. Midnight communion 11.30pm.

**Tuesday 25th December 8.00am**

St. John the Baptist Church, Aldenham Holy Communion. Family Crib Service 10.30am

Aldenham Parish Council

# Winter Fair

at the Radlett Centre

Sunday 25th November 2.00pm to 5.00pm

The Winter Lights switch-on will be at 4.30pm

Santa's Grotto & Elves Arts and Crafts Fair

Festive attractions Music Mulled wine Mince pies and much, much more.



For more information please see [www.aldenham-pc.gov.uk](http://www.aldenham-pc.gov.uk)

The event is organised by Aldenham Parish Council

**theWI INSPIRING WOMEN Tuesday 8th January 7.30pm to 10.00pm**

Aldenham Women's Institute, Aldenham Prep School, Aldenham Road, Elstree, WD6 3AJ. A talk about the Tracy Mackness biography - "Essex Bad Girl Turned Good" talk with raffle, second hand bookstall and refreshments.

**Radlett Music Club Sunday 13th January 3.00pm**

Radlett Music Club Family Concert. The Lydian String plays popular classics at the Radlett Centre. Adult tickets £15.00 from the box office, children free. Further details: [www.radlett-music-club.co.uk](http://www.radlett-music-club.co.uk).

**Radlett Music Club Thursday 7th February 8.00pm**

Radlett Music Club Concert. The Solarek Piano Trio plays Brahms and Schumann at the Radlett Centre. Tickets £15.00 from the box office. Further details: [www.radlett-music-club.co.uk](http://www.radlett-music-club.co.uk).

**theWI INSPIRING WOMEN Tuesday 12th February 7.30pm to 10.00pm**

Aldenham Women's Institute, Aldenham Prep School, Aldenham Road, Elstree, WD6 3AJ. Wine tasting talk with raffle, second hand bookstall and refreshments.

**Tuesday 19th February at 2.00pm**

Radlett Flower Club. A demonstration by "Watch This Space" at St. John's Church, Gills Hill Lane. Visitors welcome £6.00. For more information contact 01923 857736.

**Badminton Club**

Friendly and informal club, mixed ages and abilities, welcomes new members. Tuesday evenings September to May, 7-9pm, Haberdashers' Girls' School (between Radlett and Elstree). Four courts and showers. Details from Margaret on 01727 822248 or [mkoprow10@gmail.com](mailto:mkoprow10@gmail.com).





# REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICES SUNDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2018

## RADLETT WAR MEMORIAL

Gather at 10.30 am  
at Christ Church and parade up  
Watling Street to the War Memorial

The Service will start at 10.45 am.

Two minutes silence at 11 am



*Painting of Memorial by Judy Weisser*

## LETCHMORE HEATH WAR MEMORIAL

Gather from 10.00am in Letchmore Heath.  
The service will start at 10.30am.  
Two minutes silence at 11 am.

A Communion Service will be held at St. John  
the Baptist Church at 8am and Evensong at  
6pm.

## PROGRAMME OF AFTERNOON EVENTS SUNDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2018 AT 5 PM



### VISION HALL, CHRIST CHURCH

**5.00 – 5.45 PM** – Wartime music from Phoenix Band in the church

**5.30 – 6.30 PM** – Food and drinks in the Vision Hall

**5.45 – 6.30 PM** – Howard Guard's film "A County at War, Life on the Home Front" will be screened in the church

**6.40 – 6.55 PM** School choirs sing WW1 songs with audience participation. Gather around the beacon in Christ Church Field

**6.55 PM** – Rev. Iqbal introduces the beacon lighting

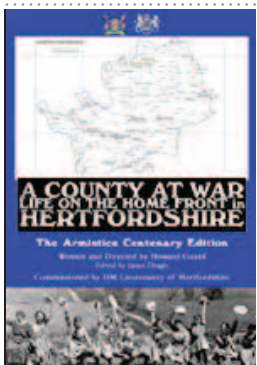
**7.00 PM** – Beacon lighting ceremony

**7.05 PM** – Short readings by local religious leaders

**7.15 PM** – Closing words by the Lord Lieutenant

**7.20 PM** – APC Chairman will close the event.

**Everyone is welcome to attend this free community event**



### A COUNTY AT WAR LIFE ON THE HOME FRONT IN HERTFORDSHIRE

#### THE ARMISTICE CENTENARY EDITION

*To commemorate one hundred years of the end of the 1914-1918 war a film has been written and directed by Howard Guard.*

The forty-five minute film is based on an historical account of the people left at home during World War 1 and is for educational distribution to schools, faith organisations and local communities. It is not for profit and any donations will go to the Army Benevolent Fund. For further details contact Howard Guard at [howardguard@icloud.com](mailto:howardguard@icloud.com)



## The part played during WW1 1914 – 1918 in Radlett, Aldenham and Letchmore Heath

In early 1914, the horrific news was received that Great Britain was at war with Germany. The effect it would have on the lives of those in this country was unimaginable. The nation responded and prepared itself to do whatever it could to protect its people and the country.

Nationally and locally, young men signed up and enlisted, many ignoring the age limit of 18 years. Some, determined to do their bit, were as young as 16 years.

As early as November 1914, following the invasion of Belgium by Germany, many nationals were displaced and became refugees. Radlett played its part by giving some families sanctuary, including the family of Emile Camemerts, an author and poet, and also the grandfather of Michael Morpurgo, the author of many publications including War Horse.

In September 1914, a War Emergency Committee was established in Radlett with the following aims 'To deal with unemployment, food supply, protection of life and property and any other matters during the current crisis'.

The housewives of Radlett did their bit. They attended cookery and housekeeping classes held at Radlett Hall and fed their families on as much nutritional food as the short supply would allow. Allotments became a need and a necessity rather than a pleasure. The children's playground at Phillimore Recreation Ground became an area where soft fruit was grown and was looked after by Land Army Girls.

On 14 May 1915, HM Queen Mary visited Radlett Fruit Farm in Common Lane that Bobby Phillimore had established under the heading of 'The Queen's Work for Women Committee'. In all 30 acres of arable land was planted with fruit trees, bushes and canes and was managed by 25 women and girls. The area subsequently became known as The Fruit Farm and was farmed as such until the 1980's.

In early January 1915, much to the surprise of everyone, the Royal Engineers chose Radlett as a suitable place for training. 250 men and an unknown number of horses of the 2nd London Division of the Territorial Force set up camp in The Warren (the open space not the road). They were trained in army warfare, dug underground tunnels and were taught how to lay mines.

Many were billeted locally. The logistical problems of providing food and hygienic conditions were enormous as there were only 500 houses and just over 2000 men, women and children in Radlett in 1915.

In February 1915, Pierpont Morgan, the owner of Wall Hall, offered use of his garage as a Voluntary Aid Detachment Hospital. Mr Morgan did everything possible to facilitate it being equipped for hospital purpose. The hospital opened in March 1915 with 20 beds for wounded and convalescent soldiers and by 1917 the number of beds had been increased to 50.

By May 1916, there was a growing shortage of hospital supplies of every nature. Under the local branches of the British Red Cross Society, volunteer workers were asked to help make, adapt, mend and in every way possible create all those things essential for the care and treatment of injured soldiers and sailors.

A Depot was created in Radlett at the Congregational Church Hall. By July 1916 there was a team of ladies working to supply roller bandages, cotton wool, lint swabs, gauze dressings, slings, pneumonia jackets, triangular bandages and bed jackets.

The work of the Supply Depot continued beyond the end of the war, as there were still a number of servicemen requiring hospital and care. The final report before its closure in February 1919 stated that, since opening, 229,536 medical items had been sent out.



The 539 Royal Engineers at  
The Trenches off The Warren in 1915

Jan Adams

### **RADLETT & DISTRICT MUSEUM**

Hopefully in the next couple of months Radlett and District Museum will have found a permanent site to exhibit all our archival material and welcome you to view it.

We are embarking on a programme of interviewing many of our elderly residents to get all their memories of early Radlett recorded; eventually they will all be available at the museum.

Don't forget to visit our website at [www.radlettmuseum.com](http://www.radlettmuseum.com)

#### **Future events:**

**29 October to 30 Nov** World War 1 Exhibition in the Apthorp Gallery at the Radlett Centre

**12 to 26 November** Window display in the Harpenden Building Society

**25 November** - Display at the Aldenham Parish Council Winter Fair

**2 March 2019** - Supper Quiz

Stuart Nagler

# HERTFORDSHIRE PUDDINGSTONE

Jan Adams

Radlett is noted for its Puddingstone. Over the centuries large deposits have been found in Aldenham Avenue, Newberries Avenue and Christchurch Crescent, in walls in Gills Hill and Aldenham Avenue, and in the buttresses to Aldenham Church tower.

It is known to geologists as a conglomerate and is made up of small flints bound together in a matrix. It is some 65 million years old; it is one of the world's rarest rocks and is mainly found in Hertfordshire.

Puddingstone can often be confused with a piece of concrete with pebbles thrown into it. It is generally brown or ginger in colour, although pink is possible.

Puddingstone was formed when small flint pebbles were deposited in riverbeds and later covered by heavy clay, which was then compressed and bonded together during the Ice Age. When the ice melted, large pieces of rock were covered by floodwater producing the rounded rocks that can sometimes be seen in our fields today.

Over the centuries the stone has been surrounded by myth and legend, it was also known as motherstone. In folklore Hertfordshire Puddingstone was thought to have supernatural powers, including being a protective charm against witchcraft. Aldenham Parish Church records show that in 1662 a women suspected of having been a witch was buried with a piece of it laid on top of her coffin to prevent her from escaping after burial.

Sometimes pieces of Puddingstone were given to a bride and groom possibly as a fertility symbol as it was also known as grow stone or breeding stone because of a belief that it could multiply itself.



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## NOVEMBER

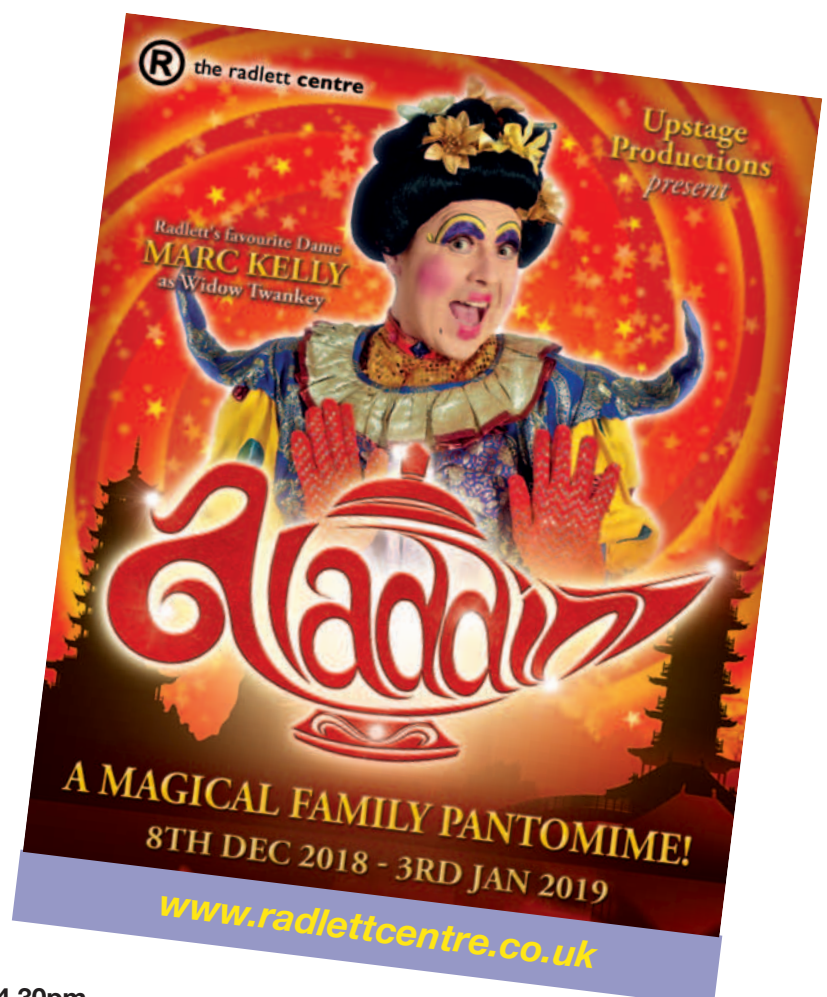
- Thurs 1st - The Devil's Bride 7.30pm
- Fri 2nd - Peppa Pig 4pm
- Sat 3rd - Peppa Pig 10am, 1pm & 4pm
- Sun 4th - The Rat Pack 6pm
- Thurs 8th - Kate Humble 7.30pm
- Sat 10th - The Neil Diamond Story 7.30pm
- Weds 14th - You Win Again 7.30pm
- Thurs 15th - John Challis 7.30pm
- Fri 16th - Simon Yates 7.30pm
- Sat 17th - The Nutcracker 2.30pm
- Sun 18th - Spectacular Science Show 2pm

## DECEMBER

- Sat 1st - King for a Day 7.30pm
- Sun 2nd - Rabbi Santa 7.30pm
- Sat 8th-Thurs 3rd Jan - Aladdin

## JANUARY 2019

- Thurs 10th - Elvis Years 7.30pm
- Sat 12th - American Four Tops 7.30pm
- Sun 13th - Michael Portillo 7.30pm
- Fri 18th - Think Floyd 7.30pm
- Sun 20th - Swing Time 7.30pm
- Thurs 24th - Stephen K Amos 7.30pm
- Fri 25th - Elmer the Patchwork Elephant 2pm & 4.30pm
- Sat 26th - Elmer the Patchwork Elephant 11am
- Sat 26th - Icons 7.30pm



## The House at Edge Grove

Standing at the heart of what is now a 50 acre site, is the school house at Edge Grove. It is thought that the present house was established in approximately 1740. Since then it has been transformed from a family home into a vibrant hub of school life. The impressive school site has expanded over the years to keep up with growing pupil numbers and their increasingly inquisitive and active lifestyles, but the school house remains largely unchanged. It is a true reflection of the importance that tradition plays at the school.

The earliest mention of Edge Grove seems to be in around 1236, when the Abbot of Westminster granted one acre of land at Hemphegge Grove to Symon, Chaplain of Aldenham Village. However, the present house did not exist in any form until about 1740. Various owners, leaseholders and tenants are noted in official records with the last tenant being a Mr Cartwright Vickers who then left the property in 1935. Edge Grove School came into existence when two schools, Parkfield in Biggleswade and Radlett Prep located at the top of Hillside Road, joined forces and took on the lease of the estate. At that time there were 27 boarders and 39 day boys, and three Headmasters – Captain Pratt and Charles Green from Parkfield and Ken Waterfield from Radlett Prep. It is believed that Ken Waterfield, when looking for a bigger building for his school at Radlett Prep, was advised over a beer in the Round Bush (one of four pubs in Aldenham Village) to check out Edge Grove. The landlady of the pub knew that the house had been empty for two years and suggested that he go and have a look. He jumped on his bike immediately and soon realised “he’d hit the jackpot” upon viewing the house and grounds. The three friends moved in for their first term in September 1935.

The house’s five reception rooms and 14 bedrooms were transformed into classrooms, dormitories, a dining room and a library and the flat fields became the perfect location for sport to take place, namely football and cricket. The only negative thing about the house, as testified by Richard “Titch” Bolt, the schools oldest Alumni (Edge Grove 1934-1940), was that “certain parts of the house were not designed for the rapid movement of energetic boys”! Other changes were also made to various parts of the main house. The stables, which had once acted as the garage for a previous owner’s Daimlers and Rolls Royce’s, became a gym and a redundant generator house was converted into a Chapel. A swimming pool was also added to the grounds in the summer of 1938.

In 1939, with the start of the Second World War, pupils were evacuated to a house called Sarnesfield Court near Hereford. Edge Grove house therefore stood empty until the boys returned and school restarted in 1945. There then followed many years of change and development as the founding Headmasters moved on or passed away and the reins were passed to new teachers and leaders. In July 1969 the ownership of Edge Grove changed and it became a non-profit making Educational Trust with a Board of Governors. As pupil numbers increased, there was a need for additional space so in 1970 the first additional extension was constructed on the south side of the dining hall and was named the Waterfield Building. This building initially contained a playroom and classrooms. Many changes have taken place in recent years as the school has expanded.

**Richard Bolt.**



## Aldenham Art Festival 2018

Contemporary and traditional art in a wonderful setting.

After the great success of last year’s show this year’s event was staged over the weekend of Friday 14th - Sunday 16th September in the beautiful setting of Aldenham Church.

With well over 400 paintings both framed and unframed to choose from it was certainly an eye-catching exhibition with some amazing original, contemporary and traditional works of art to browse and buy at affordable prices from £20 - £900.

The event kicked off with the Preview evening with delicious canapés and drinks kindly supplied by Aldenham Golf and Country Club to whom we are enormously grateful, not only for this but also for the massive support they have shown us this and last year. Well over 100 people came to this evening and in the following three days many more came to view the works and to sample the delicious home-made cakes and refreshments.

In all, 58 pictures were sold and over £5,000 was taken on sales. The commission on this coupled with the entrance donations and refreshment sales meant that over £4,000 was handed over to the church for much needed maintenance of this wonderful medieval building. It wasn’t just about sales, lots of people came and had an enjoyable couple of hours admiring the pictures and the historic building and a great social occasion.

Huge thanks go to everyone who helped to put this show on and supported us. Plans are already under way for next year so keep an eye on the website for news of the 2019 event which is becoming one of the biggest and finest art shows in this part of the world.

[www.aldenhamartfestival.org.uk](http://www.aldenhamartfestival.org.uk)

As mentioned above the event is in Association with Aldenham Golf and Country Club (just across the road from the Church) where you can always enjoy breakfast, lunch or special occasions.

[www.aldenhamgolfclub.co.uk](http://www.aldenhamgolfclub.co.uk)



**Ken Haslar**



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Your local MP Oliver Dowden holds regular surgeries around the constituency. If you would like to arrange an appointment then please call **020 7219 6239** or email: [oliver@oliverdowden.com](mailto:oliver@oliverdowden.com)

## Forthcoming Committee Meetings November 2018 – February 2019

Contact the Parish Council office for times of meetings.

### November

Mon 5 Planning  
Wed 7 Parks and Open Spaces  
Mon 19 Planning  
Tue 20 Full Council

### December

Mon 3 Planning  
Thurs 6 Community Development

Mon 17 Planning  
Tue 18 Full Council

### January

Mon 7 Planning  
Wed 9 Parks and Open Spaces  
Tue 15 Finance & General Purpose  
Mon 21 Planning

Tue 22 Full Council

### February

Mon 4 Planning  
Mon 18 Planning  
Tue 19 Full Council

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# RADLETT YOUTH COUNCIL



How would you like to be part of a young group of people who are trying to make a difference to the community they live in?

If you would, then why not come along to a Radlett Youth Council (RYC) meeting. These take place after school on a regular basis and are usually held at The Radlett Centre. The only requirement is that you live in the Parish of Aldenham, are between the age of 11 and 18 and are an enthusiastic participant.

Over the years, members of the RYC have organised many events and lobbied for improvements to local transport, including backing our local MP Oliver Dowden in his quest to bring the Oyster card to Radlett train station. They have also voiced concerns about street lighting and cycle lanes, as well as a wish for an improved bus route to Stanmore underground station.

Being a part of the RYC can help young people grow in confidence and work in a team with like-minded individuals. It is also a lot of fun, especially when it is a pizza night!

For more information please contact Claire Larkin at Aldenham Parish Council by email on [community@aldenham-pc.gov.uk](mailto:community@aldenham-pc.gov.uk) or call 01923 856433.

The Radlett Youth Council members look forward to hearing from you.

**Coming Up - Coffee and Carols at Edge Grove School**

Edge Grove will once again be hosting a Coffee and Carols concert for the over 65s and it will take place on Monday 10th December at 11.00am. There will be free transport, if required, and if you would like to attend this event please call Claire on 01923 856433 or email [community@aldenham-pc.gov.uk](mailto:community@aldenham-pc.gov.uk).

## Summertime Activities 2018

Aldenham Parish Council (APC) was pleased to be able to offer activities for children of different ages during the school summer holidays at the Phillimore Recreation Ground.

Each Tuesday in August organisers from the St Albans South Children's Centres provided 'Messy Play' activities for the under 5's in the play area. As well as this, there was the very popular face painting.

Out on the recreation ground field APEX - a company specialising in activities for young people - held a different themed morning each week for 5-12 year olds. These were 'Superhero Olympics', 'Crystal Craze', 'Battle Zone' and on the last Tuesday an enormous inflatable obstacle course.

Back by popular demand, 'Wild Play' sessions provided by Groundworks took place in Fir Spring Wood adjacent to the Rec. This highly enjoyable and well organised educational activity was fully booked each week. APC is grateful that the Tesco 'Bags for Help' scheme enabled funding to be used for this worthwhile activity.

Each Tuesday saw large numbers of children and parents turning out to enjoy the morning activities. It was a marvellous summer, with lots of glorious sunshine, and it was especially good to see Phillimore Recreation Ground full of people with happy smiling faces.

**Cllr Estelle Samuelson**



## Radlett Sports Day

This year, the Radlett Youth Council (RYC) in conjunction with Aldenham Parish Council (APC) decided it would like to promote the 'Hertfordshire Year of Physical Activity' by holding an event at Phillimore Recreation Ground on Saturday 30th June.

Many of the local sports clubs were invited to take part and use the afternoon as an opportunity to promote their particular sport.

APC was delighted that Tabard Rugby Football Club, Radlett Lawn Tennis & Squash Club, Radlett Cricket Club, Belstone Football Club, Aldenham Sailing Club and Box Cleve all agreed to be part of the event. As well as these clubs giving taster sessions, there was also a Smoothie Cycle and an enormous Inflatable Obstacle Course to have fun on. The little ones took part in classic sports races which were supervised by members of staff from Edge Grove School. There was such a wonderful variety of activities to choose from including Zumba and Yoga too.

As well as this, RYC members sold strawberries and cream and gingerbread men dressed in England football kits, a very popular biscuit as the event took place during the World Cup! The proceeds from the sale of the food went to Radlett Lodge School in Harper Lane. Paula's Deli was also busy with people purchasing soft drinks and ice creams which went down well on such a hot sunny afternoon.

The local sports clubs appear to have had many enquiries since the event and we are pleased to have been able to promote the benefits of a healthier lifestyle by encouraging young people in particular to do exercise in some form or another.

Our thanks go to all those who gave up their time to make this event such a success.

**Cllr Estelle Samuelson**



# ALDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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## Aldenham Parish Council Accounts 2017-18

Aldenham Parish Council ("the Council") is required by statute to publish its annual accounts for the previous financial year. These accounts are audited both internally by Auditing Solutions Ltd and externally by PFK Littlejohn LLP. These are the final audited accounts which have been signed off.

### Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2018

| 2016 -17                             | Income   |         | 2017-18        |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------|----------------|
| 610,046                              | Precept  | Note1   | 632,635        |
| 6,461                                | Bank interest  |         | 5,772          |
| 7,206                                | Grants   | Note 2  | 8,620          |
| 7,903                                | Fees charged by Council                              | Note 3  | 21,812         |
| 7,127                                | Miscellaneous  |         | 3,483          |
| 425,000                              | Sale of Assets                                       | Note 4  | -              |
| 123,112                              | Section 106  | Note 5  | 15,887         |
| 36,993                               | Community Infrastructure Levy                        | Note 5  | 54,509         |
| <b>1,223,848</b>                     | <b>Total Income</b>                                  |         | <b>742,718</b> |
| 2016-17                              | Expenditure  |         | 2017-18        |
| 175,239                              | Council Administration                               | Note 6  | 180,467        |
| 186,947                              | Maintenance of Open Spaces                           | Note 7  | 192,061        |
| 157,973                              | Grant and contribution to Radlett Centre costs       | Note 8  | 148,843        |
| 46,539                               | Community Events and interaction                     | Note 9  | 50,754         |
| 17,520                               | Grants awarded by the Council to outside bodies      | Note 2  | 17,653         |
| 7,365                                | Radlett Neighbourhood Plan                           | Note 10 | 30,030         |
| 54,623                               | Capital Spending                                     | Note 11 | 87,476         |
| 160,105                              | Section 106  | Note 5  | 13,962         |
| <b>806,311</b>                       | <b>Total Expenditure</b>                             |         | <b>721,246</b> |
| <b>Funds balance represented by:</b> |  |         |                |
| 472,696                              | Balance brought forward as at 1st April 2017         |         | 890,233        |
| 417,537                              | Excess of income over expenditure for the year       |         | 21,472         |
| <b>890,233</b>                       | <b>Balance carried forward as at 31st March 2018</b> |         | <b>911,705</b> |

### The reserves currently held by the Council are comprised as follows

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| General Reserves.....  | 327,574        |
| Earmarked Reserves (for certain Council projects).....             | 117,210        |
| Capital Reserves (which can only be used on capital projects)..... | 466,921        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>911,705</b> |

**Note 1** - Precept -- this is the amount of your Council Tax that is allocated to Aldenham Parish Council.

**Note 2** - Grants - This includes monies received from Hertsmere Borough Councillors. Ward Improvement Grant towards the new outdoor gym equipment in Phillimore Rec, the events in the summer for young children and the 'Making a Difference Event' held in the Radlett Centre in November. Locality Grant from the HertsCC Councillor (C Clapper) towards the outdoor gym equipment.

There was also a private donation towards the free Summer Activities in Phillimore Rec, as well as the council being successful in obtaining a grant from Tesco under the 'Bags for Help' scheme which was allocated to 'Wildplay' sessions in Fir Spring Wood over five weeks during the summer.

APC also donate to the Hertsmere Citizens Advice Service who provide a weekly 'drop in' morning on a Tuesday at the Radlett Centre, and in the afternoon the room is used by Community Hertsmere. Other grants are made to some local groups to enable them to continue their excellent work including the annual Remembrance Day Service. APC also subsidise the Newberries Car Park so the first hour of use is free.

**Note 3** - Fees charged by the Council -- Income derived from the hire of the allotments, leases with various local organisations who use APC land, stalls at the Winter Fair, advertising in Around Radlett and for use of council land for filming etc. This year APC received £7,000 from 02

who placed a temporary telecommunications mast in KGV Playing Fields car park.

**Note 4** - Sale of Assets - Proceeds in 2016/17 from the sale of land at the rear of the War Memorial in Radlett.

**Note 5** - Section 106 funds - These are funds that are paid to Hertsmere Borough Council by developers and passed on to APC, as a condition of any planning permission granted. These funds must be spent on specific projects, which in 2017/18 were allocated towards projects at Phillimore Rec including the allotments (access road, car park and fencing), main field (drainage), and Radlett Bowls Club. Since 2016 Section 106 planning obligations have been replaced by Community Infrastructure Levy which are less specific allowing APC flexibility on what these funds are spent on for the benefit of the local residents.

**Note 6** - Council Administration - These are the costs of managing the council offices at the Radlett Centre including Planning, Accounts and general management.

**Note 7** - Maintenance of Open Spaces -- These are the costs of maintaining the open spaces owned or leased by Aldenham Parish Council, including Phillimore Rec (the allotments, children's play area, main field and Fir Spring Wood), Scrubbits Wood, Tykeside and Radlett Gardens, KGV Playing Fields, Aldenham Green, Letchmore Heath (The Green, the pond and Children's Play area) and Pegmire Lane. This includes staffing, equipment maintenance, planting (including the hanging baskets on the

High Street) and repairs.

**Note 8** - Grant and contribution to Radlett Centre costs - This includes grant funding towards ensuring that local societies can hire the building at much-reduced rates, as well as funding towards cleaning and maintenance and a fund for the larger items that should need replacing in the next fifteen years.

**Note 9** - Community Events and interaction -- all costs associated with engaging with the community such as website, administration, Around Radlett, the Winter Fair, Summer Activities, Youth Council and other community events.

**Note 10** - Radlett Neighbourhood Plan - These are the on-going costs so far for producing Radlett's first Neighbourhood Plan, which is just about to be sent out to residents for the final consultation.

**Note 11** -- Capital Spending - Projects this year included purchase of additional land at Summerhouse Lane, upgrading the IT equipment in the office and moving into the cloud, tree works in Scrubbits Wood, Outdoor Gym Equipment in Phillimore Rec, etc.

I hope you have found this summary useful. If you have any queries or wish to see the actual accounts, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Peter Evans  
Parish Council Manager

# THE HISTORY OF PARISH COUNCILS

Back in the Middle Ages, the division of the country into ancient parishes was linked to the manorial system, often with the same boundaries. As time went on the church replaced the manor court as the rural administrative system and levied local taxes.

The original church-based parish authorities were known as Vestries, as they met up in the vestry of the church, and consisted of all the residents of the parish. Over time, as populations grew, this became more difficult to manage and so some larger church groups took over more of the role. However as religious membership became more fractured (e.g. the growth of the Methodist church) the legitimacy of the Vestries came into question and a more civil-based approach was taken.

In the 16th and 17th centuries parishes were made to take responsibility for the upkeep of the roads and to support the poor of the parish, for which they charged a rate on local residents. In 1872 the Public Health Act grouped parishes into Rural Sanitary Districts, based on the Poor Law Unions, which subsequently turned into Rural District Councils (locally this would have been Watford Rural District Council).

The official boundary split between Ecclesiastical and Civil parishes came about in 1866 with the Poor Law Amendment Act and were established afresh with the Local Government Act of 1894 by the Prime Minister, W.E. Gladstone.

In modern times, parish councils are civil local authorities and are the first tier of local government. They are elected corporate bodies, have variable tax raising powers and serve in total around 16 million people. Parish and town councils together vary enormously in size, representing populations ranging from less than 100 (small rural hamlets) up to 100,000 (Sutton Coldfield).

Many people wonder what the difference is between a parish and town council. This was raised locally in the late 1990s when some parish councillors wished to look at the possibility of APC (Aldenham Parish Council) becoming ATC

(Aldenham Town Council). The matter was looked into. It seems there is no difference apart from town councils must have a mayor, which is very costly to residents and the parish council has a chairman. The suggestion was taken no further.

Locally, Aldenham Parish Council was established in 1894 and we have the first records of its meetings in the Parish room at Aldenham Vicarage with subsequent meetings of Councillors rotating in Aldenham, Letchmore Heath and Radlett. Later, the Parish Council moved offices to the site of the petrol station in Watling Street, which also housed Radlett's first library until they both moved to the offices in a late Victorian house at 1, Aldenham Avenue

In 1894, the newly formed Parish Council chose to adopt the historical name of Aldenham rather than Radlett, as at that time Radlett was no more than a small cluster of houses and farms, and Aldenham was the main centre of population. Today many new residents are confused as to why the Parish Council should have the name of this small village.

In order to commemorate 100 years of Aldenham Parish Council an Official Guide was published and distributed to all residents in the civil Parish of Aldenham.

Jan Adams/Viv Charrett

*The Minute book is Volume 1 of Aldenham Parish Council Minutes*



*The three pewter inkwells shown above are the original inkwells used by Aldenham Parish Council c1894. The smaller inkwell was used by the Clerk to the Council and the larger two by Councillors.*

## LUNCH AT ABBEYFIELD HOUSE, THE DRIVE, RADLETT

Senior Citizens who live in Radlett and the surrounding areas are being offered a home-cooked meal courtesy of local Abbeyfield House. Residents at the property in Radlett have decided to throw open their doors to other seniors who might be looking for a chance to get out and about as well as family members exploring options for their relative's future care needs.

The home-cooked meals are served in a communal dining room and meal times are a social occasion, in keeping with Abbeyfield's aim to recreate a home-from-home environment.

The site's housekeeper and cook, Eugenia, will serve freshly-prepared two course meals at the property located at The Drive, Radlett, which has been a part of the community since its construction in 1956. Doors will be open to everyone in the community aged over 55 for lunch (priced £6.50) from Tuesday to Thursday from 12.30pm.

Zoe Smith  
Communications + PR Officer



## Mencop Fundraising

On Friday 10th August a cheque for £25,000 was handed to (from left to right) Robert Marsh (Director) and Kirsty Tong (Fundraising Manager) of Combat Stress by Brian Hyde and Andy Lead (Trustees of Mencop).

Over many years Brian, together with a very dedicated fund-raising team, has raised money for the charity Mencop which was originally set up by retired police officers, their partners and friends to raise funds to help people with learning difficulties, especially children and young adults. The charity is in the process of slowly running down and distributing the funds to worthy causes within the terms of the constitution. Combat Stress is the U.K's leading veteran's mental health charity. The photo was taken at Roundbush Nursery, Aldenham.



**RADLETT Horticultural Society**

After a very long cold and damp spring, summer 2018 has been exceptional for both sunshine and lack of rain - the former has been great for growing plants and vegetables, but the dry weather has meant A LOT of work for all gardeners to keep everything watered!

All that work has paid off for Horticultural Society members with the show season getting off to a great start with the mini flower show in June. This produced some excellent exhibits, including some notable roses from Barbara Hordern and a superb display of delphiniums from Bob Clark. This was followed by a memorable open gardens day in July with five superb private gardens to visit and all the proceeds going to charities chosen by the owners, and one of the most successful Autumn Shows we have ever had on 1 September.

This year's show had almost 500 exhibits and a great spread of winners - the 50 plus different winners included both novices and experts, ranging in age from 4 year old Evie, who won the Young Ones Plaque, to members 90 years young!! Top competition was fierce for flowers, vegetables, preserves, baking, and decorations, with the coveted RHS Banksian Medal won by Maureen Thorne.

In between the shows, society members, family and friends have enjoyed a holiday to Instow in Devon, several excellent day trips and informative talks - All in all an excellent and enjoyable gardening season.

Our final event of the year is our AGM in the Vision Hall Radlett at 7.30 on Wednesday 14 November which will include a talk on 'The restoration of the garden at Wimpole Hall' by Philip Whaites.

If you are not already a member, this would be an ideal time to join the thriving society with the subscription through to September 2019 a very modest £2 per member! Membership details are on our website <http://www.radlethortsoc.co.uk> or come along to the AGM and sign up on the night!

**Peter Hordern**

## A BRIEF HISTORY OF ALLOTMENTS

The first mention of the word 'allotments' came under Elizabeth 1's reign when strips of land were required to be attached to tenant cottages.

In 1887, the Allotments and Cottage Gardens Act was passed and local authorities were obliged to provide allotments. The wars of 1914-1918 and 1939-1945 saw an even greater demand for allotments when Britain was blockaded and food shortages were high. Public parks were used for food production, as was the case at Phillimore Recreation when soft fruit was grown in what is now our children's play area.

In 1928 an agreement was signed by Lucy Phillimore and Aldenham Parish Council to sell the piece of land between Elm Walk and The Pathway for allotment use. The sum agreed was £750 and a covenant was drawn up that stipulated 'the land must be used for agricultural or garden allotments only; no buildings were to be erected apart from small wooden sheds for use of allotment holders, the Council must make and maintain the fences surrounding the area.'



## WHAT'S GROWING ON THE ALLOTMENTS

Allotments holders and gardeners alike gave a sigh of relief when a wonderful downpour of rain in August drenched our dry soil. However, the challenging weather did not get the better of our hardy plot holders who still managed to grow wonderful produce as shown in these photos.

The allotments are adjacent to Phillimore Recreation Ground. There are seventy-three plots measuring 10 pole or 100' x 25' in four acres of land. Some of the plots are available as whole plots, others as half plots and mini plots with raised beds that are suitable for the less able.

Unusually, there are a small number of plots vacant. The rent is £35 per year for a full plot and £18 for a half plot. Why not have a look around the site. Aldenham Parish Council Groundstaff will be happy to give you a tour before you make a commitment. Contact details for full and half plots are 01923 856433 or email [admin@aldenham-pc.gov.uk](mailto:admin@aldenham-pc.gov.uk), for mini plots contact Peter Hordern on 01923 857194 or email [peterhordern27@gmail.com](mailto:peterhordern27@gmail.com).

If you are a novice gardener with little experience do not worry as there a plenty of plots holders with years of experience who will be happy to give advice and guidance.

**Jan Adams**

# BLOOMING BEAUTIFUL

Didn't Radlett look wonderful this year with hanging baskets and planters from the beginning of our high street at Radlett Gardens to the Radlett Village Institute. Special thanks and appreciation must go to all those responsible including Aldenham Parish Council's Groundstaff for the hanging baskets on our lampposts, at the war memorial and the Radlett Centre. The Red Lion was very beautiful with an impressive range of colours as was Radlett United Synagogue. Stuart Thorne did a wonderful job in Aldenham Road with hanging baskets from the beginning to the end of the shops.



The Radlett Centre



Poppies at The Radlett Centre



Radlett Village Institute



Radlett War Memorial



Tykeswater Gardens



Radlett United Synagogue

## Messy Cafe Happy 1st birthday



Messy Cafe is a community focused cafe space put on by Christ Church & St. John's in Radlett where everybody is welcome, regardless of faith, background or circumstance.

It is accessible for all ages, as it provides opportunity for adults to sit down and connect over a coffee, children to have fun with activities and families to spend quality time together. You can stay for the whole duration or just pop in for 10 minutes, it's up to you. Messy Café opens every Wednesday (term time) between 3pm and 4.30pm at St. John's Church, Gills Hill Lane. On the Menu – specialist coffee, eleven different choices of teas, milkshakes and seasonal smoothies. A selection of homemade cakes and biscuits are on offer including gluten free options.

There are no costs for any of the items – simply "give what you can, if you can" – we'd love to welcome you there.

## RED HOUSE PATIENTS GROUP

Many of you by now may have met our new Practice Manager Bimal Gandhi and also picked up our latest newsletter which is available at the surgery or electronically.

Another Healthy Living event will take place on the first floor of Radlett Library between 10am and 3pm on 30 November. The theme is Social Isolation and applies to many of our older residents. Pop in - see the stalls and talk to the various agencies present, and pick up the necessary information.



THE RED HOUSE GROUP

Stuart Nagler

## Letchmore Heath Film Society

We have an exciting season of films ahead, running from September to June, with screenings of a series of productions that have a connection with Elstree Studios. The films will be shown at 7.30pm in the Aldenham War Memorial Hall and all are welcome. Doors open 7.15.

Membership fee for each screening will be £5 (£3 for under 18s). Refreshments will be available to purchase before the film and during the intermission. All proceeds will go towards the upkeep of the hall. In addition, we will be adding some Saturday morning children's film screenings and some aimed at teenagers.

### Upcoming Film screenings

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Wednesday 31st October 2018 | The Shining – Hallowe'en Special<br><i>(fancy dress optional)</i> |
| Sunday 2nd December 2018    | Star Wars   |
| Sunday 6th January 2019     | Alfred Hitchcock's Blackmail                                      |
| Sunday 3rd February 2019    | Monty Python's The Meaning of Life                                |
| Sunday 3rd March 2019       | The King's Speech   |



Fifteen members of Girlguiding Hertfordshire, six of whom are based in Radlett, have just returned from an amazing trip to Uganda - it was a fantastic experience - they helped to build a toilet block, paint classrooms inside and out, taught first aid, lessons and played with the children at both Jjungwe Primary and Ebenezer Secondary schools. They visited a local smallholding initiative, fruit plantations, a local basket making enterprise, an environmental farming project,

the national museum, Ziwa rhino sanctuary, a mini-safari and boat trip at Murchison falls and finally 24 hours at the Ugandan Girlguides national camp - what a trip they had. Girls challenged themselves both physically and mentally with project work, social interaction and participating in workshops at the Guide Camp. We have no doubt it will create a lifetime impression on all of them. Some of the girls said "This trip has been amazing and I love the differences we made to people's lives" and



"This has been an incredible trip with so many new experiences! Seeing all the animals and meeting everyone was amazing, especially spending time with the Guides."

As well as contributing physically to local projects, the group fundraised and donated enough

money to enable the building of a new classroom at the primary school. This will allow children to have a more secure and permanent learning environment as many are currently taught 'under the mango tree'. They also donated funds to the Ugandan Girlguides Association shoe project - to purchase 100 pairs of shoes for children.

We have been invited back to the Uganda National camp in 2020 which will be a very special one since Uganda will both celebrate 100 years of Girlguiding in their country and host the World Conference.

## CENTENARY 2019

Girlguiding Radlett will celebrate its official centenary in 2019 since 1st Radlett Guides was officially formed in 1919. We are planning to mark this by a range of special events. If anyone was a Ranger, Young Leader, Guide, Brownie, Rainbow, Leader or otherwise involved in Girlguiding Radlett we would love to hear from you with your stories, memories, photos or other items you may still have. Please contact [nicola1.day@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nicola1.day@hotmail.co.uk)



Radlett's Guides and Brownies have been very busy making huge and impressive poppies in commemoration of the end of the 1914-1918 First World War. They can be seen in the planters at the entrance to the Radlett Centre and in other parts of the village.



## 1st Radlett Scout Group has not closed

As you will have heard 1st Radlett Scout Troop (10 1/2-14s) was forced to close in July this year due to no forthcoming leaders. The Scout Group with Beavers (6-8s) and Cubs (8-10 1/2s) is still active and we are still working on finding new volunteers to re-open the Scout Troop as well as sustain our open sections, as we approach our centenary year in 2019. Anyone interested in helping should contact us on [info@1stradlettscouts.org.uk](mailto:info@1stradlettscouts.org.uk)



## Our local PCSO

As the darker evenings approach and we head towards the festive season, be aware that houses and vehicles can become targets, by taking a little time we can help prevent you becoming a victim of a crime.

Inside Leave lights on or use a time switch for turning lights on and off, don't leave any gifts in full view of ground floor windows

Outside Secure ladders, consider security lights. Always Take your valuables out of vehicles, ensure its fully locked and alarmed if possible. Always Protect pin numbers and passwords by keeping them to yourself.

We run neighbourhood surgeries in Radlett Library and mobile 'beat surgeries' every month to discuss crime-related concerns with residents – please come along.

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**The Three Horseshoes, 09.15 - 09.55 hrs.**

**Parish Church, Aldenham, 10.00 - 10.40 hrs**

**Pelham Lane, Wall Hall, 10.45 - 11.30 hrs**

**Phillimore Court, Battlers Green, 11.45 - 12.30 hrs.**

**Newberries Car Park 12.45 - 13.30 hrs**

**Phillimore Recreation Ground, 13.45 - 14.30 hrs.**

**Osprey Close, Watford, 14.45 - 15.30 hrs**

## CITIZEN'S ADVICE BUREAU

Sessions are held every Tuesday from 10am to 1pm on First Floor, The Radlett Centre. Sessions operate on a 'drop-in' basis. For telephone advice please phone our Hertfordshire Adviceline on **03444 111 444.**

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If you have any local policing issues you would like to discuss, please contact the Safer Neighbourhood Team by email at [sntbusheyandradlett@herts.pnn.police.uk](mailto:sntbusheyandradlett@herts.pnn.police.uk) or via the police non-emergency number 101. If you see a crime in progress, call 999 immediately.

PCSO Tim Conway

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