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## Chairman's Message

election for he Aldenham Parish Council on 7 May saw ten councillors, from the previous Council, being reelected. Two new councillors, Ben Evans

and Lee Wood, were Councillor Neil Pavne Congratulations elected. to all concerned

At the Annual Parish Meeting on 19 May, after the election, my fellow councillors did me the honour of re-electing me as Chairman of the Council for the coming year. I trust that I will continue to serve the local community to the best of my ability.

As I write this message, the demolition of the old Pavilion in the Recreation Ground is virtually complete, and work on the new drainage system is well progressed. The installation of the new toilets at the Rec should have been completed by the time you read this message.

Paula's Deli, situated in the children's play area in the Rec, has been welcomed by many residents. Paula provides a wide range of food and drinks, including fabulous home-made ice cream.

What's Or

Remember to check the Aldenham Parish Council website for all up to date events and meetings www.aldenham-pc.gov.uk



#### Sunday 6 September 11am-3pm



Radlett Youth Council Cycling Day See page 14 for details.

Thursday 17 September 7.30pm for 8pm

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Radlett Art Society There will be a lecture at the Radlett Centre entitled 'Great Twentieth Century

Art Collectors: Public Benefactors or Robber Barons?' by John Iddon.

It was good to see so many residents at the Organising Meeting for the Neighbourhood Plan on 18 May. A wider Steering Group has been established, with four Parish Councillors as members, and four Working Groups have been formed. These working groups are currently meeting to identify issues, collect the necessary evidence base and develop policies that will go into the Plan. For further details, please see the article on page 5 on the Neighbourhood Plan in this edition.

I have just walked down Watling Street. admiring the colourful baskets hanging



along the road and at the Radlett Centre. I must also comment on the striking flower towers in Tykeside. Our congratulations and thanks go out to the Council's grounds staff for another areat display.

> Councillor Neil Payne Chairman Aldenham Parish Council



'Hanging Baskets' by Inga Armstrong

Our thanks go to local resident, Inga Armstrong who created the painting on the front cover of the wonderful hanging baskets in Watling Street especially for this edition.

Inga is a member of the Radlett Painting and Drawing Group who recently held a very successful exhibition at the Radlett Centre. She is also a member of the Watford and Bushey Art Society, and the St. Albans Art Society. She exhibits at the former Harlequin Centre now called Intu and St. Albans Town Hall.

Inga paints in all forms of media, including people, trees and flowers but her favourite paintings are pet portraits, which she likes to do in pastel.

To contact Inga email armstronginga@aol.com or telephone 07887792113.

Around Radlett would be very grateful to receive any paintings or photographs of local scenes, please contact parks@aldenham-pc.gov.uk.

### Saturday 19 September 9am-3pm

Battlers Green Farm, Farmers Market A wide range of locally sourced and produced foods, artisan cheeses, specially crafted herb and spice blends, delicious jams and sauces, as well as locally produced ice cream and much more. Battlers Green Farm, Common Lane, Radlett, Hertfordshire WD7 8PH.

For more details email and rew@ battlersgreenfarm.co.uk .....

#### Tuesday 13 October at 7.30pm



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Aldenham Women's Institute There will be a talk entitled 'Women **INSPIRING WOMEN** Healers in the Home' at the Aldenham Memorial Hall, Grange Lane, Letchmore Heath, Herts WD25

#### Sunday 18 October 12-5pm



Apple Day in the Walled Garden at Shenley Park

A wonderful family day celebrating all things apple. Many unusual

varieties to try and buy. Apple juice to sample and purchase. Take part in juicing demonstrations and apple-related games. Together with refreshments, crafts, bouncy castles and archery. Admission £2 adults, 50p children.

Thursday 22 October 7.30pm for 8pm



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American Grammy-nominated singer Stacey Kent makes a welcome return to Radlett on Sunday 27 September.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Sun 6	Jewish Legends 4pm & 7.30pm
Weds 9	Dutch Swing College Band 8pm
Thurs 10	The Gruffalo 1.30pm & 4.30pm
Fri 11	The Gruffalo 10.30am & 1.30pm
Sat 12	Purple Zeppelin 7.30pm
Thurs 17	Art Society Lecture 8pm
Sun 27	Stacey Kent 7.30pm



Officially launched on D-Day, 5 May 1945, the current line-up of the Dutch College Swing Band come to Radlett on Wednesday 9 September.





#### Thurs 1 An Evening of Dirty Dancing - a tribute 8pm Fri 2 The Picture of Doreen Gray 8pm Coppélia 2.30pm & Sat 3 7.30pm **Elstree Productions** Weds 7 to Sat 10 7.45pm Weds 14 to Starlight 'Joseph' Thurs 15 7.30pm Fri 16 Pygmalion 8pm Sat 17 Bette Midler & Me 4pm & 7.30pm Weds 21 Radlett Music Club 8pm Thurs 22 Art Society Lecture 8pm **Tues 27** My Pet Monster and Me 11.30am & 1.30pm Weds 28 The Haunted Doll's House 8pm



With colourful costumes, lively characters and beautiful music from Delibes, Coppélia is the captivating story of an eccentric toymaker and his beloved doll. On Saturday 3 October.

Thurs 29	The Selfish Giant 11am & 2pm
Fri 30	The Take That Experience 8pm
Sat 31	Dire Streets 7.30pm

#### NOVEMBER

Weds 4 to	Radlett Players	
Sat 7	7.45pm	
Sun 8	Rob	

Beckett 8pm

Star of BBC1's 'Live at the Apollo', BBC2's 'Mock the Week' and Channel 4's '8 out of 10 Cats' Beckett's back with a brand-new hour of funnies and he's taking on the big issues like Kit Kats and flatbread!



Thurs 12 to Sat 14	Rare 'Fame' 7.30pm (& 2.30pm Sat)
Tues 17 to Sat 21	RLOS 'Hello, Dolly!' 7.30pm (& 2.30pm Sat)
Tues 24	Radlett Music Club 8pm
Sat 28	The Nick Ross Orchestra, Sounds of the Glenn Miller Era
Sun 29	APC Winter Fair

#### www.radlettcentre.co.uk www.radlettcentre.co.uk www.radlettcentre.co.uk

#### Saturday 31 October at 7.30pm

Radlett<br/>Choral<br/>SocietyRadlett<br/>Choral<br/>SocietyRadlett<br/>Choral<br/>SocietyChoral<br/>SocietySociety<br/>SocietySociety<br/>Cathedral.The Festival<br/>Society in St. Albans<br/>Cathedral.The Festival<br/>Society is<br/>Society is<br/>Society is<br/>Society is<br/>Alex Flood, Musical<br/>Director of Radlett<br/>Choral Society.Director<br/>Tickets<br/>are<br/>availableFlood, Musical<br/>Society.Director<br/>Tickets<br/>are<br/>availablefrom<br/>www.<br/>stalbanscathedral.org/whatson or from<br/>the Cathedral Box Office.

#### Tuesday 10 November at 7.30pm

Aldenham Women's Institute There will be a talk entitled 'Macmillan Cancer Support in Hertfordshire' at the Aldenham Memorial Hall, Grange Lane, Letchmore Heath, Herts WD25 8DY.

Aldenham WI is a small and friendly Women's INSPIRING WOMEN Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm (till about 10pm). The venue is the Aldenham Memorial Hall, Grange Lane, Letchmore Heath WD25 8DY. We normally have speakers at members' meetings with some WI business, refreshments and social time.

Come along and see us and enjoy interesting and fun evenings with like-minded women. Please see the What's On section for the autumn programme. For more information, please contact Anona Morgan, President. Tel: 01727 840453. Email: anona.morgan@btinternet.com



Sunday :

Radlett Bowls Club is in a beautiful setting situated on the edge of Phillimore Recreation Ground off Gills Hill

Lane in Radlett. We have vacancies for bowlers, men and women, and if you would like to come to our green and try your hand at bowls please contact John on 07752 494070.

John Embleton

	RADLETT LIBRARY
Hertfordshire	OPENING HOURS
Monday:	9.30am to 12.30pm (self service)
	2pm to 6pm (normal service)
Tuesday:	9am to 6pm (normal service)
Wednesday:	Closed
Thursday:	2pm to 6pm (normal service)
Friday:	9am to 6pm (normal service)
Saturday:	9am to 4pm (normal service)

Closed

# **Aldenham Parish Council** Winter Fair

Sunday 29 November 1-5pm at the Radlett Centre

FESTIVE FUNFAIR, CHRISTMAS CRAFT STALLS IN THE AUDITORIUM, FOOD & DRINK, MUSIC & FATHER CHRISTMAS IN HIS GROTTO

THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS WILL **BE SWITCHED ON AT 4.30pm** 

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 01923 856 433 OR

Email: community@aldenham-pc.gov.uk



The Mayor of Hertsmere, Councillor Carey Keates with Paul Howard, at the 2015 St. George's Beer Festival, Radlett Men's Club.

# Radlett Men's Club

Radlett Men's Club has gone from strength to strength the last few years. We are continuing to modernise the rest of the club for its members and their guests. We hold around six big events a year including a children's fair and a beer festival this year. We also support Radlett charities. Radlett Men's Club is located on the corner of Theobald and Watling Street, 413 Watling Street, Radlett, WD7 7JG. For more information email info@radlettmensclub.co.uk or telephone 01923 857536. You can also find out more about us on our website: www. radlettmc.org.uk.

#### Paul Howard

### **Musical Theatre Workshops at the Radlett Centre**

The Radlett Centre runs musical theatre afternoon, although the directors usually workshop weeks for children and young adults, one week at Easter and two over the summer holidays. This is a great chance for children to perform in a popular musical show and work with professional directors and musicians. In recent years, we have worked on shows based on wellknown Broadway and West End shows. The children work hard throughout the week to put on a show on the Friday

manage to find some time for games! The workshops are available for 8-18 year olds and cost £165 for five days. This year's second summer workshop is Monday 17 - Friday 21 August, 9.30am to 4.30pm (Thursday 9.30am to 6pm).

If you would like further information, or to book a place, please contact Clare Waller on 01923 857546 or clare.waller@radlettcentre.com

### **Radlett Art Society**

Our annual visit by coach, to East Anglia this year, takes place on 8 to 10 September. We will visit Gainsborough's house, Lavenham, Sainsbury Centre and other very interesting attractions. We have planned a day's visit to Hampton Court Palace on Sunday 11 October. It is rich in history with much to see within the Palace and gardens. There are places to fill on this trip, please contact Carmen Beal if you would like to join us: 01923 85 4567. www.radlett-art-society.co.uk

Carmen Beal

## **Bespoke Framing Service**



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- Fully serviced self contained office suites both short and long term licences.
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- Onsite parking and visitor parking.
- Close to Radlett station.

t: 0845 872 4949 e: info@thecornworks.co.uk

Call in and see us at: The Corn Works, Station Road, Radlett, Hertfordshire, WD7 8JY www.thecornworks.co.uk



Club, District and County Leagues Social Tennis & Squash Coaching for all Abilities

> Friendly Bar Social Functions

Club Tournaments

The Radlett Lawn Tennis and Squash Club, Registered Charity No. 1117605



# Radlett Neighbourhood Plan – an update

The Radlett Neighbourhood Plan is off to a

great start, with Steering Groups and Working Groups formed after the 18 May Organising Meeting at the Radlett Centre. The full Steering Group, which includes four members of Aldenham Parish Council, is driving forward the effort to define our vision for Radlett.

The four Working Groups composed of volunteer residents are:

- Housing and Development
- Roads, Transport and Parking
- Green Belt
- Civic Amenities, Infrastructure and Community Resources



1st Radlett Scout Group are seeking more adult volunteers to ensure the Beaver Scout colony can continue to offer Scouting for six to eight year olds in Radlett. Last year one of 1st Radlett's two Beaver colonies was forced to close when the leaders changed roles and no replacements came forward, so it is hoped we can save the remaining colony.

The group is short of adults to help out regularly at meetings held on Wednesday evenings from 6pm to 7pm at their headquarters Kent Lodge, Scrubbitts Park Road, Radlett. The Scout Association provides programme ideas to enable the children to earn different badges and awards.

Volunteers will be required to have a DBS check before they can become a leader. All Scout leaders receive training in their role. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact the Group Scout Leader Jackie Glover on info@1stradlettscouts.org.uk Working Groups will be meeting throughout the summer to develop the policies and evidence case which will go into the draft plan. All Working Group meetings are public, with the schedule for meetings on the website: www.RadlettNeighbourhoodPlan.org. Residents who want to influence the future of the village for the next fifteen years are encouraged to come to meetings and participate.

The more than sixty residents who attended the Organising Meeting were given the results of the residents' survey delivered to all Radlett Plan Area households in February. 889 responses were received, both by post and online, representing almost thirty per cent of households. The highest priorities among residents are for preservation of the Green Belt, retaining the verdant character of the village, improving public transport, better parking facilities and providing more smaller homes. Many older residents expressed concern that the high demand for family homes in Radlett has diminished the stock of bungalows and smaller properties, leaving them to choose whether to continue living in larger homes than they need or to downsize away from the village that has been their longtime home. A summary of the survey responses is shown below and is also



Councillors Mrs Viv Charrett and Mrs Gill Balen, at Radlett Station, spreading the word about the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan consultation.

#### on the website.

The Steering Group plans a more detailed survey for the autumn. That survey will be divided into sections, consistent with the Working Groups, so that residents provide deeper insight into planning, improvement alternatives and priorities. Once the draft plan is written, it will be subject to both a public consultation and independent examiner review.

The Steering Group hopes to consult on a draft plan this autumn, and put the plan to Hertsmere Borough Council for examination and referendum in early 2016. Once 'made', the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan will be a statutory supplement that will have to be considered in ruling on planning applications, and in making proposals for changes to Radlett services and infrastructure.

There's still plenty of time to get involved, be heard and help out. If you want to volunteer or stay informed about the plan, write to Kathleen Tyson at admin@RadlettNeighbourhoodPlan. org to be added to Working Groups or the plan consultation list.

> Kathleen Tyson Radlett Neighbourhood Plan Co-ordinator



# Rexton House



Rexton House Nursery School held their annual Sports Day where all three nursery sites joined together for some fun and frolics. Parents and children participated in traditional sporting events including passing a ball overhead and between legs, throwing a bean bag into a hoop and running races but to name a few.

The nursery children are aged two years

to rising five year olds. The staff emphasised to all those present that the preparation and taking part are just as important as whether you win or lose.

We would like to thank Edge Grove School for allowing us the use of their pavilion and field. Please take a look at our website www.rextonhousenursery.

co.uk for all the photos. Vera Grubner

# Playhouse Nursery

On 17 June Playhouse Nursery, Radlett, raised

£215 for Barnardos by taking part in the 'Big Toddle'. We had a good time toddling/running round Phillimore Recreation Ground and then had a lovely picnic.

Thank you to Aldenham Parish Council for letting us use the Rec for our big annual event.

Jessica Breakwell

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# St. John's Church of England Infant and Nursery School

On 1 July St. John's pupils took part in their sports day on the hottest day of the summer to date.

# The Bi-Centenary visit to The Battle of Waterloo



A party of twelve Rotarians and their friends took off for Belgium on Thursday 18 June 2015 to be entertained by the Rotary Club of Waterloo in Belgium. Most of the party stayed in the Relais du Maquis in the little town of Ittre which is south of Waterloo town.

On the first night we joined with Waterloo R.C. in their weekly Rotary meeting and exchanged gifts. We were presented with a porcelain plate of the Butt du Lion, and we presented them with a plate depicting the date of the Battle of Waterloo in 1815 with a picture of St. John the Baptist Church, Aldenham, in the centre. There followed a light hearted discussion on whose plate had the most gold on it!

The following day, two mini buses arrived at the hotel to take our party to visit Brussels, there we visited the Grande Place, the surrounding streets and the Mannekin Pis, later on some of us went to see the Atomium and others went to see the Royal Palace.

On Saturday morning we were taken in

mini buses again to the Walloon town of Namur which is on the confluence of the Sambre and the Meuse rivers. Here we visited the older part of the city and were shown the little animal which represents the city of Namur which is a snail!

On Saturday evening we went to the battle site, we took our seats at about 7.40pm as the battle started at 8pm. It was interesting to witness the assembly of the French, British and German troops all in their uniforms ready to start the battle with their muskets and cannons. The battle started with the firing of cannons with loud bangs and flashes and lots and lots of smoke. The battle continued until 10pm and a few minutes beforehand it started to rain, the first we had seen in Belgium.

There is no doubt that the time with the Belgium Rotarians was very enjoyable and very successful. We are now trying to plan how we can entertain them should they wish to come back to England in 2016.

James Jarrett

🦰 Community Toilet Scheme

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Toilet Scheme, by which local businesses are paid a small annual fee to allow people to use their toilets, operates in Radlett. Community toilets can be found at the Radlett Centre in Aldenham Avenue and at Caffè Nero in Watling Street.

You can use the toilets for free during their normal opening hours without having to make a purchase. Community toilets are regularly inspected by Hertsmere's officers to ensure they meet standards. Participating premises will display one of the following stickers in their window to indicate the facilities offered:



Hertsmere's Community Toilet scheme also operates in Borehamwood, Bushey, Bushey Heath, Potters Bar, and Shenley. For more information visit www.hertsmere.gov.uk

### An Extra Ten Minutes: a recent change in the law

A ten minute grace period now exists for motorists who park in council car parks or on-street designated parking spaces.

Penalty charge notices will no longer be issued to vehicles within the first ten minutes of them remaining in a parking space beyond the permitted time.

The change applies to time restricted on-street, free parking bays and payand-display parking bays and car parks.

The grace period does not apply where a road has a restriction, such as a single yellow line or a prohibition, such as double yellow lines.

### Bus service 398 extended

The 398 bus service has been extended to serve North Borehamwood, Radlett, Battlers Green, Queens' School and Watford up to every hour, Monday to Friday daytimes. For more information contact Sullivan Buses:

website: www.sullivanbuses.com phone: 01707 646803





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#### To contact a Parish Councillor go to councillors@aldenham-pc.gov.uk

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**Councillor Viv Charrett** Chairman of the Planning Committee Member of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee Member of the Finance and General Purposes Committee

ALDENHAM EAST

Member of the Planning Committee

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

and Engagement Committee

Member of the Community Development

Chairman of the Around Radlett Working Party

Councillor Gill Balen



Councillor Saleem Khawaja Member of the Planning Committee \*Radlett Village Institute

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Member of the Around Radlett Working Party



Councillor Jackie Lefton Member of the Planning Committee Member of the Community Development and Engagement Committee Vice Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee

#### **Councillor Neil Payne**

Chairman of the Council Chairman of the Strategic Planning Committee Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Member of the Planning Committee Member of the Finance and General Purposes Committee



**Councillor Lee Wood** Member of the Planning Committee Member of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee

\*Members of outside organisation

#### **Parish Council Offices**

Aldenham Parish Council, 1st Floor, The Radlett Centre, Radlett. Tel: 01923 856433/858399

All parish councillors can be contacted through the council office.

Office Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am-2.30pm Parish Council Manager: Peter Evans Email<sup>.</sup>

manager@aldenham-pc.gov.uk

Outside these hours, in case of emergency please contact 07833 251 115.

Email addresses for the office are: Emails for all APC councillors - councillors@aldenham-pc.gov.uk

For Peter Evans, Parish Council Manager manager@aldenham-pc.gov.uk

For Monika Duong, Accounts Officer accounts@aldenham-pc.gov.uk

For Claire Fletcher, Parks and Open Spaces Officer (also anything relating to 'Around Radlett') - parks@aldenham-pc.gov.uk

For Paula Paley, Planning Officer - planning@aldenham-pc.gov.uk For Lucy Jackman, Community Development Officer (also events/ social media/website) - community@aldenham-pc.gov.uk

The following may be obtained from the Parish Council offices:

- · Hertfordshire County Council bus pass forms
- a free kitchen caddy
- caddy liners @ £2.50 per roll
- garden waste sacks @ 50p each (you can put a maximum of three sacks out with your green bin on collection day) · a selection of black and white postcards depicting old village
- scenes, only 25p each
- the historical booklet 'Sweet Radlett' priced £1
- fold out footpath map of the Parish of Aldenham @ £6
- poster of the Parish of Aldenham footpath map @ £10
- 'Walks around Radlett' booklet @ £1

There is also a box outside the office where you can place your used batteries for recycling. For more information about your green bin and recycling visit www.hertsmere.gov.uk

#### ALDENHAM WEST **Councillor Tony Butwick**

**Councillor Ben Evans** 





Member of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee Member of the Community Development and Engagement Committee

Member of the Finance and General Purposes Committee

Chairman of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee

Member of the Strategic Planning Committee

Member of the Community Development and Engagement Committee



**Councillor David Lambert** Member of the Strategic Planning Committee

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

**Councillor Garry Walton** 

\*Association to Contain Elstree Aerodrome \*Aldenham Country Park \*Aldenham Memorial Hall \*Trustee of the Gravel Allotments Trust

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**Councillor Estelle Samuelson** Chairman of the Community Development and Engagement Committee Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee Member of the Strategic Planning Committee \*Aldenham Member of the Finance and General Purposes Committee and Bushey Member of the Around Radlett Working Party Community Safety



Vice Chairman of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee \*Radlett Village Institute

# **Councillor Chris Wilkins**

Vice Chairman of the Council Member of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee Vice Chairman of the Community Development and Engagement Committee Vice Chairman of the Strategic Planning Committee Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee Member of the Around Radlett Working Party \*Trustee of the Radlett Centre Trust \*RAIFA Management Committee

### Forthcoming Committee Meetings September – November 2015

October

#### September

Weds 2	Parks and Open Spaces	Thurs 1
Mon 7	Planning	-
Tues 8	Finance and General Purposes	Mon 5 Thurs 8
Mon 21	Planning	Mon 19
Tues 29	Full Council	Tues 20
		Weds 2

	Development
	and
	Engagement
on 5	Planning
nurs 8	All Faiths
on 19	Planning
es 20	Full Council
eds 28	Parks and
	Open Spaces

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#### Aldenham East

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times of meetings.

November

Mon 2

Mon 16

Tues 17

Fri 6

Planning

Strategic

Planning

Planning

Contact the Parish

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Minutes from the Committee meetings are uploaded to the website once they have been approved and signed by the Chairman of the relevant committee.

Please see all dates, agendas and minutes for Council meetings on www.aldenham-pc.gov.uk

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# Pink and White Displays Catch the Eye

Aldenham Parish Council would like to congratulate their grounds staff for the beautiful hanging baskets along Watling Street and for the delightful displays at Radlett Gardens and Tykeside Gardens. Danny Wells, Groundsman, says, "This year we have chosen a pink and white theme for the planting throughout the high street. The majority of the plants used in the hanging baskets and towers at Tykeside Gardens are 'Surfinias', a trailing range of petunias. We have found these make a reliable eyecatching display."





# Dog Control Orders

Phillimore Recreation Ground is one of the most popular areas for dog walkers. The majority of the dog walkers who use this area are responsible and not only clean up after their dogs, but ensure they are suitably under control. Due to a number of incidents recorded by Aldenham Parish Council (APC), of a small minority of dog walkers not cleaning up after their dog, or keeping it under control, we will be enforcing Dog Control Orders (DCOs) on any land owned or maintained by us. The grounds staff are now trained as authorised officers under Hertsmere Borough Council (HBC) and the Clean Neighbourhood and Environment Act, to enforce Dog Control Orders and issue fixed penalty notices (FPNs) for the following offences:

- Failing to remove dog faeces.
- Failing to put a dog on a lead when directed to do so.
- Allowing a dog to be in an area of exclusion, including fenced and unfenced play areas, sports courts and marked out sports pitches.

We are aware that owners allow their dogs off the lead at the recreation area during the football season. Some dogs run over the football pitch. We would ask that dog walkers are extra vigilant and, should their dog foul on the pitch, that the mess is cleaned up.

From the Council's point of view it is felt that ultimately promoting responsible dog ownership is a far better approach than issuing FPNs.

### New toilets in the pipeline for **Phillimore Recreation Ground**

On 18 May 2015 Aldenham Parish Council's contractor commenced works to demolish the pavilion, which had reached the end of its useful life. Work is in progress to install a toilet block with male, female, disabled and baby changing facilities. The works include improvements to the waste water system. It is anticipated that the works will be completed by

the middle of August. During the works it has been necessary at

times to restrict use of the car park. Aldenham Parish Council would

like to thank visitors for their patience throughout the process.





Can I appeal a fixed penalty notice? If you do not think you should have been issued with a fine you can choose not to pay, but this means you could be prosecuted. You may have to go to court and could face a fine up of up to £2,500.

> Neil Hudson Groundsman Supervisor



A FPN can only be issued by an authorised officer or Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) when they witness an offence. If a member of the public witnesses a person in charge of a dog failing to clear up after their dog, and is able to provide the Council details of where the dog lives, HBC policy is to write to the owner.

How much is the fine? The fine for littering, dog fouling and other dogrelated offences is £75 which must be paid to Hertsmere within fourteen days. A discount of £25 will be applied if the fine is paid within ten calendar days.



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#### Aldenham Parish Council Accounts 2014-15

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, for the Audit Commission, by BDO Stoy Hayward. These are the final unaudited accounts which are currently with the external auditor and we await their report.

#### Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2015

2013-14	Income		2014-15
£			£
530,746	Precept	Note 1	551,433
6,753	Agency Services	Note 2	4,341
10,246	Bank interest		6,288
29,268	Grants	Note 3	43,372
13,608	Fees from Council owned properties	Note 4	6,955
6,643	Youth & Sports	Note 4	6,790
2,729	Newsletter	Note 5	3,071
1,058	Miscellaneous		1,530
13,000	Sale of Assets		-
0	Section 106	Note 13	19,700
614,051	Total Income		643,480
	Expenditure		
154,369	Administration	Note 6	156,818
1,700	Section 137 payments	Note 7	(
126,025	Grants	Note 7	133,105
39,817	Capital Spending	Note 8	20,407
233,062	Parks & Open Spaces	Note 9	203,980
12,222	Newsletter	Note 5	15,305
8,511	Newberries Car Park subsidy	Note 10	8,511
41,363	Community Development	Note 11	44,178
1,627	Miscellaneous		1,674
0	Radlett Neighbourhood Plan	Note 12	6,594
0	Section 106 spending	Note 13	19,700
618,696	Total Expenditure		610,272
	Funds balance represented by:		
496,271	Balance brought forward as at 1 April 2014		491,626
0	Excess of income over expenditure for the year		33,208
-4,645	Excess of expenditure over income		(
491,626	Balance carried forward as at 31 Mar	ch 2015	524,834

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

General Reserves		
Section 106 monies (monies received from development in the Parish for specific purposes)		
Earmarked Reserves (for certain Council projects)		
Capital Reserves (which can only be used on capital projects)		
	Total	524.834

**Note 1 – Precept:** This is the amount of your Council Tax that is allocated to Aldenham Parish Council.

Note 2 – Agency Services: Aldenham Parish Council provide accountancy and secretarial services to the Radlett Centre Trust, for which the Radlett Centre pay. In 2014/15, APC removed the accountancy services, hence the reduction in income.

**Note 3 – Grants:** This is monies received from Central Government towards the setting up of the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan. Hertsmere BC again paid a grant of £19,748 towards recompensing Aldenham Parish Council for Central Government's decision in 2014 to change the Council Tax benefit scheme.

There are also grants from: Hertsmere BC & Herts CC ward councillors – who have paid towards the Easter Event and Winter Fair, the Radlett Festival and Affinity Sutton, private donations towards the Limitless Event and grants towards new benches in Phillimore Recreation Ground.

Note 4 – Fees from Council owned properties/Youth & Sports: Income derived from the hire of the allotments, football pitches, bowls club, stalls at the Winter Fair and for use of council land for filming.

Note 5 – Newsletter: Advertising income generated by 'Around Radlett' and the production costs associated with the four issues per year. The administrator costs include the external consultant who assists in compiling each issue. Costs for the year were higher as a result of producing supplements to commemorate the anniversary of World War 1.

Note 6 – Administration: Planning, Accounts and management staff costs and other overheads.

**Note 7 – Grants:** Paid to groups to provide entertainment, (mainly the Radlett Centre Trust) and counselling services in the parish. Other grants (previously known as section 137 grants) are made to some local groups to enable them to continue their good work.

Note 8 – Capital Spending: Projects this year included a replacement noticeboard at Battlers Green and a seesaw in Phillimore Recreation Ground play area. There were also purchases for the Grounds staff – an aerator for the Bowls Green and football goalmouths and radios for communication.

Note 9 – Parks & Open Spaces: All costs associated with maintaining the open spaces owned/leased by the Council, including administration, repairs and maintenance. This year saw the reduction achieved mainly through staff reorganisation. Note 10 – Newberries Car Park Subsidy: This is the parking subsidy paid to Hertsmere Borough Council to provide the first hour free facility in the Car Park behind the shops on Watling Street.

Note 11 - Community Development : All costs associated with engaging with the community such as website, administration, and the Winter Fair, Limitless and other community events.

Note 12 – Radlett Neighbourhood Plan: These are the costs so far for producing Radlett's first Neighbourhood Plan, which should be published in 2016.

Note 13 – Section 106 funds: These are funds that are paid to Hertsmere Borough Council by developers and are a condition of any planning permission granted. In Section 106 these funds must be spent on specific projects. This year the funds received had to be spent on allotments, so Aldenham Parish Council decided to replace the water system at the allotments adjacent to Phillimore Recreation Ground.

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.



Sweet peas on sale.

# Allotments appeal to all

Sensational sweet peas, beautiful beetroot and piles of potatoes were all on display at this year's Radlett Allotment Open Day on Sunday 5 July.

The fine weather brought out nearly 300 people for the day which raised £1,222 for the National Garden Scheme's chosen charities. There was a competition for the Centenary Cup for mini allotment holders which was won by Liz Bissett with an impressive array of crops.



Liz Bissett's winning mini allotment



Radlett Horticultural Society chairman, Peter Hordern, said "It was a brilliant day and lots of visitors thoroughly enjoyed themselves and found the variety of plants grown at the allotments really fascinating, as well as our very own pollinating bees."

NGS county organiser, Julie Wise was very impressed by the terrific community spirit on show. She said *"There is so much enthusiasm, especially from the new allotment holders. This is the only* 



Maureen Thorne presenting the winning trophy to Liz Bissett, watched on by Peter Hordern.

allotment open for NGS in Hertfordshire and we would love to have more."

Peter Hordern added his thanks to the Parish Council for funding the new watering system at the allotments. He said "the old watering system was no longer fit for purpose and it was very good of the Parish Council to replace it. The new system is superb with much better pressure, easily accessible tanks and easy use taps. We should be able to grow even better fruit and veg this year and for many years to come."

Gaenor Morris

# **Aldenham Parish Council welcomes new Councillors**

#### Ben Evans -Headmaster of Edge Grove School

Ben Evans was born in Devonshire and spent a large part of his childhood on Dartmoor. He enjoyed lots of riding across the moor and worked at a trekking centre during the school holidays.



Ben graduated from the University of Exeter with a 2:1 (Hons) degree in History and Archaeology and qualified as a secondary History teacher with games a year later.

His first teaching appointment was at Bramdean School, (3-18 independent school), where he was resident Housemaster and Head of History. Ben also qualified as a Level 1 ECB coach, RFU referee and life guard. He coached all sports including girls' games and swimming, and began running half marathons and London marathons. Ben also played for the Exmouth RFC (3rds).

He then moved on to Brighton College as Head of History and then back to Bramdean as Deputy Head. His next move was to Sri Lanka to become the Deputy Head at The British School in Colombo. After two years Ben took over as Head. Ben met his wife, Alexandra, whilst in Sri Lanka and they married in 2008. Their son Edward was born in 2011 and son Thomas in 2014.

Ben has been Headmaster of Edge Grove School since September 2012 which is in Aldenham West. The Parish Council are delighted that he has found the time to involve himself in the wider community. www.edgegrove.com

#### Lee Wood

Lee Wood has lived in Radlett for almost thirty years, with his wife Lorna, a primary school teacher and their three daughters. He has spent most of his working life running his own businesses, with thirtyfive years' experience in a range of commercial



enterprises including motor vehicles, toys and property. Having recently completed a law degree, Lee is currently working as a Mediation Advocate, Outdoor Clerk and McKenzie Friend. He is looking forward to serving the community, is interested in all local matters and in particular working towards social cohesion. In his spare time, Lee enjoys following global politics, economics and sport, reading historical accounts and watching TED talks. *('TED' is Technology, Design and Entertainment, a non-profit organisation committed to the spread of ideas).* 

### **Oliver Dowden, MP for Hertsmere**

Oliver is Hertfordshire through and through. He was born in Park Street and grew up in Bricket Wood. His father worked in a wire factory in Watford and his mother still works locally in London Colney. Oliver went to Parmiter's School near Watford and



then won a place to read law at Cambridge University. After working as a teacher in Japan, he resumed his legal training and worked in the City.

Oliver has spent the past five years advising the Prime Minister on how to tackle the wide variety of policy and political challenges confronting him. Oliver's particular area of expertise is domestic policy reform, focusing on immigration, welfare, health, criminal justice and education – which are all high priorities here in Hertsmere.

Oliver lives locally with his wife Blythe and two young children, and commutes into London.





### Radlett United Synagogue RADLETT

Since the early 1980's, Radlett Hall had been hired by the orthodox Jewish community for its religious services. In 1995, the United Synagogue agreed that the best interests of the orthodox Jewish community would be served by creating Radlett United Synagogue (RUS).

On 1 July 1995, the building was purchased from Aldenham Parish Council and was subsequently consecrated as a synagogue by the then Chief Rabbi Sir (now Lord) Jonathan Sacks and renamed the Pater Hall.

Apart from some minor redecoration, initially very little work was done to the building, the community being happy to have a building of its own. Several unsuccessful attempts were made to develop the site and attempts were made to find alternative sites but to no avail. However, over the years the two

adjoining houses were acquired with a view to consolidation and making the site more usable for the growing community.

In 2012, a plan was proposed which was suitable, financially viable and approved by its members. was Planning permission was obtained from Hertsmere to enable the rebuilding of the synagogue integrating the existing Pater Hall and the two houses.

In 2013 building work commenced on integrating the two houses and the Pater Hall with a program of construction, renovation and redecoration to take it into the twenty-first century.

This retained the frontal appearances, so that there would be minimal visual change to help preserve the Conservation Area status that the area had obtained. However, the new integrated building was designed,



constructed and renovated to ensure that the latest technical and environmental standards were used in various services such as lighting, heating, ventilation, fire and security systems.

When completed, the building will have superb prayer and study facilities as well as a communal hall for educational, vouth and communal activities. The highlights of the building now being. for the first time, proper disabled access, enough toilets and an industrial standard kitchen.

As the work involved a "rolling rebuild" on a site being used seven days a week, the works will have taken two years and should be finished in late autumn 2015.

It will truly be a place in which the orthodox Jewish community can pray in dignity and comfort and is worthy of being a house of prayer.

Lewis Osbourne Member of RUS from December 1983

# Radlett Reform Synagogue

Radlett Reform Synagogue is delighted that their Senior Rabbi. Paul Freedman has been elected as Chair of the Assembly of Reform Rabbis UK. Rabbi Paul has served the 800 family congregation in Radlett since his ordination to the rabbinate in 2004.

The Assembly is the professional body to which all Reform rabbis in the UK belong. The Assembly discusses matters of a religious nature and helps create ritual policy for the Movement for Reform Judaism. Such policies are discussed and decided upon collectively, as there is no central authority vested in a single person within Reform Judaism. It also provides a means of professional support and debate for Reform rabbis.

Rabbi Paul, who had just completed two years as Vice-Chair says "I have gained so much in my rabbinate from being part of the Assembly, learning from colleagues, sharing best practice and offering each other support. It is

the collegiality of the Assembly that I value most and being elected Chair really is a great privilege".

Radlett Co-Chair. Elizabeth Crossick. "We said are delighted that Rabbi Paul has been



Freedman

honoured with this role and know that many other congregations across the UK will benefit from his wisdom and sound guidance". Rabbi Paul studied physics at Bristol University and then education at Cambridge. He taught at schools in Bristol, Bath and then Gloucester, where he was Head of Science of a large comprehensive school, before entering Leo Baeck College in Finchley to train for the rabbinate. Shortly after becoming the Rabbi of Radlett Reform, he described his role as a partnership with the community "I have come to realise how privileged, lucky and blessed I have been in this relationship.





rabbi and community that I want for us too." Rabbi Paul was an active governor of Clore Shalom School, in Shenley, for almost a decade. He is particularly interested in Jewish liturgy. He was part of the editorial team of the current British Reform Sabbath prayerbook and was the final editor of the first British Reform Haggadah, the prayerbook used at Passover. Last year he was invited to contribute to the chapter

I had the sense before, and these first

months have made me feel all the more,

that the kind of community and rabbi

that you want us to be is the kind of

Religions book. He is married to Vanessa and they are proud parents of Joshua and Katie.

on Judaism for the Dorling Kindersley

Paul Freedman and Elizabeth Crossick

### Remembrance Sunday

8 November in Radlett

**Radlett War Memorial by Judy Weisser** 

Gather at the Radlett War Memorial at 10.30am. The service will start at 10.45am and the two minute silence at 11am. The service will be led by local clergy. Local community leaders, all uniformed organisations and veterans will be attending.

There will be a printed order of service for all to follow and join in. Watling Street, from Theobald Street to the bottom of Shenley Hill, will be closed to traffic.

### Changes to the arrangements at St. John the Baptist Church, Aldenham

The service on Sunday 8 November will start at 10.40am at the War Memorial, The Green, Letchmore Heath. There will be a Communion Service at St. John the Baptist Church, Aldenham at 8am and Evensong at 6.30pm. The main reason for this change is so that the two minutes silence can be observed at the War Memorial.



# 'Children in Aldenham Church'

by William Henry Hunt (1790-1864)

William Henry Hunt was part of the Herkomer Group of Artists who had stayed at a country house in Merry Hill, Bushey. Dr Thomas Monroe, who had been a patron to Turner and Girton in London, purchased the property in about 1808.

A new generation of watercolour artists was encouraged to come and stay with him, including William Henry Hunt who was young and highly talented but suffered serious physical disabilities. Monroe's gardener was deputed to push him around the district in a wheelbarrow. Interesting sites would be selected and Hunt was left to paint what he saw.

A remarkable and almost unique record of an English village was built up over a number of years from about 1815 to 1825. Mostly of these paintings were bought by American collectors but Bushey Museum have been able to acquire a few.

In June 2007, Sotheby's offered a Hunt watercolour (pictured above) of a church interior that was catalogued as Bushey Church, this alerted the curators at the Museum however, when they saw it they realised it was Aldenham Church. Sotheby's announced the mistake at the sale. Bushey Museum acquired the

### St. John the Baptist Church, Aldenham Reverend Robert Fletcher

A wonderful peal of bells greeted the many who attended the special Evensong service to celebrate the thirtieth anniversary of the Reverend Robert Fletcher's Ordination and his fifteen years as Vicar of Aldenham.

Robert said 'These years at Aldenham have been happy and most fulfilling ones'.

Choirs from other churches within the Team Ministry of Radlett and Shenley joined together and delighted everyone with their beautiful singing, in particular the anthem 'On Eagle's Wings' by the choirs and soloist Georgina Thornton. Two young people Leo Harris and Abigail Watson gave readings from the Old and New

Testaments. The Venerable Jonathan Smith, Archdeacon of St. Albans gave an uplifting sermon.

At the end of service Julia Beynan and Christopher Treves Brown made a presentation to Robert on behalf of the congregation.

Jan Adams



painting for £3500 plus commission. The funding came from the MLA/V&A Purchase Grant fund, the Art Fund, and Friends of Bushey Museum.

Bushey Museum is delighted with this beautiful and important painting, showing St. John the Baptist Church, Aldenham with its box pews and gallery before alterations were made in the late nineteenth century.

Bushey Museum and Art Gallery is in Rudolph Road, Bushey, WD23 3HW, tel 020 8950 3233. Opening hours: Thursday to Sunday 11am to 4pm. Admission free.

Jan Adams

## Works to the War Memorial in Letchmore Heath

There are two war memorials in the Parish of Aldenham, one on The Green at Letchmore Heath and the other at the bottom of Shenley Hill in Radlett.

An inspection was recently carried out at Letchmore Heath, and damage to the steps and plinth was noted.

All war memorials are protected. Any works to be carried out must have the approval of the War Memorial Trust. In some cases a grant from the Trust is granted. Letchmore Heath was awarded £3650, and the balance of £350 was met by Aldenham Parish Council.

An approach was made to the Trust to re-scribe some names on the Radlett memorial. The request was denied. The Parish Council will monitor the situation. Jan Adams





### Radlett Horticultural Society's Mini RADLETT Flower Show

**Flowers galore!** Radlett residents turned up to see the best fruit, vegetables and flowers the village has to offer at the Radlett Horticultural Society's mini flower show on 24 June. Gooseberries and roses as well as sweet peas and potatoes were on show. Guests were asked to compete with the professional judge in picking the 'Best in Show' and the joint winners were Elizabeth Wackrow and Robin Crosher.

Reassuringly, Peter Hordern, Chairman of the Society won the Davis Cup for gaining most points overall, as well as the Bill Woods Rose Bowl for an outstanding collection of Silver Jubilee white roses. He put his success down to thoroughly digging over a bed with clay soil, plenty of manure, hard pruning and luck with the weather!

Gaenor Morris

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# Harperbury Free School Update



In May 2013 the Department for Education gave the go-ahead for a brand new secondary school,

Harperbury Free School. We were originally due to open in September 2014 but this was delayed because the Education Funding Agency (EFA) responsible for securing the site at the former Harperbury Hospital site in Harper Lane for us failed to do so in time.

So we were shocked to be told in May this year that, once again, the EFA were the cause of another delay as they were unwilling to establish suitable temporary premises for our school to open as planned in September 2015. We had carried out a full application process and had received 180 applications for our 120 places. By that time we had already had seventy-one acceptances of places and were busy making preparations to open, including having recruited a Head Teacher and an Assistant Head plus some other teachers.

As a result we had to tell the seventyone families, including their children, they could not come to our school in September. Our teaching staff had to find other jobs. We have also spent some time helping the families find alternative places for their children in various nearby schools. Three of our Governors decided they could no longer have any confidence in the EFA and so resigned from our school Board.

We have therefore concluded it is no longer practical to work on the basis of opening in temporary premises. We must wait to open the school in the new purpose built school building at Harperbury. Since May we have been working closely with our design and build contractor InterServe, associated architects and consultants to produce a detailed design of the new school building. We expect to complete the plans in July and then make a planning application to St. Albans District Council in August. Subject to their approval, we hope to commence building in early 2016 with a completion date in Spring/ Summer 2017 to enable us to open in September 2017.

This means our first intake will be those children currently in Year 4 and due to go into Year 5 this September. So, if all goes well, we will now be inviting applications for places in September 2016 for students starting in September 2017.

> Clive Glover clive.glover@harperbury.org.uk

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Hertsmere Community

### issues at local groups

Did you know there are local groups that meet regularly to talk about neighbourhood issues such as antisocial behaviour, local crime figures and community safety initiatives?

Run by Hertsmere Community Safety Partnership, which comprises local organisations including the council, police and fire service, the groups meet three times a year and are chaired by a community representative. Why not pop along to your local group's next meeting and get involved:

 Aldenham and Bushey Community Safety Partnership (CSP) meeting -Tuesday 27 October 2015 at 7pm at Newberries Primary School, Radlett

For more information visit www.hertsmere.gov.uk/csps or call 020 8207 7801.



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