



Issue 24
April 2023 - May 2023



This is the final issue of HP Source for the time being. It is funded by Hardingstone Parish Council, compiled and edited by a team of volunteers for Hardingstone Village.

From your editorial team

It has arrived, the final edition of HP Source under the present editors, and no-one has come forward to help with further production.

One or two people have asked why the editorial team is standing down, so we explain our reasons and answer some other questions on page 9.

We understand that stickers placed on your waste bins by West Northamptonshire's contractor, Veolia, are puzzling some people. We hope our item on page 15 will help to explain why this could be happening.

We're pleased to see that the Parish Council notice board that was removed during the refurbishment of the One-Stop shop has now been reinstated. Rather than being at the

entrance to the shop, it is now located on the outside wall of the shop, facing Glebe Avenue. Along with the other notice boards in the village, it will assume a greater importance as HP Source will no longer be publicising events in the locality.

Articles, notices and advertisements published in the newsletter do not necessarily represent the views of the editorial team or the Parish Council, and we take no responsibility for the content. We do not endorse products, services, events, businesses, organisations or individuals featured and / or advertised.

So it's a final goodbye from KAPH, the editorial team.

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No further issues planned		

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2 Vacancies

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Family Picnic in Hardingstone Rec

Monday 8th May from 12.45



Bring your own picnic and seats



Fun runs



DJ come & dance



Scout band



Bouverie House



Dog Show

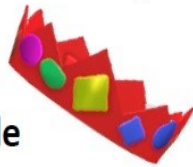


Magician at

1:30



Craft table



The Parish Council is funding a village family picnic day with plenty of entertainment on Monday 8th May on the Rec from 1pm onwards. This is to celebrate the coronation of Charles and Camilla, so come with your family, friends and picnic, and be prepared to spend the whole afternoon on the Rec. Toilets will be available.

At 1pm the event will kick off with the Scout Band and children's fun run, with medals presented. Children need to assemble at 12:45.

The Sun pub is putting on a hog roast and beer tent, there is a magician at 1:30pm, a DJ and quite a few stalls and games. There will be face painting and tombolas, a dog show at 2:30pm. Bouverie W.I. are serving tea and cakes in Bouverie House, and there is a book stall and an ice cream van. Hardingstone Players will be in costume.

King Charles wants this day to encourage more volunteering. Village organisations are taking this

opportunity to run stalls, advertise their groups and hopefully make contact with new members or helpers.

There will be designated parking for stall holders **only** at the bottom of the Rec to make unloading easier. Any Hardingstone residents can apply to the Parish Clerk to arrange to have a stall, free of charge. It is important to let the Clerk know if you want a pitch as the whole event will be mapped out. Pitches will be marked out on the site by labels. Everyone will need to bring their own tables and seating and clear away everything they have brought.

Look on the 6 Parish Council noticeboards nearer the time for more information and the latest timings for events.

clerk@hardingstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk

Tel 07709 523746 (office hours Tue & Thu 10-2)

Notes from the Parish Council

The Parish Council is working hard with other community groups to put on a day to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III. See page 3 for more information.

The brick bus shelter on The Warren is looking tired and needs sprucing up. The Parish Council were going to look for a contractor to do this but the team who painted the mural in the rec were looking for another project and offered to do more than a refresh of paint.



Look out for a super upgrade later this year.

Hardingstone Parish Council is getting involved in No Mow May. This is an initiative where we encourage you to leave your lawnmower alone during May, and let your lawn grow out without maintenance. This encourages smaller plants to grow and flower which increases biodiversity. For more information see nomowmay.plantlife.org.uk We will be asking the contractor to cut back on mowing in May in Cherry Orchard and suggest you may want to consider if you want to join in by not cutting the grass in your gardens. West Northants Council are also getting involved and have asked their contractors not to cut certain areas of the Towns Parks.

A new red picnic bench has been assembled and installed in the rec by parish councillors to replace one which was vandalised. It's such a shame that people seek to spoil the lovely facilities which so many enjoy and which are paid for out of taxpayers' money. The Parish Council will press for prosecution of anyone guilty of criminal damage and for financial recompense.



The Council also intends to install adult gym equipment in the rec and hopes to have it available for use in the summer if possible.

We would like to give our thanks to the editorial team of HP Source - Pam, Hilary Kate and Alan, who have produced this marvellous magazine for the last few years. Their hard work and dedication have been appreciated by the whole village and HPS will be sadly missed. We have tried to find a team with similar expertise and enthusiasm to take over the task but alas with no success. We send them our very best wishes for the future.

Sally Willis, Clerk:
clerk@hardingstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk

Full minutes available on the Parish Council website at <https://www.hardingstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk>
The next Parish Council meetings are on Tuesdays April 4th and May 2nd at 7:00pm in the **Parish Room**.
Please look on noticeboards and the HPC website for agendas and further information.

Parish Council Police Report

Hardingstone Crime Figures - 2022/23



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Like us on Facebook: [NorthamptonPolice](https://www.facebook.com/NorthamptonPolice)

	Burglary Residential	Non-residential Burglary	Criminal Damage	Vehicle Crime
November	1	0	0	0
December	1	0	2	0
January	0	1	1	2
February	0	1	0	2

To report an incident or crime to the police, search for Northants police website, and click on the report button. Then fill in the form. If you do not use the internet, ring 101. Only use 999 if a crime is taking place at that moment, or someone is in danger.

Where will your money go?

The Hardingstone Parish Council (HPC) budget spend for 2023/24 has been set at £65,000. This is called the 'precept', and is collected alongside the Council Tax that is levied on each property in the Parish by West Northamptonshire Council.

The precept is determined by the Parish Council estimates of their expenditure for the year, as highlighted in green below and on HPC's website.

PAYMENTS

	FINAL BUDGET 2022/23	FINAL BUDGET 23/24		FINAL BUDGET 2022/23	FINAL BUDGET 23/24
RECREATION GROUND			ADMINISTRATION		
Mowing & Maintenance	7,000.00	7,000.00	Clerk	10,000.00	10,956.00
Depreciation of play equipment	0.00	11,000.00	PAYE & Employees NI	150.00	254.00
Other	300.00	1,250.00	Employee's pension contributions	550.00	590.00
Total Recreation Ground	7,300.00	19,250.00	Clerk Total	10,700.00	11,800.00
OPEN SPACES			Employer's NI	200.00	406.00
Parish Land	9,200.00	1,600.00	Employer's pension contributions	330.00	354.00
Village Maintenance	3,600.00	3,600.00	Clerk's expenses	0.00	0.00
War Memorial Refurbishment	1,000.00	0.00	Insurance	850.00	800.00
Open Spaces Total	13,800.00	5,200.00	Stationery & Postage	100.00	200.00
PLANNING & HIGHWAYS			Telephone, Broadband & Website	1,230.00	940.00
Planning & Highways Total	0.00	0.00	Audit Costs	600.00	466.00
COMMUNITY			HP Source	2,800.00	2,800.00
Community Events	175.00	2,275.00	New & replacement equipment	500.00	0.00
Neighbourhood Watch	0.00	0.00	Training & development	500.00	500.00
Community Total	175.00	2,275.00	Room Rental	120.00	50.00
PARISH ROOM			Professional Fees	1,000.00	1,000.00
Maintenance	200.00	200.00	Subscriptions	1,041.00	1,055.00
Utilities	800.00	1,400.00	Election costs	600.00	0.00
Cleaning	700.00	700.00	Other Costs	0.00	20,000.00
Parish Room Total	1,700.00	2,300.00	Administration Total	20,071.00	40,371.00
GRANTS & DONATIONS			VAT	0.00	0.00
Grants Total	1,600.00	1,600.00	TOTAL PAYMENTS	44,646.00	70,996.00

RECEIPTS and BANK BALANCE

	FINAL BUDGET 2022/23	FINAL BUDGET 23/24
RECEIPTS		
PRECEPT	40,000.00	65,000.00
GRANTS/DONATIONS	0.00	0.00
VAT CLAIMS	0.00	0.00
HP SOURCE ADVERTISING	1,350.00	1,600.00
OTHER	0.00	0.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	41,350.00	66,600.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS	44,646.00	70,996.00
NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)	-3,296.00	-4,396.00
<i>Bank Balances</i>		
Opening	76,345.24	73,049.24
Net Receipts / (Payments)	-3,296.00	-4,396.00
Closing	73,049.24	68,653.24

Why are the expected payments for 2023/24 higher than the previous year? Well, the difference is largely accounted for by two exceptional one-off payments.

The first is the £20,000 shown in 'Other Costs', which covers the anticipated charges for rebuilding the dilapidated stone wall between number 38 High Street and the adjoining parish land. This is in the conservation area, and has been the subject of considerable consultation over recent years.

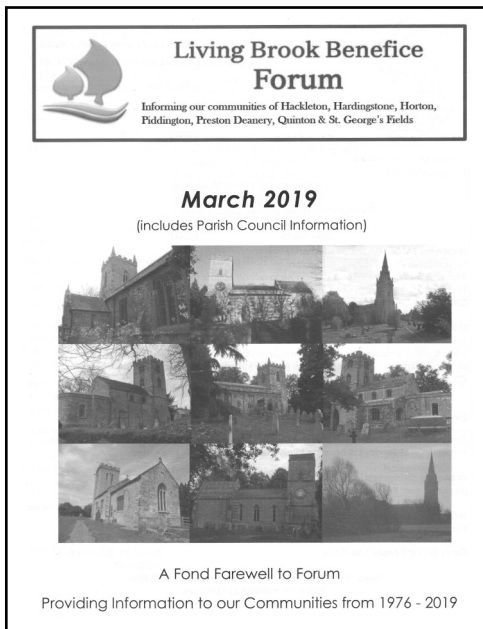
The second comes under the heading 'Depreciation of play equipment' which includes the purchase of some adult gym equipment for the Rec.

The overall additional expenditure is being met by a £25,000 increase in the precept, plus £4,396 being taken from reserves.

The end of an era

St Edmund's has been at the forefront of sharing Hardingstone's news for centuries. Traditionally, the church was the great gathering place for everyone to meet, gossip, party, celebrate hatching, matching and dispatching, and, of course, worship God. To me, the building just emanates all the emotions experienced in this beautiful space by generations of villagers.

For a large chunk of years in the 20C, the vicar shared his weekly message and notices to his parishioners via a newsletter. This expanded to include Piddington and Hackleton when St Edmund's shared a minister, and the Forum was published by the church until 2019.



As churchgoers, and people who care deeply about our local community, Pam and I felt strongly that many villagers rely on a newsletter to keep in touch with what is going on in our community. The village organisations, parish council and local traders also benefit from regularly speaking directly to every household. So, with the invaluable skills of Alan and Kate, HPSource has been delivered to every property for the last 4 years. Sadly, we need to lay down this burden, and no others have come forward to continue a printed parish newsletter.

But St Edmund's continues to be a place to gather together, share what's going on, and offer

neighbourly care and support. This is particularly evident at The Well every Tuesday and Friday morning, and volunteering in the churchyard with the wildlife project.

We acknowledge that Sunday worship is not central to many lives now, but St Edmund's is open to everyone, everyday, of any faith and none, to walk in and experience the peace and love offered there.

Church membership and numbers at regular services are diminishing, and St Edmund's is unquestionably facing significant difficulties. So if you feel you could help and want to find out more, do contact Rev Julie.

For the first time ever, there will be no churchwarden after John's 6 years end this month. He has worked tirelessly to support St Edmund's during a very difficult period and we owe him a huge debt of gratitude. There are 3 other vacancies on the Parochial Church Council now too, and the project to modernise the facilities in the church has disappointingly stalled.

The Supporters of St Edmund's charity is still very much needed, though, to raise funds for the maintenance and improvement of the building; we have been warned that the south aisle roof will need replacing in the next couple of years. Thank you to everyone who does contribute in any way to the upkeep of the church, and if you'd like to join us, please email: st.edmundsupp0rt@gmail.com

Hilary Wilson



The south aisle of St. Edmund's church



Can you make a difference?

**Hardingstone Parish Council
has one vacancy.**

We are looking for someone to work with us to enhance all aspects of life within the community in Hardingstone.

Whether you are new to the area, or have lived here for some time, you will be most welcome. Help us to represent our growing community.



For an informal chat about the role, pop into the Parish Room and speak to Sally the Clerk. Tuesdays or Thursdays between 10am & 2pm.

Or email

clerk@hardingstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk

Tel 07709 523746



Friends of Hardingstone ♥

Putting the heart back into Hardingstone



Update.

- ◆ In March Pam gave a talk at The Well about the history and purpose of Friends of Hardingstone.
- ◆ We will have a roll-a-penny game (weather permitting) on the Rec. on 8th May at the coronation picnic.

Next FoH Coffee Mornings:

Sat 1st April (Not 6th May)

10am -11.30am Parish Room

Come and share views about the village

**Pins & Needles now meet twice monthly on
2nd & 4th Mondays.**

Mon 10th & 24th April,

22nd May 7.30 - 9pm



Northampton Bike Park - trail closures



TRAIL UPDATE 17/03/2023

WEST TRAILS

Skills Area – OPEN – Work TBC

Blue Nunn – CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Mother Superior – CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Raise The Tone – CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

A45 – CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Jett Black – CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Cherry Bomb – CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

EAST TRAILS

Poo Hanger – OPEN – Work TBC

Double Bogey – OPEN – Work TBC

Uncle Fester – OPEN – Work TBC

PDQ – OPEN – Work TBC

1460 – OPEN – OPEN – Work TBC

Multi User Trail – OPEN – Work TBC

Trail update 17th March 2023

The builders have completed the first stage of remedial repairs with most of the trenches to divert water having been dug. The builders are back to finish the trail repairs and resurfacing, we are expecting a late March completion but hopeful for an earlier one.

For the latest information go direct to the site:

www.northamptonbikepark.org, hover over the

'TRAILS' tab and select 'TRAIL UPDATE'

!!!!!!PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE OR GO AROUND BARRIERS ON CLOSED TRAILS!!!!!!

Focus on the Village Hall

Thank you to the people who support Hardingstone Village Hall by using it regularly or for family parties. It is an attractive building which is kept in excellent condition for the use of people living in and around our village.

The hall is used for many activities, during the daytime Mums and tots' groups, after school club and fitness groups use the facilities, and then in the evenings there is a varied mix of social clubs, model railway, amateur dramatics, dance, yoga and meetings.

The hall is run by a small committee of volunteers and the day-to-day management is handled by a part time manager.

The hall takes a lot of upkeep as it is the old village school which was built in 1866, but following the creation of the Hardingstone Village Hall Association 39 years ago it has taken on many changes, including our latest project of a garden revamp. Our outdoor space now incorporates a large block paved patio with a large wooden gazebo alongside a clean grassy area.



This year we are hoping to continue to improve the outdoor area by providing a dedicated toilet.

The committee are always looking for people from the village to join them to help with the running of the hall. This involves three meetings and an AGM each year. The Village Hall is self-funding and is a not-for-profit registered charity.

The building is owned by West Northamptonshire Council and is leased to the Association on a peppercorn rent, meaning all maintenance and improvements are their responsibility.

Currently the building is being used regularly and is managing to cover its constantly increasing costs, but to keep this hall for our village we need more people on the committee and for the community of Hardingstone to use the hall as much as possible.

For further information email hardingstone@outlook.com, and check out our website: www.hardingstonevillagehall.wordpress.com



Hardingstone History Society

Next meetings

held in

**The Parish Room, High Street
Wednesday 12th April at 2 pm**

**The Hanslope Park Murder
by Roger Drage**

Wednesday 10th May at 2 pm

**The History of Recorded Sound
by Colin Ray**



If you haven't been to one of our meetings before, why not join us to listen to one of our Northamptonshire speakers?

Phone 761327 for details

Find out more about us on

www.hardingstonehistory.org.uk



And it's goodbye from us

Q&A about HP Source by KAPH, the editorial team.



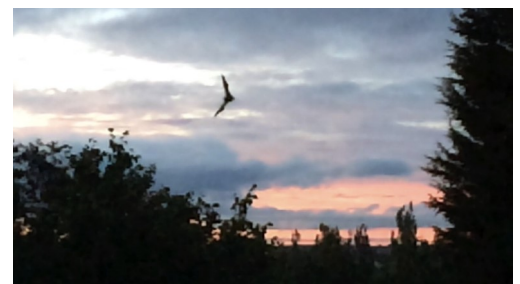
- What was HP Source?
A newsletter produced 6 times a year, delivered to every property in the civil parish of Hardingstone. This edition, number 24, is the final one being produced by KAPH.
- Why was it produced?
Because after 43 years, FORUM, an A4 B&W magazine produced by the Church and latterly Living Brook Benefice, ceased production.
- What was HP Source's purpose?
To give organisations a chance to advertise their groups and events; to give residents a chance to air their views; for Hardingstone Parish Council to inform residents of their work and new developments and to keep those who do not use the internet informed.
- Was it a Parish Council magazine ?
Although Hardingstone Parish Council did not wish to take ownership of the newsletter they were happy to support it financially.
- How was it funded?
Approximately 50% advertisers 50% Parish Council.
- Were the editorial team or the deliverers paid?
No one was paid a penny. Everyone was a volunteer.
- Why has it now ceased production?
The Parish Council submitted very little news. Some

groups did not send in material. Very few residents wrote in or contributed articles. The work of the editorial team was very demanding when compared with the limited response we received. More individuals and groups prefer the immediacy of social media now.

- What is replacing HP Source.
To date nothing. KAPH has advertised for others to come forward to produce a magazine in any format. There has been no response.
- How will residents know what is going on?
They will have to look on the 6 noticeboards, on facebook social media "What's on in Hardingstone" and "Hardingstone Noticeboard", and investigate Hardingstone Parish Council's website.
- ◆ What is our final word?
Thank you to all who have been involved, including Kate who created our house style and standards, Hilary who liaised with our advertisers, Pam who dealt with the distribution to residents, Alan who has spent hours constructing each issue for the last 3 years, and last but not least all those who have helped to deliver the newsletter.
- ◆ KAPH

Wildlife in Back Lane

Hannah has sent us some wildlife photos from last year, showing the variety of visitors to her garden from the around the Bike Park area. In May she found a family of foxes searching for food, and on the hottest day of the year last summer (28C in the shade) a song thrush was enjoying the welcome cooling offered by water from the bird bath. One evening towards dusk a lone bat could be seen flying over Back Lane, and a jay visits the bird table to see what delicacies had been left out for our feathered friends.





The latest from Bouverie WI

Wow ! What an amazing talk we had from Steve Dimmer about the struggles Walt Disney had in building his career and becoming the success we know today. There is one thing with Bouverie W.I., we get to hear some superb speakers on subjects we probably would not normally encounter. The Walt Disney evening being such an example and enormously enjoyable. As you will see below, our programme for the rest of year is varied in the extreme.

All our meetings are held at Hardingstone Village Hall on the third Tuesday of each month from 2 - 4.30 pm. The cost for visitors for the afternoon is £4.50 and includes tea or coffee.

Our programme for the remainder of 2023 is as follows:

- Tuesday 18 April - Financial & Estate Planning with Vicky Pearce
- Tuesday 16 May - Members Meeting with food and drink provided by the members
- Tuesday 20 June - My Life in Surabaya (East Java) from Peggy King
- Tuesday 18 July - Barry Watson will be telling us about his life as a Canal Boater
- August - No Meeting
- Tuesday 19 September - We will encounter Wig Making at Madame Tussaud's when Lucy Swales is our guest
- Tuesday 17 October - David Skillen will be coming along to tell us about the Gretna Girls, an incredible story of the women munition workers at HM Factory Gretna in World War One
- Tuesday 21 November - We shall be enjoying taking part in a Craft Afternoon
- Tuesday 19 December - Is our Christmas Party

Very occasionally, the focus is turned on Bouverie W.I., as was the case when our President Karen Harding went along to The Well Community Coffee Morning at Hardingstone Church, to give a talk in their Ten Minute Talk Slot in February. There was a bumper turn out of ladies AND gentlemen and we hear it was very well received.

All the members of Bouverie W.I.would like to send their sincere thanks to the HP Source Editorial Team, for all they have done in giving us such a super read each month. Hardingstone won't be the same without the magazine.

Caroline Morris.



Karen Harding at The Well in February

Please come and help us tidy the churchyard

1st Thursday in the month between 10am & 12 noon
April 6th and May 4th

Help tidy the memorials beside the path.
Help with our Wildlife project (silver award).
Have a cup of tea or coffee



John 760411



St. Edmund, King and Martyr, Hardingstone



Easter Services

Maundy Thursday: 6th of April 7pm in Piddington Church

A service of Foot Washing

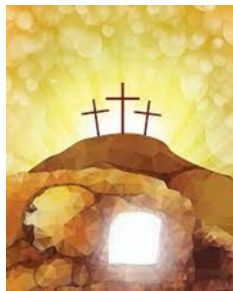
Good Friday service: 7th of April at 2 pm in St Edmund's Hardingstone

Easter Sunday: 9th of April 10 am a Sung Communion at St Edmund's, Hardingstone, followed by refreshments.

Please come and join us as we journey together where we will finally come together on Easter Sunday and celebrate our risen Lord.

Have a wonderful and blessed Easter.

Rev Julie



Sunday Services

Hardingstone church meets at 11 o'clock every Sunday, except for the monthly early service on the first Sunday in the month at 8.30 am, and the Easter Sunday service at 10 am.

If you enjoy hymn singing, then do come on the 2nd &/or 4th Sunday of the month, when our worship is enhanced by Edward Kilpin playing the organ and the choir of the 'Living Brook Benefice'.



The Well

Hardingstone's Community
Coffee morning

- the local meeting place

Open 10^{am} – 12^{pm}

Drop in to St Edmund's church on **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** for

- A coffee or tea
- Others to chat with
- Things to do
- A space to be quiet
- The beautiful churchyard
- Important local history and heritage



All's well at The Well



The National Lottery Heritage Fund

Historic England

Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport



CHURCHYARD WILDLIFE PROJECT

**COME & JOIN US, IN &
AROUND ST EDMUND'S**

THURSDAYS 10-12 & SUNDAYS FROM 2.15 PM

FEBRUARY 2ND	FEBRUARY 5TH
MARCH 2ND	MARCH 5TH
APRIL 6TH	APRIL 2ND
MAY 4TH	MAY 7TH
JUNE 1ST	JUNE 4TH
JULY 6TH	JULY 2ND
AUGUST 3RD	AUGUST 6TH
SEPTEMBER 7TH	SEPTEMBER 3RD
OCTOBER 5TH	OCTOBER 1ST

ALL ARE WELCOME

**FOR THE BEDS, CAMBS & NORTHANTS WILDLIFE
TRUST CHURCHYARD CONSERVATION
AWARD SCHEME**

Hardingstone events

Forthcoming Events:

Saturday 1 st April (6 th May no meeting – coronation day)	FoH Coffee Morning	10:00 - 11:30am, Parish Room. Pam 761374 (See below)
Mondays 10 th & 24 th April, & 22 nd May	Craft Club	7:30 - 9:00pm. Jo 761461 (See below)
Tuesdays 4 th April & 2 nd May	Hardingstone Parish Council Meeting	7:00pm, Parish Room. Listen to HPC's meeting. Come and have your say in Public Time.
Tuesdays 4 th April & 2 nd May	Hardingstone Social Club	8pm, Village Hall. Lesley 07599 216166. (See below)
Tuesdays 18 th April & 16 th May	Bouverie WI	2pm, Village Hall. Karen 675161 or Linda 763585 (See page 11)
Wednesdays 12 th April & 10 th May	Hardingstone History Society	2pm Parish Room. Adrian 761327 (See page 8)
First Thursdays and Sundays in the month	Churchyard Wildlife Project and churchyard tidy	Wildlife see page 11, and churchyard tidy on page 10
Monday 8th May	Coronation picnic in the Rec.	See page 3, and look on notice boards nearer the time



Friends of Hardingstone

Putting the heart back into Hardingstone ♥

Call in for coffee

Every 1st Saturday in the month
Parish Room 10 - 11.30am



New people always welcome

Come and share news of things
happening in Hardingstone

★ Ideas for the Coronation ★

Pam 761374

Craft Club

Every 2nd & 4th Monday in the
month. Parish Room. 7.30 - 9pm

Relax with a friendly group
share ideas

Jo 761461



Hardingstone Social Club

Meetings start at 8pm 1st Tuesday of each month in
the Village Hall. Members provide their own drink.
Non members welcome, £3.50 visitor's fee.

Programme 2023-24

April 4 th	The Dog in my Medicine - Geoff Lambert
May 2 nd	Orient Express - Colin Rowe
June 6 th	Entertainment in Northampton (1850 - 1970) Ruth Thomas
July 4 th	No meeting
August 1 st	My Time with the American Government Rev. Martin Swan
September 5 th	Madame Tussauds - Lucy Swales
October 3 rd	Story Behind the Story - Paul Howard (Freelance Photographer)
November 7 th	History of Archery - Peter Brearley
December 5 th	Christmas Celebration
Jan 2 nd	Quiz and wine tasting - Nigel Ancil

If interested please come along,
or phone Lesley on 07599 216166 for more
information.

Hardingstone events

Regular Events:

Every weekday	MY-STS Wonderland - After-school club	Village Hall	3 - 6pm	sts912@sky.com
Mondays	Barre Express with Millie	Village Hall	5:30 - 6pm	Contact details as Thursday
Mondays	Yogami Hatha Flow with Millie	Village Hall	6:05 - 7:05pm	Contact details as Thursday
2nd & 4th Mon in month	Craft Club Bring own craft items & chat: April 10 th & 24 th , May 22 nd	Parish Room	7.30pm - 9pm	Jo 761461, FoH.
Tuesdays	'The Well' community coffee morning (See page 11)	St. Edmund's Church	10am - 12 noon	Caroline 700534
Tuesdays	Get Up and Go	Village Hall	10am	Michelle Lewis 07423 074891
1 st Tuesday in the month	Hardingstone Social Club April 4 th & May 2 nd	Village Hall	8pm	Lesley 07599 216166
3 rd Tuesday in the month	Bouverie WI: April 18 th & May 16 th	Village Hall	2pm	Karen 675161 Linda 763585
Wednesdays	Introduction to Yoga	Village Hall	6pm	julijanikolajeva@yahoo.co.uk 07738 738766
2 nd Wednesday in the month	Hardingstone History Socy. April 12 th & May 10 th	Parish Room	2 - 4:30pm	Adrian 761327 (see page 8)
Thursdays	Get Up and Go	Village Hall	10am	Michelle Lewis 07423 074891
Thursdays	Barre Express with Millie	Village Hall	5:30pm - 6pm	yogamiuk@gmail.com Mobile: 07948 992220
Thursdays	Yogami Hatha Flow with Millie	Village Hall	6pm - 7pm & 7:20 - 8:20pm	www.bookwhen.com/yogamiuk
Thursdays	Northampton and District Model Railway Club	Village Hall	7:30pm - 10pm	Colin Tarry 518108
Thursdays	Folk Dance Club	Bouverie House	7:45pm - 9:45pm	Lyn 643205 Gwynneth 711342
Fridays	'The Well' community coffee morning (See page 14)	St. Edmund's Church	10am - 12 noon	Caroline 700534
Fridays	MY-STS Wonderland - Inflate-a-play for children up to 12yrs	Village Hall	12:30 - 6:30pm	sts912@sky.com
1 st Saturday in the month	Friends of Hardingstone Coffee morning, all welcome, April 1 st (not May 6 th)	Parish Room	10 - 11:30 am	Pam 761374.
Sundays	Church Services	St. Edmund's Church	See page 11	Rev Julie Scott 374379
Sundays	Barre with Millie	Village Hall	9:00—9:45am	Contact details as Thursday

Update from The Well



We have some wonderful news from The Well Community Coffee Morning. Between our launch on 18 May 2021 and 27 December 2022, The Well raised the most amazing sum of £9,041.63. Donations from special fundraising events has gone to our chosen charities of Marie Curie, Dementia UK, The Royal British Legion and Macmillan, with other donations going to Hardingstone Church. Enormous thanks to all our volunteers, cake makers & donors and everyone who has come along to the twice weekly coffee mornings and donated.

Our recent 10 minute talk slots have featured Bouverie W.I. President Karen Harding, with a fascinating talk which intrigued both ladies and gentlemen at The Well, and Wendy Lilley, Macmillan Information & Support Lead at Northampton General Hospital. Wendy returned to lead us in a Relaxation Session which proved to be so successful that some people virtually fell asleep after being taken on a virtual walk in the country. Quite amazing and very therapeutic.

featuring the 'Extraordinary Stained Glass Window Story'. Do come along, you really will be amazed.

Then on Tuesday 23 May at 11 a.m., Marianne Martin, one of our Churchyard Project Team, will be giving a most unusual illustrated talk on "Scented Plants". You will certainly be captivated even if you didn't think you were interested in plants.

On Tuesday 18 April, all being well, we will receive one of our regular visits from the Police, with an opportunity to ask any questions you have, especially those relating to the village.

On Friday 21 and Tuesday 25 April we shall be marking St. George's Day at The Well, when donations of typical English cakes and bakes will be welcome.

Tuesday 9 May will be "Coronation at The Well", when we will celebrate King Charles III's Coronation. We shall be extending our opening time from 10 a.m. - 1 pm, and a variety of savoury and sweet foods will be on offer. Why not enjoy a light lunch with us, along with plenty of tea and coffee, and maybe even a non-alcoholic punch! We'll have sandwiches, sausage rolls, cheese scones, traybakes, slices of cake, fruit scones & jam.

The next of our fundraising mornings comes on Tuesday 16 May Dementia Day for Dementia UK. We will have a Well Known Brands Quiz and a Bring and Buy. Please come and support this very worthy charity.

It will be a case of "Happy Birthday To Us" on Friday 19 May, when we shall be celebrating the Second Anniversary of the launch of The Well. A special Birthday Cake is being made for us by Bob Draper and iced by Christine Wilkes' daughter, Maggie, so come and help us blow the candles out !

And Finally, well almost, on behalf of The Well, can I give our sincere thanks to the HP Source Editorial Team of Alan & Pam Pease and Hilary Wilson, for giving up their time so generously, to produce what is and has been a fabulous village magazine. It will be hugely missed.

To keep in touch with all that is happening at The Well in the future, please look out for our regular posters on the six community noticeboards around the village. Also, pop into The Well and pick up one of our newsletters, The Well Community Catch-Up.

Don't forget, The Well Community Coffee Morning takes place every Tuesday and Friday morning between 10 am. & 12 noon, at Hardingstone Church, when tea, coffee, cakes and bakes are available for a donation. Everyone is welcome including four legged friends!

Caroline Morris, Co-ordinator of The Well



On the right Wendy Lilley's relaxation session



Above: Karen Harding talking about the WI

On Friday 3 March, the launch day of our Marie Curie Fundraising Month, we were delighted to have a surprise visit from Brenda & Eddie Parker, who were married at Hardingstone Church 60 years ago to the day. Their daughter Debbie Yel accompanied them. Eddie used to live in Bouverie Road.

That same morning our first Jigsaw Challenge took place with Brian & Janet Naseby and Alan Pease amongst those who enthusiastically took part.

Looking forward, on Tuesdays 4 & 18 April and 2, 16, and 30 May we will have our Produce Tables again. Here you can help yourself to items generously donated by Darren from The One Stop Village Shop, or take an item and make a donation, or even take items, make a donation and then put in the Food Bank box.



Janet, Brian and Alan in puzzling mood

If you enjoy doing jigsaws or playing dominoes or cards, please do come along and join in with friends old and new on these fun mornings on Fridays 21 and 28 April and Friday 5 and 19 May.

Our Ten Minute Talk Slots continue, and on Friday 14 April at 11 a.m., Bill Lockerbie returns, with another "Sound Bite" from his intriguing Hardingstone Church History Tours, this time



Brenda & Eddie Parker



Our newly donated Green Gingham Tablecloths & Blue Mugs

Beware of bin stickers!

Veolia, who empty our waste and recycling bins, are having a purge on ensuring that you put waste items in the correct bins. They term incorrect placement as 'contamination', and when too much contaminated material is collected it can prevent a whole lorry load of material from being recycled.

When they find a blue recycling bin they regard as contaminated, they attach a sticker like the one shown below, which gives a general summary of what it can and cannot contain.



Unfortunately stickers indicating contamination fail to identify what incorrect items have been found, and there have been a number of complaints that they are being applied to bins that are not contaminated. The West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) website says 'Please empty and rinse items to remove any food residue before recycling. Please do not use any type of plastic bag or bin liners and place the items loose in the bin or box. Do not stack items of different materials inside each other for example plastic yogurt pots inside a cardboard cereal packet'. Failure to meet these criteria might explain the use of one of these stickers when there is no other obvious reason.



Refer to the WNC website <http://ow.ly/pqxo50N3F2N> for full details about what can be accepted in the different recycling bins. The blue recycling bin is the one which is often misused.

Use the small brown bin for food waste, and large brown bin for garden waste.

Small electrical or battery-powered items like kettles, toasters and toys that can fit into a standard size carrier bag can be placed **on top of** (not inside) your recycling bin for collection each week.

Recycle household batteries by putting them in a small, clear bag and place **on top of** (not inside) your recycling bin for collection.

Use the **black** bin for:

Nappies, baby wipes, kitchen roll and tissue paper, glittery cards and wrapping paper/metallic wrapping paper soft plastics such as bags containing frozen foods e.g. peas and chips, sandwich bags, cling film or bubblewrap 'tear off' cellophane lids, the lids from yogurt, cream pots, oven/microwave ready foods and food trays plastic plant pots, plastic toys, plastic film/cellophane wrapping, sweet/biscuit wrappers, crisp packets, polystyrene, thick or hard plastics e.g. washing up bowls, CD's/DVD's and their cases cosmetic products such as cotton buds, face wipes window glass, pyrex glass, light bulbs, drinking glasses, glass crockery or mirrors any other non-recyclable items.

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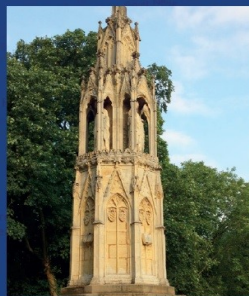
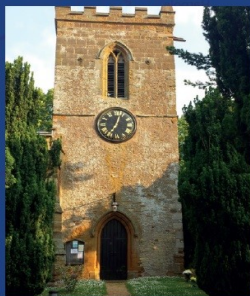


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