# The Villager

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## **'BRUSH PARTY'**

#### MAPLEDURWELL & UP NATELY VILLAGE HALL Friday 17th March 6-9pm

## Tickets £45

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#### **KINGS'S CORONATION FUND**

The Coronation of His Majesty The King and Her Majesty The Queen Consort will take place on Saturday 6 May 2023.

BDBC's King's Coronation Fund will help to cover some of the costs associated with delivering events and activities to mark the historic occasion.

#### 1. Who can apply?

Any community or voluntary organisation, charity or business located and operating in the borough.

To be eligible, organisations and businesses will:

- Be registered as a business or constituted as a group within Basingstoke & Deane
- Have a bank account registered to the organisation or business

Parish and town councils are eligible under this scheme but will be expected to involve local businesses and / or community and voluntary organisations in any activities.

Schools and colleges can also submit applications but will need to demonstrate that their event or activity will be to the benefit of the wider community and not just their pupils or students.

Individual residents or not formally constituted groups cannot apply... they are encouraged to work with other group to be involved.

#### 2. How much can I apply for?

For community and voluntary organisations, grants of up to  $\pm 500$  are available for single applications and up to  $\pm 1,000$  for joint applications bringing together two or more organisations

For businesses, grants of up to  $\pounds$ 1,000 are available for applications bringing together three or more businesses. Applicants will need to demonstrate that the funding will be used to deliver activities that will benefit the wider town/village centre or high street and not solely the business itself.

#### 3. What will the grant cover?

Examples of activities eligible under the scheme:

- Afternoon teas, picnics and fetes
- Temporary art installations
- Outdoor or indoor performances and walkabouts
- Arts or craft community workshops to create items to celebrate the Coronation

Examples of expenditure eligible under the scheme: - Hire or purchase of equipment such as tables and

- chairs, marquees and gazebos, etc.
- Hire or purchase of supplies such as arts materials, crockery, etc.
- Performance, artists and entertainment costs
- Public liability insurance
- Decorations such as flags, bunting, etc.

Please consider impact on the environment and whenever possible use sustainable materials and avoid single use plastics.

**4. When can I organise my events or activities?** Funding is available for activities in May and June 2023 to celebrate the King's Coronation.

- 5. Closing date 31 March 2023
- **6. To apply** Please find application form at https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/coronation-fund

# Mapledurwell & Up Nately

#### **UP NATELY VILLAGE COFFEE MORNING**

Great news that our bi-monthly coffee mornings now are starting again after a three year break! A small change from previous years, we will meet on the first Friday of every other month.

March 3rd is hosted by Rosemary at Netherby Cottage, first house on left as you enter Heather Lane, 10-12am, If you need more info, call Rosemary on 01256 760216. Everyone welcome, will any male residents be brave enough?! See you there!

#### LENT LUNCH

A charity Lent Lunch at 12.30pm on Wednesday 22nd March at Plume House, Up Nately. If interested Please contact Michael Van der Gucht on 01256 768453.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Wednesday 15th March, 7pm in the Committee Room. All welcome.

**DIARY DATE FOR PARISH ASSEMBLY** 

Wednesday 24th May, 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The Canal Society will present on the Basingstoke Canal's 'Last Five Miles'.

#### Maths Tutoring KS3 to GCSE (Ages 11-16)

I would love to help improve your child's confidence in Maths :)

I am studying A level Mathematics at Farnborough Hill and achieved a Grade 9 at GCSE (receiving 97%) of marks available). I offer both in person and online lessons, located in Mapledurwell. I am offering this service as I am fundraising towards joining an expedition to Borneo, assisting local community conservation and development projects. I am diligent, trustworthy, reliable and flexible. I aim to assist your child in consolidating their learning on topics they find challenging and support them to achieve their potential. Rate: £20/hr And for more information please

contact me by text on 07557916452



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### WE ARE HOLDING A **RUBBISH EVENT !**



#### In recognition of the Coronation 'BIG HELP OUT'

the Village Hall is holding a litter picking session in and around Mapledurwell & Up Nately

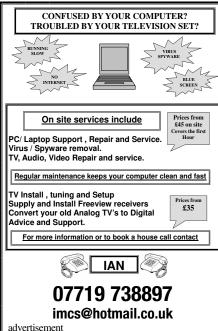
followed by an informal barbecue.

Sunday April 23rd at Noon (as so many people will be away on May 8th)

#### **LITTER PICKERS EAT FREE !**

If you would like to join us and / or be a litter team leader

> please contact Sue on suesmart2001@yahoo.com or 07495 367 169



#### PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

22/03417/FUL (Pending, 28 December) The Egg Yard, Greywell Rd, M/durwell. Erection of three dwellings with associated parking using approved access.

22/03317/HSE (Pending, 13 December) Arlings, Tunworth Road. Replacement garage (including home office and arts and crafts room) outbuilding.

22/03307/HSE and 22/03308/LBC (Pending, 12 December) Blaegrove Cottage, Blaegrove Lane Up Nately. Single storey rear extension.

22/03228/ROC (Granted 01 Feb) Nunnery House, Tunworth Road. Variation of condition 1 of 21/00427/FUL to amend plans to allow for adding rear extension to the ground floor.

22/02935/TDC (Re-scheduled for DC Committee of 8 March) Nunnery House, Tunworth Road. Technical details consent relating to the design, access, landscape, services and scale of the barn, in accordance with 20/00009/PIP (granted at Appeal) for conversion of agricultural building to 1 no. dwelling.

22/<u>02818/ROC</u> (Pending, 21 October) The Egg Yard, Greywell Road, Mapledurwell. Variation of conditions 1. 3 and 10 of 20/02124/FUL to allow for revised design and update to landscaping and finishes condition and removal of condition 11 relating to garages.

22/02710/PIP (Pending, 17 October) Land Adjacent To Blaegrove House, Blaegrove Lane. Permission in Principle for the erection of one new dwelling.

22/02416/FUL (Pending, 26 August) Riverview House, London Road. Extensions including an additional floor and a three storey rear extension to provide nine additional one-bedroom flats. [Total 17 x one-bed flats.]

22/02210/RET (Pending, 05 Aug) Priory Farmhouse. Variation of Condition 2 of 15/04301/FUL to allow continued use as Class E children's nursery to 31/08/2032.

21/01777/RET (Pending 24 May 2021) Gamekeepers. Hardstanding plus seven downlighters (retrospective).

21/00827/FUL (Pending 20 April 2021, new documents Oct / Nov 2022) Land opposite Hillside, Heather Lane. Change of use to dog walking area and off road parking; gate, fence and shed.

#### APPEAL DISMISSED

APP/H1705/W/22/3306530 for 21/00107/PIP - (Appeal dismissed 02 March) The Farm, Tunworth Road, Permission in Principle for residential development of maximum six dwellings.

#### **TREE APPLICATIONS**

T/00086/23/TCA (Validated 02 Mar 2023) The Old Orchard, Tunworth Road T1 Ash: reduce height of approx 12m with a spread of 5m. T2/T3 Ash: reduce height to approx 12m with a spread of 7m. T4 to T8 Leylandii: reduce height to approx 9m with a spread of 6m.

# Newnham & Nately Scures

#### **NOTES FROM THE JANUARY** PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Kings Coronation Parish Council agreed to support local community events and seek grant funding.

Parish Lengthsman Good news that funding for the Lengthsman scheme will continue for 2023/24, no longer directly via HCC, but via their contractor Milestone.

Thanks to Country and Ward Councillors for grant funding.

Parish precept 2023/24 Agreed a 3% increase on this year's Precept which will total £12,900. This will mean - due to a slighter higher tax base – an increase of c25p per band D property. (Noting this will be double for a band H and half for band A.)

NPPF consultation Agreed Parish Council to submit response.

Jubilee tree Agreed a significant memorial tree should be planted. Suggest a native Cherry or Crab Apple - the latter favours heavier soils.

Pond The most recent HIWARG (Hants and Isle of Wight Amphibian and Repile Group) working party was 22nd November. Their concluding report: 'Unless we get a sudden drought, that is it for Crassula removal until the summer.' Parish Council recorded its thanks to Pete West and HIWARG volunteers for the work they do maintaining the pond.

#### Maintenance, ditching and

highway Newnham Lane – Ditches and grips cleared west-side Newnham Lane from crossroads to Church Path. Grips cleared top of Crown Lane, Newnham Lane and Tylney Lane in vicinity of crossroads. This to address the areas most likely to flood onto the road. Church Path - Hand drainage work raking leaves from the south side ditch. This ditch can't be mechanically dug to sufficient depth because of tree roots. Tylney Lane Site meeting with Parish Lengthsman and investigation to address flooding in the Lane beyond Woodside. Short term remedial work done as far as possible, clearing pipes and grips. Further work needed with view to taking the water away from the Lane.

Junction of Old School Road with Barracks track - The Parish Lengthsman cleared a lot of material from the ditch up to the Fosters Business Park access road. The culvert beneath the access road remains blocked. Cleared soil / detritus from roadside and gullies on Barracks track corner to Old School Road by Kingsbridge End. Cleared the large holding ditch the railway side of Newnham Road before Kingsbridge. Removed and disposed of the old chain link fence blocking access to the

#### LENT LUNCH

A simple bread and soup Newnham Lent Lunch will be held at Tithe Barn on Friday 10th March at 12.30 pm. by courtesy of Trudy Rankin.

Donations are invited and will be used for earthquake relief after the dreadful events in Turkey/Syria. If you would like to attend please contact trudy@rankinfamily.com to book a place (numbers limited).





Results of the

February draw: £100 - The Pecks (25) Joanna Bell (4) £50 -The Lumleys (63) £25 -Congratulations all! Carolyn B

culvert by Kingsbridge End. Erected length of post and rail as a barrier.

Water End / A30 Parish Council agreed the Lengthman to contribute to drainage / highways maintenance work where appropriate and where improvement can be made.

**Energy assistance grant** This £400 energy grant intended for all is only paid automatically to customers who pay by direct debit to their energy suppliers. Mobile home residents who pay their electricity bill via the site owner are required to make an online claim to receive the grant (from 23 Feb). The Iron Bull to host free laptop and coffee sessions to enable those without online access to claim.

Church Path The Footpaths Warden has requested Countryside Service build up a third very wet area with scalpings - similar to previous two sites - on Church Path Newnham FP3.

Discarded dog poo bags on Church Path Recently reported... 'The left hand side of the stream is being used to dump used black dog poo bags. Some have been thrown into the actual stream.' 'There are also a lot in the hedge as you walk onto the path at the Newnham end, also lots in the double ditch-hedge from the Strings bridge crossing to Hook. There's probably a few years' worth of bags there, they've become evident now the hedges cut.'

Approx 80 collected and disposed of, more work to be done. Noted all the same type of bag and all with the same knot. Laminated notices have been put up. How to deter this?

#### PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

23/00347/PIP (Validated 14 Feb) Land at the Barracks. Permission in principle for the erection of a minimum of one and max of four residential dwellings 22/03225/HSE and 22/03226/LBC (Validated 03 Jan) Newnham House, Ridge Lane. Erection of new garden store / garage / annex with alteration works to flat within the Coach House.

22/02568/HSE and 22/02569/LBC (For decision by Development Control Committee of Wed 29 Mar) Newnham Green Farm. Demolition of single storey rear extension and outbuilding and erection of single storey rear extension. 22/02097/FUL (Pending, 09 Sept) Nately Scures House, Scures Hill. New detached house, garage and access.

16/03282/RET (Pending, 15 Sep 2016) Manor Farm, Blackstocks Lane. Change of use from agricultural to mixed agricultural to include farm open days etc 100 days a year, associated parking.

#### **TREE APPLICATIONS**

T/00073/23/TCA (Validated 16 Feb) 2 Ash Cottages, Newnham Road. T1 Goat Willow: crown lift. T2 Field Maple: reduce to hedge height. G1 Mixed native tree line: remove lower branches. T3 Goat Willow sapling: coppice.

T/00027/23/TCA (Approved 23 Feb) New House, Church Path. T1 - Bay tree front garden - crown reduce. T3 - Silver Birch - reduce to previous points. T4 -Beech - remove three lowest, intrusive branches. T5 - Yew - Fell, poor specimen. T6 - Judas - deadwood and remove two branches.

T/00534/22/TPO (Validated 06 Dec 2022) Oakhanger, Newnham Road. T2,T3,T4 Ash trees: fell.

#### WAREHOUSING PROPOSALS

M3 J7 Oakdown Farm appeal dismissed 22/00667/FUL Land At Oakdown Farm, Dummer APP/H1705/W/22/3301468

Public Inquiry at Civic Offices 18-21 Oct. Appeal dismissed 15 December mainly on Landscape grounds.

M3 J5 Lodge Farm, North Warnborough (Odiham Parish)

Hart case officer response to the Pre-app enquiry concludes: 'At this stage and with the level of information submitted to justify the proposal, Hart District Council officers do not regard this strategic development to be in compliance with the principle countryside economic policies of the HLP32. As such, the proposal could not be supported by officers if such a formal planning application were submitted in the near future.'

# **Church Notices**

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#### From the Ministry Team

Jeremy Paxman in his book *The English* – *A Portrait of a People* described the English as doers rather than thinkers:

'Once upon a time the English knew who they were... polite, unexcitable, reserved, had hot water bottles instead of a sex life: How they reproduced was one of the wonders of the modern world. They were doers rather than thinkers, writers rather than painters, gardeners rather than cooks...'

For myself I recognise that I always want to do things, to get things done! Unlike the Scots, the English rarely want to grapple with philosophy or complex ideological ideas – we tend to be concerned with making things work – or making them work better. Particularly if we have a farm or a school, a hospital, a business to run.

And yet, once in a while, my attention is grabbed by a philosophical concept or writer. A few years ago a friend introduced me to the work of the Danish theologian / philosopher Søren Kierkegaard (1813-1855). One of his ideas caught my notice:

'Life can only be understood backwards; but it must be lived forwards.

Lent is a moment in the year when we do exactly that. We continue to live life forward in anticipation of the joy of Easter, but we also spend time in reflection looking back on life we have lived and the way we have lived it. How is 2023 unfolding for you? How have the past few years been for you? Have they been good? Difficult? Nonyears? Have you felt able to rise to the challenges of Covid? Felt empowered to play your part in the world? Or have you felt that you have just been a spectator or a victim – merely reacting to events – positive and negative?

Lent is a moment in the year when we have the opportunity to look back on life and to begin to make sense of it. Even if you feel that so far Lent 2023 has passed you by, it is never too late to start.

For a good number of years I have managed to spend some time in retreat. Some years my retreat can last a few days. Other years it is just a day. Other years it is just a morning. I take my Bible and a pile of books. I read and write and I pray. Weather permitting, I love to go on long walks as I reflect on the events of the last year. I always return home from every retreat refreshed, re-energised, and with lessons from the past to help me live more wholly in the future.

In the busyness of life, taking stock and looking back can feel like something of a luxury. And yet time spent during Lent – understanding life backwards – is actually an investment in living life forwards. How might you make some space this Lent to look backwards?

A few hours spent alone at home or away or walking in a favourite place might just make all the difference. A few hours spent alone reflecting on the past might just reveal the very important lessons you need to live life

#### **CHURCH SERVICES MARCH INTO APRIL**

Sunday 05 March	9am St Mary's Mapledurwell CW Holy Communion 11am St Mary's Greywell CW Holy Communion
Sunday 12 March	9am St Stephen's Up Nately BCP Holy Communion (said) 10am St Nicholas' Newnham 1662 Morning Prayer
Sunday 19 March	9.30am St Mary's Greywell Mothering Sunday service please note time later than usual
	11am St Mary's Mapledurwell informal Mothering Sunday service
	5pm St Swithun's Nately Scures Evensong
Sunday 26 March	10.00am St Nicholas' Newnham BCP Holy Communion 11.00am St Stephen's Up Nately Morning Worship
Sunday 02 April	9am St Mary's Mapledurwell CW Holy Communion 11am St Mary's Greywell Morning Worship.

more wholly in the future. Or join one of our Lent groups. Why not mark out some time in your diary right now?

With love and prayers Revd Gillian Wilton Vicar, Long Sutton & S Warnborough

#### LENT EVENTS

In common with many churches across the country, the United Parish is studying the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent book for 2023 -*Failure* by Bishop Emma Ineson.

## We have the following events in Lent this year:

The United Parish prayer group is discussing the Lent book on Tuesday mornings in Greywell from 9.45 to 10.45. If you would like to come along please contact Libbie Bromfield on 07866 367709.

**Charity Lent Lunches** Newnham and Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parishes – see relevant pages.

**Charity Lent Lunch** in Greywell Village Hall at 12.30pm on Monday 20th March. All welcome.



#### North Hampshire Downs MU

We held our AGM on Monday 6th February at the RAF Chaplaincy Centre and enjoyed a Bring and Share meal. We are very grateful to the RAF for allowing us to use the Chaplaincy Centre for our meetings. You will read elsewhere about our local projects – the Sunflower Café and our Knit 'N Natter group which are doing well.

Our next meeting will be Monday 6th March, again at the RAF Chaplaincy Centre, the subject of the talk still TBA. On Tuesday 14th March, Mothers' Union members from around the diocese will meet at St Gabriel's Church in Popley, Basingstoke, for our Diocesan Information Day when we will be discussing how Mothers' Union can adapt to meet the challenges of the modern world.

If you want to find out more about Mothers' Union or our branch, please contact Sue Murphy on 01252 845011 or sue@the-murphys.me.uk.

**DIARY DATES – LOCAL EVENTS Thursday 23 March North Warnborough Gardening Club**. Village Hall at 2.30pm. Guest Speaker Andy McIndoe on 'Beautiful Bulbs'. Competitions 1. A Vase of Spring Flowers 2. Five Varieties of Narcissi. **Thursday 23 March Old Basing Royal British Legion Women's Section** General Meeting in the Jack Morris Hall OB, 7.30pm. Competition: A posy vase of spring flowers – all welcome. Please support – more members needed to attend. **Sunday 30 April Spring Concert St Mary's Old Basing** by Basing Singers, 6pm. Tickets 01256 471493 or Eventbrite.