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For the HHW web site Google 'Hartford Hundred West'.

# ear All Remembrance Day

United Kingdom and the Commonwealth do mark Remembrance Sunday, a memorial day to honour the role of British and Commonwealth military and civilian people in the two World Wars and following conflicts. Remembrance Day is habitually on the nearest Sunday to 11th November, which was Armistice Day – which was the end of hostilities in the First World War in 1918.

The country normally falls silent for two minutes to mark this day at 11am. A request so that our thoughts maybe concentrated on respectful remembrance of the glorious dead.

This year Hartford Hundred Group Service is at Ponsbourne (Newgate Street) on the 13<sup>th</sup> November, the service starting at 10:45am.

People normally wear a poppy, which has a long association with Remembrance Day. According to history in the late 1914 the fields of Flanders and Northern France were ragged open as World War One stormed through the heart of Europe. When the battle was over the red poppies were one of the only plants to be seen on the otherwise barren battleground.

The ability to remember is a wonderful gift. Time cannot robe us of those precious memories which are fixed in our minds. Remembrance Service is one of those importance services in the Church Calendar. Why? because it helps us not to forget why we have the freedom we enjoy today. When we remember other people's

commitment and sacrifice, we get strength to face the future with confidence.

In the Christian book – the Bible, God's people are often told to stop and remember what God has done.

Psalm 105 verses 1-5

O Give thanks to the LORD; call on his name;

make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.
Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
Seek the LORD and his strength;

seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually. Remember the wonderful works he has done.

In the new Testament, Jesus Christ, the Son of God, was sent into the world to restore our relationship with God. There was an ultimate sacrifice on the cross on our behalf. A sacrifice which we recall every year at Easter time.

Revd Theresa Musiwacho



#### **Prayer Share**

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son

Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

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#### **PARISH REGISTER**

#### Baptisms

25<sup>th</sup> September 2022 Arthur Raymond Anthony HANIVER-STUART

		Brickendon
2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2022	Astrid Susan MURPHY	Ponsbourne
	D.O.B 20.06.2021	
	Sebastian Robert Ian MURPHY	Ponsbourne
	D.O.B 20.06.2021	
Death		
5 September 2022	Pauline Marjorie WEIR	Essendon
•	(72 years)	
Interment of ashes		
20th September 2022	Terence Vivian WHYMAN	Bayford
•	RIP 7. 07. 2022 Aged 75 years	,
20th September 2022	Iris Grace WHYMAN	Bayford
•	RIP 10. 07. 2022 Aged 98 years	•
29th September 2022	John Rendel HILL	Essendon
1	R.I.P 13.11.2021 Aged 89	
29th September 2022	Pamela Mary BELL	Essendon
•	-	

R.I.P 09.10.2019 Aged 89

#### **NOVEMBER CALENDAR**

#### Sunday 6th November, Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am, Parish Communion, Essendon

9:30am, Family Service Ponsbourne

11:00am, Parish Communion, Brickendon

#### Sunday13th November, Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am, Remembrance Family Service Essendon

9:30am, Parish Communion, Bayford

10:45am, Group Remembrance Service, Ponsbourne

#### Sunday 20th November, Last Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am, Parish Communion, Ponsbourne

11:00am, Family Service, Brickendon

#### Friday 25th November, Feast of St Andrew.

7:00pm St Andrew's Night Service followed by Supper in the Church, Little B.

#### Sunday 27th November, First Sunday of Advent

9:30am, Parish Communion, Little Berkhamsted

11:00am, Family Service, Bayford

#### Wednesdays

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Essendon 10:00 am, Telephone Service Free

For Joining instructions see hartfordhundred@outlook.com

#### **2023 Subscription Rates**

As we near the end of the current subscription year, we are taking this opportunity to give all of our current subscribers advance warning of the rates for 2023.

Increases in the cost of living now never seems to be out of the news, adversely affecting all of us whichever way we turn. The parish magazine has not been exempted from such price increases, which has seen the costs of printing significantly increase since the start of the year.

Against this backdrop and to allow for further year-on-year price increases, next year's subscription rates will be as follows:

Annual subscription: £8.00 Monthly rate: 80p Postal rate (2nd class): £21.00

We believe that despite these increases, the magazine still offers excellent value for money and will allow us to continue to financially support both local and national initiatives that are compatible with our objectives.

We trust we will be able to count upon your continued support next year, what with the magazine being such an integral part of the support network within our parishes.

PC.

#### Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Bike n Hike 2022

Saturday  $10^{\rm th}$  September was the day for the annual Bike n Hike – a fund raising event organized by Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust, an independent charity which gives grants to local communities, which need help to repair their church or chapel. Riders/hikers choose their own route around local churches at which sponsor sheets are initialled and participants may partake of the refreshments provided.

This year Colin and Paula decided to avoid busy roads and traffic in towns to seek peace and tranquillity in the country. We met at Letty Green and cycled via Bramfield to Datchworth where there was a friendly welcome and an array of excellent home-made cakes (the best refreshments on offer all day) to spur us on our way. We continued our ride via Knebworth and St Paul's Walden to Preston where an enthusiastic and erudite churchwarden regaled us for half an hour with details of their recent church extension with toilet and kitchen, how the clapper from their single bell mounted in an outside turret had recently flown out landing in the churchyard and fortunately causing no damage, and the mysterious disappearance of a body from one of the coffins in a mausoleum in the churchyard. Next a picnic lunch in the churchyard at King's Walden, then Great Offley, Lilley, Whitwell, Codicote and Welwyn to Letty Green. Despite some light rain in the afternoon, it was a good day's cycling (over 46 miles) on quiet roads with beautiful country views and restful visits to tranquil rural churches.

A considerable amount has been raised, half of which will come to our church. Many thanks to all who so generously donated. Paula.





### Christmas Community Choir

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Three Rehearsals: Sundays 7pm (27/11 4/12 and 11/12)

Three performances: Little Berkhamsted 9 lessons & Carols (3pm 18 Dec)

Essendon 9 lessons & Carols (6.30pm 18 Dec)

Bayford Community Carol singing (6.45pm 21 Dec)

(Please join us, whether you want to do one, two or all three of these events!)



#### Dates for 2022

#### **Romantic Spirit**

Sat 12 Nov 2022 7.45pm

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Rachmaninov Symphony No. 2

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#### **Christmas Spectacular**

Sun 11 Dec 2022 3pm Haileybury, Hertford Heath

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Guest conductor: Daniel Hogan Tickets: £14 adults. £6 children/students £34 Family Ticket (2 adults + 2 children)



#### Dates for 2023

Classic Masterworks

Sat 4 Mar 2023 7.45pm Drill Hall, Ware

Cello concerto

Soloist: Joely Koos Symphony No. 1

Sat 20 May 2023 7.45pm

Drill Hall Ware

Beethoven Leonore Overture No. 3 Nielsen **Helios Overture** 

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#### All at Sea - Concert for Children

Sun 2 July 2023 2.30pm and 4.15pm Spotlight Theatre, Hoddesdon



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#### Invitation

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This year Ware Choral Society will be performing 'The Messiah' at Christ Church in Ware on Saturday 10th December.

If you enjoy singing and are free on Wednesday evenings, why not come along. All voice parts are welcome and no auditions are required.

We meet at the Riverside Hall in Ware on Wednesdays, 7.15 for 7.30 and rehearsals for The Messiah start on September 14<sup>th.</sup> You are welcome to come and try a few sessions, without commitment.

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### Bayford

St. Mary's Church

Bayford Church is open Mondays Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.

CHURCH CLEANING. 13th and 27th November Jane Rowley, Caroline Fletcher.

#### **BAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL.**

To read the minutes and agendas just Google 'Bayford Parish Council' and follow the link to 'Minutes'.

#### Planning.

Gavin Nelson, of Bonnel Homes, attended the last PC meeting and spoke about the plans for the 'Old Playground'. East Herts have not yet decided the application. The details are given in the minutes There seems to be a hold-up on several applications.

It is disappointing that only two members of the public were present.

#### Telephone Box and Rose Triangle.

I must apologise for not pursuing these two items which were discussed at previous meetings. We have decided to employ a contractor to refurbish the telephone box. It is the classic design of Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, and thus worth preserving. Suggestions for its future use are

welcome. One problem is, however, that it is likely to be damp inside.

The Rose Triangle is more complex. The PC would like to hire a contractor directly to carry out the work as this would undoubtedly be much cheaper. We are taking advice on the options.

#### Mineral Plan.

The latest **mineral/waste plan** for East Herts has been published. It makes no reference to Bayford. Some restoration work appears to have been carried out on the former gravel/waste site near Water Hall.

#### Meetings.

**28**th **November**. 8pm Please check the web site.

Michael Wainwright (Dr), Chairman.

#### pc@begesford.co.uk 01707 875970

www.begesford.co.uk

If you would like to receive emails of PC news, please drop me an email.

#### **Bayford**

#### The Baker Arms.

Time to look forward to Christmas, please note that we will only be open on Christmas day from 11am to 1 Pm. Bev & I believe Christmas is time to be spent with family.

Please watch the board outside the pub.
We will be doing Christmas Carols in the Pub, the date will be advertised on the boards outside.
Our Christmas menu is now available.
Have a Blessed Christmas

Martin & Beverley, 01992 511235



#### **Knitting and Crocheting Group**

The knitting group has made 95 poppies, representing each life lost in the Hartford Hundred Group in the first and second world wars. These individually dedicated poppies will be on display at the Group Remembrance service and afterwards each



church will receive the poppies dedicated to its soldiers. Our next project is a Christmas one. If you would like to join us, we meet on the first and third Wednesdays of each month in the Baker Arms from 8pm. All welcome.

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#### **Brickendon**

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Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Dec at 3.00pm – Carols by Candlelight with refreshments.

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#### **Richard Haryott 01992 511575**

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Flowers	November	Cleaning
Adrianne Hollingsworth	4 <sup>th</sup>	Janie Corbisiero
Adrianne Hollingsworth	11 <sup>th</sup>	
Diana Abbott	18 <sup>th</sup>	Tessa Whitlow
Diana Abbott	25 <sup>th</sup>	

#### **Brickendon Clubs:**

We have some excellent clubs in Brickendon which are always happy to welcome new members.

**Book Club** - meets every first Tuesday of the month at 8pm, contact **Andrea Trendler for venue - 01992 511588** 

**Pilates** - Every Tuesday morning in Fanshaws Room (the village hall) at 9.15am, to register contact **Harriet Barton**, **07944 500504 or** *pilateswithharriet@hotmail.com* 

Fanshaws Room (The Village Hall)

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Phone **01992 511551** for further information or to make a booking.

#### **Tennis Courts.**

The fee for hire is still £5 per court per hour for everyone. Last summer the courts and pavilion were renovated and are in excellent condition.

For further information and to book see Brickendon website (www.brickendon-liberty.org.uk) Brenda Lambie



#### **Parish Council**

#### **Meetings 2022**

Meetings are normally held in the Fanshaws Room at 7.30pm and all parishioners are welcome to attend and to raise any issues of concern. Agendas are posted on noticeboards at least 3 days before the meeting.

Parish Clerk: Laura Brooks-Payne Brickendon Liberty Parish Council PO BOX 81, Knebworth, SG3 6YZ

Email *clerk@brickendon-liberty.org.uk*Mobile 07803 906291

**Minutes**: Brickendon website www.brickendon-liberty.org.uk for .

#### **Meetings**:

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#### **Tennis Courts**

Another good summer of tennis. Two fun junior run events and a successful American Tournament followed by a lovely lunch in Ian Screech's garden.

New members always welcome.

To join the club or any questions please contact,

Nicki Whitelaw 07946300512 nicki.whitelaw@sky.com Essendon Tennis Club Committee



#### All Sorts Dementia Group.

Social and activity group for people with mild to moderate dementia starting at Essendon Village Hall every Wednesday 10.30am till 3pm. Spaces limited so please call

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#### ESSENDON PARISH COUNCIL

The next meetings of the Essendon Parish Council will be held on November 14th and December 12th. Agendas will be available on the PC website, (https://www.essendonpc.org.uk/) and on noticeboards in the village. Minutes of all meetings are also available on the website.

Members of the public are welcome to attend all meetings.



FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S ESSENDON

#### CANDLELIT CHRISTMAS SUPPER

will be held in the Church at 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm on SATURDAY 10th DECEMBER 2022

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Meetings are based at our Headquarters in Northaw Village.

To find out more contact Gordon Marshall at

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#### THANK YOU

A happy and sad thank you to the many friends across the Hartford Hundred who have wished us well for our future life in Australia.

The kindness and generosity expressed in words and cards and in the gift presented to us at our last church attendance have overwhelmed

Village life is rich in friendship and support and we know we will miss it dreadfully in the city life of Sydney. God bless you all,

Beresford and Joan

#### **Essendon Nature Notes**

For the last few weeks the call of the tawny owl has been a constant companion as dusk falls. Both males and females hold territories but it is mostly the female's 'kew-wick' that seems to dominate the autumn oral jousts, at least in these parts. The 'tuwhit tu-woo' that is commonly used to characterise the bird is not an accurate representation of the species. combining as it does the female's call with the male's hooting rejoinder.

The tawny is a magnificent predator but hard to see given its nocturnal One way to pinpoint its habits. presence is to let others do the work. Listen out in the evening for smaller birds, particularly blackbirds, making a commotion. If several species are involved it is unlikely to be a 'domestic' and more likely that the birds have discovered a tawny out of its roost and have taken to 'mobbing'. The owl usually sits by, imperious and implacable, ignoring the drama as it rests up before the night's hunting.

We are fortunate that there are plenty of tawnies around the village but, having recently stumbled across a sickly adult sitting on a low branch in daylight in Essendon's woods, it was a reminder that much harm is done by secondary poisoning of owls from rodents. We would be better off leaving the owls to do our removal work given the large numbers they take, particularly when feeding chicks.

The tawny's call is a beautiful and special sound and whilst it might occasionally spook you amidst an autumn or winter pea-souper, we welcome should it's unique contribution to the rural atmosphere of our village. Tawny owls have long had an important place in our culture and the collective noun for owls is a 'parliament'. Given the owl's reputation for wisdom perhaps it is time to look for an alternative.

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#### **Family Services**

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**November** - Remembrance, Thinking about those who gave their lives for us

**December** - Christingle. Remind me, what's the orange for? Oh yes, the Children's Society.

Christmas Day - The big day is here. Jesus's Birthday. So did you get any presents?

#### **Gardening**

This has been such an extraordinary year in so many ways and November will probably carry on in that way. Flowers are scarce but that doesn't mean 'no colour', trees with attractive barks, evergreen foliage and many berries will cheer us up.

This is also a good time to check and clean out bird boxes and repair damaged ones. It is also a very good time to decide what to do with existing Dahlias, depending very much on your soil and how wet it gets in the winter and, particularly if you have precious favourites, dig them up and store them safely and don't forget to label them! I found a list I had kept of best roses for small spaces and The Poet's Wife, a very attractive repeat flowering yellow from David Austin, just 1.1m by 1.1m and happy in full sun or partial shade, is a lovely delightful very small decorative crimson and white one,

Stars and Stripes again repeat flowering, Stars and Stripes, just 30 cm x30 cm which is almost thornless and this can be grown in a small container in free draining moist soil. And another suggestion is also 'Happy Days' a delightful semi-double apricot/peach colour, 60cm x 80cms, again repeat flowering with also a medium perfume. This again does well in a large pot and these pots can also, with strong arms and care, be moved about if not too heavy. These patio roses should be firmly pruned in the winter or they become too leggy. Protect tender and newly planted shrubs from frost and wind, finish any winter digging and keep off the lawn when it is frosty!

Looking ahead, we can start on pruning our deciduous trees and shrubs including renovation of hedges, clearing up our cuttings as we go! Germander Speedwell

#### **Essendon Food and Warm Bank**

Thanks to the generosity of many the cosy Church Room ago. Please continue bank - Jedidiah - at 138 Fore Street in Friday mornings. Hertford (near M&S food) which also has fresh food.

We are starting a weekly Warm Bank Belinda Kent-Lemon 07976-447263 on 26th October, on Wednesdays from We hope to see you there. 10.00-13.00. This will run initially in

villagers and the splendid school November, and then move to the harvest festival contributions, the Food Village Hall for December. We will Bank in the Church Porch has a much serve coffee, tea and biscuits, with more secure future than it had a few bread and homemade soup for lunch to from 12.00. This is in addition to the remember it, both for donations or if Essendon Connect coffee mornings you need to use it. There is a free food which continue in The Village Hall on

> Any offers of help would be very much appreciated.

#### Beresford and Joan Thomson.

1988 was a particularly happy year for very welcome arrivals moving into the High Road, Essendon - particularly Beresford and Joan!

Beresford and Joan moved into Adelaide Cottage on June 30th 1988 .These have been very special years, not only for them, but also for us all in the Hartford Hundred Group and particularly the community in Essendon. We have all been so lucky to have known them and been part of their lives.

So much has happened to us all since June 1988. Beresford and Joan's real concerns have always been for other people, whoever they were. Both of them quickly became involved with all sorts of things in the community - the Church, the School, the W.I. and life in general around them. the development of the Church Room in Essendon and many other church activities. At times life wasn't easy but they gently and firmly carried on and we managed to move forward in so many different ways thanks to their continued auiet support and thoughtful advice at all times.

Many of us will always remember their love of opera and theatre and their years of running the plant stall

at the Village Fete. We remember their involvement and helpfulness in Church. wonderful the their entertaining, Beresford's cooking, and their lovely garden. We remember their tremendous support for the Gardens' Open Days and all other outreach of the Church; Joan's stalwart work with the regular Sunday Club for the children in Essendon: Beresford's service as a Churchwarden for fifteen years and as a Lay Leader of Worship, and, in past years, as a grandfatherly presence at the Mother and Toddler's Group at Little Berkhamsted.

Their tremendous support in their different roles to all the Clergy of the Hartford Hundred Group and now to Reverend Theresa will also not be forgotten.

We know how much we will all miss you and wish you a safe and comfortable return to Australia and your families there. You certainly will never be forgotten here with so many happy memories you will leave us with. Bon Voyage!

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St. Andrew

#### **Church Cleaning.**

8<sup>th</sup> Nov Sandie Ash, Diane Standbrook 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov Trish McKellar

# Group Remembrance Service will be held in St Mary Ponsbourne. Sunday 13th November.

St Andrew's Church Family service will be cancelled on that Sunday

# The Pantomime this year will be in St Andrew's Church

#### 'A Lad in a Manger'

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Friday 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December

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#### News from Little Berkhamsted Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022** at 7.30pm in the village hall. The agenda is published on the website and village notice-board the week before the meeting and residents are welcome to send questions and comments to the clerk beforehand, clerk@littleberkhamsted.org.uk or attend the meeting and ask in person.



Just some of the fabulous volunteers who helped with the **Autumn Litter Pick.** 

On a lovely morning 27 intrepid souls took to the roads of Little Berkhamsted to clear our beautiful village of the seemingly endless variety of litter that people (or should we say 'people who don't know any better than to spoil nice places'!) decide to deposit wilfully. Car tyres, wing mirrors, bumpers, hub caps, old road signs and cones, gas canisters large and small (some for legal/illegal highs), glass and plastic bottles containing a kaleidoscope of coloured liquids (alcoholic otherwise), bedside tables and chests of drawers, carpets, coffee barbed wire, hundreds of plastic bags (some containing stuff we did not want to investigate!), bottle tops, crisp packets, chocolate wrappers, straws, sandwich boxes and possibly more

than all the others together, drinks cans! I'm sure my fellow pickers would remember more!

A huge thank you to Elaine Hunter, who coordinated the whole enterprise, Penny Stokes, Chairman of the PC who enthuses everyone to get involved. The Horseshoes Five and Dave. manager, who provided us all with a lovely spread of sandwiches and warm nibbles to restore us and to our wonderful band of volunteers who braved those roads, made a little safer by the signs collected and distributed by Lawrence Eaglestone and his team. Well done to one and all.

Tony Tyndale

#### LITTLE BERKHAMSTED SAHIBS CRICKET CLUB

LBSCC finished the season strongly ensuring the first XI finished top of their division, although a league restructure may mean we still play in the same division next season, nothing taken away from the lad's commitment and skill required to win the league. The second XI also secured the wins required to stay in their division and achieved a mid table finish Our AGM is being held in the pavilion on Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> with the club's presentation evening following on afterwards at around 6pm. Needless to say evervone welcome. Club president: Martin Squirrell.

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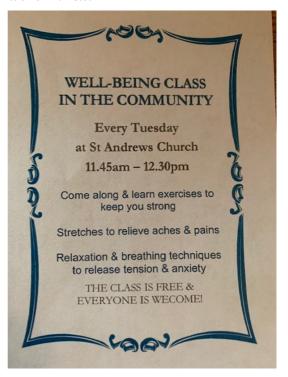
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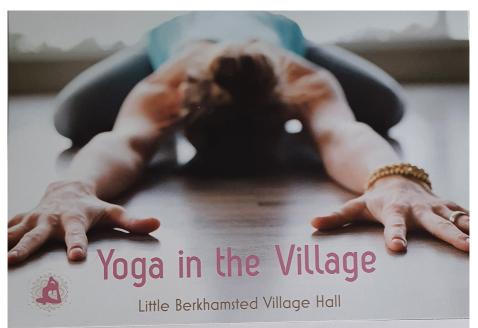
The workshops are typically a full day 10am-4pm

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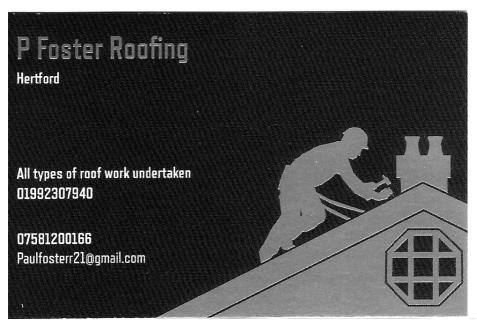
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**Village Chat** - WhatsApp group for people living in the village. To join the group contact 07710 507 215

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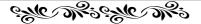
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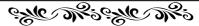
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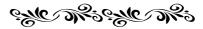
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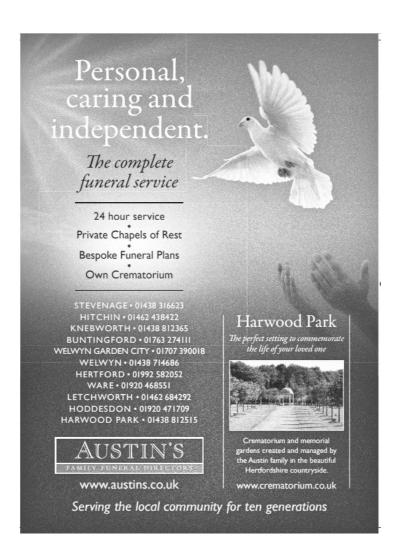
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