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ear All At such a time like this, we remember those who have died in war, especially the relatively innocent, the children, the civilians, and soldiers. Those who had no choice but sought to defend our nation.

One of the books in the Bible, Job, clearly brings to light the anguish of losing the loved ones. Job is remembered as the innocent, patient sufferer. The scripture is about the challenge of suffering and death. The man Job was tested beyond what one can bear. In his pain after his loved ones were killed, his friends think he must have done something dreadful to be suffering. In agony, Job cries out in distress and exasperation to God.

In despair, Job reaches out at times in the hope that he must be vindicated. Job calls on his redeemer, his rescuer-God that He must in the end stand and reveal himself. His family and his servants were killed by raiders. On this earth violence and warlike acts are part of the suffering that comes on us. Job's lament in distress can stand for the cries of those who suffer from war and injustice. We can relate to what is happening to Ukraine, to Israel and other countries. I quite like what Job says at the end after God had "I know that you remembered him can do all things; no purpose of yours can be thwarted. My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you". Job 42: 2&5

Though there is suffering of this physical life, the good news is that,

there is hope for life beyond death that Jesus' resurrection gives. Christ's resurrection promises a future to all reality. The ruined earth itself is to be restored, transformed, within the new creation.

The hope we have in Christ is to be reunited with those who have gone before us asleep in Christ. Jesus' taking on the evil and overcoming it with love means that he has shared our sufferings and death so we can share his life. He died for all, so all may live with him.

In our Act of remembrance, we play the Last Post, music for the end of the day, symbolising the end of life, but after the silence we play Reveille, Wake up, Get up, Rise to share God's eternal life. Our remembrance may be perceived as sorrow, but there is hope and we rejoice in hope. May we share God's forgiveness and love in Christ, convinced that we will obtain eternal life at the end.

Revd Theresa Musiwacho

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Prayer Share

As you remember them, remember us, O Lord; grant us peace in our time and a longing for the day when people of every language, race, and nation will be brought into the unity of Christ's kingdom. This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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24 th September 2023	Theodora Courtney BROWN D.O.B 28/10/2022	Little Berkhams
1st October 2023	Oliver Robert HOLFORD D.O.B 14/11/2022	Little Berkhams
Death		
10 th September 2023	Rosemary STOREY (90 years)	Essendon
Interment of ashes		
13 th September 2023	Ian Stuart ROBERTS RIP 14. 07. 2023 (Aged 74 years	Essendon s)
4 th October 2023	Kenneth KINGS RIP 10.05. 2023 (Aged 91 year:	Essendon s)



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OCTOBER CALENDAR

Sunday 5th November, All Saints

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Essendon 9:30 am, Family Service, Ponsbourne 11:00 am, Parish Communion, Brickendon

Sunday 12th November, Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am Parish Communion, Bayford 9:30 am, Family Service, Essendon 10:45 am, Group Remembrance Service, Little Berkhamsted

Sunday 19th November, Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Ponsbourne 11:00 am, Family Service, Brickendon

Sunday 26th November, Last Sunday of Pentecost

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Little Berkhamsted 11:00 am Family Service Bayford

Sunday 3rd December, First Sunday of Advent

9:30 am, Parish Communion, Essendon 11:00 am, Parish Communion, Brickendon 4:00 pm Christingle Service, Ponsbourne.

Wednesdays

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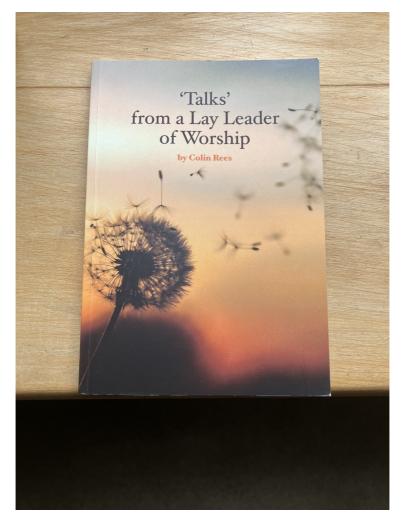
Hartford Hundred Community Choir

We are hoping to have an autumn gathering with an informal concert!

Watch this space for more info! AND of course we will be preparing for a Nine Lessons and Carols or two and a spot of carol singing in December!

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The Baker Arms

The pub has received ACV registration See opposite.

The Survey has already shown a great deal of support from within and outside the village.

Oliver and I met with Tom McMullen on the 12th October. The meeting was extremely useful and enlightening. Tom stressed that as the BA is the only pub in the village it is extremely important to keep it open. He was open to any model which could achieve this. He stated that the present tenanted model could not be made profitable. In view of the ACV status, he advised us that he will put the pub up for sale 'immediately'. The FofBA thus need to move to the next phase of the process.

BA Car Park Right of Way.

This will be discussed at the next PC meeting. It was decided to separate this from the survey. Creating a new RofW is a legal process and any errors in the application will mean it is rejected. Our RofW expert, Andrea Trendler, is advising us on this matter. It is vital that all evidence forms are collected in and coordinated application made.

We will be looking for people who are willing to state that they have used the car park as a footpath/bridleway for all or part of the period 2003 to 2023.

Meetings.

20th November, Monday

Please check the web site.

Michael Wainwright (Dr), Chairman.

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The Knitting Group

The knitting group now meets at the Farmer's Boy. We're starting our Christmas projects so if you'd like to be involved, please join us on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 8pm.

Please call **Caroline Fletcher on 07919 317212** for more details.

ACV Registration for the Baker Arms

ACV Listing (Asset of Community Value) gives us six weeks from the announcement of the sale of the pub to decide if we want to make an offer.

The offer need not be accepted by the owner. We then have six months to complete the process. So this is by no means a 'silver bullet'. MW.

Community support behind a bright future for Baker Arms

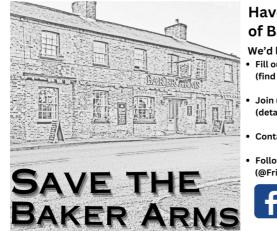
News of the sudden departure of Baker Arms landlords, Martin and Bev, was met by a strong show of support from the village and beyond at the closing nights and a subsequent Parish Council meeting.

There has been a pub on the site for over 200 years. It is one of the last true village amenities, the post office, shop and blacksmith having departed long ago

A working group has now been formed to explore options for a viable future for the pub.

Whatever the way forward, your support for the Baker Arms will be crucial to its success. We intend to hold a public engagement event in the Autumn; please stand by for updates and meanwhile any ideas or queries are welcome; please address them to me.

Oliver Riley, Chair, Friends of the Baker Arms.



Have your say on the future of Bayford's village pub!

We'd like your views ...

- Fill out our questionnaire and share your ideas (find at: bit.ly/3t0N2sS or scan QR code below)
- Join us for a drink from 7pm on Friday 20th Oct (details available soon via social media)
- Contact us: hello@friendsofbakerarms.org
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County Councillor Musings. Ken Crofton

September's Parish magazine spurred me to offer an update on a few County Council (HCC) issues. I will start by saying that HCC is a huge operation employing 8000 people funded from government grants, the Local Enterprise Partnership and Council tax payers totaling £1.15 billion. In a county where demands from the public are ever increasing and income difficult to increase there is pressure on the finance director and his team to balance the books whilst maintaining services. The massive increase in the costs of children's services of over £1 million a day, adult care and inflation have had an impact.

HCC has an enviable record nationally and at Whitehall of being well run and respected and is used as an exemplar for other County Councils to follow.

The Magazine mentioned that staff at County Hall are being relocated to Robertson House in Gunnels Wood Road, Stevenage, this is the County Council not East Herts Council as some believe. Our chief executive Mr. Owen Mapley has encouraged home working and determined that the offices are now not populated enough to warrant the expenditure as he believes they are too large for current needs.

Robertson House will be known to many as the location where the Covid jabs were administered. This is a vast building owned by HCC and is being prepared to receive the new influx of staff from December. HCC meetings will still be held in the magnificent chamber at County Hall. No decision has been made what to do with the back offices whether they may be rented out or planning permission sought for housing. Once a decision has been made it will be impossible to reverse it. It is unrealistic to imagine there will be cost savings.

I have to tell you I have and will continue to oppose this short-sighted abandonment of County Hall. Our CEO is mistaken to believe that whilst the rest of the country is understanding the need to return to the place of work, Councils fail to understand that to provide an efficient service the workforce need to be managed and staff trained and communicate together. With a 10% staff churn new employees tend to be younger and often work from a rented flat or their parents' home. It must be a horrible working environment without the benefit of companionship or proper communication.

In my opinion this inefficient working from home should be ended immediately and staff made to repopulate the offices at County Hall, after all it is the County Town.

I have written to the Rt Hon Michael Gove to ask him to compel Councils to get back to work. It is surprising there hasn't been more of an outcry from residents or the local press.

Best wishes, Ken

County Councillor Ken Crofton. J.P. F.Inst.D

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Sunday Services11 am 5th November - Parish Communion10:45 am 12th November - Group Remembrance Service at LittleBerkhamsted11 am 19th November - Family Service at 11.00am11 am 3rd December - Parish Communion at 11.00am

Flowers	November	Cleaning
Brenda Lambie	$3^{ m rd}$ & $10^{ m th}$	Janie Corbisiero
Amanda Davey	$17^{th} \& 24^{th}$	Virginia Haryott

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)

The Village Hall in Brickendon is a lovely space for meetings, children's parties and other gatherings. More details and photos can be found on the village website www.brickendonliberty.org.uk

Hire charge for non-residents is £15 per hour (£10 per hour for residents of Brickendon Liberty parish)

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

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:

23rd November

Brickendon Petanque Boules Club

Play at The Farmer's Boy

Winter Play Times Sunday 10am - 12 noon Tuesday 5.30 - 7pm Thursday 10am - 12 noon

Further information and enquiries Contact Janet 01992 511515



Oak Processionary Moths

Unfortunately there is a problem in the Churchyard with oak moths nests. These nasty creatures are found across the southeast – including Hertfordshire. The caterpillars feed on the leaves of oak trees causing stress to the tree making them more susceptible to disease and drought.

Older caterpillars have hundreds of tiny hairs which can cause skin rashes, eye irritation, breathing difficulties. We are taking this very seriously and are getting expert help and advice.

Please keep behind the roped off area and if you do need to tidy up the graves always use gloves.

Hertford Symphony Orchestra

Saturday 11th November (conductor Daniel Hogan) Ware Drill Hall 7.45pm This wonderful concert includes **Mozart's Clarinet concerto** and Mahler Symphony No.1

Conductor Daniel Hogan (currently studying for a professional diploma at the Royal Academy of Music) has worked with HSO on several concerts over the past year or two and we are delighted to welcome him back for this concert.

Sunday 10th December (conductor Jonathan Mann) Ware Drill Hall 3pm **HSO Christmas Spectacular** – our programme is yet to be confirmed but it will include carols and Christmas music to be sure! This is a great event for all the family and a lovely introduction to orchestral music.





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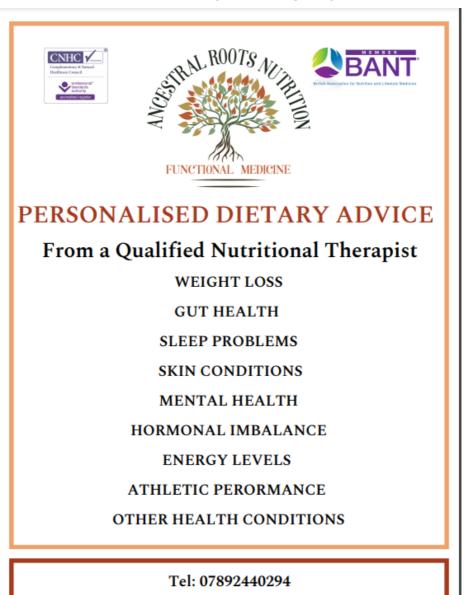
Sponsored Bike n Hike 2023

Saturday 9th September was the day for this annual event sponsored in support of the Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust.

For the 18th consecutive year Colin and Paula, accompanied by Colin's daughter, Emma, participated but, because it was expected to be a record temperature for September in the UK, the route, usually well planned beforehand, was considerably shortened with the aim, as far as possible, of avoiding hills and choosing shady rides. We cycled to Hertford along the Cole Green Way and there visited eight churches one of which, the Town Church, we didn't realise existed. The open churches provided cool sanctuary from the sun and the chance for refreshment and to meet other cyclists. From there we cycled on the towpath (a very bumpy and hot ride in places) across the Meads to Ware where we visited four more churches. By then the temperature had reached 32'C. Cycling back across the Meads we ate our picnic lunch in a shady spot near Hertford, then stopped at Hertingfordbury on route back to Letty Green and Essendon.

Many thanks to all who so generously sponsored us. Half of the amount we have raised will come to our church.

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November Services. See page 5.

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Members of the public are welcome to attend all meetings. Clerk: Nerine Chalmers essendonparishcouncil@ gmail.com

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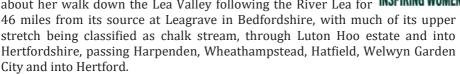
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A very interesting and informative evening on 20th September was enjoyed by 13 members and 3 guests,

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The meetings start at 8.00 pm in the Village Hall and guests will be made very welcome

Gardening in October

This has been such an extraordinary year, weatherwise, in our gardens but November is very much a month when, not only do we clear up, but also seriously look ahead and perhaps plan. Our cold damp Spring followed by much warmer temperatures has made many of us realise that there are real climate changes ahead and we must be prepared sometimes to do things in different ways. The growth this year with many of our trees and shrubs has been amazing which has caused some of our more delicate plants to be overshadowed. Have a real good look round and see where you can rebalance this so giving them plenty of room and also moving them round.

With the clearing up, be firm but also careful not to get too carried away, find room somewhere for replanted bits and pieces and label them!

Hardwood cuttings taken last autumn can be planted out carefully in their permanent place, lift them carefully and replant them with labels so you remember what they are!

Many of us have had lovely displays in our outdoor pots but their plants don't like standing in puddles so lift them up, either using 'pot feet' or even a couple of bricks to keeping their bases out of standing water. Plants such as Agapanthus and Nerines can be damaged by winter conditions so cover their crowns with free-draining mulch to protect them. If you have perennials, herbaceous plants etc. in pots, clean out the drainage holes so that frosts do not block them as this can cause 'root ball'. Remember where you have put in new bulbs and it is a great joy when the first early signs appear.

Germander Speedwell

Essendon Nature Notes

It has always slightly jarred with me erupting profusely from the decaying that the twenty-oak field which sits at wood. As its name suggests it is a the back of Essendon's 'Terrace' has forager's favourite and supposed to be only nineteen standing trees. The lost good eating with the flavour and one lies fallen, giant logs hinting of texture of chicken but I am not brave former grandeur. They are good or expert enough to take advantage of staging posts on long walks and as you this culinary opportunity. take a rest, you can see that this field correctly identified the fungus has its has the best view surely Hertfordshire, overlooking the broad toxins when it emerges on yew trees scape of farmland, hedgerow and and even on oak and other species, wood. As the sun sets, the beauty of there are a small number of mushroom this pastoral scene is exquisite and lovers who can experience an allergic timeless. In years past, drinkers in the reaction. adjoining Wheatsheaf and Salisbury Crest, both of which have long since called last orders, would have been blessed to have had such a wonderful backdrop to an evening ale.

its journey back to the earth as in mathematical harmony of this magical recent weeks a remarkable fungus has field. emerged. Laetiporus sulphureus or 'Chicken of the Woods' has taken hold. DC orangey-yellow fruiting body the

Even if in risks. It is thought to be able to pass on

When the chicken of the woods has done its work, perhaps it will be time to plant a new oak or maybe an acorn buried by a jay or squirrel will take advantage of the space and sunlight. This fallen oak has finally commenced complete the cycle, and restore the

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agreen@pemberton-group.co.uk or 07538 857615.



News from Little Berkhamsted Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on **Wednesday 8th November** at 7.30pm in the village hall. The agenda is published on the website and village noticeboard the week before the meeting. Residents are welcome to attend the meeting to comment or ask in questions in person or to send them to the clerk beforehand. clerk@littleberkhamsted.org.uk.

REMEMBER to check your bonfire pile for nesting and hibernating hedgehogs before lighting it this year!



Hedgehogs are in rapid decline. Estimates put the current population in England, Scotland and Wales at less than one million, compared with a staggering 30 million in the 1950s.

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Work is Starting on the Village Hall

Following a lengthy process, the Parish Council have secured some grant funding towards the upgrading of the village hall.

This month we are hoping the contractors will start work on insulating the Village Hall roof, installing secondary double glazing and LED lighting.

This work is long overdue and should make the hall a more environmentally friendly building and reduce the high heating bills currently paid.

Along with redecoration of the hall, we hope that this work will encourage greater use of the building by villagers and others.

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Come and join us between 11-3pm! For further information, please email fundraising@stelizabeths.org.uk





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VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS

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A BIG THANK YOU for the donation from the BOOK EXCHANGE which continues to run at the **Post Office** in Newgate Street Village Hall on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings.



Newgate Street Ponsbourne St. Marv

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Book Swap - Pre read books to buy £1 or swap 50p, in the Village Hall Post Office Tuesday & Thursday mornings.

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

Village Pub Social - 8pm the second Friday of every month in either The Crown or The Coach & Horses Pubs, come along to meet friends and make new ones. See Village Chat WhatsApp group or Village website for details.

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