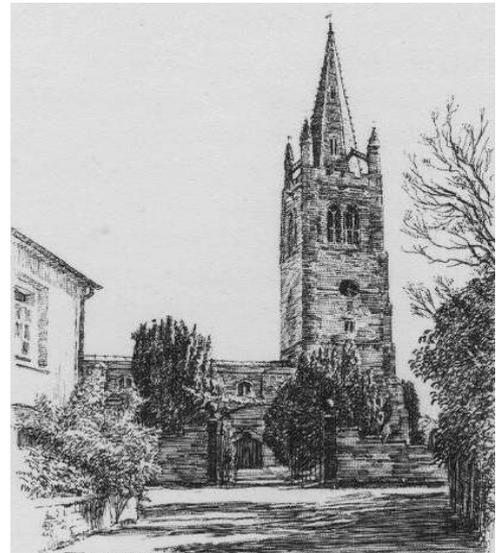


HANSLOPE PARISH COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 2012 NEWSLETTER

HANSLOPE PARISH COUNCIL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2011-2012 IN £

ITEM	EXPENDITURE	INCOME
Precept		43,163
Recreation Ground	17,588	1,950
Allotments	650	1,014
Highways	3,850	
Newsletter	1,150	
Donations	8,925	
Administration	4,150	
Insurance	2,261	
Salaries	6,400	
Projects; Investigation ref possible new community/sports building in rec	10,000	
Section 106 funds		25,000
Ward Councillor Donation		1,000



Considerable thought was given to considering whether costs could be reduced and plans modified. However, all parties concluded that any modifications would seriously compromise meeting the needs of all groups, and substituting alternative materials would not reduce costs sufficiently.

As a result the Parish Council took the decision at their July meeting to mothball the current plans and hold them on file. They are no longer on the village website. The sub-committee will now consult with the Village Hall Management Committee, the Baden Lodge Management Committee, and the Recreation Ground Sports Club Committee regarding the way forward in improving current facilities using the limited funds that are available.

Carol Hayward

**HANSLOPE PARISH COUNCIL
THE OCTOBER OPEN MEETING IS
xxxxxxxxxOCTOBER 2012
7.30 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

PROPOSED NEW COMMUNITY AND SPORTS BUILDING

As reported in the June Newsletter the potential Funding Strategy opportunities have been looked into in some detail and unfortunately we have to report that we were informed that currently it is unrealistic to expect that we would be able to access funds anywhere near the estimated £3.2million required to build the proposed facility as specified.

Recreation Ground;
thank you to
Chris Scott

The Parish Council and The Recreation Ground Sports Club would like to thank Chris the Caretaker who is retiring at the end of September. Chris has looked after the recreation ground and the buildings really well and his hard work and commitment is very much appreciated. Enjoy retirement Chris and thank you

OTHER ISSUES

Caretaker Vacancy; Recreation Ground

The Parish Council has a vacancy commencing October 2012 for a self employed caretaker to clean and maintain the Council's facilities at the Castlethorpe Road Recreation Ground. Duties include; cleaning, litter picking and disposal, general maintenance and refurbishment work. Further details available from the Clerk, Bert McDonald, 01908 290459, hanslopeparishcouncil@hotmail.com

Diamond Jubilee

The Parish Council on behalf of all local residents and organisations would like to thank 'The Friends of Hanslope' for all their hard work in making the Diamond Jubilee street party such an enjoyable occasion. It was a pleasure to see so many village folk and extended family members attending. Thank you very much.

Jubilee Woods

The Parish Council has been successful in its application to the Woodland Trust for a free community tree planting pack given to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee. This consists of 105 deciduous trees chosen for year round colour (including 1 Jubilee oak).

It is the Parish Councils intention to engage with villagers/village societies to decide where these should be planted (probably in blocks rather than single trees) and to enlist the help of the Scouts, Guides and the School to help with the planting. If anyone has any good ideas re location please contact Martin Palmer on 511064.

Police Community Support Officer

The PCSO for the village is Kirsty Martinson (C9551), based at the Newport Pagnell police station. If you have any problems you would like to report or help with police related issues she can be contacted by e mail at – kirsty.martinson@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Or call - 101

Litter

Keeping the village neat and tidy is an ongoing problem and the Parish Council would like to thank those villagers who take it on themselves to be pro active in this matter and help by picking up and disposing of litter when the opportunity arises.

Dog fouling

Three dog waste bins have been installed by the Parish Council (funded by the Neighbourhood Action Group). Please make full use of these and keep our footpaths and grass verges child friendly areas. HOTSPOTS; the alleyway from Church End around Church wall to the kissing gates it is reported is a very bad area. Please scoop the poop! Please keep our village clean and tidy, clean up after your animals.

Overgrowth of hedges, trees and shrubbery

Pavements, public thoroughfares and rights of way should at all time be accessible to the public. Any overgrowth can cause difficulty, especially to those with young children, the elderly and disabled. It would be appreciated that a duty of care should be taken by property owners and landowners to ensure that overgrowth does not cause accessibility problems.

Attention skateboard subculture

Will the parents of the 'young dudes' currently practising their skateboard skills around the village please remind them that they should enjoy their activity in ways that cause the least nuisance to the other users of the pavements, roads and other spaces around the village and do not endanger the safety of themselves or others.

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