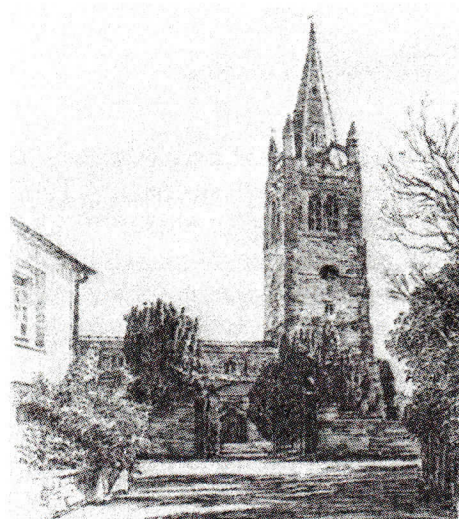


Hanslope Parish Council

December 2010 Newsletter

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Christmas Events

Thanks once again to "The Friends of Hanslope" for the excellent Christmas Lights. They certainly brighten up the winter evenings.

The Rotary Club of Wolverton and Stony Stratford would like to thank the generous villagers who attended the Turning On of the Christmas Lights. The excellent sum of £400 was collected for children's charities.

The annual visit by Father Christmas was much appreciated by young and old alike.

Notices

This is very busy time of year with lots of fund raising events and entertainment being advertised on posters and notice boards throughout the parish. Please make sure they are taken down soon after the event has taken place. This will leave room for the latest news and information.

Parking in Church End

Would motorists who park near the entrance to the church, please exercise consideration. Parking near the bollards prevents parishioners with large buggies and mobility scooters from using the footpath.

Recreation Ground

The Sports Clubs and the Parish Council are proud of the recreation ground and make every attempt to keep the facilities in tip top condition.

1. It would be a real help if dog owners could make sure they keep their pets on a lead and away from the football and cricket areas.
2. CCTV is being considered by Thames Valley Police in order to help monitor drug and drink related offences.
3. The Astro Court fence is being systematically cut with wire cutters. This is vandalism which we, as local residents, are paying for in our Council Taxes. Please be observant when in the rec and report any incidents to the Police.
4. Replacement windows and guttering work will take place in the New Year. This will help to maintain the pavilion and changing rooms in good order.

NAG News

Thanks to the Neighbourhood Action Group, two dog bins have now been purchased and installed in the village. The Parish Council are funding the fee for the emptying service.

Royal Occasion

There was real excitement recently when the Parish Council was asked if Prince Andrew could use the recreation ground to land the Queens Flight helicopter en route to a meeting in Hanslope Park. Although this was kept very low key, about eighty local residents managed to get wind of what was going on and were in the rec to witness this.

Faster Broadband

Just in case you haven't seen the item on the village website about voting for the village to get a faster broadband service – please can we encourage you to do so?

Just go to: -

<http://www.racetoinfinity.bt.com/home>
and follow the instructions. You're not committing yourself to anything! Thank you.

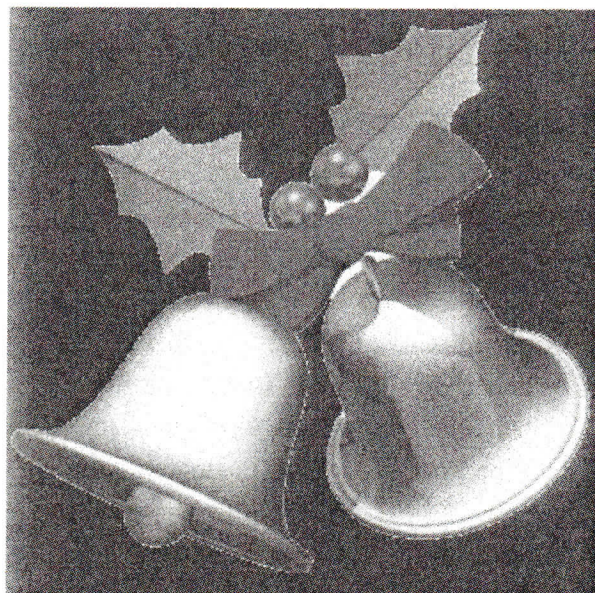
Watch Out There's a Thief About

Thames Valley Police would like to remind everyone to be security conscious particularly over the Christmas period.

On cold winter mornings, do not leave your car to warm up unattended, even on your driveway. It may not be there when you return!

Please lock all doors and windows and leave lights on when out and about.

If your house has replacement double glazed doors, remember to lock the door from the inside with the key before going to bed. Merely lifting the handle does not prevent a burglar from gaining access.



Members of the Parish Council would like to wish all parishioners a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.



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