Parish Council Update
The Parish Council website (www.westhendredpc.co.uk) is a useful information point where you can find out about local news, council meeting dates and minutes, PC accounts, responses to planning application and consultations, policies and procedures, contact details for your councillors and clerk, and finally contact details for local amenities and organisations.

March’s Parish Council meeting minutes are now available on the Parish Council website.

Next Parish Council meeting – 7.30pm on 10th November at the Village Hall

Parish Clerk: parishcouncilclerk@westhendred.net (email) or 833466 (phone).

Parish 5 Year Plan:
We are aware that many of you who contributed to the Community Led Plan (CLP) are keen to see the final product. It would normally have featured on the Parish Council web site but this is currently being replaced.

The new site will take a little longer than expected to complete so we thought it important to disseminate the CLP sooner rather than later. The document can be viewed at: http://rocketfuelcreative.co.uk/temporary-page/

Since receiving the CLP, we have reviewed it and are currently working on incorporating its recommendations into the Parish 5 Year Plan (VP). In doing this, the Parish Council will decide on the priorities of work and take into account the immediate and longer term needs of the parish as well as the fluctuating policies of local Government.

VP progress will then be reported regularly on the website. We would like to take this opportunity to thank sincerely all those who contributed so ably to the CLP.

It is a sterling piece of work that will help to shape the future of our parish.

Mill Lane Footbridge:
After two years of closure the County Council has now completed its repairs to the footbridge between Mill Lane West Hendred and Mill Lane East Hendred. This footbridge is now open for use.

Bench Seat:
Does anyone know or remember who donated the bench seat outside the Playing Field next to Ginge Brook bridge? If you do know something about this bench, can you please contact the parish clerk.

Richard Evans, Chairman.

East and West Hendred Church Bells
The bell ringers of East and West Hendred have rung the bells at both churches for four weddings and tried to ring for as many services as we are able to raise a team. Some of our ringers are old!, and we are in need of more young people to learn how to handle the bells and become part of the team to carry on the village tradition. Our bells are interesting, the heaviest weighs 22 cwt, heavier than a modern mini! Ringing requires skill and practice to be a part of the team. We normally practice on Wednesdays. If you would like to learn to ring please contact me, Dave Trotman on 833531...
Citizens Advice Bureau Article
Having problems at university? Contact Citizens Advice

Autumn is the season of yellowing leaves, darkness in the evenings, a stern chill in the mornings, and difficult goodbyes as children leave home for university. For many, this transition from family life to independent living can be difficult and stressful to manage. And once on campus, or especially in private rented accommodation, new students can find themselves facing the jaundiced indifference of adult life as they struggle with practical problems which they hadn’t anticipated: "What's the best way to revise for exams?" "I don't like my course - can I transfer to a different one?" "How do I open a bank account?" "I have a disability - what about wheelchair access?" "Does my landlord have responsibility for repairs?" "Can I get a part-time job?" In addition, there are all the questions they forgot to ask their parents: "How do you cook spaghetti?" "Where do I put the powder in the washing machine?" The glorious liberation that college life is supposed to be, the golden key that unlocks the door of life and gives access to unbridled freedom and fulfilment, seems very far away when you're wondering why you don't have any friends, or have failing grades, or feel crippling homesick, or can't pay your rent. Many of us at Citizens Advice have been through all of this. If you are a first-year student, or about to become one, or if you feel that you can't cope with undergraduate life, or if you need support, contact us. For further help visit www.citizensadvice.co.uk or phone 0344 111 444 or drop in to your nearest Citizens Advice. For locations and opening hours see www.citizensadvice.org.uk/local/oxfordshire-southvale

Diversion of Bridleway

In order to allow land remediation work to be safely carried out at the former Liquid Effluent Treatment Plant and Sewage Farm sites at Harwell, it will be necessary to divert the bridleway (the Icknield Way) that runs between the two sites. The remediation work, including the diversion of the right of way, was the subject of public consultation and a planning application earlier this year

The diversion is due to take effect from 17th October 2016 and is expected to remain in place until March 2019. A signed diversion will be in place. If you have any queries concerning this please contact Emma Burwood at emma.burwood@magnoxsites.com

Neighbourhood Policing Report

Rural crime: Please make sure you do not keep your valuables in your car, or at least put them out of site when you are parking. Theft from vehicles is still a problem especially at beauty spot sites. We have also had further hare coursing reports. We are continuing with patrols and would urge anyone to report any suspicious activity by calling us on 101 or 999 in an emergency.

Traffic operation: In the last month we have carried out some traffic operations where we have been stopping motorists for not wearing seatbelts and using mobile phones when driving. Ten fixed penalty fines were issued.

Fraud: There have been further incidents of fraud in our area. Please remember that the police and your bank with never ask for your pin or any information relating to your account over emails and the telephone. Also please note that computer firms will never call or email asking for personal information to fix your computer. If you would like any further information on the different types of fraud and advice on what to do please visit: www.actionfraud.police.uk

Halloween:
If you would like crime reduction advice regarding Halloween please visit the following page on the Thames Valley Police website: http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/crime-prevention/seasonal-events/seasonal-events-halloween.htm. You will also find a link on the right hand side to download a 'no trick or treat' poster that you can put on your door if you are concerned. The neighbourhood team will be carrying out patrols to try and deter anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the area.

Cycling to school: Now that the nights are starting to draw in please can you make sure that you buy your children some bike lights, make sure they are wearing helmets and can be easily seen by motorists. Please also encourage them to use the cycle paths where possible and be vigilant when cycling to and from school.

Contact us if you want any advice or would like to contact the neighbourhood team you can call us on the police non-emergency number 101 or if it is an emergency then dial 999. You can also contact us via email WantageandGroveNPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk. Please note this email address cannot be used to contact Thames Valley Police to report crimes or for any urgent matters. To view information on your neighbourhood team visit the Thames Valley Police website at: www.thamesvalley.police.uk
Poppy Appeal 2016

This year, The Royal British Legion is asking the nation to Rethink Remembrance by recognising the sacrifices made not just by the Armed Forces of the past, but by today's generation too.

For many people, Remembrance is associated with the fallen of the First and Second World Wars. While we will always remember them, the Legion wants to raise awareness of a new generation of veteran Service personnel that need our support.

Rethink Remembrance this Poppy Appeal.

The Children's Society

Many thanks to all who supported the coffee morning at Holy Trinity on the 14th October after the service. We are pleased to report that £154.70 was raised for the Children's Society

November Services at West Hendred

Sunday 6th       Morning Prayer 9:00 am
Sunday 18th      Morning Prayer 9:00 am
                 (Benefice Communion East Hendred 10:30am)
Tuesday 15th     Holy Communion 10:00am
Sunday 20th      Family Service 9:00 am
Sunday 27th      Holy Communion 9:00am

Samaritan’s Purse Operation
Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal 2016

Just a reminder if you are filling a shoebox that we would like completed boxes by Sunday 13th November
Thank you.
Angela 862912 Patsy 835113

Holy Trinity West Hendred
North Aisle Pew Re-ordering

We’re almost done!
We re-arranged the medieval pews in the West portion of the North Aisle in November 2014.
We’ve now opened up East portion, to provide larger flexible space.
In September the Victorian pews were taken by specialist carpenters to their workshop. They shortened the pews, and treated them for furniture beetle; returning them in mid-October.

The wooden floor has been stained – it was replaced in c 2002 by the same specialists.
As we go to press, the work is almost complete.
The flexible space and revised pew layout has already worked remarkably well. The new layout has already been very successfully used for the Children’s Society Fundraising on 16th October.

"It makes something like having a coffee morning in the church work much better and so we can put the church to broader use which I think is a very good thing.”
We plan to use chairs in this area on occasions such as the Crib Service.

Holy Trinity West Hendred
Oxford Historic Churches Ride or Stride
As previously reported, this year’s sponsored event took place on Saturday 10th September.
11 st/riders visited the church on a phenomenally wet day. Harry Taylor sensibly did his Ride and Stride on a Saturday in October with much better weather!
We’re continuing to collect money from sponsors. The total so far is £334, with quite a bit more to come in. Thank you to all to took part, and all who have sponsored.

Hendreds Tennis Club 2016
Quirky Quiz & Chilli night
Date: Friday 25th November 2016

Venue: West Hendred Village Hall

Time: Doors and bar open 7.00pm, eyes down 7.30pm prompt.
Join in five rounds of quiz fun with a delicious, warming, gourmet chilli served up half way through proceedings. Great for teams of 8 but we can help if you need to join forces!
Quick! Email play@hendredstennis.co.uk for your entry form.
Open to members & non-members.
No knowledge of tennis required!

The deadline for the next newsletter is 25th November.
Items should be emailed to newsletter@westhendred.net
Hand delivered items can be delivered to
Janet Trotman, Tean, The Milham Tel: 833531
WEST HENDRED AND GINGE VILLAGE HALL NEWS

HALL LETTINGS

All hall enquiries/bookings should be made via mobile number 07444-871149 or via email to villagehallbookings@westhendred.net

Web Site : www.westhendred.net - We've greatly improved our website recently, so please do visit it.

REGULAR EVENTS AT THE HALL INCLUDE:

**VILLAGE CHRISTMAS PARTY** - SUNDAY 18th December 11:30 to 2PM
A Christmas celebration, with Bar, Tombola, Mince Pies & Mulled Wine, Roast Turkey Rolls and SO MUCH more!
More details in the December Newsletter. GET THE DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

**JAZZ IN THE VILLAGE** – SATURDAY 7th January 7-30 to 10PM
Tickets £10 each, and will be in advance – more details in December newsletter
Bar and food available!

**Youth Club** – 7 pm to 9pm on Friday 18th November
The Youth Club meets usually on the third Friday at 7 pm.
Please contact Penny Meston for more information
Adult helpers are urgently needed! Anyone interested in helping to run the youth club should contact Penny We need adult helpers to go on a Rota. If we get enough, it could mean only helping once or twice a year as it is a monthly Youth Group.
Please contact Penny: 01235 832113.

**Coffee Morning, plant, and book sale** – Saturday 26th November - 10 am to 12 noon
Thank you to all who came to the end of late October sale, which we await as we go to press. Many nearly new cookery and children's books! Also a variety of hardy plants.
All proceeds are for the Village Hall. Please contribute - Hugh and Annabel on 833174.

**Mother and Baby/Toddler Group** - Monday mornings’ 10.15am to 11.45.
Get together in the hall and meet/chat to other local mothers. Fathers welcome too. Just drop in

**West Hendred Stitchers** - meet on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays in the month 10am - 4pm
Open to everyone who’d like to stitch with friends in a warm and sociable atmosphere. Beginners welcome. Work on individual projects. Tea & coffee provided. Bring own lunch.
Further information from Jane Soffe 01235 832554

**Family Service** – Sunday 20th November at 9.00am in the Church.

**Pilates** - Monday evenings 7 to 8 pm, Wednesdays 6 to 7 pm, and 7 to 8 pm
Please contact Charlie Prince on 07581462317, or email princepilates@hotmail.com

**Ballet and Tap and Modern** – meet on Wednesdays from 3.50 to 5.20pm. For 3 – 11 year olds – You can join anytime. Contact Bernadine Soul for details between 10am & 4pm on 01235 510710

**Yoga Class** - Beginners and Improvers – Thursday mornings 09.15 – 10.45
Gentle yoga – Thursdays 11 – 12.30. There are a couple of places in a 'gentle yoga' class on Thursdays 11 - 12.30. Please call for more information.
Yoga and Mindfulness for Teens – Mondays 5.45 – 6.45. New members welcome. For more information on any of these classes and to enrol please contact Linda Soderstrom on 01235 863647

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