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**The Hive Pop Up Market**  
Saturday 2nd March from 9am-12pm

Thank you to everyone who came out to support the first Hive Pop Up Market in February, the traders were so happy with the turn out and the response. What a great community you all are, you brought your reusable bags, found a new local beer, got choctastic treats and supported local makers and crafters.

Great uptake of Sesi Refills and people commenting on how cheap it was to fill up, so bring your empty next time, or buy pre-filled! It’s Vegan, Biodegradable, Not Tested on Animals, made in Oxford, and refills start from £1.

The Bakery and Brownies sold out and many other traders said how engaging everyone was and how welcome they were made to feel.

So thank you, and I am delighted to say we will be back for a Full Pop-Up Market on Saturday 2nd March from 9am-12pm - with a prompt finish. There will be different makers, artisans and crafters every month on rotation, so don’t miss it!

Up in March are Yazzie Yummies - handbaked no nasties inside dog treats too, plus “Hot Stuff” Chillis with Matt’s amazing sauces and ingredient packs to try and buy, Steve and his BeeHave Soaps, plus Wood turners, the Retro sweetie shop, Yoga with Emma and Cacklebean Eggs....the Bakery, Kombucha and Sesi Refills will be regular attendees.

Also a thank you from the Scouts and Youth Club as £64 was raised for each, so £128 in total! If you would like to run the refreshments and/or have a charity stand at the next event (we save one table for local community fundraising!) please email - bzbeewraps@gmail.com. Do follow us on social media @zbwraps to keep up to date!
**East & West Hendred WI Charity Quiz Night**

SATURDAY 16TH MARCH in SNELLS HALL, EAST HENDRED at 7pm.

Back by popular demand!! East & West Hendred WI are holding a Quiz Night in aid of THE WANTAGE INDEPENDENT ADVISE CENTRE, a local charity supporting and serving people within the community. It promises to be an excellent evening and we would love you to come along with your teams of six.

Tickets are just £10pp including a Ploughman’s Supper. You are welcome to bring your own drinks. For further details and an application form please contact the WI Treasurer, Ann Pagett, Fairfield, Mill Lane, West Hendred, OX12 8RJ.

**March Church Services**

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**Neighbourhood Policing Update**

**Rural Crime:** The team have continued to patrol farmland on The Ridgeway where several attempts of trespassing with dogs with the intention of poaching were successfully disrupted. **County Lines:** You may be aware of the recent intensification week to target county lines drug dealing. Across Thames Valley Police more than 100 arrests were made and £133,000 was seized. Importantly 43 children and 69 vulnerable adults were safe guarded. Neighbourhood Policing is essential in obtaining results like this. You are best placed to know where your vulnerable neighbours are and when there are unusual comings and goings at their addresses. Following intelligence gathered in the area two men were arrested in Wantage and Harwell with intent to supply and drugs were seized.

We are concerned at the moment that young people are accessing building sites, which are dangerous places. We have liaised with the building companies to deter this behaviour. If you have any information on this please contact us.

**Speeding Indication Device (SID)**

You will have noticed on several occasions the Speed Indication Device (Sid) being deployed on local roads. Presently very few motorists are using inappropriate speeds. **Well done all.**

**REMEMBER: Please do not leave anything in your vehicles!**

Please get in touch/follow us using the following:

Email: WantageandGroveNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Twitter: @tvpsouthandvale

www.facebook.com/tvpsouthandvale

Phone: 101

**Always phone 999 in an emergency**

**West Hendred Defibrillator**

The Defibrillator at the Village Hall is currently inactive. The problem has been reported and will be dealt with as a matter of urgency. The ambulance service is aware of the issue. In the event of an emergency they should be able to advise of the nearest unit.

There is an alternative defibrillator in the telephone kiosk in East Hendred, near Champs Chapel.

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**FOR SALE:** Brand new desk – H76, W80, D48

Fully assembled beech effect desk from Argos with pull out keyboard shelf and generous storage space. Easy to move on castors. RRP £45.00, **for sale @ £20.00.** Please call Juliet on 01235 8333586 / 07816 628346

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**West Hendred Not Just a Beer Festival**

Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd June - what better way to celebrate the start of summer! Get the dates in your diaries now for what is certain to be another fantastic village event. For any further information, or if you would like to help out, please contact Tim Hutchinson at tim.hutchinson@outlook.com
Memories ....

From a former villager whose family used to run The Hare over 40 years ago.

"My name is Simon Barrett, I lived in West Hendred from around 1964 till 1975 or so. My parents were Gus and Jane Barrett, our home was the Hare. It was nearly 40 years ago that I left England to make a new life in North America, I do however from time to time check in on the happenings in West Hendred. I see that after 4 years and $600.000 The Hare is set to re-open, that cheers me up a great deal. It is a very fine building and one that deserves to be used and preserved. I was 9 when we moved into The Hare and I have many stories about the pub and the village.

There is a saying 'A village has two social centres, the church and the pub.' It is oh so true! I can't remember his name, but the vicar would come in late every Christmas Eve, drink a half pint of Morlands Bitter and then lead his slightly 'wobbly' flock down to the church for a carol service. The singing was not quality, but the enthusiasm was awesome.

The village was indeed a village, everyone knew everyone. It may be the same today, I hope it is."

You can read the full article on the Parish Council website

Save money on energy bills!

Citizens Advice Oxfordshire South and Vale is encouraging people to analyse their home energy spending and take steps to cut down on fuel waste. The charity has these tips:

1. Check your bills carefully and **make sure you're on the cheapest tariff.** Most energy suppliers offer fixed price tariffs, where the price of a unit of energy will remain the same for the length of the deal. Think about switching to a new supplier (for an energy prices comparison tool, go to [https://energycompare.citizensadvice.org.uk](https://energycompare.citizensadvice.org.uk)). Citizens Advice has helped many people to switch successfully to a new energy supplier, so contact us to discuss your options.

2. **Make your home energy-efficient.** Insulate lofts and walls, double-glaze your windows and use thick curtains to keep heat in. Get your boiler serviced annually. Grants are available to help with insulation: call the Energy Saving Advice Service on 0300 123 1234, Monday to Friday 9 am to 8 pm.

3. Try an **online Home Energy Check** at [www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/resources/tools-calculators](http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/resources/tools-calculators)

4. For those who qualify, various **grants and discounts** are available to help with bills: the Warm Home Discount [https://www.gov.uk/the-warm-home-discount-scheme](https://www.gov.uk/the-warm-home-discount-scheme) and the Winter Fuel Payment [https://www.gov.uk/winter-fuel-payment](https://www.gov.uk/winter-fuel-payment)

5. Sign on to the **Priority Services Register** if you're of pensionable age, disabled or chronically sick. The scheme gets you extra energy services free of charge. Visit [https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk](https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk) for further information.

For more help and support, contact Citizens Advice in person or on Adviseline (03 444 11444). For locations of offices and opening hours see [www.citizensadvice.org.uk/local/oxfordshire-south vale](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/local/oxfordshire-south-vale)

Flexicare Walk 2019

On Sunday 12th May, we return to Snells Hall in East Hendred for Flexicare's 22nd annual fundraising walk. Choose either a 10 mile or 5 mile walk and enjoy refreshments on the Ridgeway and lunch on your return.

You can register online at [www.flexicare.org](http://www.flexicare.org) ([https://flexicare.us18.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c472e510de354d07fdda6dea&id=4caa8ae85e&e=43b366d6dc)](https://flexicare.us18.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c472e510de354d07fdda6dea&id=4caa8ae85e&e=43b366d6dc)

The deadline for next month’s newsletter is 25th March

Hand delivered items – please place your article in an envelope marked clearly ‘WH Newsletter’ and deliver to Janet Trotman, Tean, The Millham Tel: 833531

Alternatively, you can send items for inclusion to our email address: newsletter@westhendred.net
WEST HENDRED AND GINGE VILLAGE HALL NEWS

HALL LETTINGS: All hall enquiries/bookings should be made via email to villagehallbookings@westhendred.net. Web Site: www.westhendred.net.

Village Hall Committee Contacts: Hugh Rees (Chair) 01235-833174 / 07802-416031, Sarah Lloyd 01235-833373

We need you for the Bookings Team
We currently have 1 vacancy in the West Hendred Village Hall bookings team. There are 3 booking officers, so the workload isn’t much – just a couple of hours a week, and it’s a great way to be part of village life, helping the hall run smoothly and being part of a great team. Full guidance and support will be given. No previous experience necessary. Please contact villagehallbookings@westhendred.net if you would like to know more.

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The Hive Pop Up Market - Monthly Market - Saturday 2nd March – 9am -12 noon
Huge variety of foodstalls with Marco Polo bakery (pre-order bread or croissants - bzbeewraps@gmail.com), Natural Dog treats, re-fill stations for food, homewares and beauty. The Hendreds Youth Club are running the Tea Station so please come and support their fundraising efforts.

KONGA every Friday term time. 9.30 - 10.30 am £5 per class.
Konga is a fusion of Boxing, Cardio, Dance & Sculpting set to the hottest sounds of music. This fitness routine is designed to get results through increasing fitness levels and redefining your physique. Can burn approximately 700 calories from one class. For more information Contact Rachel Lock on 07801 824293.

Youth Club – Friday 1st March 7pm
The Youth Club meets on Friday 1st March, then 26th April, 17th May, 14th June and 19th July usually at 7 pm. Please contact Penny Meston for more information on 01235 832113.
We do need more helpers! Please get in touch with Penny if you’d like to get involved.

Coffee Morning, plant, and book sale – Saturday 6th April 10 am – 12 noon
Thank you to all who came to the sale on 16th February, and raised £55-55. At the next sale we’ll have many nearly new cookery and childrens books and a variety of hardy plants, and spring plants.
All proceeds are for the Village Hall. Please contribute - Hugh and Annabel on 833174.

Baby / Toddler Group Monday mornings 10.15am to 11.45.
Get together in the hall and meet/chat to other local parents. 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 17th March 9am

Pilates - Monday evenings 7 to 8 pm, Wednesdays 6 to 7 pm, and 7.15 to 8.15 pm
Please contact Charlie Prince on 07581462317, or charlie@princepilates.co.uk , or see Charlie’s website for more information about classes etc. www.princepilates.co.uk

YOGA. To enrol and for more info, contact Linda on 01235 863647 (British Wheel of Yoga and TeenYoga teacher)
Tuesdays 6 – 7pm Yoga with mindfulness for teens
Focusing on strength and flexibility as well as strategies to deal with exam stress and aid relaxation. Ideal as sport or skill for Duke of Edinburgh awards.

Thursdays 9.15-10.45 am Yoga for beginners and improvers

Thursdays 11-12.15 Gentle yoga