



Shenley Brook End & Tattenhoe Community News

The official source of Parish Council news & information for residents of Emerson Valley, Furzton, Kingsmead, Shenley Brook End, Shenley Lodge, Tattenhoe, Tattenhoe Park & Westcroft.

Shenley Brook End School – New Building Update

As you will be aware there has been a lot of builders at Shenley Brook End School since the Summer and there is a large construction site, mainly at the rear of the building. The good news is that everything is on schedule and should be completed by the end of the Easter break.

I know that at times there has been some inconvenience, which is bound to occur when we have so many additional people working on site creating a £7 million pound expansion. I would like to thank you for your forbearance.

The larger school will provide more places for children in the Shenley Brook End area; we are now able to accept 300 eleven year-olds into Year 7 (and for this September there are more than 300 who live in the catchment area). The new facilities will also be available for community use, with another sports hall, more changing rooms and a larger, better resourced theatre.

The school will also have brand new science laboratories, classrooms, more dining and social space and music practice rooms.

We are proud to serve our local community and I hope that as many of you as possible will be able to see the new facilities when they are ready. I am already planning on a grand opening!

Glen Martin – Headteacher

An aerial view of the school:



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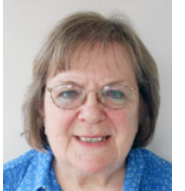
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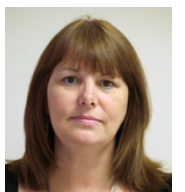


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Chairmans Column



Hello and welcome To Carolyn Sanders who joined us as a Councillor in December. Carolyn has contributed an introduction to herself elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Precept The Government are reducing the Local Council Tax Support Scheme (LCTSS) year on year until it is completely discontinued. No top-up is available this year from Milton Keynes Council so we will lose almost £27,500 from our precept. We have worked hard to keep our costs down but have reluctantly decided to increase the average (Band D equivalent) precept by £2 per year in 2016/2017. This is just under 4p per week per household but will give us sufficient funds to maintain the level of our services to the Parish.

Please help to keep our Parish street lights functioning

Driving around our Parish in the evening I notice more and more street lights out or flashing. Milton Keynes Council took the decision a few months ago to stop the regular patrol checking up on street lights and therefore do not now know where any faulty ones are and are relying on the public to report them. This can be done via their website. They do respond very well as I have personally reported a lot recently. To report a faulty light in your area you need to have the reference number which is on every lamp standard and go onto their website at www.milton-keynes.gov.uk and click on the green box titled "Report a faulty Street Light". Follow the links to the online form and complete it giving them the street light number and location and they will pass this information on to their contractor. If you do not have internet access we will do this for you, please telephone Rebecca at the Parish office with the information on street light number and location and she will report it for you. If you have more than one light out they can be reported on the same form, with a slightly different form for 3 or more, this is because they treat 3 or more as an emergency and when I reported four out in one stretch they came out the same morning to make the repairs.

Jean Nicholas
Chairman Parish Council

Parish Council Meetings

Meetings of the full Parish Council and its committees are held each month on Mondays (*denotes a Tuesday) at 7:15 pm. at Parish Office, 6 Wimborne Crescent, Westcroft (opposite Westfriers).

Full Parish Council

Feb 29th	Mar 29th*	Apr 25th	May 31st*
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Community Committee

Feb 8th	Mar 14th	Apr 11th	May 9th
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Planning & Environment Committee

Feb 1st	Mar 7th	Apr 4th	May 3rd*
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Members of the public are welcome at any of these meetings.

If you wish to attend, just turn up but you may wish to contact Rebecca on 01908 521538 beforehand to check that there have not been any changes.

Can We Help You?

Grants are available from the Parish Council.



Any group, society, play-group, or charitable organisation in the Parish, or benefiting residents of the Parish, may apply for a grant from the Parish Council. If you can show us that the grant will be put to good use, we are only too pleased to help.

We will also provide space in the Community News to publicise the work of organisations receiving grants. We can include articles from any organisation that benefits the community, irrespective of grant applications. Shenley Brook End & Tattenhoe Parish Council is willing to publicise anything that helps local residents, so please let us know

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The Diamond Club meets at the Parish Office every Wednesday from 2pm to 4pm
6 Wimborne Crescent, Westcroft
opposite the Fish & Chip Shop

We are a group of like-minded senior residents of the Parish who get together to enjoy a varied programme of activities chosen by members and organised by Pat Morris, our Diamond Club Co-ordinator.

Contact Rebecca at the Parish Council Office for more information on 01908 521538

Email: rebecca.zimmerman@shenleybrookend-pc.gov.uk



A successful year ended with Christmas Lunch at The Toby Carvery early in December with just about a full house, followed a week later by some lovely carol singing by the children from Long Meadow School. This put us all very much in the Christmas spirit. Thanks also to Pat for hosting a get together just before Christmas.

The New Year started literally on a high note when we were entertained by Sally, a music hall vocalist who had us all singing songs old



and not so old. (Some of us could even remember the words!!)

Club members have made their own contributions so far this year. Harry has regaled us with reminiscences of his time as a 'printer's devil' in his early years in the printing trade, Larry exercised our little grey cells with another of his quizzes and David amazed us with his photos and talk of a trip to Antarctica. Our thanks to all of you.

Emerson Valley School Kick Up a Storm at the MK Dons Schools Football Tournament

24 schools entered this National Tournament on Friday 15th January. EVS took two teams which were split in two different groups. Both teams showed excellent teamwork and displayed some fantastic skill throughout the afternoon. Team B were in a tough group drawing 2 games but were unfortunate not to win more. Team A won 4 games and drew the other resulting in them coming top of the group and qualifying for the quarter finals on Friday 29th January. Congratulations to all those involved from Year 5 and 6 for their efforts and also their superb behaviour throughout the event. Leon K, Robertas B, Kamran L, William B, Raheem O, Zach C, Hayden H, Kaide H, Dylan W, Joel O, Kourosh J, Kyle B, Joshua B and Jake-David W-T








We're Back!

Easter Fun & Play

2016

4 free sessions available for children during the holidays

Emerson Valley

Kickabout Area
Between Sykes Croft and White Horse Drive
Tuesday 29th March & 5th April
10.00 am - 12.30 pm

Shenley Brook End

The Green, Church End Road
Thursday 31st March & 2nd April
10.00 am - 12.30 pm

FREE Activities Everyone Welcome

The sessions are open to all children aged 4-14 years; parents are asked to accompany children under 8 and join in the fun! Children may get messy or paint on their clothes, and there may be water activities, weather and venue permitting
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Many congratulations to **Marie-Ann Harvey, Ano Gonye and Jade Hudson** for bringing the debating trophy back to Shenley Brook End for the fourth time in the competitions eight-year history.

In the grand setting of the second debating chamber of the House of Commons, Shenley Brook End had to propose the recently passed motion:

This House agrees that because Isil is a real and present danger to Britain's national security, military action against it in Syria is necessary for our domestic safety, against another all-girl team from Ousedale.



The judging panel praised our speakers for the fluidity of their presentation and the competence with which they handled interventions, having statistics and facts at their fingertips.

The girls were ably supported by an enthusiastic and committed team of sixth form students who helped with research

and practice debates throughout the competition process.



Well done to everyone involved!



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Your nearest library is at the Westcroft Centre and there are also libraries at Bletchley, Central MK, Kingston, Newport Pagnell, Olney, Stony Stratford, Wolverton and Woburn Sands.

You can obtain information and apply online at www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/volunteering, or ask in any library.

Emerson Valley School Badminton Festival

On the 7th January, 16 children from Year 4 represented our school in the BISI (Badminton) Festival at the Lord Grey Academy. We had two teams consisting of 4 girls and 4 boys, who had to work on different skills to earn points for their teams. All of the children were a credit to our school, they persevered, worked so hard and their behaviour was outstanding. In the final results, our 'B' team came 2nd and our 'A' team won the whole event! Congratulations to the following children and many thanks as always to their parents for their continued



support: Sanjana B, Devon T, Firdaus A, Chloe C, Corey C, Daniel Y, Jay G, Evie R, Noah W, Ewan A, Ania B, Lishanth S, Zara S, Tamzin Y, Amalie Y, Jayden W

Meet Our Newest Councillor



My name is Carolyn Sanders and I am married with a son, and a stepson and stepdaughter. I first moved to Milton Keynes in 1968, when the city was little more than a blueprint, and over the years I've seen it grow from its humble

beginnings to the vibrant place it is now. Although I moved away in the 1980s, to live and work abroad and in various parts of the UK, I am now back in Milton Keynes and since 2010 have been living in Shenley Brook End. I also work locally, at the Milton Keynes University Hospital. My interests include singing and music - I play the flute and recorder - swimming, gardening and allotment growing. I also love stand-up comedy and am a very keen supporter of Milton Keynes' own home-grown comedy club, The Comedy Cow. I will be serving on the Planning & Environment and Community committees and I look forward to actively working to help shape and improve my local neighbourhood.

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Another Successful Production from Shenley Brook End School

The recent production of *Bugsy Malone* performed by students from Years 7-13 at Shenley Brook End School was another great success for the school.

The play ran for three nights, and tickets were virtually sold out before the first night.

It was fantastic to see students giving such vibrancy and life to *Bugsy Malone*.



Youth Activities

Junior NAG's at Long Meadow School offering advice on waste

Long Meadow School has a Junior Neighbourhood Action Group that meet once a month to discuss their local environment and ways they can help to improve it.

Most recently the group have been discussing how putting out your rubbish bags at the wrong time can cause further problems and make our streets look untidy. Two members of the group (Chloe and Ethan) have written an article for the school newsletter informing other students and parents about the issues and how they can affect us.

They say that 'Putting the rubbish out too early can create a big mess as animals such as birds and foxes can break into them. It can also make less space for pedestrians to walk past or people trying to drive out of their driveways' they inform the readers that 'The time at which the bin men arrive for the first collection is 7am' so all bags should be out by then. If you are not an early riser then it's advised that you put your waste out the night before but no longer if possible.

The group have suggested that if you have to put out your rubbish early and are worried your black bag will attract animals then you can 'place your black sack in the top of your green bin, making sure that the knot is showing so the bin men can see it' this will protect your rubbish and hopefully stop it being spread all over your street. They reiterate that the green bin is for food and garden waste but can act as a good protector for your other rubbish if used correctly.

The article concludes by reminding each resident what day their rubbish is collected and also includes a link to the Council website so people can find out what day their collection is if there has been a bank holiday. <http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/waste-recycling/collection-days>

This is just one example of the great work the Junior NAG at Long Meadow School is doing. The next big project is a community clean up planned for 12th April where the students will be clearing the area between SBE School and the Westcroft centre. For more information please contact Andy youthleader@shenleybrookend-pc.gov.uk

2nd Shenley Brownies say a big Thank You

On Friday 25th October, 2nd Shenley Brownies boarded a coach and headed off on an exciting sleepover at the Birmingham Sealife centre! The girls had exclusive use of the centre and were given VIP, hands on tours, getting up close and personal with the wildlife. We took in a film in the 4D cinema (and jumped and screamed when we got sprayed with water!) and then settled down to sleep. Some of the girls slept in the underwater tunnel with turtles and sharks gliding overhead, while the rest of us snuggled up next to the snoozing penguins. It was a once in a lifetime experience! We learnt a lot about all the different types of wildlife and we had huge fun getting to sleep somewhere so unusual.



We were so very grateful to the Parish Council who kindly gave us a grant for 80% of the total cost of the trip which covered our expensive travel, making this a far more realistic goal for these girls who might not have otherwise been able to take part in these once in a lifetime events.

There is currently a huge demand for Brownie spaces and we have a long waiting list as there are so few other units on the new estates due to lack of meeting spaces and volunteers to run them. If you, or your daughter would like to know more about joining our Brownie unit please visit www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested or call 08001695901.

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Winter House Plants

Winter flowering house plants and bulbs appear in garden centres and florists from November onwards. Many produce a welcome display of colour, but can be challenging to grow, and short lived - often ending up on the compost heap after a month or two.

One of the most difficult to keep is the poinsettia which quickly drops its leaves if it is in too warm, too cold, too wet, or if exposed to draughts. Given its origins in tropical Mexico, it's perhaps unsurprising that it doesn't thrive in a British winter. I have managed to keep them from one year to the next but they only have green foliage in subsequent years. I am told that to get the lovely red bracts which look like leaves (the flowers are just the tiny centres of these) you need to keep the plant in a natural position from September onwards which means no artificial light probably a heated greenhouse which I do not have, hence I was not successful.



In contrast, our other winter favourites cyclamen and azaleas prefer cool temperatures when flowering, so they often turn up their 'toes' when brought into a centrally heated home, but they are very easy to keep from year to year and I have cyclamen's flowering for the fourth and fifth year in February having been kept in my utility room.

Christmas 2014 I was given a white Amaryllis bulb in a kit which flowered beautifully and I was very keen to try to keep this from year to year.

It is too early to say if my experiment was completely successful but from the photo above last year, to the one taken below, in late January this year I have been partially successful. It just remains to be seen whether a flower bud appears which should be in 6 – 8 weeks from the first leaves.

Instead of discarding the bulb once it finished flowering

I snipped off the flowering stems about half an inch above the bulb (flower stems only not the leaves) and kept watering until early summer.

As the weather warmed up I stood the pot out in the middle of the flower border for the summer, watering if it got too dry.



In early autumn before the first frost I brought the amaryllis back inside and cut off all of the foliage about 1 inch above the bulb and put the pot into the garage, in the dark, and did not give it any water. This is to force the bulb to take a rest before starting a new flowering cycle. I then left the bulb to rest in the garage for ten weeks of dormancy.

After this rest, I brought the bulb out into the bright light and gave it one good drink to wake it up.

Three weeks later the first leaves started to appear and I began watering regularly. I did not give it any more water before the leaves appeared or the bulb would have rotted. You can see the results so far in my photo taken late January. I am hoping for buds very soon.

Spring Gardening

March is the beginning of the busiest time in the garden. Starting with sowing broad bean seeds and onion sets straight into the open garden. The weeds will grow twice as fast as the crops but quick action will stop them taking over. I am a great believer in gardening little and often and this always work well with keeping weeds at bay. The best way to do this is to use a hoe. Slide it back and forth slightly below the surface of the soil and you'll stop the weed seedlings in their tracks.

April is the best growing month, the soil is warming up and the seeds will germinate quickly. Vegetable seeds should be sown now but do keep an eye on the weather forecast when the seedlings appear as even in Milton Keynes a cold snap is not unknown in April. If the forecast is for ground frost use your old net curtains to cover up vulnerable seedlings these can also be used later in the year to protect your crops from the birds and even your cabbages from the cabbage white butterflies. If you don't have net curtains they can usually be obtained very cheaply from charity shops.

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Community Committee

Since our last newsletter there has only been one meeting of the Community Committee, on 11th January, as the Christmas holidays (now just a memory) interrupted our usual timing. At that meeting, grants were awarded to the 1st Emerson Valley Brownies for assistance towards a camping trip to Warwick Castle later in the year and also to Community Action MK towards the Tattenhoe Park Fun Day. The grant for the latter did in fact come out of the Community Projects budget, as the committee members felt that this application did not quite fit the criteria for a grant but was nevertheless worthy of funding.

The Diamond Club is now so popular that it is close to being oversubscribed and as we certainly don't want to be in a situation where we cannot welcome new members into our fold, the Community Committee is currently looking into the logistics of running an additional session. This session would be run by another organiser, who would work in tandem with Pat, with the overall structure of the Club staying in its current format.

The Youth Leader, Andy, has been in contact with all the local schools. As a result, Giles Brook school pupils are planning to make a video in the community with the help of the Youth Team - watch this space! There is now only one primary school remaining which is yet to meet with Andy.

Finally, we would still like more of your suggestions on how we as a Parish should be celebrating the 50th birthday of Milton Keynes in 2017! You can email them to the Parish office at rebecca.zimmerman@shenleybrookend-pc.gov.uk or call 01908 521538.

Dave Sanders
Chair Community Committee

Planning & Environment Committee

As I mentioned in the Winter edition of this publication, our plans for some new grit bins were well advanced. I am pleased to announce that with the help of Milton Keynes councillors, Edith Bald, Chris Williams and Maggie Geaney, who used part of their ward based budgets to finance half of the cost of purchasing and placing these, we now have 16 new grit bins.

It is a pleasure to inform you that all of the new bins have been sited and filled in readiness for the arrival of snow, ice or heavy frost on our estate roads.

Ollie our warden and Karen our allotments/landscape officer have been busy continuing the mammoth task of inspecting the condition of the play areas in the Parish and compiling a list of any equipment which needs repairing or replacing, plus noting the condition of the landscape areas in and around the play areas.

They have also just finished the last of the strimming and tidying up of the allotment sites, including re numbering plot posts on all sites, (that is over 300 posts).

If you enjoy growing fruit and vegetables and need more space, why not contact the Parish office to ask about renting an allotment plot. There are only a few available, so do not delay in contacting our office.

Over the last three months we have had to research and discuss 42 planning applications. Each application is researched thoroughly prior to the planning and environment committee meeting and then discussed by the committee at the meeting.

Please remember that both applicants, their neighbours and any other interested parties are always welcome to attend the meetings. These are held once a month, usually on the first Monday of the month, but all dates can be found on the SBE & Tattenhoe Parish Council web site, in the community news and on the Parish notice boards.

Kevin Geaney
Chair Planning & Environment Committee

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Shenley FC U11 Cougars Win MKDDL 2015 Presidents Trophy



The U11 Cougars from Shenley Football Club won the Milton Keynes Development & District League (MKDDL) Presidents Trophy. 18 Players in total played throughout the tournament which was held over a 4 week period in 2015 and successfully overcame tough opposition from 4 other U11 teams to lift the trophy after going behind in the finals. Congratulations to the U11 Cougars players and their coaching team.

MK Sports Achiever of the Year

Sport MK held their annual awards to recognise the achievements of athletes at all levels from across Milton Keynes on Tuesday 1st December 2015 at Shenley Leisure Centre. The awards were attended by Cllr Keith McLean, the Mayor of Milton Keynes and special guest Greg Rutherford who won the MK Sports



Personality of the Year award. Giles Brook School were recognised for all their sporting achievements by winning the Primary School Award – presented by Greg Rutherford himself.

Children at Giles Brook have the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of sporting events including, football, athletics, golf, badminton, swimming, handball and dancing to name but a few, and their girls football team are currently Bucks County Champions.

Community Centre Information

SHENLEY BROOK END

Shenley Brook End Community Centre
Egerton Gate, Shenley Brook End.
Telephone for bookings:
Call 01908 649434

Regular Users of the Centre

- ◆ Life Lite Educational Saturday School
- ◆ House On The Rock
- ◆ Slimming World
- ◆ Sugar Guild
- ◆ Little Stars Nursery

Shenley Brook End Village Hall
Church End Road, Shenley Brook End
Telephone for bookings:
Call Margaret on 01908 521530
Regular Users of the Centre

- ◆ Bugz after school club Monday 5-7pm ages 7-11yrs
- ◆ 'Drop In' Meetings Monday 2pm-4pm
 - ◆ Pilates with Carolyn Monday 7.30pm-8.30pm
- ◆ Little Acorns Tuesday 10.00-11.30
- ◆ Yoga with Katie Tuesday -6.30-8.00pm and 8.15-9.15 with Jo
- ◆ Cha-Cha Chimps Wednesday 10am-11am
 - ◆ Bugz after school club Friday Club 7-9pm ages 10-15yrs
- ◆ Thistle Scottish Dance Club Wednesday 8pm-10pm
- ◆ Acorns Thursday 9.30-11.30 (2-4yrs) Term time
 - ◆ Brownies Wednesday 6-7.30pm
 - ◆ Ragdolly Annas Monday 10.30am-11.30am
 - ◆ AA Group Saturday 6.30-8.30pm
 - ◆ Yoga with Jo Thursday 6.15-7.15pm

NORTH FURZTON

Ridgeway Community Centre
Dulverton Drive, North Furzton

For Mon to Fri bookings call Lynne on 07810310716 or for Saturday bookings Sam Seaton on 07920 884944
Regular Users of the Centre

- ◆ Beavers & Cubs
- ◆ Geological Society (1st Tues month)
 - ◆ Maths & English Clubs
 - ◆ Naiken System
 - ◆ Zumba Gold
 - ◆ Glow Fitness
 - ◆ Square Dancing
 - ◆ Taekwondo
- ◆ Furzton Tots Pre-school
- ◆ Church of the Servant King
 - ◆ Brownies

SOUTH FURZTON

Community Centre
Blackmoor Gate, Furzton.
Telephone for bookings:
Call Jo Fasolo on 07739 800840

Regular Users of the Centre

- ◆ Wing Chun ◆ Tai Chi
- ◆ Fitness & Self-defence
- ◆ Mums & Tots ◆ Nifty 60s
- ◆ Red Dragon Karate
- ◆ Pilates ◆ Soccer Tots
- ◆ Bridge Club

EMERSON VALLEY SOUTH

River Valley Centre
Whitehorse Drive, Emerson Valley

Telephone for bookings:
Call Nikki on 07854 402864
Regular Users of the Centre

- ◆ The Wendy House (Pre-School)
- ◆ Rainbows ◆ Brownies ◆ Guides
 - ◆ Weightwatchers
 - ◆ Slimming World
- ◆ Sunday Mornings Church Meeting
- ◆ Windmill Hill Allotment Society

EMERSON VALLEY NORTH

Emerson Valley Community Centre
Roeburn Crescent, Emerson Valley

Telephone for bookings:
Call Sally on 07527 179712
Regular Users of the Centre

- ◆ Howe Park Scout Group
- ◆ Ducklings Pre-school
- ◆ Line Dancing ◆ Zumba
- ◆ W.U.M.A Martial Arts
 - ◆ Weightwatchers
 - ◆ Sadies Dance Class

SHENLEY LODGE
Shenley Lodge Meeting Place
Faraday Drive, Shenley Lodge

Telephone For bookings:
Call Steve on 07505 900686
Regular Users of the Centre

- ◆ Servants of God Ministry
- ◆ Shenley Lodge Pre-School
- ◆ Shenley Christian Fellowship
- ◆ Reflection - Meditation Group
- ◆ Kathak - Classical Indian Dance
- ◆ Karate

OXLEY PARK

Oxley Park Community Centre
Redgrave Drive, Oxley Park
Telephone for bookings:
Call 01908 524482

Regular Users of the Centre

- ◆ Little Owls Children's Centre
- ◆ Kingsmead Pre-school & Oxley Park Toddler Group
 - ◆ Belly Dancing
- ◆ Cub Scouts Rainbows & Brownies
 - ◆ Ragdolly Annas
 - ◆ Disco Babies
 - ◆ Parent & Toddler Group
 - ◆ Yoga incl. Anti-natal Yoga
 - ◆ Insanity Fitness
- ◆ Embroiderer's Guild (MK Branch)
 - ◆ Line Dancing
 - ◆ Pilates
 - ◆ Mini Strikers
 - ◆ Arabic Classes
 - ◆ Kick Start Fat Loss

TATTENHOE

Tattenhoe Pavilion
Holborn Crescent, Tattenhoe.

Telephone for bookings:
Call 01908 749038

Regular Users of the Centre

- ◆ Ahmadmus Muslim Association
- ◆ Little Owls Children's Centre
 - ◆ Ducklings Pre-school
 - ◆ EJP Football League
 - ◆ MK Seishin Aikido Club
 - ◆ Smash Fitness Training
- ◆ Kathy's Kiddies Musical Melodies
- ◆ Taiyoku Shotokan Karate Club
 - ◆ MK Inclusive Tennis
 - ◆ Tattenhoe FC
 - ◆ Weight-watchers
 - ◆ Zumba Fitness Classes
 - ◆ MK College
 - ◆ Gregory Max FC

WESTCROFT

Westcroft Meeting Place
Wimborne Crescent, Westcroft.

Telephone for bookings:
Call Danielle on 01908 377251

Regular Users of the Centre

- ◆ Ducklings Pre-school
- ◆ First Class Learning
 - ◆ Weightwatchers
 - ◆ Scouts
 - ◆ Rainbows
 - ◆ Brownies

What's On?

Furzton Scout Group

Beavers (age 6-8) Mondays 6-7pm
Cubs (age 8-10) Wednesdays 6.30-8pm
Scouts (age 10-14) Wednesdays 7-9pm
Ridgeway Community Centre, Dulverton Drive, North Furzton

Howe Park Scout Group

Beavers (age 6-8) Mondays 6-7pm
Cubs (age 8-10) Tuesdays 6.30-8pm
Westcroft District Centre, Wimborne Crescent
Scouts (age 10-14) Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:30pm
Emerson Valley Meeting Place (North), Roeburn Crescent
Contact **Janette** on **01908 503093** or visit our website:
<http://howeparkscouts.org.uk>

Loughton Scout Group

Beavers (age 6-8) Thursdays 5.45-7pm
Cubs (age 8-10) Wednesdays 6.30-8pm
Scouts (age 10-14) Thursdays 7-9pm
Loughton Memorial Hall, Bradwell Road, Loughton

Active MK Fitness

Fitness classes for mums and babies. Outdoor classes with your buggy. Tuesdays 10am Furzton Lake - Meet outside Merebrook Infant School. To book or find out more, contact Ana at pushntonemk@yahoo.com www.activemkfitness.com/push-ntone.html and www.pushntonemk.weebly.com

Shenley Christian Fellowship

Every Sunday morning. - 10.30am-12noon Creche available
Shenley Brook End School, 6th Form Centre
Every Sunday evening 6.30 - 7.30pm. - Shenley Brook End Village Hall
Call **Ross** on **271901** or **Carrie** on **01296 720450** for information.
Little Acorns Tuesday 9.30-11.00 (Bumps-2yrs) Big Acorns Thursday 10.00-11.30 (2-4yrs) contact Helen on 07834417777.
'Drop In': Call in for a 'cuppa', chat & relax, or join in with one of our activities. Every Monday, 2pm to 4pm at SBE Village Hall No charge.
Website: www.scf-mk.org.uk email: info@scf-mk.org.uk
Shenleys and Loughton Women's Institute
2nd. Tuesday afternoon of every month except August - 2.30pm
Loughton Memorial Hall, Bradwell Road, Loughton
New members always welcome. For more information:
Call **Barbara** on **01908 503885**

Shape Changers Square Dance Club

We are a new club formed to take beginners through the basic steps of square dancing. We meet on Thursday evenings 8 - 10pm at Ridgeway Community Centre, Furzton.
All are welcome £4 per session
Contact **Susie** on **01280 816940**

Zumba Fitness Classes

Every Tuesday evening 7:30 - 8:30 at Tattenhoe Pavilion.
Every Thursday evening 7:20 - 8:10 & 8.15 - 9.10 Oxley Park School.
Every Saturday morning 10.15 - 11.15 at Oxley Park Primary School
Contact Yasmin on 07966488727 or email yasmin@zumba.uk.com for more information.

Alzheimer's Society Support Group

Information support & advice for anyone affected by dementia - Westcroft Health Centre every other Tuesday 14:00 = 15:30
Contact **Dee Cope** **01908 261750** for information or email dee.cope@alzheimers.org.uk

1st Oxley Park Rainbows and Brownies

Wednesdays, Rainbows 4.30 - 5.30, Brownies 6.00 - 7.30pm
Girls aged 5-7 Rainbows - 7-10 Brownies
Oxley Park Community Centre, Redgrave Drive, Oxley Park
Contact **Cat** on **01908 522308** or **07713 238899** or email cat.oxleprainbows@live.co.uk

Milton Keynes Retirement Club (MKRC)

We are a sequence/ballroom dance club for the over 55s. We meet each Wednesday afternoon at Wilton Hall 1.30-4.00pm (£3.50 per

session) and every Friday afternoon at Bletchley Community Centre 1.45-4.00pm (£3.00 per session). All welcome to either meeting or, indeed, both. Contact: **Neil** on **01908 526255** or just come along.

Yoga for beginners to experienced

Sunday 9:30am, Monday evenings 8pm at Shenley Brook End School.
Contact: **Shilpa Patel** on **07591 501641**
email: balanceinlifeyoga@gmail.com.

Thistle Scottish Dance Club

Scottish Country Dancing for all abilities in a small, friendly & fun group. Wednesdays 8-10pm at Shenley Brook End Village Hall - £3 per session. email jangeverybusy@me.com or just come along

St. John Badgers

Boys & Girls aged 5-10 years, Mondays 6.30 - 7.30pm
Held at St. John Ambulance Headquarters, Blackmoor Gate, Furzton.
Contact **Linda Firth** on **01908 561328** for more information

Kick Start Fat Loss with Jenny

Thursday 9.30am at Oxley Park Community Centre
kickstartfatlossmiltonkeynes.net

Stony Stratford Bowls Club Ostler Lane, Stony Stratford will be holding an **OPEN DAY** on Saturday 30th April with gates open from 10.00am for anyone interested in coming along and trying bowling. There is no charge and all equipment is laid on. So just stroll in during the day at a time convenient to you

To publicise an event in our **FREE** 'What's On' listing, send details to the address on page 2,
or e-mail:

rebecca.zimmerman@shenleybrookend-pc.gov.uk

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'Business card' (90mmx50mm approx.)	£15

Casual Vacancy

The Parish Council has a casual vacancy for a new Member. If you are interested in this vacancy or would like any further information please contact Rebecca Zimmerman on rebecca.zimmerman@shenleybrookend-pc.gov.uk or telephone the Parish office on 01908 521538

The Friends of Caroline Haslett
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Saturday 26th March 2016

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Don't forget that the Trades Directory is still available on the Parish website along with much more news and information at: www.shenleybrookend-pc.gov.uk.

Howe Park Wood Management Plan launched by The Parks Trust to help maintain the habitats for rare species of butterflies and to protect the landscape for the future

The Parks Trust recently completed and updated an extensive management plan that defines how Howe Park Wood is to be managed for the future. The plan explains how the Trust will continue to maintain and enhance the Semi-Natural Ancient Woodland's character, biodiversity conservation interest and recreational value of the woodland. Howe Park Wood has 'Site of Special Scientific Interest' (SSSI) status, as designated by Natural England.

The woodland has some unique offerings including that it is a very important woodland habitat for butterflies. 27 species have been recorded in and around the wood over the last 15 years, in comparison only 17 species were recorded when surveys were carried out in 2003 and 2004. The Howe Park species list includes White Admiral *Ladoga camilla*, Purple Hairstreak *Quercusia quercus* and Black Hairstreak *Satyrrium pruni*. Black Hairstreak is the rarest of these two species as in the UK it only occurs in the Midland



woodland belt. In July 2015, the spectacular Purple Emperor butterfly was recorded in Howe Park Wood for the first time and was also spotted in other woodlands nearby.



Some of the key parts of the plan include:

- Conservation of habitats and biodiversity, including preserving and enhancing the Wood's characteristics, its woodland habitats and protecting species found in it, including the resident Black Hairstreak butterfly and other forms of wildlife.
- Managing the wood to include higher canopy trees, while influencing light levels so there are the right conditions for a healthy mid-storey (future high canopy trees) to flourish, along with a coppiced understorey of native shrubs and a vibrant and species rich layer of ground vegetation.
- Create better and more favourable habitats for indigenous mammals (including bats), woodland birds and invertebrates through such measures as creating a mix of habitat and retaining more decaying and dead wood (while ensuring the wood is safe to its visitors)
- Encouraging a diversity of indigenous species, to help protect the wood from threatening pests and diseases (e.g. Ash Dieback)
- Providing public access for relaxation and leisure activities (e.g. walking and experiencing the natural and historic environment)
- Providing information about the Wood and enabling it to be used as an educational resource.

Rob Riekie, Landscape and Operations Director at The Parks Trust, said: "We have owned Howe Park Wood since 1992, and we are very privileged to be able to continue to enhance and maintain the site.

"We've always had detailed plans for managing our landscape but in publishing this plan and making it downloadable from the website or available on request we want to help people understand our work better and make it easier for them to access this information."

You can request a copy of The Howe Park Management Plan by emailing landscape@theparkstrust.com or calling 01908 233600 or download at: <http://www.theparkstrust.com/downloads/h-p-wood-mngt-plan---13-nov15-low-res.pdf>

Pic Cap: White Admiral and the Purple Emperor



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