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Autumn 2018

Musical Entertainment and floral displays at St Mary's Church "Music in Bloom" weekend in July – more pictures inside



Local residents Richard Kerridge and Keith Hilson providing entertainment outside the Church

inside this edition – photos of Carnival Day and posters and letters produced by Old Basing Infants School pupils on the subject of dog fouling.



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CHAIRMAN'S FOREWORD

In the last issue I wrote about 3 major items on the Parish Council agenda. I am happy to report success and partial success on 2 but there is still uncertainty on the third.

Firstly the good news. The Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan is now 'made'. We first investigated the principles of a Neighbourhood Plan when I was Deputy Chairman in the last council term and we are now approaching the end of this 4-year period. The term 'made' means we now have a document which sets out the nature of any further developments within the Parish. Thank you to all residents that turned out and voted in the referendum on 7 June. Particular thanks are due to David Whiter the lead councillor and his team of volunteers consisting of both councillors and residents, who studied and drafted the plan, redrafted it and got to the submission version. Most of the expenditure involved was 'granted' with a small investment from Parish Council funds that will eventually be recouped in the increased CIL levy from developments to the east of Pyotts Hill.

Another ongoing project is the partial refurbishment of the Pavilion building. The first element which should start in September will be the replacement of the single wooden glazing with Modern PVC or Aluminium units which are more durable and should reduce heating costs over the coming years. In this first stage we will also replace one of the double door units to the Tea Room which, with the later works to include a ramp, will allow step free access (suitable for wheelchairs) into the building for the first time. Later work will see improvements to the Tea Point facilities incorporating new units and serving area.

Whilst these works represent a considerable scaling back in those originally envisaged they will provide a refurbished meeting room with step free access for public attendance. A second stage to provide a further meeting room, also with step free access, and improved toilets including disabled standard facilities is still being considered

but is dependent on ongoing grant applications.

The item of uncertainty is the Milkingpen Lane bridge issue. Whilst there has clearly been some work by Network Rail on the embankment to the South East of the bridge (including the appearance of a large blue grid covering, presumably, a drain top) we have not been informed if the problem has been identified or indeed if the work undertaken is a solution or part of the investigation. We continue to press Hampshire County Council Highways department for an update.

Finally, we said goodbye recently to 2 councillors. However we have now co-opted a returning councillor, Alan Renwick, and most recently, John Robinson. We thank Sven Godesen and Alan Jones for their contribution and feel sure our two new Councillors will add their knowledge and expertise to the decision making of the Parish Council on behalf of residents.

I would remind you all that the Council only runs because of the time spent by volunteer councillors. If you think this is an undertaking you wish to make I should point out that you will soon have an ideal opportunity to take the first step towards this as the entire Parish Council will stand for election next May (along with Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council).

Mark Oszczyk
Chairman, Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council



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All meetings take place on a Tuesday evening starting at 7.30 pm unless otherwise stated and are held at The Pavilion on the Recreation Ground, Old Basing. Planning & Development Committee Meetings may be cancelled if there are no plans for discussion.

Meetings for the remainder of 2018 are:

September

- 4 Full Parish Council
Communications Committee (7pm)
- 11 & 24 Planning & Development Committee
- 18 Finance & Resources Committee

October

- 2 Full Parish Council
Communications Committee (7pm)
- 9 & 23 Planning & Development Committee
- 16 Facilities Management Committee

November

- 6 Full Parish Council
Communications Committee (7pm)
- 13 & 27 Planning & Development Committee
- 20 Facilities Management Committee

December

- 4 Full Parish Council
Communications Committee (7pm)
- 11 Planning & Development Committee
- 18 Community Partnership Event

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Sunday 14 October – FOBS Trail Run
- Sunday 11 November – Remembrance Service
- Tuesday 13 November – Village Show AGM
- Tuesday 18 December – Parish Council Community Partnership Evening
- Saturday 29 December – Big Turkey Christmas Lunch

Parish Notes

Annual Parish Award

The Annual Parish Award this year went to a worthy recipient – Kath Davies. Kath has dedicated over 40 years to voluntary work with organisations such as the local Junior Red Cross group which she helped set up and led in the 1970's, setting up the local Duke of Edinburgh Award group, serving on the Carnival and Beddington Centre Committees and carrying out house to house collections



for various charities. The award was presented by Parish Council Chairman, Mark Oszczyk, at the Annual Parish Meeting on 15 May.

Our Community Newsletter

Due to the popularity of this Newsletter it has been decided to produce it on a quarterly basis in future, the next being a Christmas edition in December. If you or your organisation wish to contribute or would like a letter published, please send your suggestions to the Parish Office either by email or post. We are also planning a series of articles for future Newsletters about parish life as illustrated by our archived Minutes and are keen to include photos of the parish and its residents from 1900 onwards. If you have any old photos dating back to the 1900's (or earlier) that you would like to share, we would be happy to scan and include them with relevant articles.

Dog Fouling

Dog Fouling continues to be a problem in Old Basing and Lychpit and the Parish Council was happy to support the initiative of Old Basing Infant School pupils who produced posters and letters which they displayed around the Recreation Ground and the Belle Vue Open Space and Play Area, the latter being particularly prone to abuse by dog owners ignoring the "no dogs" signs or failing to pick up after their pet.

Councillor Changes

We were sorry to see the departure of Councillors Sven Godesen and Alan Jones during the summer months. Sven has given many years of service as a Parish Councillor and his knowledge and expertise from his role as a Borough Councillor has been invaluable. He will be sorely missed although will maintain his links with the Parish Council in his ongoing capacity as Borough Councillor.

During the short time he served as a Councillor Alan has thrown himself into the task taking on the roles of parish representative on the Hampshire County Council Transport Committee and the Hampshire Road Safety Council. His efforts on the Transport Committee ensured that the No. 55 community bus continues to run and, indeed, has expanded its route.

Our thanks go to both Councillors and we welcome our new Councillors, Alan Renwick, who many will recall previously served on the Parish Council and was, indeed, Chairman in 2009-10, Roger Doust and John Robinson, both of whom have a wealth of experience to bring to the role.

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The Old Basing and Lychpit Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan

The Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan was 'made' at the Basingstoke and Deane Full council on 19 July 2018. Planning decisions relating to the parish now need to be made in accordance with the Adopted Local Plan and the Neighbourhood Plan July 2018. The period for legal challenge ended on 30 August.

The Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan and Decision Statement can be seen at <https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/OBNP> and hard copies are available.

Several lynx-eyed readers commented on the level of support from parish residents mentioned in July Basinga. It should have read "86% of parish residents **voting**". In fact the overall turnout was 21%, and the full Declaration of Results from Basingstoke and Deane contained all the detail including the number of votes recorded (1206) and the number of spoiled/rejected ballot papers (4).

For anyone still uncertain of what a Neighbourhood Plan is about the following Quick Guide outlines the aims and benefits:

Quick Guide To The Neighbourhood Plan

Central government requires local government to identify land for housing through Local Plans. **The Basingstoke & Deane Local Plan** identifies land for about 325 homes in the parish at Swing Swang Lane & along the A33 south of Whitmarsh Lane.

The Old Basing & Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan is based on views expressed at meetings & responses to the Questionnaire which went to all households in 2015.

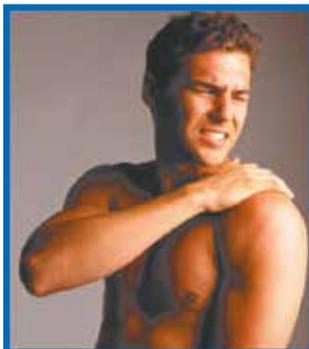
There is one other benefit - it could increase funding for local infrastructure by as much as £100,000 as development happens.

The Local Plan & Neighbourhood Plan together have the following aims.

- **Protect & extend Green Spaces** including Basing Fen, the Common, Crabtree Plantation & the Loddon Valley
- **Protect the landscape & environment**
- **Protect the historic assets of the parish**
- **Ensure development is appropriate** to the differing parts of the parish
- **Ensure development does not lead to more "rat-running"** & aspires to improve road safety with more footpaths & other small improvements

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Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council Year ending 31 March 2018

Balance Sheet:

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Current Assets

Debtors	5134
Prepayments	2,846
Bank and Cash	223,324
	231,304

Current Liabilities

Creditors	(20,416)
	210,888

General Fund	220,490
Income & Expenditure Account:	(9,602)

Reserves

Net income/(Expenditure) for the year	(9,602)
Transfers from EarMarked reserves	12,447
Net Income/ (Expenditure) for the year to General Reserves	2,845

General Fund	Opening Balance	58,153
	From Period	2,845
		60,998

Earmarked Reserve/ Opening Balance	162,337
From Period	12,447
	149,890

TOTAL RESERVES 210,888

Income & Expenditure Account:

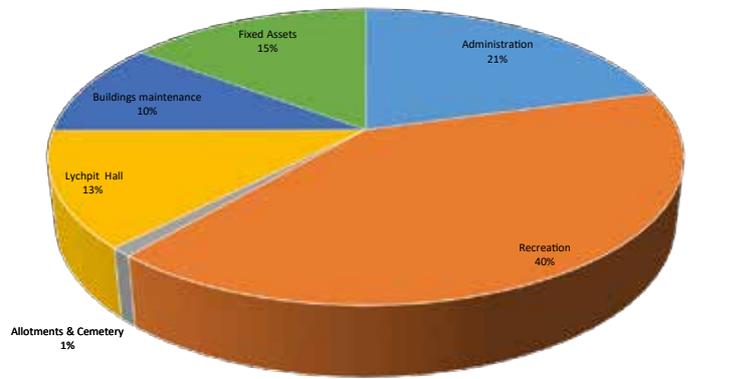
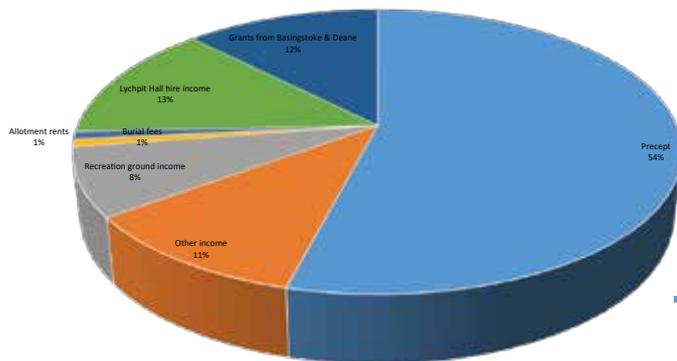
Income

	£
Precept	148,263
Interest Received	614
Administrative	29,594
Recreation	21,382
Burial	2,335
Allotment	2,332
Lychpit Hall	36,744
Grand Aid Revenue/Maintenance	33,804
	275,067

Expenditure:

Administration	58,645
Street light	1,112
Recreation	115,139
Allotments	1,537
Cemetery	1,189
Lychpit Hall	35,979
Other Buildings	29,271
Capital Schemes	41,797
	284,669
Net Income (Expenditure) for the year	9,602

Analysis of Expenditure



- Precept
- Other income
- Recreation ground income
- Burial fees
- Allotment rents
- Lychpit Hall hire income
- Grants from Basingstoke & Deane

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Hampshire County Council Marks 100 Years of Votes for Women

To mark 100 years of women's suffrage and the birthday of Emmeline Pankhurst, Councillor Elaine Still, Hampshire County Council's Chairman, laid a wreath in Queen Eleanor's Garden at Winchester's Great Hall on 15 July.

Councillor Elaine Still said: "It is incredible to think of the progress in these past 100 years, from women winning the right to vote in 1918 to where we are today, with many women in influential positions across local and national government. None of this would have been possible without Emmeline Pankhurst and I am delighted to represent Hampshire County Council in remembering her today, 160 years from the day she was born."

Councillor Still, wearing her chairman's chain interwoven with the purple, white and green colours of the women's suffrage movement, was joined by Hampshire MPs - Maria Miller, Caroline Nokes and Mims Davies.

Maria Miller MP said: "Emmeline Pankhurst was one of the most influential people of the 20th century. She shaped an idea of women of our time; she shook society into a new pattern from which there could be no going back. In this centenary year and on the day we remember Emmeline, Hampshire can be proud of six women MPs."

In 1918, Parliament passed the Representation of the People Act which allowed women over thirty who met a property qualification, and all men, to vote for the first time.

Hampshire County Council's wreath laying today is part of a series of events happening all over the country to engage politicians and the public with the struggle for the vote.

Councillor Roy Perry, Leader of Hampshire County Council, said: "The right to vote is fundamental to our democratic system of government in this country, and it is fitting we honour Emmeline Pankhurst in this way today, for the role she played in making sure millions more people could have this right."

Emmeline Pankhurst was born on 15 July 1858 in Manchester. The Representation of the People Act was granted Royal assent on 6 February 1918 and allowed women over the age of 30 who met a property qualification to vote. Although 8.5 million women met this criteria, it was only about two-thirds of the total population of women in the UK. The same Act abolished property and other restrictions for men, and extended the vote to virtually all men over the age of 21. Additionally, men in the armed forces could vote from the age of 19. The electorate increased from eight to 21 million. Emmeline Pankhurst died on 14 June 1928, just weeks before the Representation of the People Act (1928) extended the vote to all women over 21 years of age on 2 July 1928. The 1928 act gave women over 21 the same voting rights as men. This act increased the number of women eligible to vote to 15 million.

Suffrage in Hampshire

Hampshire County Council's Record Office, the home of Hampshire Archives and Local Studies, contains several items relating to the suffrage movement, including a printed booklet called 'Women's Suffrage: an appeal from women'. This booklet contains original signatures, collected by Sophia Wickham of Binsted Wyck, as part of a national campaign to present an appeal to Parliament asking for women to be allowed to vote in 1894. The archives also hold letters, diaries, articles and publications by Lady Laura Ridding (1849-1939), an author and suffragist, who played a key role in the National Union of Women Workers. She lived in Winchester for several years.

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The Queen Eleanor Garden

The medieval garden is named after Queen Eleanor of Provence and Queen Eleanor of Castile as both spent considerable time living at Winchester Castle. Eleanor of Provence, was the wife of Henry III under whom the Great Hall was built, and her daughter-in-law, Eleanor of Castile was the wife of Edward I. The garden is a re-creation of a typical castle herber in size, shape, plants and features. The design has been pieced together from documentary evidence relating to seven or eight royal residences of the period, and incorporates many local architectural features. The plants in the garden were selected for their symbolism as during the medieval period, certain plants were philosophically associated with particular religious or personal virtues. Among the plants are holly, ivy, and bay, which represented the medieval ideal of faithfulness. The roses, columbine, and strawberry plants all represented various aspects of Christian spiritual philosophy.





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Old Basing Carnival

What another amazing year the Old Basing Carnival Committee has had.....

First came the Senior Citizens Party, we had a lovely Post-Valentine's Day Senior Citizens Party where all senior citizens from the village were invited to eat, drink, play games (pass the parcel and bingo), enjoy the generous raffle and have a good sing along, thanks to the wonderful voices of the Basing Singers. A truly lovely afternoon made special by the efforts of the carnival committee, army of helpers and the Boyle O'Dowda Academy of Irish Dancers provided an amazing display, so colourful, entertaining and vibrant.

Then came the Junior Carnival Disco, where all children over 5 years and under 12 years were invited to join in the fun and be presented to the judges for the opportunity to represent the village, as the Old Basing Carnival Princess, Prince, Attendant or Escort were chosen. What an array of wonderful smiles and bright eyes we had join us and some rather interesting and exaggerated dancing! It was wonderful to see all the outgoing royal family crown the new royal family, which comprised of: Miss Lucy O'Neill and her Attendant and Deputy Miss Amy Connor. Prince Master Daniel Kean and his Escort and Deputy Master John Love.

And finally came the big day and oh what an amazing day it was!!! We estimate we have over 3,000 people joining us to have fun in the sun, we could not have asked for more – well, the little shower and wind could have stayed away!!! Such an amazing array of colourful and imaginative book titled themed procession entrants combined with an outstanding arena displays from our local talented young dancers and The Greyhounds of St Edmunds Re-Enactment Group battling it out, with real swords!. I hope you enjoyed it as much as we did .

As in previous years we will be reviewing the requests for donations from local groups (deadline set as 1st of September each year) that helped and/or took part in this year's carnival procession against our finances to see how much we can give out to local groups and this will be announced at the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 10 October 2018, 8pm in the Frank Goddard Room.

Chairman of Hampshire County Council - Cllr Elaine Still opened the carnival, following an array of colour from the 11 amazing entries parading around the arena. Elaine was accompanied by Maria Miller, MP for Basingstoke. The Royal Party and Elaine did an amazing job giving out all the awards and Elaine and Maria also gave out our new addition this year - rosettes to our cherished cars and bikes attendees.

The Viner cup, overall winner of the procession, was won by Linguastastic Language School for their fantastic rendition of Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory entry. I hope you will agree all the procession entries were spectacular and the judges said they had an extremely hard time judging, it is getting harder and harder each year. Congratulations to 'The Crown' for reclaiming their title of Tug of War champions for 2018 and thank you to the new entrants – really great fun!

In the arena we were amazed by the fantastic displays from all of our dance groups and the battling of The Greyhounds of St Edmunds Re-Enactment Group! Lovely to see them around the site too, although I think our carnival stall holders saw them off when they saw them pilfering!!

This year saw another array of scarecrows. Congratulations to Jocelyn & Peer for winning the adult prize for their wonderful tribute to the First World War and to Lucy O'Neil for winning the child prize for her Rapunzel. We are hoping to have even more next year and for more to enter their fantastic creations!!

New for 2020 – calling all previous princesses, princes, deputies, attendances and escorts – we need you – please get in touch and help us make our 50th year dream come true!!

I would like to take this opportunity to say a massive thank you to our army of helpers, local businesses, and the Carnival Committee, who continue to work so hard, in so many different ways, to make the Carnival such an enjoyable and successful day!

Finally – A date for your diary **Saturday 15 June 2019**. The theme for 2019 Carnival will be announced at the Carnival Annual General Meeting and be included in the November Basinga Carnival Update.

Many thanks

Joe Croombs

Chair, Old Basing Carnival Committee

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County Councillor's Report



On May 18th I was formally elected as Chairman of Hampshire County Council which is a great honour. Apart from chairing meetings the role is largely ceremonial—representing the County at all manner of events - I will be busier than ever, though just for 1 year!

In my capacity as Chairman of HCC I was delighted to be asked to open the Old Basing & Lychpit 2018 Carnival and your local MP Maria Miller and I spent a very enjoyable afternoon chatting with residents and visitors to the event.

As many readers will know from my toad exploits, I am very keen on nature. My theme as Chairman is "All Things Healthy and Green; All Creatures Great and Small."

By looking after nature we are actually benefitting ourselves. There is an increasing body of evidence that illustrates the influence that connecting with nature has on our physical and mental health.

HCC is responsible for looking after over 3,000 hectares of land, and Hampshire has 3,000 miles of Rights of Way that anyone can use to enjoy the fantastic countryside.

HCC country parks attract nearly 3 million visits a year and provide a huge number of opportunities to get active. Recent investment will ensure that the country parks are able to become operationally self-financing and will be secured for future generations to enjoy.

Over 25,000 educational visits take place in HCC countryside sites and parks and the Outdoor Service hosts 140,000 activity sessions involving over 55,000 participants (mainly young people) across its 4 Outdoor Centres every year.

As Chairman of the Council this is the year that I would like us to focus on looking after nature so nature can look after us.

Despite my busy Chairman's schedule, I will continue to look after the interests of Old Basing and Lychpit residents on the County Council and I am continuing to press for resolution of local issues, in particular the flooding under Milkingpen Lane Bridge. Below is a brief update on the current situation provided by HCC Highways:

- The existing drainage system under the rail bridge will be replaced as part of the future drainage improvement scheme but a new outfall will be required.
- The exploratory work locating the existing carrier drain & outfall has been unsuccessful to date. An attempt to expose the connection of the Network Rail drainage into a pipe under the road has also been unsuccessful due to the close proximity of the rail bridge, which appears to have the highway drain and/or carrier pipe surrounded with concrete and included within the footings of the bridge. We don't know for sure if/how the Network Rail system and the highway drainage system are linked still.
- HCC are trying to arrange a further meeting with Network Rail's drainage and structures engineers to discuss how they might be able to investigate the connection encased in concrete. A date will be agreed sometime during the middle of August.
- Operation Resilience are also looking towards the feasibility of installing a new deep bore soakaway. They will be getting a comprehensive survey of all the stats in the highway so that they can locate the best location for any bore hole (and the new drainage system that connects into it) if that is the chosen solution.

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Assisted Living Development

(update from Hampshire County Council)

The new County Council owned assisted living scheme on Great Binfields Road is nearing completion. Practical completion on the building has now been issued and only the landscaping of the grounds are left to finish - we are praying for some rain and cooler weather so the plants can be properly established without wilting in this extreme heat!

The scheme, which is to be known as Jellicoe Court, provides 18 self-contained 1 bedroom flats and supporting communal areas across two floors for adults (19-65 years of age) with a Learning Disability. This will be their long term accommodation and service users will move into the scheme gradually over the coming months starting from the end of August. The scheme will be managed on the County Council's behalf by Golden Lane Housing (acting as intervening landlord) and the care and support for residents is to be provided by Fitzroy on a 24/7 basis as required.

This scheme is the first of 7 similar projects to be completed on sites across the County providing accommodation for service users that promotes greater independence and choice whilst at the same time ensuring the requisite level of support is provided to them.



What A Coincidence

My wife, Carolyn and I and 6 friends, all residents or former residents of Old Basing, have travelled together many times over the years to far off places including the southern hemisphere, America and The Mediterranean - this year the choice was Mauritius, staying at the Victoria Beachcomber on the north west coast.

A few days after arriving we were all sitting down to breakfast when one of us spotted someone we knew. Much to our disbelief it was another group of Old Basing residents! More surprises were to come as the family party of 7 was headed by Joyce Skeats, known to us for many years and a familiar figure to many in Old Basing, having worked at the former Post Office.

After travelling 6,071 miles to an island in the Indian Ocean for a relaxing and peaceful break we couldn't help thinking "there goes a quiet holiday now Joyce is here"! All joking aside it was a lovely surprise and quite amazing that 13 residents of the same village ended up that far away and in the same hotel all at the same time. The final coincidence was that Gary, Julia, and Julie work at Berry Brothers and Rudd with my son who knew where we were going but had no idea that his work colleagues were also going to the same place!

A great holiday was had by all and we all enjoyed a final supper together before we headed home the following day leaving Joyce and her family to enjoy the rest of their holiday. It just goes to prove that wherever you go in the world you could easily come across someone you know.

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Old Basing Village Show

This year's village show was on Sunday 9th September. More details can be found www.oblvs.org.uk

A report of the show itself will be included in the next edition of this publication. And don't forget the Show AGM which will be held in St Mary's Church at 8.00pm on Tuesday 13th November. Please come along to hear about the Committee's work during the year. You can also take the opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions about future Shows.

The Committee was saddened to hear of the death of our President Dr Alan Gibberd who became Chairman of the Old Basing Flower Show in February 1990. Until April 2001 the Flower Show Committee reported to the AGM of the Resident's Association. Alan stood down as Chairman at the first autonomous AGM of the Old Basing and Lychpit Village Show in April 2002 and in his report stated that 'apart from interminable arguments about Victoria sponges' he had enjoyed his time. He retired from the Committee in 2008, the year he was 80. Following the death of Betty Holmes he was delighted to be asked to become our President in November 2009 and had conducted every AGM since. There are plans to present a cup in his memory for the Best Rose in Show at future Village Shows



Finally, you may have seen on the website that in 2014, and to mark the 150th Anniversary of the Show, the Committee donated an Oak Tree (*Quercus Rubra*) to the Parish which is planted on the recreation ground. Here is a photo of Alan Gibberd taking a well-earned rest, having completed the planting ceremony..

LYCHPIT WALK

(starting & finishing in the Lychpit Centre car park)

A walk of just over a mile, almost all on the excellent network of connecting paths in Lychpit. Some stretches are up and down but all on good pavements apart from a brief stretch in The Mill Field, and gravel stretch in Little Basing. Residents in the neighbouring roads may of course start and finish anywhere.

From the Lychpit Centre Car Park (Tesco Express Lychpit Hall etc) leave exit next to the bins at the top (west) and walk along the path towards the Great Binfields roundabout junction with Harvest Way. Cross Great Binfields Road and take the path in front of you (west) uphill. The path has offshoots to Rosehip Way, Blackberry Walk and Lambs Row.

Continue through a staggered crossroads of paths turning right as a view of a basketball net / goal appears in the grass ahead. Turn left at the next path T Junction and continue to emerge on Swing Swang Lane opposite Armstrong Road. Stay on the nearside verge and turn left down Swing Swang Lane for 40 m/yds to another path on the left. Take this block paved path and continue until it turns right - do not continue straight on into Lambs Row.

Follow this section (still block paved) under an arch into Saxon Way. Cross the road and take another block paved path slightly to the left. Follow this, emerging onto Great Binfields Road at a bus stop. Taking care, cross this main road for Lychpit and continue along the path on the far side (east) separated from the road by bushes.

Emerge from this path at the roundabout with Broadhurst Grove. Cross Broadhurst Grove, noting the brisk feature at the entrance to Olivers Walk. Proceed along the path on the right hand side of Olivers Walk crossing 3 entrances. Peake Close, a parking area and Whitehead Close. Then take a winding path to the left for approximately 100 m/yds onto Barton's Lane.

This is a major traffic route to Bartons Mill and an alternative into Lychpit. Cross the road and take the right hand of 2 paths through a gate onto the Mill Field. At the first path junction turn left (east) to parallel Barton's Lane. You are also travelling along the route of a major power line. Note the view of the skateboard park to the right and Bartons Mill and a playground. A path from the Mill and the playpark joins your path from the right. Continue along this wider path until turning left in a grassed clearing and following a short path to another gate and up a short flight of 8 or 9 steps onto Bartons Lane. Cross the lane and enter Little Basing. (10 mph speed signs)

This end of Little Basing is now tarmac, but leads onto a gravel and then clinker section at the northern end. Ignore the path to your right into Higher Mead and continue into the courtyard behind Lychpit Community Hall. Cross this courtyard and keep to the left hand side following the path round the Cromwell Inn (now an Indian Restaurant) to return to the car park.

Total distance 1.86km (1.15 miles)

(To avoid the 2 gates and the steps you can turn left when arriving at Bartons Lane and walk along the lane to Little Basing, If you do be aware of the traffic and observe the Highway code walking to face oncoming traffic and in single file when necessary)



An Interesting Visitor To Old Basing

This Citroen 2CV parked in Old Basing on the weekend of the Flower Festival at St Mary's Church has an interesting past as revealed by its owner, Ronwen Emerson.

The car was made in France and came over in early March 1975 with the first consignment of 2CVs made for the British market with the steering wheel on the right making it 43 years old and still running!

Still in near perfect condition in 2014 on a Sunday afternoon at the end of August whilst the car was unusually left parked in the street, Ronwen found a note on the windscreen from a company called Free Range Film Productions. The note said they were making a film about Alan Bennet and asked whether the owner would lend the car as a prop with filming due to start in October in Gloucester Crescent and lasting approximately 3 weeks.

Although a little reluctant at leaving her treasured car out in a nearby road in all weathers, the film company was very persuasive and Ronwen found herself driving her car to nearby Gloucester Crescent each morning and handing over the keys to the person in charge of props. She was somewhat alarmed, however, when at the end of day three the person in charge of cars asked how to get the car into reverse! All was well and her little car joined the other magnificent veteran cars parked in Gloucester Crescent for the filming of LADY IN A VAN. Two weeks into filming Ronwen was approached by a former resident of Gloucester Crescent to thank her for bringing his father's car!

Lady in a Van was released in November 2015 and shown on the BBC in Spring 2016.



Since then Ronwen has driven her 2CV through France and on one occasion in late September 2016 she felt an enormous thud – a roe deer had jumped out of the wood at the side of the road and hit the front of the car. Ronwen recounts that this prompted some interesting reactions – her husband asked “are you all right?” her English friends said “poor deer, was it all right?“, whilst her French friends said “I hope you took it home to eat”!

NEW NURSERY SCHOOL IN OLD BASING

September sees the opening of Old Basing Village Nursery School following the retirement of Di Bishop and subsequent closure of Old Basing Pre-School. This has been a very exciting development for owner and manager, Victoria Grayson, a local childminder and mother of three. “Having decided to leave my teaching career after the birth of my third baby, I thoroughly enjoyed training as a childminder and further developing my skills as an Early Year’s practitioner; so when the opportunity arose to take on such an established and popular setting, I found it impossible to resist. I wanted to be able to provide Old Basing and Lychpit with another high-quality Early Years setting - especially after the closure of the Lychpit Pre-School”.

The village hall, that has been home to a pre-school for many years, and the new nursery garden that is being developed throughout August, will provide children with fantastic opportunities to learn and grow across the seven areas of learning: Communication and Language, Physical Development, Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding of the World and Expressive Arts and Design (EYFS 2017). In addition, specialist teachers and practitioners will offer extra-curricular activities such as mindfulness, an Art Masterclass and a music club (amongst other areas) to broaden and enhance children’s learning experiences outside of the statutory EYFS.

“I believe in an approach that places the child at the heart of all we do. At Old Basing Village Nursery School, children are supported in making choices about their learning and to develop their skills and understanding within the safe and unique environment that is on offer. I have developed my philosophy for learning at Old Basing Village Nursery School around what I looked for myself when choosing a nursery school setting for my own children. I often reflect on what we offer with this in mind...as a resident of Old Basing and Lychpit, I aspire to Old Basing Village Nursery School becoming an established part of what is already a fantastic local community and I look forward to welcoming children and parents”

As a new Ofsted Registered Early Year’s provider, Old Basing Village Nursery School offers term-time only Early Years Education and also offers universal (15 hours) and extended (30 hours) funded places for eligible children. Our nursery school will open its doors on **Wednesday 5th September** with an energetic and enthusiastic team of 5; two fully qualified primary school teachers and three Early Years Practitioners with over thirty years of experience between them.

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Events attended over the early summer

The team has been very busy attending and representing NW in several events during the last couple of months and across the county, several coordinators supported us with Crimestoppers events.

10th June 2018—Fire Station Open day

Fire & Rescue had an open day to show off their new station and arranged loads of events to entertain kids and grown-up's. NW attended along with several other partners and had a great day with lots of interest shown. The public turned out in droves, the event was very well attended and as usual, was popular and well received by all.



My thanks to my team members who supported the event.

19th June 2018—Police & Crime Commissioner "Safer Together" day, Basingstoke

The PCC is holding events across the county under the banner of "Safer Together" aimed at showing that together with our partners we can support communities to be safer and work more closely together to support the teams trying to keep us safe.

It was held in Festival Place outside M&S and Costa, a prime spot, and ran all day. There was loads of interest from the passing public and it appears to have been very well received by everyone we talked to.

My thanks to Tony and Mike for their support across the day.




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Basingstoke Neighbourhood Watch - (continued)

The Basingstoke Police Commander is Chief Inspector Matthew Reeves, he can be contacted via the 101 number.



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We asked CI Reeves for an update on the 101 service after many comments from NW members;

I thought it might be worth noting that the 101 number is simply the non-emergency telephone number for contacting your local police force. There is no separate 101 department or team, and the calls are answered by the same people who answer the 999 calls coming in to the police. Their shift patterns are planned to try and match staffing levels as closely as possible to anticipated call demand. However, the nature of policing is that it is impossible to entirely predict surges in call volume. For example, a crash on the motorway may generate 30 or 40 calls, all about the same incident. Priority will always be given to answering 999 calls first for obvious reasons, but this does mean that at times it takes longer than we would like to answer 101 calls.

Please bear in mind that 101 is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Can you think of any other organisation, either public or private sector, that offers this for non-urgent matters?

In addition, we provide a public enquiry office at the Police Investigation Centre, Jays Close, Viabes, Basingstoke, RG22 4BS. You can walk in at any time during opening hours without an appointment and speak to a member of police staff face to face. The office is currently open from 8am to 8pm Monday to Saturday, 9am to 5pm on Sunday and 10am to 6pm on Bank Holidays. Again, this is a significantly better offering than most other organisations.

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A hate incident becomes a hate crime when a criminal offence has been committed. Offences can include:

- assault
- harassment
- criminal damage, including offensive graffiti, breaking windows, damage to cars
- murder
- theft

Hate incidents may or may not be a criminal offence. It doesn't matter if you're not sure, report it to the police.

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What to do in the garden in Autumn

Timely Tips

In the flower garden

Now that colder weather is approaching, protect half-hardy plants with fleece or bring into a frost-free greenhouse.

Lift Dahlia and Begonia tubers

Lift Dahlia tubers, Begonia tubers and Gladiolus corms to store dry over the winter months. Remove the dead foliage before storing them.

Plant daffodil bulbs, tulip bulbs and Allium bulbs for a glorious spring display. Dot them through borders or naturalise them in grass.

Plant bare-root ornamental **trees and shrubs**.

Plant out perennials and biennials sown this year

Plant out any perennials or biennials you've grown from seed this year.

Plant spring bedding such as **wallflowers, Bellis, Primulas** and **winter pansies** for a fantastic spring display.

If your **summer containers** are looking past their best, re-plant them with fresh **winter bedding** plants. For winter plant ideas take a look at our '**How to plant up hanging baskets, flower pouches and containers**' article on our website: www.thompson-morgan.com

Autumn is the ideal time to **plant Clematis plants** and this season is an ideal time to **move trees and shrubs**, and plant hedges.

Hardwood cuttings can be taken now from deciduous shrubs.

Prune Climbing Roses

Prune Climbing Roses and rambling roses once they've finished flowering and tie in the stems before autumn winds cause damage.

Clear up fallen rose leaves to prevent diseases such as black spot from over-wintering - don't compost the leaves.

Clear overhanging plants away from pathways to maintain access routes throughout the garden.

Cut back perennial plants that have died down or alternatively leave the dead foliage in place for over-wintering wildlife.

Lift and divide any overcrowded herbaceous perennials whilst the soil is still warm.

After tidying borders, **mulch** with bark chips, well-rotted manure, leaf mould or spent mushroom compost to insulate plant roots for the winter and keep weed growth in check.

In the vegetable garden

Finish harvesting beans and peas. When beans and peas finish cropping simply cut the plant away at ground level, leaving the roots in the soil. These crops fix nitrogen which is slowly released into the soil as the roots break down.

If you plan to **grow beans next year**, start preparing the site by digging trenches and filling with manure or kitchen waste.

When you **harvest your cabbages**, leave the root in the ground and make a cut across the stem to encourage a flush of smaller leaves.

Any plants with **green tomatoes or peppers** remaining can be hung upside down indoors to ripen.

Protect autumn cauliflower heads from frost by wrapping the outer leaves around them and securing with string. Alternatively use a **cloche** or **fleece**.

Continue to **plant autumn garlic bulbs** now for a bumper crop next summer.

Plant autumn onion sets for cropping next summer.

Try growing mushrooms

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Cut back yellowing **asparagus foliage** to within 5cm of the ground.

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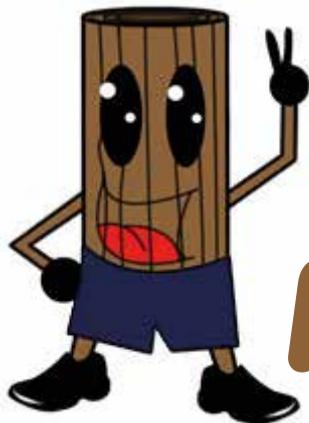
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On the 6th, 7th and 8th July St. Mary's Church held its summer festival – Music in Bloom – in wonderful summer weather.

The festival opened on Friday 6th July with a preview of the art exhibition where the works of local artists were on display.

On the Saturday and Sunday two local residents used a part of their collection of street organs to educate and entertain visitors with their music.

On Saturday evening the music moved to a classical concert by the Cantemus Choir "Singers and Saxes" enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience.

Over the weekend fifteen local residents generously opened their gardens to visitors. Many enjoyed walking through the village, seeing hidden treasures and discussing the planting schemes with the owners.

Plants, books and cakes were on sale and children's activities, light

refreshments, a barbecue, ice creams and cream teas were available.

The core of the festival was the flower displays in the cool of the church building. Local flower arrangers were asked to create displays interpreting the theme of music in bloom. They produced twenty six arrangements based on songs, concertos, musicals, hymns, ballets, a musical instrument and a dance. Their talents are clear from the photographs accompanying this article.

To bring the festival to a close the church choir led a wonderful Festival Choral Evensong.

The weekend was a great success and it achieved its two aims. Firstly, despite competing with an important football World Cup game, some £4,000 was raised to support the work of the church in Old Basing and Lychpit. Secondly in involving so many it reminded everyone that the church is one of the centres of community life in the area.

Ian Kershaw
(Church Warden, St Mary's Church)



St Mary's Church Says Farewell To Popular Vicar

July 22nd witnessed the bitter-sweet occasion of our goodbye to Fr. Alec after six years with us. A packed congregation from all sections of the community enjoyed his last service and saw him presented with a 19th Century pocket Icon and cheque from the congregation as a thank you for his ministry among us. The Glass Maidens also made him a beautiful framed glass cross to remember us by.

Afterwards the congregation and others whose lives Fr. Alec had touched enjoyed a very jolly bring and share lunch with the Men's Breakfast Group providing a Barbecue. The sun shone and everyone made merry despite being so very sad to see Fr. Alec leave us.

Fr. Alec threw himself headlong into the community, happy to be drenched at the Church Fete to raise funds for St. Mary's, leading ghostly walks around the churchyard at Hallowe'en and proving to be a convincing murderer in the Friends' Murder Mystery Play.

He is returning to Military Chaplaincy which has proved to be his enduring vocation. We will miss him terribly but are thankful for his time with us during which he has proved to be a popular, insightful and deeply spiritual leader. We wish him and his family all good wishes for the future.



Fr Alec at the 2017 Remembrance Day Service

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OLD BASING ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BEER FESTIVAL

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Local breweries Andwell's, Bond Brews, Triple FFF and LongDog brought some of their finest ales and we had some great ciders from Mr Whitehead's based in Alton and our Social Club team ran a very popular Gin bar and a Prosecco bar.

Local companies Bramley Bakery and Simple Franks were on-site supplying hot and cold savoury food and Victoria's Cake House based in Winchester brought her delicious cakes for sale.

We designed a limited edition beer glass which was extremely popular.

Our branch treasurer seconded his daughter to make us a brilliant Beer Keg cake for our raffle - the best bit being that it was actually two tiers, therefore two raffle prizes!

For the children we had a bouncy castle and face-painter and we were supported again this year by local DJ Stephen from Osprey Roadshow, who provided excellent music all day - he plays records for a really nice traditional sound, all styles from the fifties up to present day. The Old Basing Corps of Drums performed during the afternoon - they must be congratulated on surviving the heat!.

Thanks to the glorious weather we had a very long and successful day and raised a large amount of money too! This is the second year we have held this event and it seems as though it will become a regular fixture.

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Route 55 There's Good News and even Better News

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As certain pick-up points on the original route were not popular, adjustments have been made, with real benefit to Old Basing customers as the total time taken for the circular route has been considerably reduced. Get there quicker - get home quicker!

Access to the Chineham Centre plus the increasingly expanding retail area that includes Lidl, Dunelm and other major outlets is greatly improved. The concept of "hail down and drop-off" with driver assistance remains a core principle of the service.

So, what is the better news?

Once the tender process had been completed and contract awarded, a further route extension to the scheduled Route 55 has been added as a pilot scheme for the with a review of use and popularity after an initial 6 month period. Briefly it includes 2 additional ports of call. **Waitrose-John Lewis** and "Shopmobility" in Church Street by **Marks and Spencer**.

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The Street - Bakery	09:32	11:32	13:32
Park Lane	09:35	11:35	13:35
London Rd A30 West	09:36	11:36	13:36
London Rd A30 East	09:37	11:37	13:37
Hatch Lane South	09:38	11:38	13:38
Linden Avenue	09:39	11:39	13:39
Park Avenue West	09:41	11:41	13:41
Byfleet Avenue	09:42	11:42	13:42
Milkingpen Lane	09:43	11:43	13:43
Belle Vue Road Shops	09:45	11:45	13:45
Belle Vue Road East	09:47	11:47	13:47
Hatch Lane North	09:48	11:48	13:48
The Street - Crown Pub	09:50	11:50	13:50
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News from Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council

Unauthorised Encampment Injunction granted

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council and Hampshire County Council have been granted an interim injunction from the High Court banning the setting up of unauthorised encampments in a large section of the borough.

Basingstoke and Deane has become the first in the county and one of few nationally to be granted the interim injunction preventing unauthorised encampments being set up or items fly-tipped within an allocated boundary covering the urbanised area of Basingstoke town, as well as the outlying areas of Bramley and Silchester and a small parcel of land at Stratfield Turgis.

The injunction gives greater power to landowners and the police and means that anyone wishing to set up an encampment in the injunction area will be prohibited from doing so and will be asked to leave immediately. It also covers unauthorised development.

Last year 42 per cent of the unauthorised encampments in Hampshire were in Basingstoke and Deane. From April 2016 to 14 June 2018, 158 unauthorised encampments were recorded on borough council, county council and private land and the borough council took legal action against four unauthorised developments.

The borough council alone has spent approximately £264,000 responding to and dealing with unauthorised encampments. Communities have been significantly impacted with reports of noise, nuisance, intimidation, human excrement evident in hedges and on roadside verges, large amounts of household waste left by groups in addition to other waste including large amounts of fly-tipped tree cuttings.

Since November last year, officers at the borough council have been gathering evidence from those people most impacted including local residents, ward councillors, landowners, partners and businesses to support the application for the interim injunction. And on Monday 30 July the application was granted by His Lordship Peter Hughes QC at the High Court. The interim injunction takes effect immediately and will be followed by a full hearing later on in the year.

The borough council's Cabinet Member for Communities and Community Safety Cllr Simon Bound said: "Unauthorised encampments in Basingstoke and Deane continue to adversely impact on our communities and this has been so clearly evidenced just recently in Winklebury and Brighton Hill where we know residents have become frustrated by the limited action we could take as landowners. Finding a long-term solution to deal with repeated unauthorised encampments has been a top priority for us and we have been working on it for over half a year now, but have been unable to talk about the legal action we were planning."

"This interim injunction is about upholding the law, responding and listening to the concerns of residents and businesses and protecting the borough's green open spaces and business areas. It is not about persecuting any particular group of people or their way of life."

Help provided for rough sleepers in the recent heatwave

All Councils have developed protocols to provide special measures to protect rough sleepers during cold winter temperatures. However heatwaves can prove just as dangerous as rough sleepers will be at particular risk of heat exhaustion, dehydration and sunburn. The Council identified the need to put additional special measures in place as soon as the heatwave was forecast and has continued to do so for the duration of this exceptional weather.

Working with partners through the borough's Social Inclusion Partnership, agencies including the Council's housing team, Julian House, Home Group (who manage Mary Rose Court) and Two Saints (who manage May Place House) have worked collectively to ensure availability of provisions such as water, sun cream and hats to any rough sleeper requiring them.

Cool, sheltered spaces within the supported schemes have also been made available for those needing them even if they are not resident. Experience from the Nightshelter demonstrated that undertaking this type of action based, genuinely, on empathetic compassion and concern for vulnerable people's welfare and well-being prove extremely positive in encouraging those crucial first steps towards re-engagement in return.

Anyone wishing to report concerns about a rough sleeper should notify any of the following:

- Streetlink: <https://www.streetlink.org.uk/>
- Julian House (01256 322791)
<https://www.julianhouse.org.uk/projects-and-services/homeless-services/homeless-outreach/basingstoke-homeless-outreach.htm>
- May Place House (01256 840110)
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Old Basing and Lychpit Big Turkey Community Christmas Lunch, 2018

With the hot summer days and nights behind us and children returning to school it is only right we turn our attention to Christmas and an event for your calendars!

The Old Basing and Lychpit Big Turkey Community Christmas Lunch will be held on Saturday, 29th December, 2018, at Old Basing Village Hall starting with drinks served from 12 noon and lunch at 1pm. This will be the fourth consecutive year this hugely popular event will be held where the objective is to provide a complimentary Christmas meal and an afternoon of entertainment to families (children very welcome), the elderly and other residents to unify the community of Old Basing and Lychpit especially during this special seasonal time of the year.

Places are limited therefore please book early to avoid disappointment. You can either sign-up (to eat, volunteer or both) for the event on the sheet in the church porch of St Mary's Church from September

onwards or contact Rachel Jones on rachelj.broadwater@googlemail.com or call 07717 002651. Please sign-up by Friday, 14th December. As previous years transport will be available for those that have difficulty attending the event

Volunteers to help decorate the hall, cook, serve, and carry out any other duties are welcome and if you can spare some time on the day or before then please contact Rachel. You will, of course, be invited to sit and eat the meal as well!

This is an event organised by volunteers from Old Basing and Lychpit for the families and residents of our community, in order to create a greater identity and community spirit. It relies on funding from the Parish Council, support from St Mary's Church and the generosity of local vendors, but donations on the day are welcome.

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New Tenants In The Courtyard, Lychpit Centre

After many months of standing empty, East Barn (formerly the Dental Surgery) and the Courtyard building (previously occupied by Home Start) behind the Lychpit Community Hall will once again be occupied. The new tenants are expected to move in during September and may already have done so when you read this Newsletter.

The East Barn will be occupied by The Spine Clinic and The Courtyard building by a family friendly café. Below is a brief introduction from the new tenants.



The Courtyard Building



East Barn



Opens in September – date TBC!! hello@teagether.co.uk

We are delighted to introduce ourselves as **Teagether**, a child friendly, independent cafe in Lychpit with an emphasis on taste and quality of healthy and affordable food, barista coffee and loose leaf teas.

Throughout August we have been stripping down walls and recreating an ideal venue for people to catch up with their dearest friends or family in a friendly environment. With this in mind, there will be two rooms:

A Central Room - The main space for the café bar area, with tables and chairs for the general public to enjoy food in a calming atmosphere and a family room - a child friendly space offering craft workshops during the week - keep (owners

Natasha & Dmitry Potashnik) an eye out for adult workshops in the evenings too!

Look out for some of our quirky features, and try your hand at a spot of coffee and tea leaf reading for a bit of fun.

Basingstoke Sling Library, a hiring service of baby carriers, will be providing sessions at the venue.

You can follow them on their Facebook page: www.facebook.com/basingstokeslinglibrary.

We wanted to create a perfect venue and at the same time we wish to support local groups and artists through displays of artwork and a dedicated workshop room. If this is of interest to you please get in touch! We share a great passion for food and community spirit and would like to combine this into a café environment.



“Spine Team Chiropractic have moved from Brighton Hill to the newly refurbished East Barn, Lychpit Centre.

Gordon Linscott started working in Basingstoke in 1984, and after 20 years in the centre of town and having started The Spine Team with Annette Williams (now Linscott) nearly 15 years on the west of town, it seemed only fair to move to the east side of town!

East Barn had been empty for some time when we first viewed it and it was extremely hard to love, however we decided we could wave the magic Scandinavian wand and

make a brilliant combination of Old English charm and Contemporary Danish style!

We welcome any insight into the past of our new building apparently a former brew House. East Barn and North Barn, now the Community Hall, are so similar to Basing House and the Tithe Barn that we assume it was part of the Basing Estate circa 1530 but could have been built after its sacking in 1643 from the rubble made available for local building.

We are all very excited with our move and whether you are an existing patient, a new patient wanting an appointment with Gordon, Annette, Chelsey or Gail, or a curious local resident wanting to know what is happening on your doorstep, Caroline and Deborah will proudly show off our new building!

We set up The Spine Team in 2004 as the latest research increasingly showed that Back Pain should not be treated using the traditional “Injury Model”. At The Spine Team we place the patient, not the problem, at the centre of the model. This “Patient Centred Model” considers not just what the patient has but who they are, how they lead their life and how they understand and manage their problem.

At The Spine Team we like to inform our patients about their problem and try and ensure that advice for lifestyle change is both possible and practical, after all giving good advice that will not be taken is not useful!”

M3 Service Station proposals

MOTO are consulting further on their plans to construct a Motorway Service Area (MSA) at junction 6 on the M3. At the time of writing there were 398 documents on the Borough Council website. More than half of these were comments and objections from members of the public and local Parish Councils.

Other public organisations have also commented, many with reservations over this proposal. In particular, the Highways Agency commented about the layout and has suggested a number of changes which must be addressed before they are able to accept this proposal. Their submissions are very comprehensive.

A summary of the main points from many of the objectors are:-

- Not required - there is no compelling infrastructure need or deficiency in Service Station provision
- Layout and traffic congestion - MOTO have failed to demonstrate that the road system and J6 can be adjusted to accommodate the proposals
- Unwarranted intrusion into the countryside and a significant change to the landscape
- Light and noise pollution
- Proximity to Hackwood Park heritage site which will have a detrimental effect thereon
- Water drainage/flooding, sewerage and pollution at the headwaters of the Loddon (Thames Water has commented that significant mitigation will be required.)
- Motorway access only - so not accessible on foot or cycle
- Associated out of town shopping not required
- Proposed additional hotel is not required and could harm existing and planned hotels in Basingstoke
- Breaches a number of Local Plan policies

If you have time please read through at least some of the associated documents which you can find on the Borough Council website <https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/> under - 'Find a Planning Application' reference number 17/03487/FUL. With so many problems and mass opposition, including most of the Borough Council, we expect it to be rejected by the Borough Planning Committee. However, we also expect MOTO to launch an appeal - this could run and run.

Earlier this year Maria Miller MP, supported by many Basingstoke Borough Councillors, presented a petition to the Minister in a bid to prevent both the M3 Junction 6 and Junction 7 MSA proposals. As well as opposition to the proposed MSAs, the petition asked for the minimum distance between MSAs to be reinstated. (The government removed this a few years ago on the basis that increasing motorway congestion means that more stops may be required. This bad news was buried - not a lot of people know that). The Minister told Mrs Miller that the Government will not be taking action on service station distances and it was up to Local Planning authorities to decide.

Unfortunately, our Borough Council leadership and Maria Miller, in supporting a growth agenda in Basingstoke, (Destination Basingstoke, promoting Basingstoke as a place to live.) should not be surprised when they see companies like MOTO apply for planning projects. Such projects only threaten to undermine Basingstoke as a place to live with unnecessary development and destruction of our environment.

The so-called vision for Basingstoke is a one-track growth agenda. The unintended consequences are never considered.

Peter Bloyce
Parish Council Vice Chairman

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A Basinga Facelift?

As the Parish Council representative on the Basinga Committee, I am pleased to note the changes in the last three years to the way in which The Basinga is produced, e.g. upgraded computers and software etc. However, this was not matched by changes to the magazine itself. I understand calls for suggestions and letters by the new Editor over three years ago did elicit a number of responses and suggestions from readers but these were not implemented at that time.

I am therefore pleased to see the Basinga Committee is now taking the first steps towards this change and are calling for readers' comments, positive suggestions or constructive criticism on what they like or dislike about The Basinga and what could be added or changed to make it more appealing. (*August Basinga, page 3.*)

The Parish Council supports this in the expectation that a revitalised Basinga ready for the future will emerge.

Please e-mail to editor@basinga.org.uk with your thoughts and ideas. Those that commented previously may also like to respond.

Peter Bloyce
Parish Council Representative Basinga Committee

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MOROCCAN CHICKEN TAGINE
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This recipe works very well for vegetarians by replacing the chicken with Quorn and as a change can be served with either rice or noodles.



Ingredients:

- 350g chicken pieces
- 400ml boiling vegetable stock
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 400g tin chick peas drained
- 1 large red onion thinly sliced
- 125g cherry tomatoes halved
- 2 garlic cloves crushed
- small bunch coriander chopped
- 1 ½ tsp ground cumin
- 250g couscous
- ½ to 1 tbsp harissa paste
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 75g dried apricots roughly chopped
- small pinch of salt
- 400g tin chopped tomatoes
- 300ml boiling water

Cooking Instructions

- Heat the oil in a large saucepan and fry the onion for 5 minutes to soften. Stir in the chicken, garlic cumin and harissa paste. Cook for 2 minutes stirring continuously.
- Add the apricots, chopped tomatoes, stock and bring to the boil. Cover, reduce the heat and cook for 35 minutes to reduce and thicken the sauce.
- Add the chickpeas and cherry tomatoes
- Heat through.
- Stir in the half the coriander and season to taste.
- Put the couscous grains in a bowl and stir in the olive oil and salt to coat the grains. Pour on the boiling water and stir well. Cover with cling film and leave to stand for 5 minutes. Separate the grains with a fork just before serving.
- Garnish the tagine with the remaining chopped coriander and serve with the couscous.



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Brave New World

I was dismayed to read the letter from Jeremy van Hagen in response to Hazel Vanbergen's letter in the June Basinga. Hazel's letter was originally published in the Daily Mail.

Whilst Jeremy has a point about not clinging onto the past, his blind acceptance, along with so many, of new technology is disturbing. The world is continuously evolving but not always for the better. I believe Hazel echoed the views of many who can see the dangers already becoming apparent with the IT revolution. Are we sleep-walking into an IT revolution in which we lose more than we gain including our freedom of choice?

On-line banking, whilst it has its advantages, has regular security and other problems, often caused when the software is updated. Recent examples include TSB, Lloyds, Currys/PCWorld, the list goes on. Are we always made aware of these potentially catastrophic events? As for the Cambridge Analytica/Facebook scandal - Why should we trust any of them? Despite all the security in place by Banks, IT companies and others there remains the constant threat of fraud.

Recently an account I managed had two unauthorised direct debit withdrawals. The bank quickly repaid the money as they do in most cases. The police fraud office told me this was a common occurrence. Banks want to keep these incidents quiet preferring to pay compensation and continue to save money on staff and branch costs. Are they trying to protect their already poor reputation? I suspect that banks are losing far more from on-line fraud now than ever they did from good old fashioned bank robberies. That's our money; a cashless society, no thanks.

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I wonder if Jeremy would count losing the art of talking face to face as progress. I hope we are not destined to live our lives through a screen. Many things from the past are worth preserving and some of the young IT 'thirty somethings' with their undoubtedly brilliant ideas need to take a step back and learn from the past. Their new shining technology is not necessarily the best thing since sliced bread. After all, since sliced bread there remains a strong demand for the freshly baked loaf.

Peter Bloyce

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Autumn Word Search



Can you find the Autumn words in the puzzle below?

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6 - Green 7 - Purple 8 - Yellow 9 - Black 10 - Rainbow



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Ingredients

400g penne
1 tbsp olive or sunflower oil
Sunflower oil
454g pack good-quality sausage, cut into chunky pieces
250g chunky chestnut mushroom, halved
500g pack cherry tomatoes
2 sprigs rosemary
Handful flat-leaf parsley, chopped

Method

1. Cook pasta according to pack instructions.
2. Heat the oil in a deep frying pan, then fry the sausages and mushrooms for 5 mins until golden.
3. Add the tomatoes and cook for about another 3 mins on a high heat until the tomatoes pop and start to form a sauce.
4. Season to taste, then add the herbs and drained pasta and stir well.

WORDSEARCH

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Fall Word Scramble

Look at each fall picture and unscramble the letters and write the word on the line provided.



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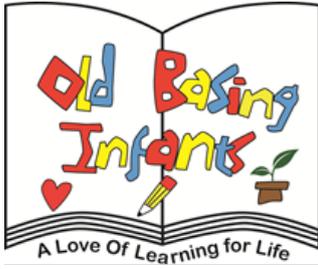
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Old Basing Infant School News

We have had a very busy year at Old Basing Infant School and we can hardly believe that the summer holiday has arrived!

Our school year began last September when we successfully achieved the UNICEF Rights Respecting Gold Award in recognition of our commitment to developing a rights respecting community and in promoting active global citizenship. We were very proud of this achievement as Rights Respecting Education has been high on our school agenda since this process began back in 2009.

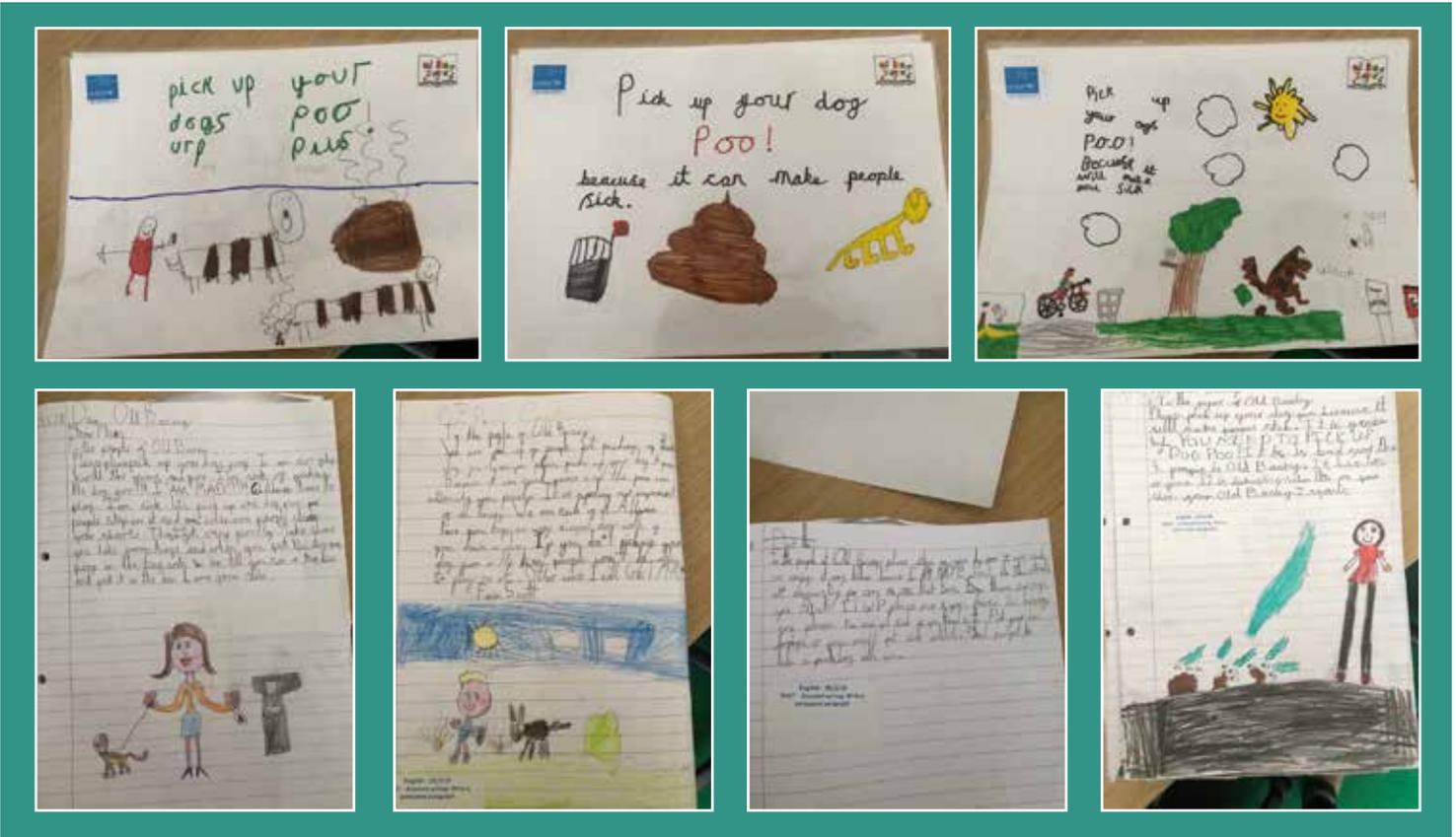
This year we also became a Fair Trade school which is another aspect of our commitment not only to our own community in Old Basing but to making sure we have an impact on a wider scale.

As a school we now have our own Apiary which is looked after by a trained Bee Keeper, who is also a member of staff. The children are also responsible for the health and well-being of the Bees and have their own bee keeping suits which they wear in order to carry out regular checks on our small but healthy hive. This is another example of how as a school we feel it is important to contribute to our local environment whilst being able to teach the children about nature and the importance of sustainability. We hope that one day we may even have our own Old Basing Infant School honey!

In March we paid a visit to Basingfield Court to share our favourite books with some of the residents. We arrived dressed in our World Book Day costumes and enjoyed spending time engaging with members of our village community across the generations.

Each year group has taken responsibility for deciding on a campaign that we hope will also have an impact on the local environment of Old Basing. In the past Year 1 have worked with the Wildlife Trust to look at the phosphate levels in the River Loddon and have learnt how many every day products are not helping the wildlife in our local river. Year 2 have tried to encourage parents to use our drive through drop off in the morning or walk to school to try and ease village congestion and parking issues. As you can imagine this is still an ongoing area of development!

This year, Year 1 decided to tackle the issue of dog fouling in the village. Many of the children were cross about the number of irresponsible dog owners who do not clear up after their own dogs. They made posters which have been displayed near the play area in Belle Vue Road and have written letters to the village community. These are attached for you to read.



Alongside our fantastic academic results this year we aim for our children to learn that their voices, no matter how small, can help to implement change.

We hope to become more involved with the Old Basing community next year. If anyone has any ideas on ways that we could do this in the future we would love to hear from you!

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News From Old Basing Sports Clubs

Letter from Maurice Bates - Chairman, Old Basing Bowling Club

Parish newsletter No 9 Spring 2018

I am writing concerning the Questionnaire included on Page 6 of the last Newsletter. Whilst I understand the Parish's wish to seek opinions from residents I do wish to record some reservations on the way you have dealt with this matter.

Firstly item 3 deals with the question of Subsidies to Clubs. I strongly believe that as phrased this is misleading to residents. The reader could easily conclude that the Parish subsidises 40% of all club costs. This is far from the case. What the Parishes subsidy covers is 40% of the costs of maintaining the playing areas. This is far different from 40% of all costs as clubs have to maintain Clubhouses, meet utility and insurance bills as well as playing costs and affiliation fees to District, County and National sports organisations. The true subsidy of club's total costs will vary club to club but will certainly be less than half that implied.

We of course welcome and find invaluable the Parish support but think it important that parishioners have the right perception.

Old Basing Bowling Club

The Bowls club has benefitted from the excellent weather and we have enjoyed this year which has reduced the impact of wet weather on our scheduled games. If anything the heatwave proved too much for some of our players. All games proceeded on schedule and members have competed in local leagues and Individual competitions. These still have some way to go and will be reported on in a future Newsletter. Club Finals took place on September 1st and 2nd - visitors are always welcome to come in to watch these events and enjoy a drink in our clubhouse.

Highlights of our season have included a Spring tour to the Bournemouth area enjoyed by members and partners. We also held our President's Day on August 5th (picture attached) Captain's Day, and a full program of weekend friendly games. New members are always welcome to try out the game or sample our facilities. Either look out for our Open Days (second weekend in April) or contact us through our website at www.oldbasingbowlingclub.co.uk or Contact the Chairman or Secretary as shown below.



Maurice Bates,
Chairman
01256 328423

Stella Hayden,
Secretary
01256 780388

OLD BASING TENNIS CLUB

Old Basing Tennis Club is situated in Rileys Lane, Old Basing, alongside the recreation ground and the allotments. The club has four all weather courts and a clubhouse with facilities. We welcome new members at any time of the year, so if you would like to find out more about us please contact our Secretary by emailing OBTC.Information@gmail.com The club is run by a committee of volunteers who organise various events throughout the year and keep the clubhouse well maintained. The club is affiliated to the LTA which enables members to join, for free, the British Tennis Membership (BTM) which means they can enter the club's Wimbledon Ballot and have a chance to go to this prestigious tournament.

Cub nights run from 6.00pm until dusk on Tuesday and Friday evenings from the end of March until the beginning of October. The courts are available for use by members all year round, with social play and league matches taking place throughout. The club fields Mens, Ladies and Mixed teams in the Basingstoke and District League. In the summer we run a club tournament culminating in Finals Day at the beginning of September. We also run American Tournaments which are great fun. We hold several social evenings throughout the summer after the Friday club night, a great chance for a chat with other members.

During the winter we hold our AGM and our Annual Quiz. This year the Quiz is taking place on Saturday, 10th November in Old Basing Village Hall, 7.00 for 7.30pm start. We also organise a Christmas meal out in December. Before the start of the summer season we have a skittles evening which is always good fun!

This summer we have been able to offer coaching sessions for Juniors on Tuesday evenings. The coach can be contacted by emailing this address: andrew@artennis.co.uk. He is also offering coaching to adults, so if you would like to learn to play tennis or just need a few lessons to get back into it, please do get in touch. As mentioned above, we welcome new members at any time of the year and would love to meet you!

Lynne Thomas
Chair - Old Basing Tennis Club





OLD BASING ARCHERS



Club Is Recognised For Its Community Work

Old Basing Archers, now in its sixth decade, is going from strength to strength. With around 120 members we shoot, between us, well in excess of 200,000 arrows a year! That's a lot of archery.

Our growth looks set to continue and it's down to two main reasons: Archery is a sport that can be enjoyed by all no matter gender, age or ability. We have members well into their 80s, while 20 per cent of us are under 18. It's a welcoming and inclusive club.

And Old Basing Archers is committed to helping as many as we can to try this engaging and engrossing sport. We fully support the UK-wide programme to encourage wider participation and have been awarded Community Club status by Archery GB (the sport's governing body) in recognition of the work our five fully qualified coaches, helped by a plethora of club members, do.

This year, for example, we have seen in excess of 50 people learning the basics of shooting and safety on our beginners' courses. Many go on to join the club, cementing our position as one of the biggest, and certainly fastest-growing, sports clubs in the parish.

Also, as always, we held a have-a-go stall at the village carnival where more than 100 visitors tried their hand. If past events are any indication, we expect to see some of those signing up for future beginners' courses. We also plan to run a have-a-go stall at the inaugural Old Basing Trail Run in October, helping raise funds for Old Basing Schools.

It all helps boost membership and while most members have joined in the past decade, a few of have been with the club much longer. In fact two – Phil and Penny Jubin from Pyotts Hill - met while shooting at Old Basing Archers and this year celebrate their silver wedding anniversary! They did have a break from archery but both are now back shooting longbow... as is daughter Charlotte.

Our range at the recreation ground is the only one in the borough of Basingstoke to have been assessed and verified as a qualifying archery range by Archery GB. Archers can often be found there, shooting rounds to improve their handicap with Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday mornings and Monday and Thursday evenings being our busiest times.

For those who regularly travel to tournaments and competitions, that hard work shows with the trophies and medals they bring back. Once again, Jacob Caine from Hatch Lane shot for Team GB – this time in Italy – bringing back a silver medal with the cadet men's team.

It's a pleasure on a sunny summer's day to be at the rec and see it being so well used: as well as the archery there is often cricket, tennis and bowls being played simultaneously along with families making use of the play and fitness equipment, or people just enjoying the well-maintained grounds.

Old Basing Archers will shoot through the autumn and winter as we prepare for the 2019 season and we're looking forward to continuing to play a big part in life at the rec.

For more information on Old Basing Archers, and how to join, go to www.ldbasingarchers.co.uk



FOOBS Fun Run and Trail Run Update

Our inaugural run day is almost here
 As we wave goodbye to summer cheer
 Along with the sunning
 We hope you've been running
 (If not look up couch to 5k here):
<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/exercise/couch-to-5k-week-by-week/>

Whether your training runs have been quite remote
 Or you're a rather keen runner of note
 We've got 3 races on the day:
 Two, five or ten k
 So one of them should float your boat!

Taking place on 14th October (a Sunday)
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See you there!
 Michele Byrne
 Race Secretary

OLD BASING BOOK EXCHANGE



The Old Basing Book Exchange is nearing the end of its first season and has been met with huge success!

The formerly dilapidated Pyotts Hill red telephone kiosk was adopted and refurbished by the Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council. With its new lease of life as a book exchange, it now sits on the approach to the Old Basing Recreation Ground, adjacent to Olivers Battery.

Residents of all ages have been exchanging a book they no longer need for a new read. The community project will conclude its 1st year at the end of October, and will be reinstated at Easter 2019.

Laura Haystaff and It's sponsors, The Topiary Salon would like to thank the Parish Council and the exchange's users for supporting the inaugural year of the project. Laura added "We hope the villagers have enjoyed having their own little library on their doorstep, as much we have. See you in the spring"

For information please visit the project's Facebook page: @OldBasingBookExchange



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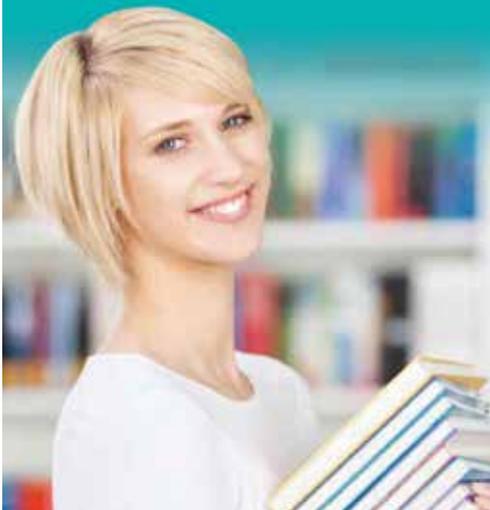


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