

Village Hall Bookings

The Village Hall is currently booked on a weekly basis for Pilates (1 hr Tues and Thursday mornings) Band practice (2 hrs Tuesday evening), Art Club (3 hrs Tuesday afternoon), Little Fishes (2 hrs Wednesday morning), Aikido (2hrs Wednesday evening and 2 hrs Sunday mornings), Karate (1 hr Friday evening), Tang Soo Doo (1 hr 9 a.m. Saturday morning) and occasional dance classes.

The Scout camp held overnight on Saturday September 13th went well and was enjoyed by the group and their leaders. The parish Harvest lunch was held on September 21st followed by a Songs of Harvest Praise in the church at 3pm. A walking football group is booked by Parkinson's UK for the Astro Court on Fridays 12-1pm

The Hall is booked for the annual Grafham Firework event on Saturday November 8th and for the Christmas Children's party on December 6th and Christmas Market on December 7th. The Hall is also used on a monthly basis by the Parish Council (first Tuesday at 7.30pm) and Tea & Chat (last Thursday 2.30-4pm).

The cost of hiring the Hall from 1st October 2023 is £11 an hour for village use and £16 an hour outside the village. Payment for private events is required when bookings are made.

Trees and the Wildflower Meadow project.

Following the Chair's comments at the last Parish Council meeting about potentially relocating the proposed site for the new wildflower meadow, I would like to suggest a change in approach. Rather than establishing a second meadow within the village, I propose that we focus our efforts on supporting the existing wildflower areas within the churchyard.

By collaborating with the ongoing work already happening there, we can consolidate our resources and volunteer efforts into a space that is secure from competing uses. This would not only strengthen an existing project but also ensure better long-term sustainability.

If the Council is in agreement with this proposal, I would be happy to contact the Church and prepare an updated report outlining how the previously allocated funds could be redirected and spent effectively.

Village Shop

AGM is 6.30 / 7.00 pm 23rd October 2025

Village Hall

Approach from Huntingdon Football on the agenda - minutes of meeting with them since last Parish Council meeting have been circulated. Next village hall committee Monday 13th Oct

MVAS

The solar panels are working well, keeping the batteries adequately powered.

Highways and Pavements:

The home on the bend with the overgrown hedge has been contacted to request the hedge is cut back to accommodate 2 pedestrians passing on the pavement.

Playground

Further to last months update, we have received our inspection report on the play equipment and received an over all low risk score, although there are some areas that require aesthetic attention or future care.

Cambridgeshire Garden & Property Maintenance has also been out and trimmed the hedge at the front as best they could, they report that it has become a bit wild with different varieties of hedge and it has got quite woody. The Chairman discussed with them the best course of action to remedy this - we will be receiving a quote to remove the hedge and re plant a new one.

The playing field is looking good and we have the ongoing request for its use by Huntingdon football club - watch this space