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A BIG THANK YOU to Richard and Lucy Hodgson for hosting Drinks and Nibbles on the eve of the Coronation and to everyone involved for a very special evening which raised £2,200 for Church Funds.

Dates for your Diary	- 00	
Saturday 17th June	5.00 pm	Church Barbecue, Raffle and Stalls - please let us know if you would like to help or run
		a stall.
Saturday 26th Aug	4.30 pm	Patronal Evensong with the Prayer Book
		Society
Saturday 9th Sept	9am-5pm	Sussex Historic Churches Ride and Stride
Friday 6th Oct	7.00 pm	Harvest Supper, Woodruffs Barn

GOD SAVE THE KING

On Friday 5th May Richard and Lucy Hodgson kindly opened their garden to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III and also raise funds for St Bartholomew's Church, Egdean.

What perfect weather and a perfect location looking over the countryside toward St Bartholomew's. Help came from so many, providing a mass of bunting, the most delicious array of nibbles and of course the all-important liquid refreshment. King Charles III would be proud of this volunteer effort, and in doing so bringing the community together. At the same time, £2,200 was raised.







set, almost 90 of us raised a glass to King Charles III, as we acclaimed 'GOD SAVE THE KING', followed by The National Anthem.

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Jenny Foster
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FROM CANON MARK GILBERT

I hope this letter finds you well as we approach the joyful celebration of Corpus Christi. I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the rich history of our beloved Petworth Church and the significance it holds for us as a community

As some of you may know, our church has a notable mention in the historic Travellers' Guide for Churches, specifically the Church Travellers Directory. This directory, published in 1931, 1966, and 1973, listed Anglican churches across England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland where one could find a daily celebration of the Holy Communion, a sung Eucharist on all Sundays, fixed times for confessions, and continuous reservation of the Blessed Sacrament. It is an honour to be recognized in such a manner and speaks to the long-standing traditions we uphold.

Petworth Church, often referred to as 'Proud Petworth, Poor People,' has been known as a High Church with a crooked steeple. While our church may bear physical imperfections,



it is a testament to our faith and the strong presence of Christ in our midst. We continue to embrace our identity, cherishing the rich liturgical practices that connect us to centuries of Christian worship.

One of the core elements that sets us apart is our commitment to keeping the church open, with Christ in the Eucharist at its centre. The continuous reservation of the Blessed Sacrament ensures that our church remains a sacred space, a sanctuary where we can seek solace, find inspiration, and deepen our spiritual connection. This tradition, rooted in our history, reminds us of the constant presence of Christ and the nourishment we receive through the Holy Eucharist.

As we prepare to celebrate Corpus Christi, let us remember the significance of the Eucharist in our lives. It is a sacrament that unites us as the Body of Christ, fostering communion with God and with one another. May the joy and blessings of Corpus Christi renew our spirits and inspire us to carry the light of Christ into the world.

In closing, I invite you to join us in the upcoming celebrations and services. Let us come together in prayer, fellowship, and the sharing of the Holy Eucharist. Together, we can continue to uphold the traditions that have shaped our church and strengthen our bond as a faithful community. Yours in Christ,

J. Mark



St Mary's Summer Draw

Help our Church, AND win a prize!



Cash Prizes: £100, £50, £25 Hampers, Wine, Plants and Chocolates!

Draw tickets available from <u>jeandhuggett@gmail.com</u> or ring 01798 343906 and we will deliver or post

> The draw will take place at St Mary's after the 10.30 service on Sunday 11th June 2023





Jazz and BBQ at the Rectory Saturday June 24th At 6.00pm Tickets £15 adults £5 children

The Rectory, Rectory Lane, Petworth GU28 ODB

Tickets from Judy Howard 01798 343220

aandjhoward@btinternet.com

Pre booking helpful for catering please

PETWORTH HOUSE



Petworth House and Park Church Street Petworth GU28 0AE

Festival of Colour Community Day: Sunday 11th June, 10.00 am – 5.00 pm, free entry, no booking required

Petworth House is throwing open its doors for free for a Festival of Colour community day. With the garden in full bloom, our Explorations in Paint exhibition, and our Elmer the Patchwork Elephant sculpture trail, there will be an abundance of colour and creativity on display. Jazz music will be played in the courtyard courtesy of Jaz2, and there'll be family games on the lawn, which is also the perfect place for a picnic.

Volunteer Recruitment Stall: Sunday 11th June, 11.30 am - 1.30 pm

Would you like to be part of a team? Do you want to contribute your time to a great cause? Or maybe you would like to learn something new. Come along to find out more about volunteering opportunities at Petworth House and Park. There is no need to book - simply ask our Welcome Team where to go on arri-

val.

Petworth Late: Summer Solstice: Wednesday 21st June, 7.00 pm - 10.00 pm, £10

Spend the summer solstice watching the sunset in the Pleasure Garden. The South Downs Folk singers will be performing during the evening.

We recommend booking in advance to guarantee entry.

Beginners Natural Dye Workshop: Thursday 22nd June, 10.30 am - 4.30 pm, £90

Explore the breadth and variation of colour that can be extracted from local plants using traditional techniques to dye fabric samples in this beginners one day workshop.

Five Colourful Histories - 1 hour talk, Saturday 1st July, 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm, £15

Kassia St Clair, author of The Secret Lives of Colour, a top-ten bestseller and Radio 4 Book of the Week, explores the histories of five pigments, dyes and hues. Learn about the green that could have killed Charles Dickens before he wrote 'A Tale of Two Cities', the mollusks that gave us royal purple, and the costly blue that entranced artists of the Renaissance.

ST MARY THE VIRGIN CHURCH, PETWORTH

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners 14th May 2023

Minutes of the annual meeting of Parishioners held on the 11th May 2022 were signed as correct.

Fr Mark thanked both Nick Wheeler and Eileen Lintill for all their work during the last year. He particularly thanked Nick Wheeler for persevering and keeping going throughout his illness, and expressed his thanks also to Assistant Church Warden, Brian Parr, for his support. They were both re-elected as Church Wardens. Brian Parr was willing to continue as Assistant Church Warden.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th May 2022 were signed as correct.

Andrew Howard, Jill Easton and Judy Howard agreed to be re-elected as representatives for the PCC on the Petworth Deanery Synod.

Jackie Smith, Jean Huggett, Vic Constable, Liz Jones and Nick Wheeler were elected to the PCC.

There are 96 names currently on the Electoral role. Jackie Smith was thanked for keeping the role.

Tulip Accounting had provided figures for the last year. Nick Wheeler said that the year's figures had finished as expected, but with a loss of about £17,000. Cash holdings were £53,000 but this excludes restricted funds, which cannot be used for general running and maintenance. If this level of income and expenditure were to continue, we would have about 3 years' funding remaining. We need both more income, and to make considerable savings, for example on heating, printing, etc. The accounts were still with Alan Copus for audit, they were approved subject to his approving them.

Nick Wheeler reported that all the main reordering was almost complete, with the glass lobby due to be installed in two to three weeks' time. He was waiting for the final price and design. Jean Constable's motif was to be used on the doors with a small motif of HIS on the side panels. He was pleased with the final look of church layout which seemed to be working well. The Memorial Garden had had three interments since completion.

Reports had been received for the Deanery Synod, the Choir, the Bellringers, Safeguarding, the Parish Magazine, Coffee Mornings, the Parent and Toddler group, PACT and Petworth C of E Primary School. The FSW would follow.

Fr Mark thanked Matthew, the choir and the servers Emma, Lewis, Marianne and Eileen. He also thanked Sarah Barstow, our deputy organist. Matthew commented that the dehumidifier of which he'd spoke of in his report was not urgent, but desirable. He then encouraged us to join the choir! Fr Mark said how good it had been to hear the bells for the Coronation and thanked the bell ringers. Jean Huggett and her Coffee Morning team were thanked, and Jean was also thanked for her excellent job with the magazine. It was a delight to see the Parents and Toddlers Group thriving, and getting such good feedback from parents. PACT had organised Palm Sunday Procession as usual with a good turnout. Their regular lecture programme continues, and the children's group in the holidays. Jackie was thanked for representing St Marys. Safeguarding was all up to date. Nick suggested that now we are not having fairs we need to clear the Leconfield gallery. We had a lovely evening of Jazz at the Rectory. We continue to have representatives on School Governors, Eileen Lintill and Judy Howard. The school attended the Service at the cemetery on the anniversary of the bombing of the Boys School. Fr Mark continues to conduct Thursday assemblies.

During Fr Mark's comments, he firstly thanked Fr Richard Hoyal for all his support. He was here in the mornings for the services and led a group once a month at the Cottage Nursing Home. He thanked Jill Easton for her help with home communions and all her work as Sacristan, and Lewis for his technical help. He thanked Alison and the flower team and said how wonderful the Easter flowers looked. He thanked all who cleaned the church. Fr Mark said how good it was that we had such a fantastic Music and Literary Festival here. He commended our involvement with the Lights switch on, the Jubilee, the Queens funeral, culminating in the service for the Coronation. The highlight for Fr Mark this year had been his son Sean's marriage. He was really pleased that the church is used for a wide range of events including Marianne's confirmation. The Walsingham Youth pilgrimage had been attended by Emma and Lewis, and it was good to see this event building again after Covid.

Gordon Stevenson said that he would like give up running the website, but would be happy to help with a hand over. It does however need information earlier to have time to update and please would people copy things written for the magazine to him as well. After eight years he would like to hand it over.

Alan Copus was appointed as Independent Examiner.

The date of the next PCC meeting, Wednesday 24th May at 7.00 pm.

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MONDAY 12TH JUNE

ST MARY THE VIRGIN CHURCH, PETWORTH

A meeting of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) was held on 24th May.

Election of the Secretary to the PCC - Judy Howard was re-elected.

Nick Wheeler would continue as an assistant Treasurer, but Eileen Lintill would ultimately be responsible as Church Warden.

The minutes of the PCC Meeting held on 22nd March were approved.

Matters arising from the minutes. The Flag Pole will be placed to the right of the church facing the gate.

An update on St Marys' finances - Spread sheet attached. Expenses were down but the Leconfield Estate's contribution was not yet to hand. and so there was a deficit of $\pm 1,000$. Alan has finished inspecting the accounts, and had returned them to Tulip Accounting. They will be circulated and signed on return after a Sunday morning service.

Should we invite the Diocesan Stewardship person in for advice? It was agreed and Judy would invite her. We have lost some income because of the passing of some parishioners. The majority of our parishioners are now on the PGS.

An update on St Marys' fabric - The Lobby, we are still waiting for the glass motifs; Nick and Fr Mark would follow up again. It will take about a week to erect once started. Fr Mark was keen for it to be in place for the Petworth Festival. The gully on roof was being looked at because of leaks. Nick Wheeler was working together with Church House, and the insurers, to resolve the Horsham Cemetery wall following the accident.

To receive updates on

Safeguarding, the safe guarding policy was reaffirmed.

Pastoral Care, one person is being visited weekly on a rota. Fr Richard has restarted at the Cottage Hospital monthly services. Rotherlea had their 15th anniversary, it would be good to see people from the home coming to our services again.

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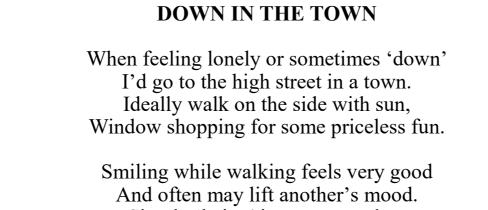
Deanery Synod, Katherine Prior who spoke on Capital Projects, would also be willing to come to our PCC or speak on the phone, about capital fund raising, grants.

Family Support St Mary's Music Parents and Toddlers Progress on the St Mary's MAP. Fr Mark had arranged with the school to go in to Yr 6 with Eileen Lintill to teach them about holy communion. The PCC agreed that arrangements should be made to purchase Leavers' bibles.

Fr Mark's remarks. Jazz would be on the 24th June in the Rectory garden. Tea in the garden at the Howard's would be on 19th August.

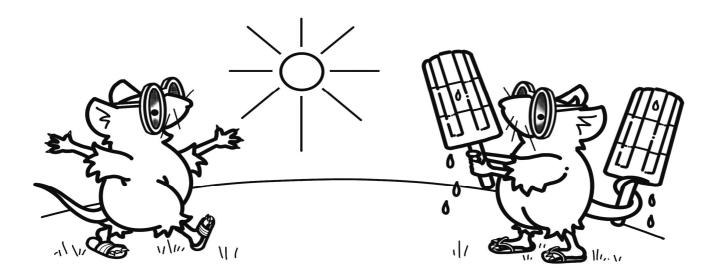
Proposed dates of the PCC meetings for 2023

5th July invite The speaker will be the about stewardship.27th September22nd November(Please note that these dates may be subject to change)



And often may lift another's mood. Simply 'being' is a way to relax; Staying awhile before making tracks.

Seeing the new, the young and the old; All walks, promenading, being bold. Enjoying company without strife, Is part of the rhythm of everyday life. *Teresa Charman*©2023



MARK TARVER

Reflections by Phillipa, Simon and Alexander given at the Funeral Service on Thursday 27th April

Phillipa, Simon and I are so moved that you could all join us and help us to say goodbye to Mark, our father, and to celebrate his life.

In this Church, you represent concentric rings, a venn diagram of our father's life, as evidenced by the various coloured ties and hackles. You all know your part of his story, because you were there, and I want to hear your memories later, I hope.

You may know him by his various ranks that he held in the British Army family, or the member of our family and friends, soldier, diplomat, executive...

But for many, he was the quietly modest, private, socially approachable, wise, well organised, faithful, spiritual, experienced, hyper-energetic gentleman in your lives. I don't think many knew about what he achieved in his life together with our mother. And he would have been happy that way.

Mark's charm and people skills, I like to think, took him from Soldier to Defence Diplomat (if I can call it that) to respected executive in a Multi-National organisation.

Charm was Daddy's principal weapon, his MO, powered by that Tarver wit, that twinkle in the eye and a suggestion of mischief, never actually delivered. And if that didn't work, that quiet voice of command that brokered no argument.

Well, it got things done, didn't it?!

He believed that a stranger is a friend you haven't yet met and he would meet people with the unshakeable belief that he liked them before meeting them. He would find the very best in them, come what may. Afterwards everyone, and I mean everyone, was praised for being wonderful, for whatever positive attribute he had seen in them.

He had that gift that you were the only person in the room that mattered when he was talking to you. You were the centre of his attention. It was mostly about the person he was talking to and less about him.

For me, losing Daddy is massive. I only have a moment to express how I feel. Losing Mummy seven months ago also....I am afraid I run out of intelligible words.

He was about giving service, to all of us, his family, his soldiers under his command, his country, the British Legion, his community in Petworth and the church and St Mary's here and nationally.

But for me, his legacy lives on with all my memories and everything he did for me, for us, his grandchildren, Ophelia, Cressida, Benjamin and Camilla, and his daughters-in-law Deborah and Susan.

After Sherborne and Sandhurst from where he passed out in 1958, Daddy joined the Royal Sussex Regiment. The story goes that he brought a not very powerful motor bike to ride down to Roussillon Barracks in Chichester, now a housing development, from his parents' flat in London. I like to imagine a young him in his 1950s suit riding past our cottage because we would be on his direct route to Chichester.



In time, New Years Eve 1966 I believe, the Royal Sussex Regiment became the Queens Regiment, together with, amongst others, the Buffs and Royal Kents, in which his elder brother Charles and twin brother Hugh were serving.

In that time he served in England, Malta, Germany/BAOR, Northern Ireland and Gibraltar, including attending Staff College and as a Company Commander at Victory College Sandhurst. I believe that I turned up when Pa was Adjutant of the Depot in Canterbury in 1965.

In 1979, Pa was 'invited' to join The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers to command the 2nd Battalion. This included a tour in Hollywood, County Down at Palace Barracks. It was his service in Belfast that earnt him his OBE, although he always stressed the soldiers under his command earnt it and he received it on their behalf.



We went back to Ireland a short while later, where Father was the Deputy Commander of 8 Brigade, based in Derry/Londonderry

After some, what shall we say was 'complex' and sensitive service in Northern Ireland, his military diplomatic career began. Mark served as the British Defence Advisor for the Caribbean, (similar to a military attaché, if you remember your Grahame Green) based in Jamaica and covering the region from the Bahamas in the north to British Guyana in the South. We, the family, loved it there - are you surprised? Returning to the UK, he was given the senior role of Director of Military Assistance overseas, based in London and travelled all over the world, sometimes with Mummy.

When Pa left the Army, (and eventually came to Petworth), he had a very happy time at the International Aluminium Institute, where he was Secretary to the Board. Here again, he travelled even further afield, met more friends and often Mummy went with him. We have had lovely messages with very fond memories from the Board members of the IAI with whom they worked.

Our parents were a formidable unit and supported each other throughout their lives. In my mind's eye, I see them sitting together, which is why I speak of them as a pair. Latterly, my father's sole focus was on looking after our mother in her illness, despite his own. With her gone, some of his spark went with her.

Now they are together. Mummy was in the advance party, got their quarter ready and probably gave the Angelic Families Officer a hard time about the décor.

They are all together! I imagine up there in heaven there is a spectacular cocktail party, rounds of golf have been played, rivers, lakes and lochs have been fished, opinions expressed, tall stories told and there will be much laughter! I have said that before and I will say it again, I am sure.

My father, Mark, was born in York in 1938. He was fiercely proud of his Yorkshire heritage, never failing to declare his love of 'God's own country'. At the age of one, his life of international travel began when he went by boat to India where his father was serving in the Indian Army. He travelled with his parents, Charles and Margaret, and twin brother, Hugh, leaving his older brother, Charles Leigh, at school in England. After discovering a recent batch of old passports, we think my father could have set foot in approximately 90 or so countries in his lifetime. In 1991, after 53 years on the road, he and my mother moved into Petworth and very quickly felt like they had found their place to settle. They embraced their new life jumping into numerous activities, including volunteering in Petworth House, helping with Meals on Wheels and getting involved in church life. Pa did a stint as one of the church wardens at St Mary's for about 10 years and also took on the organisation of the annual Poppy Appeal for the Royal British Legion.

This was a continuation of my father's love of being involved in things and being busy. As many of you who spent time with my father will know, he couldn't sit still and was always up to something. The nickname of 'Zebedee' that he acquired was so apt as he bounced around trying to complete his daily list of tasks. In a glorious caricature of those working at the headquarters of 8th Infantry Brigade in Londonderry in 1984, he is portrayed hanging out of a springbased helicopter The moments when he was still were noteworthy and were real indicators of his passions - for example, standing in his waders deep in thought in a fast-moving river whilst casting a fly over the water, sketching quietly when he could, trying to complete as many crosswords as possible each weekend, and lying on a picnic rug at Kenwood House on Hampstead Heath, listening to a live performance of the Intermezzo from Cavalliera-Rusticana.

Pa's was a life filled to the maximum with activity. Sadly he was forced to slow down physically as time went by, but his mind was still as active as ever right up until the end.

As you know, Pa's partner in life was my beloved mother, Anne. They met in Paris in 1958 and got married in 1963. They were married for nearly 59 years, supporting one another throughout their various adventures. They were completely devoted to one another. A major comfort that we have in all this is that they are together again after only a short time apart.



I find it hard to provide a quick summary of all that my father did and achieved in his lifetime. His boundless energy, and inherent traits of curiosity, kindness, sense of fun, and desire to help people when and wherever he could were endless. Together my father and mother gave Alexander, Simon and me a childhood filled with rich experience, an appreciation of satire and a sense of the absurd, the ability to be able to operate in the global community, the knowledge that you were part of a wonderful family - the clans of Tarver and Salmon -, and an un-



conditional loving base to which we could return at any time. This legacy lives on his grandchildren, Ophelia, Cressida, Benjamin and Camilla, who meant the world to him.

Mark was my father, best friend, mentor, and hero and there are so many stories I could tell, but I can only share a few with you now.

Daddy, as you've already heard, had the power of being an amazing diplomat who could talk to anyone about anything although there were times when talking to us was probably his biggest challenge. For instance, I thought it be a good idea if I came home from school one school holidays with a fake tattoo and fake hearing, just to see what he'd make of it. My daddy was not renowned for doing the washing up, and for some reason decided to come and help me by doing the drying. For a few minutes, he stood beside me, just chatting and finally pulled up the courage to ask me why I thought a tattoo on earrings were good idea. I kept on going for quite a while before admitted to him that they were both fake.

There have been times when I've needed advice and guidance, and he's always been there as a sound solid pair of ears and also an amazing ability just to make you feel so valued.

There have been several times when I found myself at an airport or in a queue somewhere, and from behind me, I've heard somebody say 'I know those ears, he must be a Tarver' and then that person has offered to support and help me whatever challenge we have in front of me. Having Tarver ears has served me well over the years. Daddy was so well respected and loved by a lot of people that it gives you access to the great community.

He moved to Petworth in 1991 and very quickly became part of the community and one of his challenges was to take on the poppy appeal for the British Legion and earned the name. Colonel Poppy.

Daddy's wonderful sense of humour was put to the test one evening when I decided to go and see Mark and Anne for the evening.

I had been working down on the south coast, teaching some young people how to drive power boats in the days when I worked for Operation Raleigh with Colonel John Blashford Snell, and Lieutenant Colonel Jeff Straw.

Mark and Anne lived in the centre of Petworth on the A272, one of the busiest roads in the south of England, and I took it upon my-

self to try and reverse a 9m long rigid inflatable powerboat being towed by a 110 camel defender Land Rover into a tight alleyway.

Much to Daddy's amusement, it took me 20 minutes of holding the traffic up for me to succeed in my task. He stood, there was a big grin on his face, not so much that I was struggling, but more the case that I was holding up the traffic.

Daddy, you will be sorely missed by me, Alexander and Phillipa, and I know now that you are with Mummy more than likely sitting on a cloud, drinking a gin and tonic, whilst throwing olive stones at us, just for pure amusement. I love you, and travel safe.



St Mary's Church Petworth



Coffee Morning

Saturday 10th June 10.00 am - 12 noon

Bring and Buy, Raffle and Refreshments

In aid of Church Funds

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, EGDEAN

Annual Parish Meeting Report

Father Mark welcomed fourteen to the Annual Parish meeting held on 11th May.

At the Vestry Meeting, Jenny Foster and Roger Dallyn were unanimously reelected as Churchwardens. Fr Mark thanked both wardens for everything they do for the Parish.

At the Parish Meeting Mr Charles Bray was re-elected as Treasurer and Mrs Christine Dallyn was re-elected as Secretary. Fr Mark thanked them both for all their work, especially Christine for all her work obtaining grants for the ceiling works.

Lucy Hodgson and Monica Lloyd were elected as our representatives to the Petworth Deanery Synod for a 3-year term.

In Fr Mark's report he congratulated everyone for such a successful year, especially celebrating 400 years of the present church being built, commencing with the 'Beating the Bounds' on Rogation Sunday which was a fantastic way to celebrate, and the Patronal Service with the Bishop dancing in the churchyard afterwards to a Ceilidh Band. Now we are coming out of Covid properly we are able to engage more with such energy for such a tiny Parish, especially last weekend for the Coronation Drinks Party and he thanked Lucy for hosting it. He thanked everyone for their help in keeping the church and churchyard in such good order and said that we should be very proud of all we do for the Parish.

Lucy Hodgson reported on the Deanery Synod meetings and spoke about the opportunity of local parishes to work together and reaching out beyond our parish and learning from others what they are doing and building up a network.

The Treasurer circulated the Audited Financial Statement for Year Ending 31st December 2022, he went through the breakdown of 2022 income and expenses figures and made the following comments; that the increased donations received of £17,200 were largely due to the grants received for the Ceiling Works thanks to the work done by Christine, together with the successful Beating of the Bounds of £1,825, our increased income amounted to £34,756 and outgoings of £33,027 which included the ceiling repairs and 100% of our parish giving of £13,381 and the accounts were approved by the meeting. Robin Walker was reelected as auditor.

The Churchwardens' reported that there had been 51 services with a total of 904 people attending, 33 were children, we also had one wedding and 2 ashes internments.

Throughout the year we celebrated 400 years since the current church at Egdean was built in 1622 at each of our fundraising community events and at our Patronal Service. The chancel ceiling had also been repaired. They thanked the regular readers, flower arrangers and everyone that supports the church.

Monica Lloyd our Safeguarding Officer reported that she had completed her safeguarding training.

Christine reported that the Electoral Roll has been revised and the numbers have increased from 53 to 54, with the addition of Mrs Lorna Clive. *Christine Dallyn Hon Secretary to Egdean PCC*

PETWORTH & DISTRICT OVER 60S CENTRE The Friendship Centre

There will be bingo sessions on Wednesday 7th and 21st at 2.00 pm, and the minibus will be available to bring members to the Centre. On Tuesday 6th June we are invited to join Easebourne Ladies to help them celebrate their 70th Anniversary at St Mary's, Easebourne and we will be able to use the minibus.

The minibus is available on Tuesday mornings to transport members to the Centre.

Our AGM and Cream Tea will be held on Thursday 6th July at 2.30 pm - make a note in your diary.

On Wednesday 30th August our Annual Outing will be to Canterbury - look out for the notice in the Centre. *Caroline Stoneman, House Committee Chairman (01798) 342942*

SUSSEX WILDLIFE TRUST

Sussex Wildlife Trust is an independent charity caring for wildlife and habitats throughout Sussex. Founded in 1961, we have worked with local people for over half a century to make Sussex richer in wildlife.

We rely on the support of our members to help protect our rich natural heritage. Please consider supporting our work. As a member you will be invited to join Michael Blencowe on our regular wildlife walks and also enjoy free events, discounts on wildlife courses, *Wildlife* magazine and our Sussex guide book, *Discovering Wildlife*. It's easy to join online at sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk/join

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, EGDEAN PCC Report

The PCC meeting was held immediately after the Annual Meeting on 11th May.

The Treasurer reported that he would be reclaiming the gift aid shortly for the year and that the recent income received from the Coronation Drinks Party has raised over $\pounds 2,500$.

Topics for the Family Praise Services were agreed as follows:

June	Trinity
September	Pet Service
October	Harvest Festival
November	All Saints
December	Christingle
January	Epiphany

Arrangements for the Patronal Evensong on Saturday 26th August at 4.30 pm with member of the Prayer Book Society were discussed. Everyone will be encouraged to bring a picnic for afterwards in the churchyard which will be a nice way of marking the end of our 400th year celebration.

Arrangements for Annual Church Barbecue on Saturday 17th June were discussed and Christine reported that Simon and Katie Watson are happy to run the Bric-a-Brac stall, Jenny Walker said she will run the Book Stall. Andrew Brooke is available to help with the raffle again this year.

The Harvest Supper will be held in the Barn at Woodruffs Farm on Friday 6th October. Christine reported that the date has been confirmed by Elspeth and it was agreed to arrange a small committee of helpers to organize it.

The recent damp ingress on the east elevation at high level either side of the altar was discussed. It was agreed to get advice on the best way of solving the problem.

Date for the Church Working Party was agreed for Saturday 22nd July from 9.30 am.

The date for the next PPC Meeting_was arranged for Thursday 14th September. *Christine Dallyn Hon Secretary to Egdean PCC*

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Stag Beetle by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

I've only ever had one sporting hero. In the red corner, standing 6ft 6 and weighing in at 365lbs, Big Daddy kept my Gran and me glued to the TV set on wet Saturday afternoons as he wrestled Giant Haystacks or Kendo Nagasaki in his sequinned spandex.

In June, Stag Beetles – the big daddies of the beetle world – are emerging from the ground and getting ready to rumble. There's around 3,000 different species of beetle in Sussex and an estimated 29,000 species across Europe. Just as Big Daddy's 64-inch chest earned him a place in the Guinness Book of Records, the 2.5 inch long Stag Beetle holds the coveted title of Europe's Biggest Beetle. And, like a 26 stone man in a spangly leotard, the adult male Stag Beetle is equally impressive and ludicrous. Its 3-segmented black and maroon armoured body is crowned with a ridiculous pair of trademark stag-like 'antlers'. They are actually modified mandible mouthparts and are used to impress the antler-less females and to grapple rival males.

Before these tiny titans step into the ring they have to put in some long hours in training. The beetle's larvae spend an incredible 5-6 years munching on a dead-wood diet of buried logs and roots, building the bulky body that will sustain them to survive above ground. As adults they will live for just a few weeks with-

out feeding, relying solely on the fuel tanks accumulated underground. In early summer, after pupation and transformation, they burst from the ground and go looking for a fight. I always find it incredible that these chunky, bulky beetles can fly but on warm evenings they whir through the air with the grace and subtlety of a Chinook on aerial reconnaissance for females. But if another male beats them to it that's when things get nasty.



Stag beetles - male

In my fantasies I imagine these beetle brawls to play out on a dead tree stump. A crowd of over-excited elderly invertebrates gather round; the grasshoppers and crickets chirping in with a chorus of "We shall not be moved" while the earthworms and earwigs chant "Eas-eh! Eas-eh!" The fighters face off before charging and locking antlers. With incredible strength a Stag Beetle can lift his opponent into the air, holding him there heroically before spectacularly body-slamming them down onto the stump.

We're fortunate that southeast England is a hotspot for these Herculean heavyweights but sadly our Stag Beetles are on the ropes. The loss of old trees from the countryside has had dramatic impacts on the survival of the beetles' underground larvae and their numbers are declining. My tip for spotting a Stag Beetle is to look for them in June in Henfield churchyard in West Sussex or around Ringmer in East Sussex.



Stag Beetle - female



PETWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

This half-term kicked off with our Robot and Rockstar Day, where the whole school dressed up as with robots or rockstars. Then the children participated in a variety of maths activities throughout the day in a different way that they would normally learn.

Sport has once again been at the forefront of what you offer with the whole school participating in a cross-country run with Wyndham and Egremont houses being joint winners. We won the inaugural PAS Football Club against three local schools; our year 3 and 4 and year 5 and 6 football teams played friend-lies against Slindon Primary School; participated in a cricket tournament at Dorset House; it is our year 3 children's turn to have swimming lessons all term.

Our children have had several trips out, which have included our year 2 children spending the day at Great Ballard School to participate in a range of science experiments; Maple Class (year 4) visited Littlehampton beach to learn about habitats and conservation; Willow Class (year 6) visited Hayling Island to learn more about conservation and what a Beach School is. Willow Class also visited Paulton's Park as part of their 'Rollercoaster' topic.

The whole school participated in a Science and Computing Week where the children used technology to create a documentary with a science theme.

Next half-term looks to be very exciting with our Goblin Greenpower Car team participating in two events; various trips, sporting fixtures and Willow Class

MIDHURST ROTHER COLLEGE

Community Day

The rain stayed away when Midhurst Rother College recently held their Community Day. The annual event, which aims to bring the local community together, showcases a wide variety of clubs, organisations, charities and local businesses which contribute to the community spirit in and around the Midhurst area. This was particularly needed this year, following the recent fire in the town which has impacted so negatively on businesses North Street and the surrounding roads. The event brought people into Midhurst not only to the event, but also meant visitors could take the time to support the shops in town.

Entertainment was provided by young buskers from the MRC Music Department, who were raising funds for new instruments. Midhurst Foodbank, Midhurst Community Hub, UK Harvest, and WSCC Waste Prevention Team were on hand to advise and help people in this time of financial hardship. With over 50 businesses agencies and groups taking part, there was an array of lifestyle, leisure & fitness, fun family activities, local artists, creators and makers plus delicious food & drink. It was all locally produced, locally grown, local people, eco-friendly, sustainable, renewable, recycled or recyclable, reflecting on the event's evolution, over the years, from the MRC Sustainability Day. It truly was an event with something for everyone.



MIDHURST ROTHER COLLEGE

Year 7 Poetry for the English Department

Students have been writing poems based on the book they been reading - Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo - and some of them are truly wonderful. Here are two of them.

Longing to be Home by T O-R

Why are we here?In the crater, we saw the bright red flames lighting up the skyWe heard the flickering and explosions of grenades,Why are we here?I got up and heard my feet in the squelchy mud,Running back to the trench, a grenade exploding nearKnocking me off my feet,I stumble into the frost-bitten white grass,Why are we here?Longing to be home, I force myself up and dive into the trench.

Thoughts are Clear by B H

'There is silence, darkness hides us again.' The rattles of guns and bombs As we quietly sing our songs We run and hide As some choose their side All my thoughts run through my head I make sure my voice is heard and said. I make sure my thoughts are clear As I make my grab for the gear As I say my goodbyes And take my last sigh I head out the trenches strong and brave As I feel like my next stop might be my Grave.

Year 4 Creative Art Day

22 young Year 4 artists from our 15 feeder schools, joined Mrs Kinally to explore their artist shills to create a mixed media piece inspired by the American artist Jessica Wood. They created different papers using a range of techniques from Frottage to Marbling and then cut and arranged our colourful vases and flowers. Using a variety of techniques, they created some beautiful floral collage pieces. All students completed a beautiful, vibrant piece of art that they were proud of.

MIDHURST ROTHER COLLEGE









Petworth Over 60s

Annual Outing

Wednesday 30th August To Canterbury

Fare: £15.00 for members Non Members welcome £20.00

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The Arts Society West Sussex

On Tuesday 6th June Steven Desmond will give a talk on The Odd Couple - The Gardens of Edwin Lutyens & Gertrude Jekyll

Edwin Lutyens, well known for his drawings and elaborate jokes, and the eccentric, Gertrude Jekyll became the talk of Edwardian society.



On Tuesday 4th July Margaret Watson will give a talk on 'Life on a Harp String'

Take a trip with Margaret as she delves into the 5000 year history, development and design of the harp, and hear her play this fascinating instrument

Talks held at 2.00 pm in Fittleworth Village Hall RH20 1JB Doors open 1.40. Coffee & tea afterwards Non-members welcome for £7 (cash, please) Contact Jackie Buckler on 01903 411086 or email westsussex@theartssociety.org www.theartssocietywestsussex.org

ST MARY'S COFFEE MORNINGS

The Coffee Morning on Saturday 13th May raised £164.70 for Church Funds. Many thanks to all who helped, came, and spent. The next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 10th June, 10.00 am to 12 noon, with the usual sales table, raffle and refreshments. *Jean Huggett and Jackie Smith*

CALENDAR AND SERVICES FOR JUNE

4th	TRINITY SUNDAY	
	2 Corinthians 13.11-13, Matthew 28.16-20	
	Holy Eucharist	8.00 am
	Family Service (Egdean)	9.15 am
	Jubilate Family Mass	10.30 am
11th	CORPUS CHRISTI	
	Genesis 14 18-20, Corinthians 10:16-17, Joh	hn 6:51-58
	Holy Eucharist	8.00 am
	Parish Eucharist (Egdean - BCP)	9.00 am
	Parish Eucharist and Procession	10.30 am
18th	2nd Sunday after Trinity	
	5-10.8	
	Holy Eucharist	8.00 am
	Parish Eucharist (Egdean - BCP)	9.00 am
	Parish Eucharist	10.30 am
25th	3rd Sunday after Trinity	
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WEEKDAY SERVICES

Tuesday	Holy Eucharist	9.00 am	- Carton
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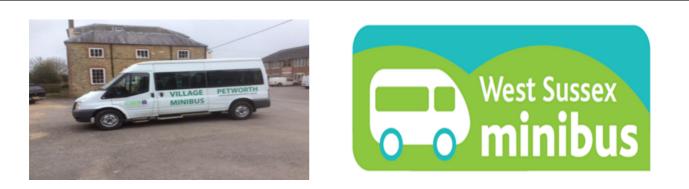
Tuesday 20th June, 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm start

We welcome Patricia Ellis with her demonstration 'Tins and Things'

Visitors are most welcome - £5.00

The meeting will be held at West Chiltington Village Hall, Mill Road, West Chiltington RH20 2PZ.

> For more information, please contact: Brenda on 01798 813712 or Carol on 01798 813608 Email: wchiltfloralclub@gmail.com



PETWORTH VILLAGE MINIBUS

There will be a shopping trip on Friday 2nd June to Worthing and The Trading Post at Barnham and to Horsham on Friday 16th June. There are also trips to the Friendship Centre (Petworth Over 60s) on Tuesday mornings and Bingo on 7th and 21st at 2.00 pm. The minibus will also be available to go to Easebourne on the afternoon of 6th for Easebourne Ladies 70th Anniversary celebrations.

The Pub Lunch on Friday 30th will be to The Scarlett Arms at Walliswood, booking essential through me. (postponed from May)

Trips could be arranged on a Tuesday afternoon to Lidl in Billingshurst if wished, please contact me if interested.

For booking and further details please contact local organiser *Caroline Stoneman on 01798 342942*

PACT NEWS

Petworth Area Churches Together working together in harmony

NEWS FOR JUNE



On **Friday 28th April** PACT held our Spring Talk with Helena Croft founder and chief executive of Streetlight UK, a charity giving a practical response to the difficult and tragic issue of helping prostitutes in West Sussex. Her talk was very accomplished with PowerPoint, informing us about the 105,000 prostitutes in the country.

Part of the solution is helping to remove the stigma of being the victim. It is not easy work as there is much coercive control and physiological damage as well. 80% are self- referrals, the rest from Social Services.

Helena has 50 women volunteers helping, mostly online support. It is painstaking and long term work. One woman said: '*Thank you so much for contacting me. I've been in prostitution for 22 years, and no one has ever reached out before and that is lonely. I wanted to stop but didn't know how.*'

Helena's charity also runs a course for the perpetrators'. i.e. the men.

It is depressing to note that university students are taking it as a 'career choice', with stalls at Fresher's Fairs promoting becoming escort (a polite word for prostitutes) work.

Our next talk, on Friday 6th October, will be the Chaplain of Ford Prison, Rev'd Stephen Gurr, speaking on his life changing work.

Geraldgreshamcooke@gmail.com https://petworthareachurchestogether.com/

FAMILY SUPPORT WORK

It has been a year now since our new practitioners joined and grew the team to 20. The time has flown by and we have been able to support so many more families – in fact, in our last financial year we directly supported over 600 families. 5 years ago that number was 148 so it is really encouraging to see how much we have grown during this period. Sadly we are currently having to turn some families away as we simply do not have space either on current caseloads or on waiting lists – we hate to do this but we need to keep our practitioners' caseloads manageable. So please do pray for all our staff and the families in need of support. We will work with them as soon as we can.

Behind the scenes things have been very busy. We have recruited two members of staff to support the volunteer and community engagement aspects of our work, one for each half of the county. This will hopefully bring new volunteers to FSW who can help practitioners with group activities as well as one-to-one support, as well as increasing the number of volunteers to help in our Eastbourne shop and the fundraising team. If anybody would like to discuss volunteering then we'd love to hear from them so please contact the office on 01273 832963 or email admin@familysupportwork.org.uk.

Our foodbank is still very low on all items with the exception of teabags and pasta, so if you are able to help us replenish our stock levels we would be incredibly grateful. We are in particular need of tinned meats, soup, baked beans, tinned vegetables and cleaning products. I also have a request from our charity shop in Eastbourne, which is low on children's toys and small homeware items (not electricals). If you have any donations for either the foodbank or the shop then this would be wonderful.

Open Garden season is in full swing now and the attached poster gives details of all the gardens where we are providing teas this year. It would be lovely to see you at some of them.

April's work in numbers

- 262 individual visits and 1186 calls with families supporting 277 adults and 194 children
- 53 supported meetings with other agencies
- 42 group sessions held supporting 452 parents and 284 children
- 135 food deliveries made

Prayer points

Give thanks for the successful recruitment of two new members of staff

Pray for all the children in our families who are about to embark on GCSE and A-level exams

Pray for strength for our practitioners, who are finding workloads increasingly complex and challenging

Nikki Kerr, FSW Director of Fundraising ad Marketing



The Big Open Day Sunday 4th June 10:30 to 4:30

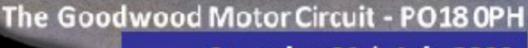
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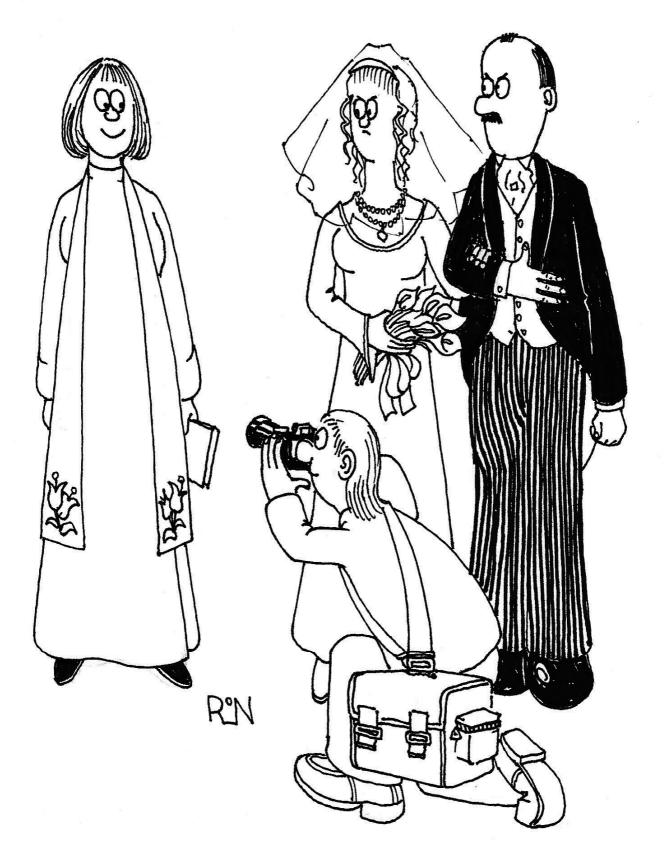
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PETWORTH FOOD BANK

Foodbank update

At Easter, the team in Petworth delivered the Kids Lunch Packs to children in our area. These are given to children who have free school meals during termtime due to low income and whose parents register for them. The KLPs cover the 10 lunches they are missing due to school holidays. The number of children needing them this year was up by 32% compared with Easter last year and so we expect similar numbers for the summer. We are very fortunate that the boxes are made up for us by Seaford College students and staff and with donations from parents.

We had a freshly baked loaf of bread supplied for each child by SØDT bakery and Easter Eggs from the Rotary Club.

We are running out of room and if any Church/ Village Hall has an accessible room/place that we could store KLPs, especially the Christmas ones, that would be so useful. We're so short of space at the URC and we have to run down the number of our stored emergency food parcel boxes which can cause us difficulties in busy time periods like December.

It would be for around 10 days before the start of each of the main school holidays.

Foodbank Demand

Compared with the year 2021/2022, demand in the Petworth area rose by 106% in 2022/2023. Even for those of us volunteering at the Foodbank and experiencing the additional workload, seeing this figure in black and white was something of a shock. Whereas last year, we were largely managing to meet demand with our local donations, this year we are having to have far larger top ups from the main warehouse in Chichester. As demand has risen across the whole of the Chichester District, this has put a strain on the warehouse. In the first quarter of this year, the warehouse gave out 33.4 tonnes of food but only received in 23.5 tonnes – clearly this kind of shortfall is not sustainable in the long term.

The type of demand we are seeing is varied and can often be very short-term. For example, we see people starting a new job but not getting paid for a month or losing a job and having to wait for a universal credit payment or adjustment. Other families that may have been managing have then had a couple of weeks when they couldn't afford to buy food because of a gas or electricity bill.

We would greatly appreciate anything the churches can do to both make people aware that they can seek help from the Foodbank and secondly, to encourage donations locally.

Urgently needed items by Petworth Foodbank (one of the Chichester District Foodbanks)

The nearest main donation points are at the Coop in Petworth and the Sacred Heart Church.

We'd be very grateful for: Baby Food (not milk) Tinned Tomatoes Tinned Soup Toothbrushes Toothpaste Long-life Milk

Due to 'Natasha's Law' (a law brought in to protect allergy sufferers), the foodbank is unable to accept items without a full ingredients list.

If you would prefer to donate money - only to be used for food - please donate via Bankuet, please see bottom of page on the link below: https://chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Seaford College Community Day

We are delighted that some students and staff from Seaford College are going to come back to the Foodbank in Petworth at the United Reformed Church for a spring-cleaning day this July. This made a tremendous difference to the room last year and it was fun to work with them. They are also going to be cleaning the hall upstairs this time.

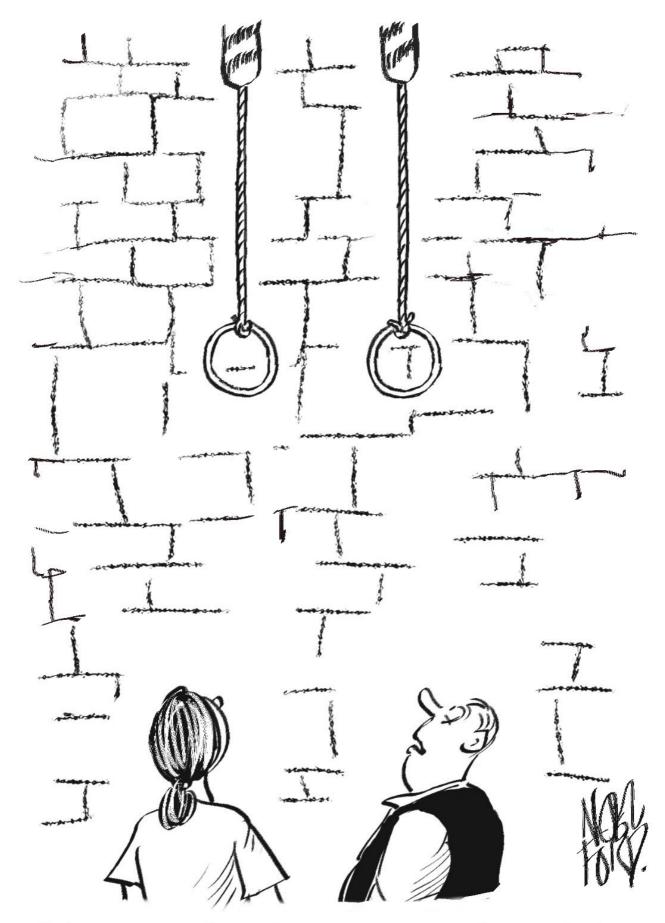
With best wishes On behalf of Petworth Foodbank (one of the Chichester District Foodbanks)

PETWORTH LUNCH CLUB

Petworth Lunch Club meets on Tuesday 13th June at the URC Hall at 12 noon when the menu will be Sausages in Onion Gravy with vegetables, followed by Apple Crumble and Custard, including tea or coffee, the cost remains at $\pounds7.50$.

We will be rather short of helpers so would ask if one of you per table could assist with serving the meal. Thank you.

Booking essential through Caroline on 342942.



"Apparently, the new member of the bell-ringing team is a keen gymnast"

COUNTY COUNCIL

As you may imagine with local elections having taken place there are not so many items on which to be able to provide updates, but Council business doesn't stop and there are constant e-mails and phone conversations regarding issues that either need prompt attention, or are asking for information.

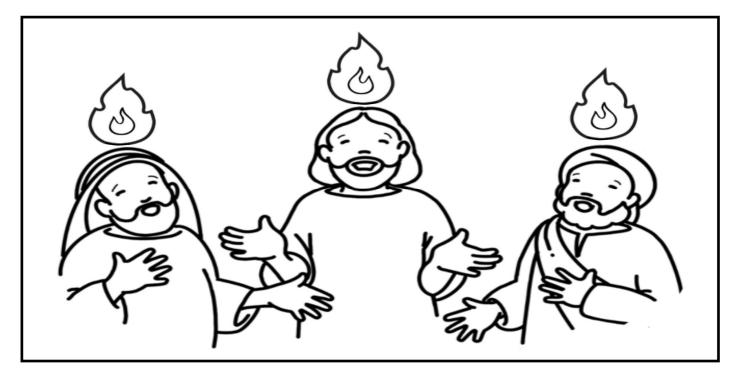
First of all, the A29 and, although single line traffic is now able to use this section which was closed for so long, Officers are still working with the Private landowners to try and get a permanent solution.

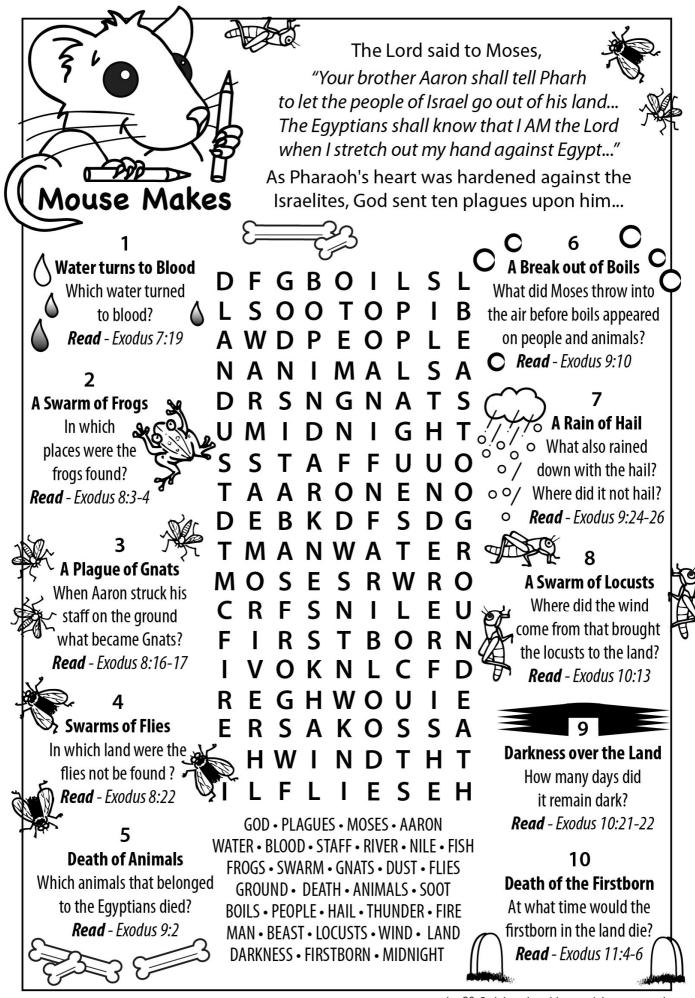
An even bigger problem is still the Midhurst A286 road and the road closure through the town. Until the facade of the Angel Hotel is made safe we cannot on safety grounds have the through road open for traffic. The South Downs National Park Authority has taken the responsibility to make it safe enough to open up the road again, while English Heritage, the Insurance companies for the owners and anyone else involved make a decision. Once secure, County has plans in place but I am afraid we are talking weeks not days.

The Patching machine is doing its best to mend the damaged small roads out in the countryside around the town and villages. It does a good job where it can work, but unfortunately one or two places are too narrow for it to do so.

You will also have seen that OFSTED has given us a good report on our Childrens' Services. We have now worked hard for about 3 years to get to this stage, we still have improvements to two areas to bring all parts of the Service up to good.

As ever if you need to contact me about County issues please use janet.duncton@westsussex.gov.uk or my mobile 07979152898







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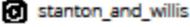
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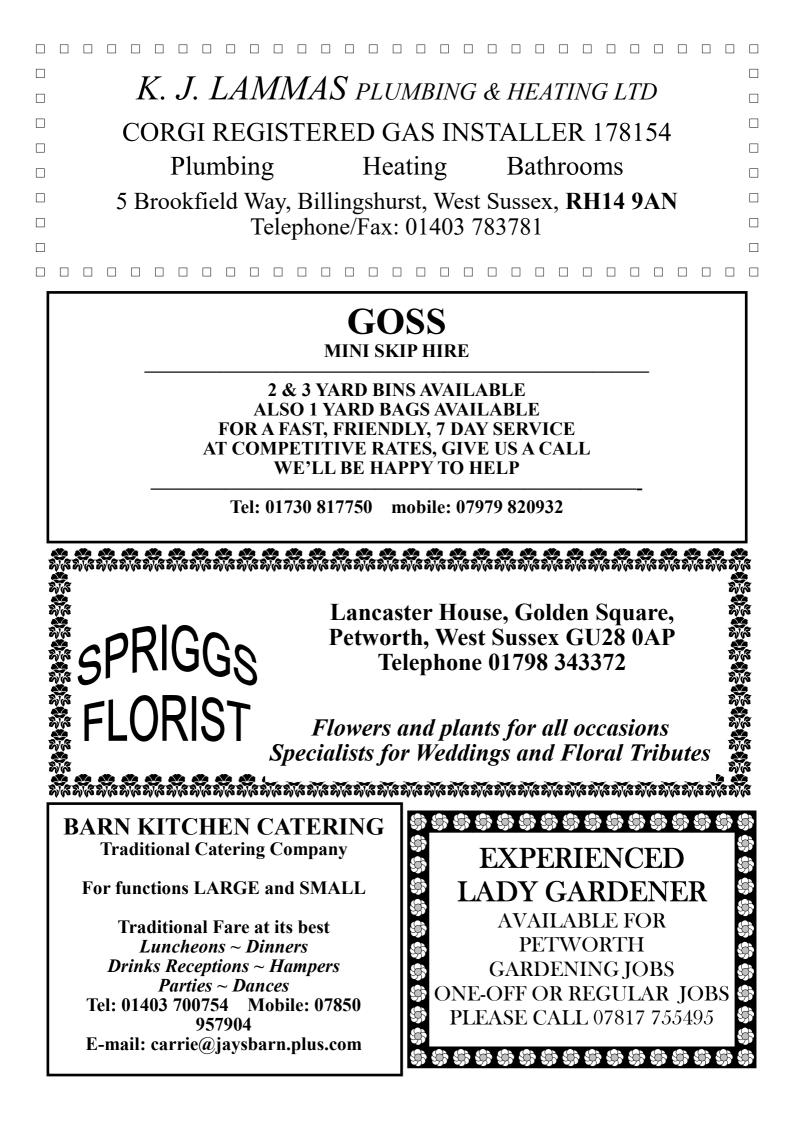
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HOLY BAPTISM

Four month old **RUPERT BURRELL HOLDEN** from Wyndham Road was baptised at St Michaels Church, Northchapel on 21st May.

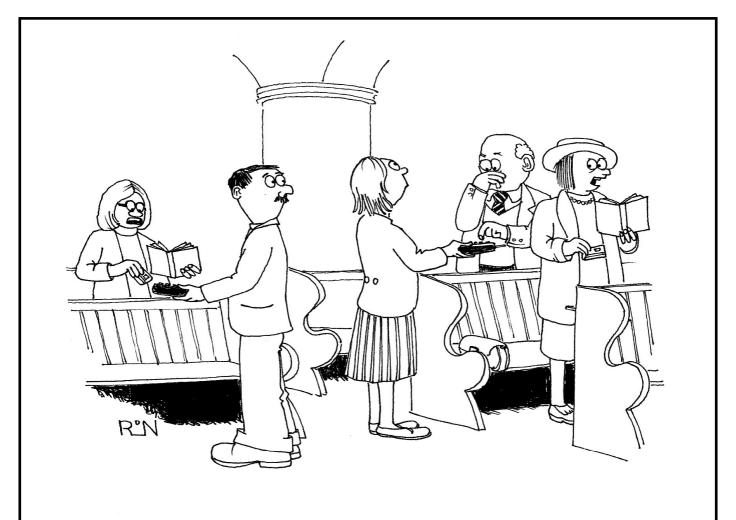
FUNERALS TWO LIVES REMEMBERED

We record the passing of **ZARA DAPHNE BREWSTER** who died at the Barlavington Manor Care Home on 3rd May at the age of 88 years. Her funeral was held at St Bartholomew's church on 12th May.

Well-known local resident WALLACE (JOCK) BAXTER passed away on 7th May at the age of 89 years.

For many years he ran an agricultural contracting business and building company alongside his son, based at Gunters Bridge.

He had been a widower since his wife, Jessie, passed away in January 2016. His funeral took place at Worthing Crematorium on 22nd May.



Mr Mackenzie kept forgetting his PIN

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