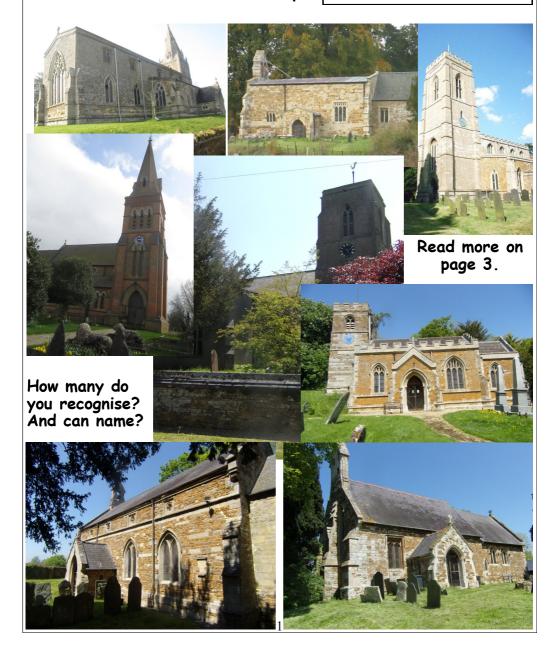
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The Mass Observation Archive specialises in material about everyday life in Britain. It contains papers generated by the original Mass Observation social research organisation (1937 to early 1950s), and newer material collected continuously since 1981 (Mass Observation Project). The Archive is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (registered charity number: 1179673) in the care of the University of Sussex.

Each year it makes a call for day diaries, capturing the everyday lives of people across the UK. This year it was Wednesday 12th May. This is my diary and my reflections.

"This afternoon four of us met to plan the resumption of our village church Cream Teas after missing last year because of the pandemic. Due to the restrictions, we had to meet outside in one of our gardens. Luckily the weather was reasonable.

Another effect of the Pandemic is the decision of the PCC to move the Cream Teas to the Community Hall for hygienic reasons as the church does not have any toilets or hand basins. This is risky - will people come for a Cream Tea in a Community Hall rather than in the church?

We began the meeting by acknowledging that we will have an additional cost of the rental of the Hall (holding the Teas in the church obviously did not incur this cost).

Churches did not qualify for the £10,000+ government Retail, Hospitality and Leisure grant and have certainly not received any money from the Diocese. St. Peter's had to put on hold the planned fundraising events which would have brought in an anticipated £5,000. Churches still have to pay for insurance, utilities and maintenance and for such ancient buildings it is vital this is kept up. Nobody wants to live in a village with a derelict church. The church is part of the rural landscape.

Well, the plans for the Cream Teas have been made. Now we need to do the preparation and hope we can open on 27th June and that people will come along to support us."

Front page (left to right) - **St. Leonard**, Thorpe Langton, **St. Nicholas**, Shangton, **St. Peter**, Church Langton, **St. Andrew**, Tur Langton, **St. Andrew**, Welham, **St. Michael**, Cranoe, **St. Denys**, Stonton Wyville and **St. John The Baptist**, Glooston.

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT MARKET HARBOROUGH GROUP



As we move into the Summer months, we are usually planning our Fundraising Events.

It is becoming clear that our usual gatherings may not be possible for some time yet, indeed people may also be nervous about mixing with too many people.

It is the Market Harborough Group's 50th Anniversary this year and we were looking forward to a special event. As this is highly unlikely, we thought that supporters maybe more comfortable with smaller gatherings SO...

Keeping the 50 theme we wondered if you would help by raising £50+ by having your own Coffee Morning or Tea Party inviting just a small number of your friends/neighbours to your garden (or indoors) and asking for a donation to Macmillan. Perhaps you might like to have an in-house raffle, a small cake stall or just enjoy a chat over a coffee or tea. This is something that can be done anytime over the next few months but not before May 17th (for indoors) or before Government guidelines allow.

There could be other things you or family/friends might like to do with a 50 Theme which doesn't involve large gatherings of people. A sponsored 50

Laps of a garden/field? Or 50km Cycle ride??

Even try and fill a jar with 50 pence pieces - if you and friends can find any!!!

We would be pleased to hear of any 50 themed fundraising ideas you may have and we can share with other Supporters. Please forward this to family and friends far and wide!!!

Donations can be made directly to The Market Harborough Group at https://macmillan-org.charitycheckout.co.uk/marketharborough/profile

We hope this is something that appeals to you and you will join in to help us raise funds allowing the much-needed **Macmillan** Services to continue supporting patients and their families living with cancer.

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You're invited to join us on <u>Saturday 26th June 1:30-3:30pm</u> for a special 'Media Maker' event taking place at St. Peter's Church.

Supported by our new Digital Persona project that will see William Hanbury have his very own Instagram platform, Media Makers, will see young people carry out interviews, create short films, generate digital content and engage with local residents to capture what they love about St. Peter's Church!

There will also be lots of other activities including arts & crafts, a special William Hanbury 'Talk & Tour', plant & book sale, competitions and the opportunity to have a nice cuppa.

We would like to see as many local residents as possible at the event, and look forward to seeing you all there.

Frances Freer our lead digital curator had this to say about the event.....

'As the lead on this project, I'm very excited about sharing William Hanbury's inspiring life, his vision and his legacy with as many people as possible. This exceptional figure helped to shape the parish as we know it today and he is deserving of an important spot within our local history. There's no better way to learn about the life of this fascinating vicar of St. Peter's than by visiting Church Langton church and join our Media Maker event, there will be a number of engaging Hanbury-inspired activities for people of all ages to enjoy. So please, come and join the fun!'

For more information about the event contact:

Roz Folwell on 01858 545160 or email r.folwell@btinternet.com



East Langton Parish Council

Parish Councillors—Roz Folwell, Chair; Martine Browne; (Church Langton) Heather Munro, Vice Chair (East Langton) Irene Ward (East Langton) Iain Heseltine Clerk—Alison Gibson, 56, Naseby Way, Great Glen, Leicester. LE8 9GS. 07763177707 eastlangtonpc@gmail.com Website - https://www.eastlangtonpc.org.uk

<u>Parish Council Meetings</u> - Meetings are currently taking place via Zoom and are open to the public. The Link is on the Agendas available on the Parish website, Parish Noticeboards or from the Clerk.

The first Wednesday of every month, alternating Full Parish Council Meetings with Planning Application Meetings (if required).

Roz Folwell, Chairman East Langton Parish Council

Annual Parish Meeting Report

It's been two years since the last Annual Parish Meeting and my last report and for all of us, a lot has happened. The impact of the virus has brought the Parish together through groups in both villages offering help with shopping, collecting medicines etc. The Parish Council has been able to continue its work by moving to Zoom meetings and plan to go back to face-to-face meetings in the Community Hall in July.

Parish Councillors

During this time we have had a change of Councillors. Stuart Cartwright and John Loney have stepped down and we have welcomed Irene Ward onto the Council. We'd like to thank Stuart for his contribution to the Parish Council and especially John Loney for his long service. John joined the PC in 1996 making this his 25th year, at one time as Chairman. His experience, measured views and hard work, especially as Finance Officer have been greatly valued and appreciated. He is missed.

Improvements

The Council strives to make improvements for all in the Parish. To this end the assets the Parish Council own – the village green Church Langton, the war memorial, bus shelter, water pump, three seats and two noticeboards are monitored, maintained and repaired. We are very grateful for parishioners contacting us if they find any problems with these items.

The highways and footpaths are also monitored and reported to Leicestershire County Council again we are grateful for residents reporting issues to us.

LCC paid for and installed hard standing for the bus stop on Church Causeway and the PC have paid for and had installed two litter/dog bins on Church Causeway by the bus stop and post box and Back Lane at the entrance to the footpath to Foxton. These are well used and emptied weekly. However, all these improvements and maintenance costsmoney.

Precept

We are a small Parish with a small budget. The money we have comes from the Precept (the tax that Parish Council charges the local electors to meet our budget requirements). We have only made small increases to the Precept but which in percentage terms can seem large. Our accounts can be viewed at any time on our website and will be displayed on the Noticeboards for 6 weeks in July.

Project ideas – Lightsource

We do, however, also have some money that has to be ring fenced for larger projects in the Parish. This is an annual payment of £2,495 from Lightsource, the company who installed the solar panels in Thorpe Langton. We have spent some of this money on installing the defibrillators but are still looking for ideas for community projects.

Water

Over the last two years we have had too much and too little water. The bridge on the Melton Road has flooded three times this winter. However, a natural flood management scheme in Smeeton Westerby is being undertaken by a partnership between Welland Rivers Trust and Harborough Woodland. The work involves reinstating historic meanders in Langton Brook, creating ponds and planting trees. I have met Chris French from Welland Rivers Trust to discuss the scheme and find out more. It is hoped more landowners will come forward to contribute more land for natural flood management. Cllr. Phil King reported that HDC are hoping to have a meeting with the Environment Agency and Leicestershire Flood Authority to see what the problems are and what they are going to do about it. A proper hydrologist study and analysis needs to be undertaken.

We have also had two water shortages when pipes broke or had an air lock. I met with Tur Langton Parish Council and LCC to establish quicker reporting and response should this occur again. We now have a direct link to the Emergency Response Teams at both LCC and HDC

Emergency Plan

We now, also have our own Emergency Response Plan for the Parish with a store of equipment, venues for emergency shelter and names for residents with different skills and equipment to call on should we need them. The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to thank the residents who have offered their help.

Other Matters

Not all in the garden, or should I say, fields has been rosy however. During the lockdowns we have had to exercise locally and this has put a big strain on the farmers' crops beside the footpaths across our surrounding fields. The PC has been working with HDC and farmers to publicise this problem to the community.

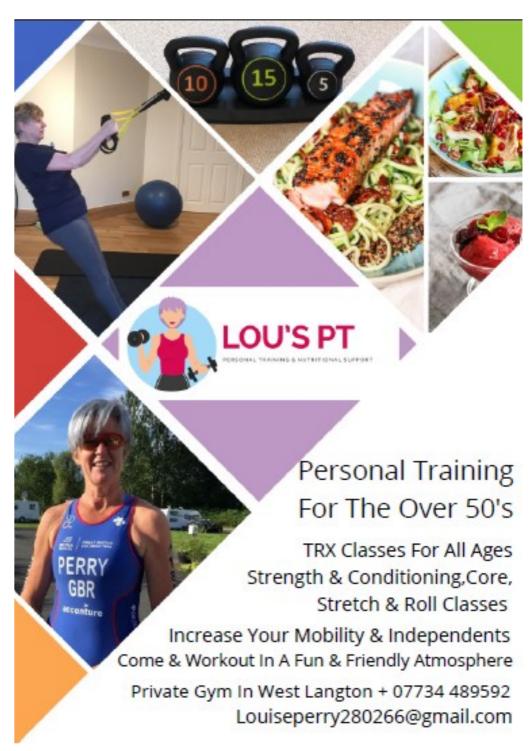
Discussions have been held with the Hanbury Charity after we were approached by them to take on the rental and running of the allotments. Parish Councils are obliged to provide allotments. However, under the 1908 Allotment Act "A council shall not under this Act acquire land for allotments save at such price or rent that in their opinion all expenses, incurred by them in acquiring the land and otherwise in relation to the allotments, may reasonably be expected to be recouped out of the rents obtained in respect thereof".

Much as we would have liked to have worked with the Charity, the Parish Council could not pay the amount the Hanbury Charity wanted for the rental of the land as the amount could not reasonably be expected to be recouped out of the rents obtained from the individual allotment holders.

Neighbourhood Plan

I've left our most important and largest body of work until last. The Parish Council took the decision to Review the Neighbourhood Plan. YourLocale have been appointed, with grant aid, to undertake the Review which we felt was necessary in light of the national and local and changes to planning regulations as well as the development changes about to take place in the Parish. It is hoped that the Review will determine the amount and positioning of future development in the Parish in the next ten years. A summary of the proposed changes will be distributed imminently to all households in the Parish and a six week consultation will be held for all residents and landowners to respond to the proposed changes to the Plan. We would ask that people do respond to the NP once consultation has started to express a view on the matters of importance to them.

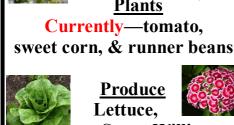
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News from St. Peter's

A FLOWER FESTIVAL FROM OUT OF THE BLUE!

On Saturday 10th July, Georgina Bowie of The Grange, East Langton will be married at St. Peter's Church. Her very good friend is an excellent florist. She has promised to make the church look stunning with an array of flowers. The family have offered the flowers to remain in the church so that villages and beyond can have the opportunity to witness this wonderful display. They do this in hope that it will raise much needed funds for St. Peter's. We ask only that a donation be made to help support St. Peter's. This will be on **Sunday 11th July**; the church will be open from **11.30am until 5.30pm**. We thank the Bowie family for this wonderful gesture.

PLANTING A TREE IN ST. PETER'S CHURCHYARD

If you thought there were enough of trees in St. Peter's churchyard (at the last count there are forty four) you would be forgiven for thinking, why plant another? Over the last twelve months we have had to remove five trees, two ash trees that were close to the north wall which had done considerable damage to the wall; a Cypress tree with several trunks growing from the base, four of which were leaning very precariously

towards the newly repaired wall. A yew tree by the allotment wall which again, was causing considerably damage. Work was started by Hanbury Charity, to repair this section of wall but has had to stop as the wall is in a far dangerous state; indeed, potentially, could collapse completely. A fifth tree, another ash, was badly damaged in a storm last August!!! This was considered too dangerous to leave standing. Permission for the removal of all these trees had to be granted by the Diocese and Harborough District Council, the latter of which wanted a least one tree to be planted.

It was decided by the PCC that this tree would be in memory of those who lost their lives from Church Langton, past and present. Covid pandemic but during the necessarily from Covid, but for whom restriction made celebrating their lives so much harder. The tree, Amelanchier Canadensis, was planted in early April; the families concerned, were invited to come along to help with the planting. It was a lovely afternoon, tables and chairs were placed in the churchyard with tea and cake served. A plaque will also be placed in front of the tree once permission is obtained. A memorial will take place hopefully in early September. Maxine Johnson



The Langtons and Welham Benefices Service Pattern



| | Sunday June 6th | Sunday June 13th | Sunday June 20th | Sunday June 27th |
|--------------|--|--|---|---|
| 9.00 a.m. | Welham H C Canon I. Gemmell | | Welham H C | Glooston Details to be confirmed |
| 10.30 am | Church Langton H C Rev'd M. Hathaway | Church Langton Zoom HC Service Rev. M. Hathaway ——— Stonton Wyville H C Canon P. Norwood | Church Langton Zoom HC Servic Rev. M. Hathaway —— Thorpe Langton Maxine Johnson | Church Langton HC Rev'd M. Hathaway |
| 6.00 pm | Thorpe Langton HC Canon P. Norwood | | Shangton Outdoor Evensong Maxine Johnson | |

Support your local church in what ever way you can. Thank you.

| | Sunday July 4th | Sunday July 11th | Sunday July 18th | Sunday July 25th |
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| 9.00 a.m. | Welham HC | | Welham HC | |
| 10.30 am | Church Langton Zoom HC Service Rev'd M. Hathaway | Church Langton HC Rev'd M. Hathaway | Church Langton HC Rev'd M. Hathaway —— Thorpe Langton TBA | Church Langton Zoom HC Service Rev'd M. Hathaway |
| 6.00 pm | Thorpe Langton HC Rev'd M. Hathaway | | Shangton Worship Service Maxine Johnson | |

The Langtons and Welham Benefices Service Pattern



| | Sunday August 1st | Sunday August 8th | Sunday August 15th | Sunday August 22nd | Sunday August 29th |
|--------------|---|--|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| 9.00 a.m. | Welham HC | | Welham HC | | |
| 10.30 am | Church Langton Zoom HC Service Rev'd M. Hathway | Church Langton HC Rev'd M. Hathway | Church Langton Zoom HC Service M. Hathway Thorpe Langton TBA | Church Langton HC Rev'd M. Hathway | Zoom Deanery Service 11.00 |
| 6.00 pm | Thorpe Langton HC | | Shangton Worship Service Maxine Johnson | | |



Cream Teas

In aid of St. Peter's

Are moving



To the Community Hall, Church Langton

Cream Teas will start on Sunday 27th June in the Community Hall, Church Langton from 3.00-5.00pm until the end of September.

Come and sample the excellent cake and scones at very reasonable prices.

Cakes also available for purchase.

Volunteers to help very welcome.



Margaret Parfitt 1924—20221

Margaret Parfitt passed away on 16th January 2021 at the age of 97. Margaret served in the ATS during the war and arrived in Leicestershire from Wales with her husband Dr Vernon Parfitt in 1948. Vernon taught first in Ibstock and then became headmaster successively of Burton-on-the-Wolds Primary School, Maplewell Hall School in Woodhouse Eaves and Ashfield School, Leicester. At Maplewell and Ashfield Margaret was an inspirational matron who worked closely with Vernon in all aspects of the education and welfare of the children under her care. The often very severe disabilities of the children at Maplewell and Ashfield were a challenge for Margaret. Her mission was to ensure that every child no matter the handicap they had would experience as much of life as possible. If this meant pulling wheelchairs up to the summit of Snowdon or carrying children to experience the pleasure of a

mountain stream or helping them navigate a sailing boat on Rutland Water - so be it. After her years of devoted service Margaret retired to Glooston where she threw herself into the life of the village. She was a pillar of the church and an enthusiastic member of the WI. Few people in Glooston were unaware of her great culinary skills, of the warmth of her personality and her deep

wisdom. Tudor Parfitt

Local Reminiscences of the Duke of Edinburgh

The picture was taken early in the 1960's, in the Mechanical Engineering research lab' Swansea when the Duke, who was then Chancellor of the University of Wales, visited us and I was explaining the work we were doing. He showed real interest in the ongoing research and asked very penetrating questions.

Leslie Hughes, Thorpe Langton



My Memory of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh. I have been fortunate to be close up to both the Queen and Prince Philip on a couple of occasions due to my work with the Diocese of Leicester when they visited for the Cathedral for the Diamond Jubilee and then the distribution of the Maundy Money. However, my best memory of him was when I travelled down to London for a Service at All Souls Church, Langham Place next to the BBC building. A fabulous church build by John Nash in the Regency style. The Service was to commemorate 150th anniversary of the Reader Ministry for which Prince Philip was our Patron. I sat with a selected contingency of Lay Readers from the Diocese, it was a very memorable event, made more memorable by two incidences with the Duke.

Firstly, as the whole Church stood up as the Duke with the Clergy walked down the aisle, he bumped straight into one of our Lay Readers, Malcolm Britten, from the Benefice of the Upper Wreake. Having a bird's eye view, I saw him stumble, then turn around to Malcolm and apologise. Secondly, during the receiving of the Communion, the Duke was diagonally directly in my view receiving the Communion of bread and wine. What a moment that was, to see - royalty humbly kneeling down to receive the Elements. It was definitely heart stopping for me. We minions, would normally never witness such a thing, even on the TV!

Much has been written about the Duke and what he has done over his ninety nine years; to some people's surprise to learn of his deep faith and incredible knowledge of the Bible, putting folks right when they misquote or get the chapter and verse wrong! The end of an era indeed. *Maxine Johnson, Church Langton*

Whilst grooming at Cowdrey Park or it could have been Cirencester. I was preparing a pony for the next chucka and noticed it had gone lame not serious but a worry. I looked round for the vet who was generally available but couldn't find him. Prince Philip was playing that day and he noticed I was having a problem so he sent his groom to give me a hand , he came over himself a few minutes later and asked if everything was ok. This was in 1970 and I was 24 and I shall always remember the great mans kindness that day. *Tony Spencer, Church Langton*

I was at the Queens Jubilee lunch in Leicester at which he was present. I seem to remember an Aide brought his own bottle of favourite beer!

Rick Moore, West Langton

I met HRH the Duke of Edinburgh twice many years ago and later saw him at a Royal Garden Party .

The first time he presented me with my D of E Gold Award at Holyroodhouse Palace in Edinburgh in 1964 and then in 1972 I met him again when I was invited to be a Marshall in one of the State Rooms at Buckingham Palace when Gold Award recipients were being presented with certificates.

Recent media coverage showed us all that he was a truly awesome man and his D of E Award scheme was much mentioned. It ran from 1956 to the present time with over 6 million young people taking it up in the UK alone. So it's quite a





legacy, and I'm sure can be attributed to changing lots of lives especially so for kids from disadvantaged backgrounds. It certainly did that for me.

It came on stream for girls from 1958 and it gave me opportunities to do loads of interesting things like volunteering in a local hospital, learning to sail, canoe, rock climb. For my residential experience I went to an outdoor pursuit centre where I was a volunteer instructor of young adults which was scary but brilliant at the same time. I particularly remember doing my Gold Award expedition over several days out in appalling weather conditions on the fells of Borrowdale; we slept out in a tent one night and a mountain hut the others. Having done all the tasks it was also pretty memorable to have some posh clothes and a

hat to meet a real Prince in a Palace. Muriel Green, West Langton

Tur Langton Parish Council Annual Report 2021

Tur Langton Parish Council Annual Report 2021 Welcome to Tur Langton Parish Meeting 2021 I must begin with a statement about the last very difficult year. Our small Parish includes a diverse range of residents who have all been affected in their own unique ways. However, throughout the whole experience our community has demonstrated solidarity and support for each other. It makes Tur Langton a very special place to live. Thank you everyone.

We Councillors are now halfway through our current term of office and look forward to the next two hoping that they are less challenging than the previous year has proved. I will take this opportunity to mention that we are still one councillor short on our Parish Council. We would love to welcome an extra person to our group. If anyone is interested in the work of a Parish Council, please do not hesitate to contact one of the councillors or our Clerk for more information.

During this time our main focus had been the refurbishment of Tur Langton Village Hall. With support from the village for our ambitious project we were successful in an application for a Public Works loan. This loan provided the main refurbishment fund, but two smaller grant applications provided extra money for insulation and a new front door. Our thanks go to Leicestershire Council for the Shire Climate Change Grant and to Harborough District Council for the Community Grant which were invaluable in helping us to achieve our goals.

The ongoing Covid restrictions inevitably caused delays but ensuring they were following the correct guidelines the Councillors, with the support of an exceptionally dedicated band of volunteers from the village, have created an amazing space for our village to enjoy. I cannot express fully my admiration and thanks to all those involved. My thoughts in particular turn to Daniel Mansfield, a regular volunteer, as he faces a long and challenging journey in hospital. We all are thinking of him and his family during these next difficult few months. Although the Parish Council are responsible for the lease of the hall, the Village Hall is a charity run by a Management Committee separate from the Parish Council. If this is something you would like to get involved in, please contact our Clerk who will put you in contact with one of the trustees.

Communication with the village is important to us and we achieve this through our Parish Council website, which is maintained by our Clerk and Cllr Officer. We also produce a newsletter which we hope is informative and useful, however we are always looking to the future and hope to explore digital forms of communication. Any suggestions or ideas are very welcome.

Regarding the website since September 2020 legislation requires it to be accessible. The Council would like to thank Simon Traill for his ongoing support in achieving this goal. Without his help this task would have been far more difficult and possibly costly. Thank you, Simon.

Another goal achieved since my last report was the Neighbourhood Plan, which was "Made" in June 2019. It is therefore now part of the Harborough District Council (HDC) Development Framework. Its policies, along with those of HDC Local Plan, will be used to determine planning applications in the Neighbourhood Plan area.

Finally, I would like to extend my thanks to our clerk for her continued hard work. This year had the added burden of managing the loan and we truly appreciate her dedication.

A council also needs to keep up to date, a list of events that have been attended and the consultations that the Parish Council have responded to are shown below.

In conclusion we thank you for taking the time to attend this meeting and look forward to representing our community in the coming year and completing our ongoing projects. Tessa Bladon, Chair, Tur Langton Parish Council, 4/5/21

March Motivator Challenge

Following a freezing February with the end to lockdown a long way off I noted that people's mood and emotional health was beginning to be dramatically affected by prolonged isolation and anxiety. From many years of nursing and teaching yoga within the NHS as well as in the Community Hall. I decided to throw down a challenge to boost physical and emotional well-being. So was born the March Motivator challenge.

The plan was to do 8 'Salutes to the Sun' or 20 mins exercise every day throughout the month of March.

To give extra incentive a local homeless charity was identified. Homelessness is, sadly, as pandemic as any virus and small charities have struggled in fundraising due to Covid. The Bridge Homelessness to Hope charity is based in Leicester and does wonderful work in providing meals, clothing, phones, a place to wash and do I aundry as well as one-one mentoring to aid people to move from the streets to accommodation.

The challenge started with 3 people but rapidly grew in number to 20, the majority of whom are Langton residents. With daily logging in of activity and online weekly yoga sessions we all progressed through the month with a growing smile as sponsorship grew.

It is with immense pride that I can announce that by the end of March the March Motivator group had raised a phenomenal £2,008.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all those who took part and all those who kindly donated, your commitment and generosity has made a world of difference to someone living through rough times. Thank you Gil Morley, Thorpe Langton





Langtons Cricket Club, Main Street, East Langton

More dates for your diary and 2021 membership subscription



The new season has started strongly! The bar has been very well supported and is now open every Friday night from 6pm. There'll be matches to watch on Saturday and Sunday afternoons until September, and the bar will be open then too. A big thank you to everyone who has already joined the rota of bartenders. We're still looking for more volunteers. Please email Mark Williams at cmw010863@gmail.com if you can help to run the bar, giving your name, email address, mobile number and your availability.

There are more dates for your diary:

Sunday 1st August Village picnic from 12 noon Bank Holiday Monday 30th August Village cricket matches Sunday 5th September President's Day cricket match

Social membership subscriptions are now due at £15 per person and payment can be made by bank transfer/BACS to Langtons Cricket Club, Barclays Bank Account: Sort code 20-63-66 Account number 43319970 Please add your name as the payment reference.

Cash or cheques to Langtons CC can be posted to Clare Freer, The Forge, East Langton LE16 7TW. Card payment can now be made on the club website https://www.langtonscc.com/Member/Join

The Harborough Lotto is also a great way to support the club, sign up at https://www.harboroughlotto.co.uk/support/langtons-cricket-club and you could be a winner

Uncle Gordon's annual "bonkers anarchy rounders" is pencilled in on Friday 30th July at the Langtons cricket ground 6pm onwards

All welcome. The more the merrier.

ROYAL INSTITUTE OF PAINTERS IN WATER COLOURS



Local Artist Accepted for

Prestigious London Exhibition

You may remember that in the last edition of the Newsletter I reported that Maxine Dodd, in Church Langton, had her painting accepted by the Royal Institute of Painters

in Water Colours for their 209th show, the largest exhibition of its kind in the world, showcasing the best contemporary water-based media paintings. This year they had a record number of submissions — 1,735 from around the world. 210 paintings were chosen to complement the 229 works of art from their members. Quite an achievement for Maxine to be one of them!

We were privileged to accompany Maxine to see her picture in the exhibition at the Mall Galleries, just by Admiralty Arch, London. The gallery had done her picture justice giving it a central position. She was very pleased to explain to enquiring visitors how she had painted

it last year as part of a small series inspired by the lockdown - the images were taken from BBC News reports and also the programme 'Hospital' which followed the staff and patients at the Royal Free Hospital in London.

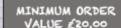
The scene shows an operation in progress, the doctors and surgeons working in full PPE - she wrote a piece about it on her website at the time - she felt the lighting and the intensity of expression and concentration on their work had a look of a classical painting like a

Caravaggio or Rembrandt.

On her website she writes "Throughout the crisis, one promise I made to myself, was to visit London to see my favourite galleries as soon as they were able to reopen. Never in a million years did I think that my first visit will include a show featuring one of my own pictures!" Roz Folwell

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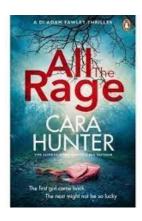
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Book Recommendation

All The Rage by Cara Hunter

This is the first in a series of books (5 in total) all featuring Di Adam Fawley and his team of detectives. All of the books, which are based in Oxfordshire are extremely well plotted with interesting, believable characters and a brilliant, credible twist at the end. I raced through all five of them and find it hard to pick a favourite.

ST. PETER'S CREAM TEAS

The PCC have always hoped that Cream Teas would resume at some point during the year. Due to the Pandemic, it has been decide to move the Cream Teas to the Langton Community Centre in the Welland room for this year, starting hopefully on 27^{th} June 3.00 - 5.00pm.

Please support us, we are in desperate need of funds.



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This is a very time consuming task and I would like to thank Gary Kirk and his consultants at YourLocale for their hard work and especially our Clerk, Alison Gibson for the extra time she has had to give to this.

At this point, I would also like to thank Alison for all the hard work and hours she puts in to ensuring the Parish Council runs smoothly and legally. She has had to manage the Zoom meetings, make journeys to us to sign important documents as well as the myriad other duties she performs. The work she put in to our recent Internal Audit is particularly impressive which resulted in a very complementary report. We are all very grateful.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our District councillors, Phil King and Simon Welband, who regularly attend our meetings, advise us and act on our behalf. And lastly, I'd like to thank Councillors Heather Munro and Martine Browne for their hard work and constant support over the last two years. As you have heard this is a very active Parish Council who are keen to represent your interests and improve our Parish.

East Langton Parish Council is Reviewing the Neighbourhood Plan Landowners and businesses will be contacted and residents will receive the

Executive Summary outlining the changes to The Plan.

Please take time to read it and respond to the Policies we are proposing.

Thank you—East Langton Parish Councillors



This stone commemorates a beating of the Marldon parish bounds in Devon in May 2000.

Beating the Bounds

May 10th—12th this year were 'Rogation Days', the three days before Ascension Day. Rogation comes from the latin *rogare*, meaning to ask. The Christian church adopted this time to walk the parish boundary to ask God for good weather and plentiful crops.

The custom is an ancient one dating back to at least Saxon times when the absence of maps necessitated the knowledge of the limits of each parish being handed down so that such matters as liability to contribute to the repair of the church or the right to be buried within the churchyard were not disputed.

The priest and parish officials led a group of boys who beat the parish boundary markers with green boughs, usually birch or willow. Sometimes the boys were whipped or violently bumped on the boundary stones to make them remember. The object of taking boys along is supposed to ensure that witnesses to the boundaries should survive as long as possible.

East Langton Parish is thought to be one of the oldest in the country, formed in Saxon times. I think the last time the boundary was walked was in Reverend Myrtle Cook's day. Does anyone know if we have any boundary markers? *RF* 'Sunday Link' and 'Wikipedia.'



Tuesday

Braybrooke 8.00

Stonton Wyville 8.30 -9.00

Great Bowden 9.00-9.30

East Farndon 10.00-10.30

Tur Langton 11.00

Church Langton 11.15-11.30

Thorpe Langton 12.00

Maidwell 12.30 -1.00

Wednesday

Hallaton 8.30-9.00

Medbourne 9.00-10.00

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If you are planning events or want to let the community know what has been going on

the next publication will be <u>printed at the end of August</u> for September, October and November.

Contact Roz Folwell on 01858 545160 r.folwell@btinternet.com

Church Langton CE (AIDED) Primary School

We have been pleased to re-establish many of the routines and experiences within our summer term and are busy planning for the new academic year. A few highlights from this term so far are shared below.





Leicester Tigers Coaching

We have been delighted to re-start our partnership with Leicester Tigers with weekly sessions for pupils in years three to six. The sessions have always been a highlight for years three and four, so we were pleased to be able to add in the older two classes this term as well.

Marathon Challenge

The whole school took part in the Marathon Challenge to support our Sports Coach's fundraising efforts for Cancer Research. Mr Knowles is running the Brighton Marathon later in the year and so the pupils have been helping him prepare by running the distance as whole school team.

Completing laps of the athletics track across the day, with the older pupils

taking on extra challenges, it was a great way to show our support for this important cause and to prepare for sports day next term.

Number Day

As a celebration of our love of maths, the pupils had great fun taking part in the NSPCC's Number Day. We welcomed Buddy to the school and he moved around the school with each class completing mathematical challenges to unlock the key to each class. Steve Roddy



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Want to know your parish's carbon emissions? Want to compare parishes? Check this out.

Parish Carbon Calculator – a new calculator has been released by HDC Impact | Community carbon calculator (impact-tool.org.uk). It is designed to allow individual parishes to see their own carbon emissions by area and by household. If your parish is interested in reducing emissions locally it gives you are really good idea of what activity causes the biggest emissions for your own community and can help you understand the best action to reduce those emissions. If you want more advice on declaring a parish climate emergency you can contact Helen Chadwick h.chadwick@harborough.gov.uk.

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"Children embrace staff's high expectations of them. ... Children respect the gentle and patient staff who help them to undestand the feelings of others" - Obted 2020 - Outstanding

Personal Development

"Staff ensure children receive apportunities that link to their individual next steps and interests across the whole curriculum which helps to ensure very good progress" - Objed 2020 - Outstanding

Leadership and Management

The manager and deputy manager are passionate about providing the best quality service to children and their families" – Obted 2020 - Outstanding



"I am glad that it has been recognised that, at Hanbury Kindergarten, children are well supported and benefit from excellent learning experiences in our safe and secure environment and I would invite you to visit us in our delightful rural setting." Julie Hitchcock



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