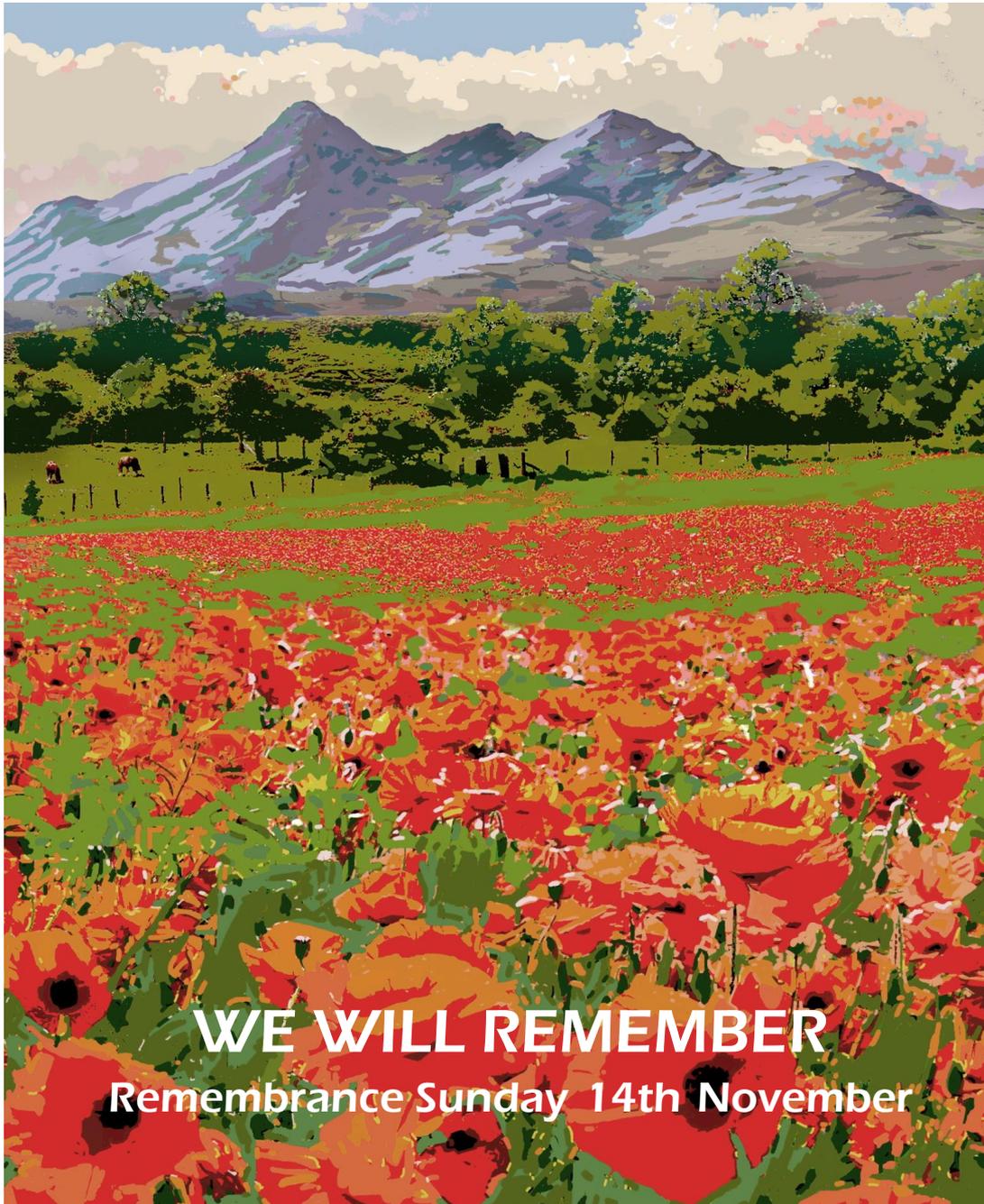


St Andrew's Hagbourne
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WE WILL REMEMBER
Remembrance Sunday 14th November

News, Views and Information for everyone in the Hagbournes

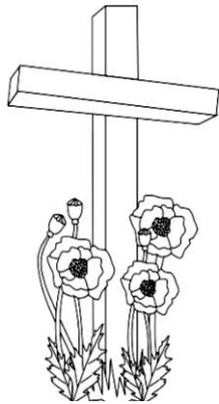
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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, HAGBOURNE

The United Benefice of Blewbury, East and West Hagbourne and Upton together with Aston Tirrold, Aston Upthorpe, North Moreton and South Moreton.



Rector's Reflections

A Thought for Remembrance

This month, many people will be attending acts of Remembrance. Men and women of all ages will gather around war memorials, wreaths will be laid, and the names of the dead will be read out.

It is always a poignant time: a time to remember those men and women who gave their lives on behalf of their country, especially during the course of the First and Second World Wars. How should we honour those who gave their lives in war? The simple act of remembrance is important: it serves to remind us of the sacrifice made by the men and women of previous generations.

But I think we can also honour the fallen by committing ourselves once again to be peacemakers in our communities and in our world. We need to do all that we possibly can to avoid using war or the threat of war as a way of solving disagreements between nations. I'm not suggesting that it's always easy to be peacemakers or peacekeepers: it isn't. Sometimes, even peace-loving nations can be presented with terrible dilemmas. What if another country threatens to attack your own country, or the country of an ally? What if they move beyond mere threat, and actually launch an attack? Might there be circumstances when going to war is the only realistic option left? And what about countries ruled by ruthless dictators? Is it possible or desirable to make peace with someone you can't trust, or someone whose values are profoundly opposed to your own?

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus told his listeners: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God". He didn't say "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will have an easy life"; nor did he say, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be saved from complex moral dilemmas".

Nor did Jesus suggest that peace-making is for wimps, who lack the strength or courage to go to war. I think sometimes it takes as much courage and moral strength to be a peacemaker as it does to become a combatant.

I think we can all do more to be peacemakers and peacekeepers in our communities and our world. Sometimes, countries have to go to war; but let us do everything in our power to live at peace with one another. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God". Father Jason



Remembrance Sunday, 14th November 2021

There will be an Act of Remembrance and Laying of Wreaths at the Hagbourne War Memorial at the Lower Cross, East Hagbourne at 12 noon on the 14th November.

6pm - Remembrance Sunday Service at St Andrew's



*St Andrew's Day
Our Patronal Festival*



St Andrew's Day – 30th November - Hagbourne School Service 9.30am

CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR NOVEMBER 2021

The Intentions this month are for all who live in East Hagbourne.

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| | | | Prayer Focus: |
| 1 Monday | All Saints' Day | 8pm Compline | Main Road H |
| 2 Tuesday | | 8pm Compline | Manor Farm Lane H |
| 3 Wednesday | 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H 12 noon Active Angels: St Michael's B | 8pm Compline | New Road H |
| 4 Thursday | | 8pm Compline | North Croft H |
| 5 Friday | | 8pm Compline | Pebble Drive H |
| 6 Saturday | | | Rymans Crescent H |
| 7 +Sunday | 3rd SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT | | <i>Clergy and all those who preach or lead.</i> |
| | 8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B | | |
| | 9am Parish Eucharist: All Saints' AU | | |
| | 10.30am Parish Service: St Andrew's H | | |
| | 10.30am Online Benefice Service | 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM | |
| | 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H | | |
| 8 Monday | | 8pm Compline | Saxons Way H |
| 9 Tuesday | 10am Holy Communion: St Michael's B | 8pm Compline | Shoe Lane H |
| 10 Weds | 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H | 8pm Compline | St Anne's Court H |
| 11 Thursday | | 8pm Compline | St Hilda's Close H |
| 12 Friday | | 8pm Compline | St Hugh's Rise |
| 13 Saturday | | | Stonesfield H |
| 14 +Sunday | REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY | | <i>PCCs, all in leadership and our Benefice Operations Manager.</i> |
| | 10.30am Remembrance Sunday Service: St Mary's U | | |
| | 10.30am Remembrance Sunday Service: St Michael's B | | |
| | 10.30am Online Benefice Service for Remembrance Sunday | | |
| | 10.45am Remembrance Sunday Service at the War Memorial AT with URC, then 11.15am at the United Reformed Church | | |
| | 10.50am Remembrance Sunday Service: South Moreton Recreation Ground | | |
| | 11.00am Remembrance Sunday Service: All Saints' NM | | |
| | 12 noon Act of Remembrance: Lower Cross, East Hagbourne | | |
| | <i>No 4pm Service in All Saints' NM today</i> | | |
| | 6pm Remembrance Sunday Service: St Andrew's H | | |
| 15 Monday | | 8pm Compline | The Crescent H |
| 16 Tuesday | | 8pm Compline | The Croft H |
| 17 Weds | 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H | 8pm Compline | Upper Cross Lane H |
| 18 Thursday | 10am MU Holy Communion: St Michael's B | 8pm Compline | Viking Drive H |
| 19 Friday | | 8pm Compline | Wilcher Close H |
| 20 Saturday | | | Windsor Crescent H |
| 21 +Sunday | SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT – CHRIST THE KING | | <i>Pastoral care and visiting.</i> |
| | 9am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's AT | | |
| | 10.30am Parish Service: St Andrew's H | | |
| | 10.30am Online Benefice Service | | |
| | 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM | | |
| | 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H | | |
| 22 Monday | | 8pm Compline | Bakers Lane H |
| 23 Tuesday | 10am Holy Communion: St Michael's B | 8pm Compline | Bishops Orchard H |

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CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR NOVEMBER 2021 continued . . .

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| 24 Weds | 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H | 8pm Compline | Prayer Focus: Blewbury Road H |
| 25 Thursday | | 8pm Compline | Church Close H |
| 26 Friday | | 8pm Compline | Coscote H |
| 27 Saturday | | | Cromwell Drive H |

28 + Sunday 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

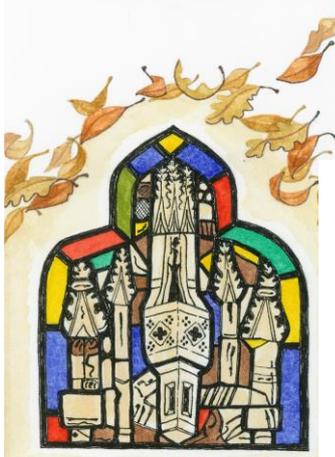
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| | 9.30am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U | | <i>Treasurers & church finances.</i> |
| | 10.30am Online Benefice Eucharist Service | | |
| | 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM | | |
| | 6pm Advent Carols: St Michael's B | | |
| | 6pm NO Evensong: St Andrew's H – please join Benefice Advent Carol Service in Blewbury | | |
| 29 Monday | Day of Intercession and Thanksgiving for the Missionary work of the church | | Intercession and Thanksgiving for Missionary work. |
| | | 8pm Compline | |
| 30 Tuesday | Andrew the Apostle | 8pm Compline | Fieldside H |
| | 9.30am Hagbourne School Service: St Andrew's H | | |

You can contact the clergy on:

Revd Jason **01235 850267** **office@churnchurches.co.uk**
Revd Louise **07837 009730** **revlouiseb@aol.com**
Elaine de Ridder (Operations Manager) is available from 9.00am to 2.30pm
Monday to Friday - 01235 850267, 07434 686044 or office@churnchurches.co.uk

Bookings for Weddings, Baptisms etc... may be made by contacting the office via email

A Poets' Trail Afternoon at St Andrew's Church - East Hagbourne



14th November from 2:30pm
(Remembrance Sunday)

- Poems on a seasonal theme.
- Music from Folk at The Fleur musicians.
- Teas and cakes (donations to church funds)

Contact: Linda Benton 01235 817891

November Cleaning Rota for St Andrew's:

November 7th – Ellen Bollick & Myra Hardiman. 14th – The Drew Family. 21st Jean Millar/Mary Hands. 28th – Wendy Price & Myra Hardiman. Please ring Myra if there are any problems 01235 831635. We hope to update Rotas to start at January 2022. Please see note in October magazine for contacts.

Benefice Advent Carol Service

St Michael's Blewbury

Sunday 28th November, 6pm

1st Sunday in Advent

ALL WELCOME TO THE SERVICE!



This is also your invitation to join the Benefice Choir as we learn the music, both traditional and contemporary, for this Service. Practices are Monday evenings from 6.45 - 7.45pm at St Michael's Church, Blewbury. Please come along and join us - no experience necessary, you just need to enjoy singing!

Any questions, please contact Elaine in the Benefice Office.

Active Angels

Our MU pram Service team invite families to this monthly event; with songs, story, games, activity and prayer.

12 noon on Wednesday 3rd November

at St Michael's, Blewbury.

Bring a rug for your family space. Lunch is provided with "Happy Meals" for children. Please book these with Revd Louise on 07837 009730



Compline A short Service of night prayer every weekday night at 8pm.

The links and codes for these are on the website under the Services tab.

www.churnchurches.co.uk Phone access is also available.

Daily Reflections – Thought for the Day and Prayer During the weekdays Fr Jason is writing a short reflection and prayer. It can be found on the www.churnchurches.co.uk or please ring the Benefice Office on 01235 850267 or 07434 686044.

Funerals held in the Benefice

3rd October at St Andrew's Hagbourne

18th October at St Michael's Blewbury

23rd October at St Michael's Blewbury

Robert Napper aged 67

Kit Maunsell aged 82

Chris Lakeland aged 74

Baptisms in the Benefice

3rd October **Charlie Benjamin Barrett** was baptised at St Michael's Blewbury

10th October **Pearl Sylvia London** was baptised at St Michael's Blewbury

23rd October **Jacob George Pickering** was baptised at St Andrew's Hagbourne

Weddings in the Benefice

14th October **Michael Luker and Marie Cuddon** were married at St Andrew's Hagbourne





Online Services

Sundays at 10.30am login or connect at 10am to chat before the Service. **Weekday evenings – Compline at 8pm.**

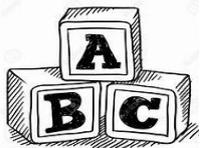
You can join in using a computer, laptop, tablet, smart phone or landline. Please see the website or the Churn if you receive it for the Service access codes and full details of how to join each week.
www.churnchurches.co.uk

The Pandemic – Impact on Church Finances FY2021

St Andrew's Church has suffered a similar fate in its finances as last year: Lockdown from the beginning of the year, followed by progressive lifting of restrictions from the 12th of April, the 17th of May, the 21st of June, and finally 19th July have taken their toll. Income was lost through the absence of Services and fund-raising activities for most of the first half of the year. However, there have been fixed costs and obligations that have had to be met month-in, month-out despite this. The Parish Share, Building Insurance and Utilities (the latter albeit on a reduced scale) all figure prominently; Parish Share primarily funds clergy stipends.

The second half of the year has been encouraging and income has begun to flow again with the Church open for Services and activities. But there is no way to totally recover the losses of the first half, which will have to be covered by dipping into our cash reserves, as we did last year. I now forecast that over **£9,000** of cash reserves will have to be used to bridge the deficit.

So, my final plea is to reach out to readers of this Magazine for donations to help minimise the deficit. As they say, 'every little helps' and, with the spirit of Advent and Christmastide approaching, it is an opportunity to mark these special seasons with a gift to the Church. Donations can be made either by cheque or on-line: cheques should be made payable to 'Hagbourne Parochial Church Council' and sent to me at 45, New Road, East Hagbourne, OX11 9JX. Alternatively, please phone me on 01235 815605 and I can provide details for a bank transfer.
Thank you, Trevor Goss, Treasurer, Hagbourne PCC



Hagbourne Baby and Toddler Group



When: Fridays in term time – 9.45 – 11.15am

Where: St Andrew's Church, Church Close, East Hagbourne, OX11 9ND

Who: Children from birth to 5 years with their Parent/Grandparent/Carer

£2.00 per family per session – includes a healthy snack for children
and hot drinks for adults

Hagbourne Baby and Toddler Group is a long-established friendly parent run group. We have a variety of toys including ride-ons, slide, dolls, toy cars, Duplo, baby toys, mats and bouncers, happy land, pushchairs, train set, books and much more. Each session ends with singing with musical instruments. On occasions a craft activity is also offered. Our current children really enjoy their weekly play together (for some it is their only interaction with other children) and they look forward to Friday mornings and meeting their friends. If you have any questions please contact: hagbournetoddlers@hotmail.com

We hope to welcome you and your children too!

Asylum Welcome has been a registered charity since 1996. It exists to support refugees, vulnerable migrants and those forced to seek political asylum from danger in their homelands.

This is a never-ending job but currently, the Oxfordshire group's most urgent challenge is to support families fleeing threat, violence, and persecution in Afghanistan. Asylum Welcome is working with others including Oxfordshire-wide Councils (County and City), MPs, local Afghan leaders, refugee community organisations and other organisations to support those having to flee the Taliban.

In addition to helping new arrivals, they are working hard to provide information and practical support to Afghans who are already in Oxfordshire and who desperately need to find routes to safety for their family and friends back home.

Volunteers at Asylum Welcome are doing all they can to help with immediate needs and longer-term resettlement. As you read this note, they are supporting up to a hundred people in a local hotel during what could be an extended transition period.



HOW WE CAN HELP . . .

You may be wondering how you can support such an enormous task but be assured that every little helps. **For example, funds raised by this year's Christmas Tree Festival will be divided between Asylum Welcome and St Andrew's Church.** So, by ordering your tree, attending a festival event, baking or buying mince pies or cakes, or even helping with the washing up, you will be helping the refugees supported by Asylum Welcome as well as St Andrew's Church.

Please sign up for your tree now from sarahreefest@gmail.com and you will be helping. Thank you so much for your support!



Pet Service at St Andrew's 17th October 2021

The Sunday service had quite a different atmosphere on 17th October, numerous Hagbourne Pets brought their owners to the **Pet Service**. For some pets and families it was their first experience of a service in St Andrews – hope you came out feeling embraced and uplifted. Father Jason had his work cut out, at least 20 dogs, 1 rabbit, 2 pigmy goats and a Shetland pony were individually blessed as well as a blessing for all those who could not attend. Photos were on display of those pets who could not come.

The Service ended with a resounding hymn . . . "You shall go out with joy, and be led forth in peace, and the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you. There'll be shouts of joy and the trees of the field shall clap their hands . . ."

We want everyone to feel safe coming to Church Following advice from the Diocese, we will continue to encourage people to wear face coverings and to observe social distancing while in church. Communion will be in bread only. Congregational singing will be allowed when it is safe to do so: as the virus spreads via droplets, to be able to sing will depend on the numbers attending and the ability to be socially distant from others.

St Andrew's Church, Hagbourne

Christmas Tree Festival



10th -18th December

Trees all around the Hagbournes and at the Church
(Church Open Daily - 10am to 5pm)



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In aid of St Andrew's Church & Asylum Welcome



Tower Talk We held our tower quarterly meeting on Tuesday 5th October following a shortened ringing practice. The meeting was well attended with lots to discuss re the future of the tower. The meeting was chaired by Fr Jason.

The bells were rung for the wedding of Michael Luker and Marie Cuddon on Thursday 14th October. We wish them every happiness in their future lives together.



Ringer's Sunday took place on Sunday 24th October, the bells were rung for the Ringer's Evensong at 6:00 and the Service was taken by Andrew Kaye who is a bell-ringer. The service was followed by light refreshments.

There will be a quarter peal attempt on our bells on Wednesday 10th November at 6:30pm, in memory of our dear friend and fellow ringer, Cliff Garlick. The attempt should last just under an hour so the ringing should have finished by 7:30pm.

Hopefully we will ring the bells half muffled on Remembrance Sunday and leave them on for the practice on the Tuesday evening. It is a little bit different ringing bells half muffled and it will give all of our ringers the chance to have a go.

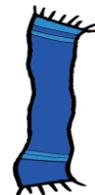
Birthdays – 2nd November – Alan Foster

Dates for the diary: Sunday 14th November – Remembrance Sunday

Shirley Goss.

Please can you help HOMELESS OXFORDSHIRE?

The Advent Basket will be ready at St Andrew's for your donations from 28th November.



The big basket will be back in St Andrew's Church from 28th November which is Advent Sunday. Donations which are needed are:

Toiletries such as soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste, razors, shampoo etc.

New socks and underwear.

Good condition clothes for women and men.

Please NO BEDDING.

O'Hanlon House has 56 beds and provides shelter, specialist support and safety for homeless people, many more are squeezed in when severe weather conditions prevail. Money is of course brilliant, details of how to donate are on the Homeless Oxfordshire website: www.homelessoxfordshire.uk Cheques can be made out to Homeless Oxfordshire.

Thank you. The Hagbourne Action Group.



Hagbourne Garden Club On Thursday 25th November, Hagbourne Garden Club are delighted to host a return visit by Tricia Stanton on **Flower Arranging**. The Pavilion will be open from 7.00 p.m. for refreshments with the talk and demonstrations at 7.30.

As this is our last meeting before Christmas there will be mince pies and mulled wine available! Tricia will be donating her arrangements to be raffled off at the end of the meeting and if they are anything like the ones she made on her last visit, they will be amazing!

Visitors welcome (£5). For further info contact Sally on 01235 352275



East Hagbourne Community Shop

find us on the East Hagbourne village website:
www.easthagbourne.net

The 2021 EHCS Community Fund As a proud supporter of our local community, we're delighted to again donate £1000 to local community projects! Once again, our volunteers will select the Top 5 candidates, and once again, our customers will help us to award the EHCS Fund by voting for their choices. This year, however, **EACH** of the Top 5 candidates will receive a donation in proportion to votes earned of the total votes cast! The Top 5 candidates will be displayed on a board in the Shop hallway from 15th November. **Spend at least £1 in the Shop, and vote for your choice!** **Voting opens 15th November and runs until 4th December.** Winners will be announced before Christmas. Stop in or visit us on Facebook for more details!



Spread The Holiday Cheer! Charming, exclusive cards illustrating East Hagbourne in design and photos are a festive way to share our local village with your loved ones far and near. Looking for unique village-inspired gifts? Consider our bone china mug illustrated with village scenes plus cocoa mix. Tuck our crisp Village tea towel around home-baked treats. Pack local honey, fudge, marmalade and other gifts in our re-useable jute shopping bag. Get a jump on the season, and check out *all* the holiday cards, gift wrap, stollen, lebkuchen, palmeritas and other treats now in stock.



Expanded PO & Shop Hours Just in time for the holidays, the Post Office is now open Mondays and Thursdays 1 – 5pm in addition to the morning hours. The Shop will also remain open until 5 on those days. Make sure you pick up the holiday posting guide, to make sure gifts arrive to UK and overseas friends and family on time. Need a "one-size-fits-all" idea? A prepaid card from the Post Office fits the bill and is always appreciated!

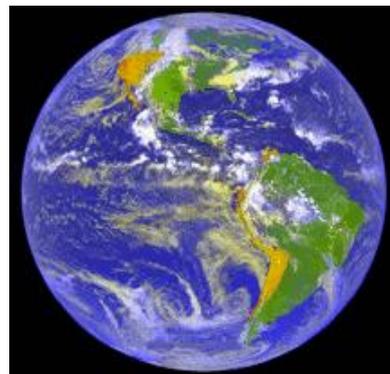
BTW, have you seen our newly refurbished frontage, with our new-and-improved steps? We're so pleased to brighten up our corner of the village and bring our front access up to code. Many thanks to Terry Taylor for his fantastic work!

Home-made Fruit Crumbles and Cakes Special occasion or just a warming pick-me-up? Our freezer is piled high with delicious homemade apple and rhubarb crumbles, and every Thursday, our shelves are stocked with tasty home-baked cakes – they go fast, so pop by early!

Marcopolo Be sure to pre-order Marcopolo's artisanal breads, savouries and delicious pastries **by 4pm Wednesday** in the Shop or by email to easthagbourneshop@btopenworld.com for pick up on Saturday from 9-12:30pm.

HUGS News - Our future needs us

We work hard all our lives in the hope that we can find some enjoyment and create a legacy to enable our children and grandchildren to thrive just as our ancestors did for us. We have been largely fortunate in this respect and our generation has reaped the benefits of decades of peace and prosperity. Situated in the sleepy vales of Oxfordshire it is easy for us to imagine that this state will continue undisturbed. However, we do not need to look far to find signs that things are not as they should be.



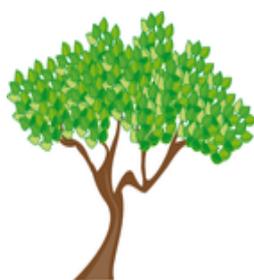
Changes in weather patterns, failed harvests, floods, wildfires; these are more and more prominent in the news. Talk of a Climate and Environmental Emergency has become increasingly frequent.

Until now we have largely left it to scientists and politicians to find the solutions to these problems and develop appropriate policies. For nearly thirty years they have been meeting annually to discuss goals and agree targets; the world's nations coming together for a Conference of Parties to negotiate a path forward. On 4th November 2021 Glasgow will host the 26th such meeting - COP26. It has been referred to as ***the world's best last chance to get runaway climate change under control.***

In a recent speech Antonio Guterres, the UN Secretary General, issued us with a stark warning. ***"If we don't act now on climate change, this coming century may be one of humanity's last... this is not a climate talk summit – after 30 years we have done with talking. Nor is it a climate negotiation summit – we cannot negotiate with nature. This is a Climate Action Summit... We have the tools to make the fundamental changes that are necessary, we need only find the will to put them into action."***

When he speaks of **Action** he is not just referring to the policy makers and the scientists; he means all of us. We need bold action in every sector from business leaders to local councillors to community leaders to individual households. The negotiations at COP26 will define the path we take. It is up to us to tell our leaders what kind of world we want to leave for our future generations and it is up to us to work together to take the steps that will get us there.

To find out more about COP26 and the role we all need to play read the latest HUGS [blog](#) post.



Tree orders We are taking tree orders again for this year's tree planting season. See our [tree page](#) for more info. Do you have room to plant a new tree in the ground or even in a pot? Do you have a hedge that needs some replacement plants or are you thinking of planting a new hedge along your boundary? Planting Native trees and shrubs is a fantastic way to support your local wildlife, making home for invertebrates and birds as well as providing food for them. The fallen leaf litter in the autumn in turn feeds your soil. You're also creating a carbon store that will grow with time.

We'll be offering different size trees again this year; small medium and large. They will arrive bare root so will need to be planted either into the ground straight away or heeled into the soil or a pot with the roots covered with wet soil, so they don't dry out.

Please order your trees by 7th November.

West Hagbourne Village Association. The Macmillan Cancer Care Coffee Morning on Saturday, 25th September. A very big 'Thank You' to all those who supported and attended our annual coffee morning in aid of this very worthy cause, An amazing amount of £1090-88 was raised, making this our most successful so far!

West Hagbourne Village Association

PRIZES



RAFFLE

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday, 13th November 2021

Hagbourne Village Hall – 7:15pm

You are warmly invited to come along and join in our fun quiz night, raising funds for the village jubilee celebrations planned for June 2022. Form a team of up to 6 people per table, bring along your own drinks, glasses and nibbles, enjoy a bowl of our own delicious, homemade soup with rolls, whilst testing your knowledge against fellow quizzing teams! Tickets cost £10.00 per person. Places will be limited to ensure a safe and comfortable evening, **so book your tickets now to avoid disappointment.**

Please complete and detach the form below and hand it in, enclosing cash or a cheque made payable to the West Hagbourne Village Association to either June at Lenton, York Road, Julie at 1 Main Street or Margaret at Chapel Hayes, Main Street, West Hagbourne. Contact email: va@westhagbourne.org

Please also indicate if any person on your team has special dietary requirements. Your tickets will be delivered to you before the event and don't forget to bring them with you on the night.



Name.....

Address.....

Please send me tickets @ £10.00 each. I enclose cash/cheque for £

Dietary requirements:

DOWNLAND VILLAGES TRANSPORT GROUP

Community Bus to Wallingford

The Friday morning Community Bus to Wallingford has been suspended since the start of the Covid pandemic, but we are now thinking about how and when it could restart. It was a useful service to use on market day in Wallingford, which includes the W.I. baking and plant sales at the church in the market place. The church is also open on a Friday mornings for coffee, tea and cake.

To this end, we would welcome views from past and potential users of the service.

-Would you use the weekly bus to Wallingford if it restarted?

- Are there other transport solutions within our control that would be more useful to you?

Everyone is invited to the Annual Public Meeting of the Downland Villages Transport Group on Thursday 18th November at 7:30pm in East Hagbourne Pavilion.

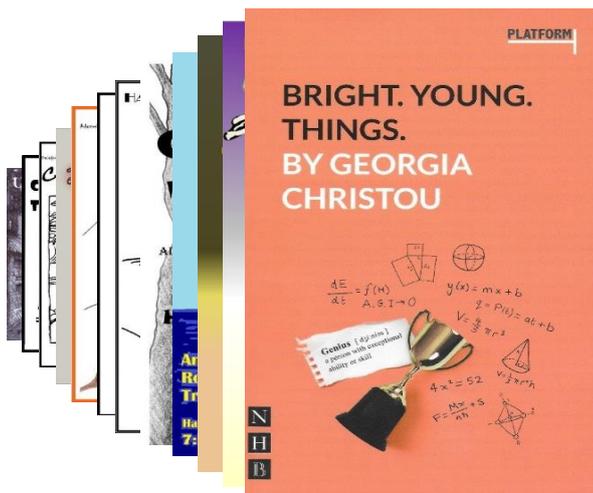
Or, we are happy to receive your comments outside the meeting - please contact:

David Rickeard 07726 44 11 81, Mary Harrison 01235 813826 or Joy Napper 01235 813145.

HAMS –Now the Fun begins!

The recent readthroughs were very well attended despite some hiccups due to Covid and it was good to hear the words on the page being brought to life at last.

The cast is being chosen and rehearsals will begin every Thursday in the Village Hall from November 4th until next March.



Hagbourne Village Hall

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Hagbourne Village Hall will take place in the Village Hall on

Wednesday 24th November 2021, starting at 8.30pm.

This is an open meeting, and all interested persons are invited to participate.

There will be Wine served!

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Agreement of previous AGM minutes**
3. **Chairman's Report, followed by Questions**
4. **Treasurer's Report, followed by Questions**
5. **Booking Secretary's Report followed by Questions**
6. **Other Competent Business [open to the floor]**
7. **Retirement of 2020/2021 Committee**
8. **Election of 2021/2022 Committee and acceptance of Representatives**
 - a. **[These to include: EHPC, WHPC, Pre-School Group, Scouts/ Beavers, Guides, Parochial Church Council and at least as many independent members]**
9. **Election of Officers**
10. **Chairman's closing remarks.**
11. **Close of Meeting**

Whilst this is an annual meeting, it is important for everyone to be aware that the longest serving member of the committee no longer wishes to continue as Secretary after this meeting. It is therefore vital we identify someone to replace her.

The committee only meets 3 to 4 times a year, so the duties are not onerous, but they are vital to the smooth running of the hall. If you, or someone you know would be willing to take on this task, we would welcome you or them to come forward.

Didcot and District U3A is now meeting again and offers the opportunity to share your knowledge and experience and talents with others and learn from them in friendly surroundings. Why not come along to the next meeting on **16th November** at 2.30pm at Great Western Park District Community Centre, Gentian Mews, Didcot OX11 6GR for a talk by Jeff Ewan on **Pop on the Box, a history of music on television from 50s onwards**. There is plenty of parking at the Great Western Park District Community Centre. Come along and find out about your local U3A.

Didcot Farmers Market The next Farmers Market will be setting up stalls in the Orchard Centre at Didcot on **Saturday, 13th November** from 08:30 – 13:30. Seasonal fruit, vegetables, fresh meat, fish and cheeses, bread, cakes, jams and preserves all from our local area.



**East
Hagbourne
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COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH VOLUNTEER PLEA

The community **speedwatch team** are actively seeking additional volunteers to support this ongoing important work, which will help inform future decisions on speed control in the village.

Without enough volunteers on board, it is not possible to arrange speed monitoring sessions so please join the small, friendly Speedwatch team now! You will be given training and work with like-minded people for the benefit of the community.

Please contact Roger Bartlett, Speedwatch Coordinator via email rogerdavidb@outlook.com or call 07595 747644.



ROADWORKS INFORMATION

Roadworks and the resulting traffic restrictions are understandably an annoyance, particularly if a road is closed and diversions are in place. Oxfordshire County Council routinely inform the Parish Council of any road closure that affects the Parish and this information is posted on the Facebook page, sent to those subscribed to the email circulation, and added to the village website.



However, the majority of traffic situations result in lower levels of disruption, such as traffic lights and partial lane closures. These are often set up when utilities such as Thames Water, Openreach or SSE are carrying out works in the area. The Parish Council is not notified of these works.

A useful site to check for roadworks is [one.network](https://www.one.network) which shows roadworks along with details of which company is carrying out the associated works, and permit information. You can view 2 weeks ahead without needing to register or up to 12 months if you register on the site.



DEFIBRILATORS: village defibrillators are available 24/7 at the following locations: **Outside the Village Shop** at 114 New Road

Hagbourne Village Hall (next to the main entrance)

In an emergency, call 999 – they will give you the access code.



USEFUL WEBSITES: <https://www.fixmystreet.com/> for reporting a wide variety of issues from potholes to fly tipping.

<https://publicrightsofway.oxfordshire.gov.uk/standardmap.aspx> can be used to report an issue with a countryside path or public right of way.

<https://one.network/> for checking roadworks in the area

*Planning applications received since the last newsletter: **No applications received.***

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 11th November 2021 at The Pavilion, Great Mead. All Council meetings are open to the public and we welcome your participation. Agendas and Minutes of previous meetings are published at www.easthagbourne.net



Citizens Advice – Two useful items from the Citizens Advice.

Citizens Advice on coping with Universal Credit shortfall This year, the month of September ushered in more ominous portents than chilly winds and dark nights: the Government reduced Universal Credit payments by £20 a week. This move could put many floundering people in a critical situation. Rising prices and the coming end of the pandemic furlough have joined other negative trends to put millions in serious debt, unable to pay vital bills and about to see life get even worse. But, if you are in this position, remember that support and help are available and you need not suffer alone.

Take charge of your situation. Start by making a list of what you owe and add up what you need to pay out each month. This list puts your financial position clearly in front of you in black and white. Next, prioritise your debts. There is advice on the Citizens Advice website to help you do this: <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money> Some bills are more urgent than others. Rent or mortgage arrears, gas and electricity bills and Council Tax count as priority debts as there could be serious consequences if you don't pay them. Get in touch with the companies to whom you owe money. Not everybody feels confident about doing this but the organisations expect such calls and they might be able to help by letting you pay smaller amounts over a longer period or even take a temporary payment break.

The government-backed Breathing Space scheme could also give you extra time to pay. See our website for details or www.gov.uk If you are eligible, you could get 60 days during which your creditors can't contact you, take any action against you or add interest and charges to your debt. A Citizens Advice adviser can check your debts to see if they are covered by the scheme. If you need more specific support or don't feel able to manage your situation alone, call the Citizens Advice debt helpline on 0800 240 4420. It really helps to make personal contact with somebody who understands. You can also call our Adviceline free on 0808 278 7907 (Monday to Friday 9 am to 5 pm) or try our webchat (click on "chat with us online about debt").

Citizens Advice information on vanishing energy suppliers Many people have recently had the disconcerting experience of seeing their energy supplier break up and go out of business during the recent energy price fluctuations. It sounds pretty drastic, but the situation isn't as bad as it seems. If you are one of those affected, remember these key facts: first of all, the gas or electricity supply itself won't be interrupted, so don't be concerned about that. Next, you should know that Ofgem, the industry regulator, will automatically move you to a new supplier. This usually takes a few weeks.

Wait for your new supplier to contact you. They will explain what will happen with your new account. But contact the new supplier yourself if you haven't heard from them within two weeks. You can check on www.citizensadvice.org.uk ("check who's taken over your energy supply") if you're not sure who your new supplier is. While you're waiting to hear from the new supplier, it's a good idea to take meter readings (and a photo of the readings) as they might prove useful later. Make a note of your account balance too. Keep any old bills you have, as these can help prove your payment history, credit balance or debt. If you aren't happy with your new supplier or tariff, you can switch suppliers. Look at "switch energy supplier" on our website or ring the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on 0808 223 1133.

Many people are seeing their energy bills increase significantly. If you are one of them, and worried about being able to meet these higher energy payments, please contact Citizens Advice on our Adviceline number 0808 278 7907.

Citizens Advice has slightly different advice for small businesses whose energy suppliers have gone out of business. Please visit the Citizens Advice website.

Our Local Bus Service – route 94

Didcot – Blewbury – Harwell Campus

Mondays to Fridays except public holidays

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| Didcot, St Birinus School | | | | | 1430 | | 1530 | | | | |
| Didcot, Loyd Park | | | | | 1438 | | 1538 | | | | |
| Didcot, Parkway Station, stop R4 | 0840 | 1010 | 1140 | 1340 | 1445 | 1510 | 1545 | 1555 | 1715 | 1845 | |
| Didcot, Orchard Centre | 0844 | 1014 | 1144 | 1344 | 1449 | 1514 | 1549 | 1559 | 1719 | 1849 | |
| Didcot, Sandringham Road | 0850 | 1018 | 1148 | 1348 | 1454 | 1518 | 1554 | 1604 | 1724 | 1853 | |
| East Hagbourne, War Memorial | 0853 | 1021 | 1151 | 1351 | 1457 | 1521 | 1557 | 1607 | 1727 | 1856 | |
| West Hagbourne, Moor Lane | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | 1503 | ↓ | 1603 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | |
| Upton, Village Hall | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | 1507 | ↓ | 1607 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | |
| Blewbury, The Blueberry | 0901 | 1029 | 1159 | 1359 | 1514 | 1529 | 1614 | 1615 | 1735 | 1904 | |
| Upton, Village Hall | 0907 | 1035 | 1205 | 1405 | ↓ | 1535 | ↓ | 1621 | 1741 | 1910 | |
| West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH | 0908 | 1036 | 1206 | 1406 | ↓ | 1536 | ↓ | 1622 | 1742 | 1911 | |
| Chilton, Main Street | 0916 | 1043 | 1213 | 1413 | ↓ | 1544 | ↓ | 1630 | 1750 | 1919 | |
| Harwell Campus, Bus Station | 0923 | 1050 | 1220 | | | ↓ | 1551 | | 1757 | 1926 | |
| Aston Upthorpe, The Chequers PH | | | | | 1523 | | 1623 | | | | |
| South Moreton, The Crown PH | | | | | 1529 | | 1629 | | | | |
| North Moreton | | | | | 1535 | | 1635 | | | | |
| Didcot, Orchard Centre | | | | | 1545 | | 1645 | | | | |
| Didcot, Parkway Station | | | | | 1549 | | 1649 | | | | |

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Our Local Bus Service – route 94

Harwell Campus – Blewbury - Didcot

Mondays to Fridays except public holidays

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| Harwell Campus, Bus Station | 0635 | | | 0925 | 1055 | 1225 | 1425 | 1425 | 1555 | | | 1800 |
| Chilton, Main Street | 0640 | | 0800 | 0931 | 1101 | 1231 | 1431 | 1431 | 1601 | 1633 | 1806 | |
| East Hagbourne, War Memorial | ↓ | 0728 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ |
| West Hagbourne, Moor Lane | ↓ | 0734 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ |
| West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH | 0646 | 0737 | 0806 | 0937 | 1107 | 1237 | 1437 | 1437 | 1607 | 1639 | 1812 | |
| Upton, Village Hall | 0648 | 0741 | 0808 | 0939 | 1109 | 1239 | 1439 | 1439 | 1609 | 1641 | 1814 | |
| Blewbury, The Blueberry | 0656 | 0749 | 0816 | 0945 | 1115 | 1245 | 1445 | 1445 | 1615 | 1647 | 1820 | |
| Aston Upthorpe, The Chequers PH | ↓ | 0758 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ |
| South Moreton, The Crown PH | ↓ | 0804 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ |
| North Moreton | ↓ | 0810 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ |
| Didcot, St Birinus School | ↓ | 0824 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ |
| Didcot Girls' School | ↓ | 0832 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ |
| East Hagbourne, War Memorial | 0704 | ↓ | 0824 | 0953 | 1123 | 1253 | 1453 | 1453 | 1623 | 1655 | 1828 | |
| Didcot, Sandringham Road | 0707 | ↓ | 0827 | 0956 | 1126 | 1256 | 1456 | 1456 | 1626 | 1658 | 1831 | |
| Didcot, Orchard Centre | 0712 | ↓ | 0832 | 1001 | 1131 | 1301 | 1501 | 1501 | 1631 | 1703 | 1836 | |
| Didcot, Parkway Station | 0716 | 0838 | 0836 | 1005 | 1135 | 1305 | 1505 | 1505 | 1635 | 1707 | 1840 | |

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Didcot – Blewbury – Harwell Campus

Saturdays

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| Didcot, Parkway Station, stop R4 | 0840 | 1010 | 1140 | 1340 | 1510 | 1710 |
| Didcot, Orchard Centre | 0844 | 1014 | 1144 | 1344 | 1514 | 1714 |
| Didcot, Sandringham Road | 0848 | 1018 | 1148 | 1348 | 1518 | 1718 |
| East Hagbourne, War Memorial | 0851 | 1021 | 1151 | 1351 | 1521 | 1721 |
| Blewbury, The Blueberry | 0859 | 1029 | 1159 | 1359 | 1529 | 1729 |
| Upton, Village Hall | 0905 | 1035 | 1205 | 1405 | 1535 | 1735 |
| West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH | 0906 | 1036 | 1206 | 1406 | 1536 | 1736 |
| Chilton, Main Street | 0913 | 1043 | 1213 | 1413 | 1543 | 1743 |
| Harwell Campus, Bus Station | 0920 | 1050 | 1220 | 1420 | 1550 | 1750 |

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Harwell Campus – Blewbury – Didcot

Saturdays

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| Harwell Campus, Bus Station | 0925 | 1055 | 1225 | 1425 | 1555 | |
| Chilton, Main Street | 0800 | 0931 | 1101 | 1231 | 1431 | 1601 |
| West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH | 0806 | 0937 | 1107 | 1237 | 1437 | 1607 |
| Upton, Village Hall | 0808 | 0939 | 1109 | 1239 | 1439 | 1609 |
| Blewbury, The Blueberry | 0814 | 0945 | 1115 | 1245 | 1445 | 1615 |
| East Hagbourne, War Memorial | 0822 | 0953 | 1123 | 1253 | 1453 | 1623 |
| Didcot, Sandringham Road | 0825 | 0956 | 1126 | 1256 | 1456 | 1626 |
| Didcot, Orchard Centre | 0830 | 1001 | 1131 | 1301 | 1501 | 1631 |
| Didcot, Parkway Station | 0834 | 1005 | 1135 | 1305 | 1505 | 1635 |

Thames Travel bus service to the JR Hospital from Didcot – X32

Bus Service X32 goes from Wantage to Didcot then Oxford city centre and onto Brookes University and the JR. There are 2 buses in each direction each hour. To look up the times go to: <http://www.thames-travel.co.uk/routes/X32>

Football in East Hagbourne: Both Hagbourne United FC and Didcot Casuals FC play regularly at East Hagbourne and welcome new players

Contacts: Men: HUFC John Symonds 07831 714076 jesymonds29@gmail.com

Youth: DCFC Peter Blackman 07771 667271 peter.blackman@abbott.com



Hagbourne Bridge Club We have now been going for a few years and are still having a great time! Now the nights are drawing in – why don't you think about coming to see us and have a go at playing "giggle bridge". Bridge for fun is just what it says. We play bridge but more for enjoyment than high scoring! If you can play bridge but haven't done so for a while – give us a go! If you have never learnt to play bridge but would like to give it a try – why not come and see us? Whatever the reason we will be glad to meet you.

We meet every Thursday in the village hall at 7.30pm. We have a break around 8.30pm for light refreshments and usually finish playing cards by 10.00pm. It will cost you £2 – a small sum for a good night out! **We look forward to seeing you.**

We are: Jill Garlick – 0787 3431144 hjgarlick@gmail.com
Shirley Goss – 815608 shirley.goss@btinternet.com

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The Didcot Emergency Food Bank is at The Didcot Baptist Church, 43 Wantage Road, Didcot. OX11 0BS Telephone: 01235 813187. Email: office@didcotbaptist.org.uk

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DECEMBER 2021 PARISH MAGAZINE



Please let us have copy for the December 2021 parish magazine by
18th November to magtemp5@gmail.com Thank you.

Keep safe and well, Janet Corderoy, Joy Napper and the parish magazine committee.

For Sale

RETIREMENT SALE: I've finally decided to cease selling longcase (grandfather) clocks and will be offering the remaining stock at large discounts, some at only 50% of the original price. One is a fine early 19th century oak and mahogany eight-day example whose list price was £1950.....now it's only £975 **with guarantee and installation included as always.** See others at www.craigbarfootclocks. For existing clients, I'll continue servicing and repairs so you are not left without help. **Craig Barfoot, tel: 818968**

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