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# A Note From

## The Town Clerk's Desk

**The sun is streaming through my office window from a cloudless sky and the sky is a forget-me-not blue. The weather reminds me that Spring is just around the corner and we can look forward to longer days of light and hopefully, warmer weather! We didn't fare badly over winter and I recollect only one day when we had a brief spell of snow in Hedge End and that only lasted until the afternoon!**

We all know the power of an old song to trigger vivid memories that seem to transport us back in time and space. What songs bring back emotional memories from your past? The songs we love become woven into a tapestry entwined with the people, seasons, and locations throughout our life span. What is the science behind the ability of music to evoke such strong memories of the people and places from our past?

One morning not long ago, I was standing in line at a store in Hedge End and the song Every Breath You Take by Police from 1983 came on in the background. I hadn't heard this song for some time. Suddenly, I was overcome by flashbacks of people, places and emotions. The deep connection that music creates to romance, heartbreak and a wide range of other joyful and sometimes painful memories, is a universal phenomenon.

Has a song on the car stereo, or in a store, recently caught you off guard and brought back a tidal wave of memories? Why do autobiographical memories linked to music remain so rich and textured? Interestingly, it appears that if you haven't heard a song in years the song seems to remain purer and the song will evoke stronger specific memories of a time and place from your past. The memories linked to overplayed songs can become diluted because it appears that the snapshots in your mind become updated and replace the associated memory link that existed.

Music, in whatever genre, is a powerful tool capable of making you lose yourself in a sea of memories. What is it about the opening bars of a particular

piece of music that instantly triggers an incredible thought process resulting in a flood of reminiscences that you thought had long been forgotten and locked away in the back of your mind in a box marked 'That was then'? It was a powerful experience as I left the store and the feelings associated with my particular memory stayed with me for some considerable time afterwards.

A few weeks back, I went for a long walk around Hedge End and it must be appreciated what delights are available quite literally on your door-step. There are many hidden joys in Hedge End that you could so easily fail to notice as we go about our daily business. Everywhere, there are signs that spring is certainly on its way. The crocuses are starting to peep through and the bluebells are beginning to awaken and song thrushes are starting to sing. If snowdrops signify the hope of spring, then bluebells certainly signal its arrival. We will soon expect to see woodlands carpeted with them in late April/early May together with carpets of daffodils. I would recommend a walk to all whether it is just a few minutes or a couple of hours around Hedge End, it makes no difference. It is well worth your while and I promise you, you will be pleasantly surprised.

If the weather forecasters are to be believed, Hedge End is soon going to enjoy a period of sustained warmer weather. This will make for a pleasant change and we look forward to good weather for the start of the paddling pool season now incredibly into its 13th year of operation!

I hope you have a good Easter!

See you soon!

*Kevin*



# Council News

## Chair's Report

### CHAIR'S REPORT

The Town Council has been extremely busy over the winter period and many projects for the benefit of the community are underway.

The cycle path across Greta Park, past Next and over the footbridge to the Superstores, is proving a great success and helps to join together different parts of our town. I think most will agree this venture is positive and the general improvements to the whole area most welcome.



Our new system for the tennis courts is nearing completion and plans are proceeding to continue to enhance the park at Dowd's Farm.

### ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

There is a new system in place now and most people already registered will find that they have been automatically registered under the new system.

However, if not, to be eligible to vote, everyone is responsible for registering themselves and not leaving it to the 'Head of the Household' as under the old system.

A form can be found on-line, which has to be signed and posted back to Eastleigh Borough Council, Eastleigh House, Upper Market Street, Eastleigh, SO50 9YN to arrive before 20 April 2015. Your date of birth and National Insurance number will also be needed. Incidentally, if you have lost your National Insurance number, please go to the website - [www.gov.uk/lost-national-insurance-number](http://www.gov.uk/lost-national-insurance-number) or Phone: 0300 200 3502 and they can help.

Anyone on the electoral register can apply for a postal vote and applications must be received at least eleven working days before the election.

All information on the Elections can be found on the following website, including registering and standing

[www.eastleigh.gov.uk/the-council/register-to-vote--elections/elections-2015.aspx](http://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/the-council/register-to-vote--elections/elections-2015.aspx)

Computers are available for use both upstairs at the Town Offices, 2000 Centre, St John's Road and the Hedge End Library in Upper Northam Road.

A happy Easter to everyone.

**Sheila Baynes**

[sheila.baynes@hedgeend-tc.gov.uk](mailto:sheila.baynes@hedgeend-tc.gov.uk)

### 'BLOOD SWEEPED LANDS AND SEAS OF RED'

Hedge End Town Council recently received its original Paul Cummins ceramic poppy which had been on display at the Tower of London between 5 August and 11 November 2014, as part of the art installation 'Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red'.

The installation commemorated the centenary of the start of the First World War, 1914.

We hope the poppy will become a part of Hedge End's archives and its legacy will live on for future generations. The poppy can be seen inside our display cabinet, alongside our Book of Remembrance at the Town Council offices, 2000 Centre, St Johns Rd.





# Council News

## Committee Reports

### RECREATION AND AMENITIES REPORT

I have not too much to report this time, but one very good bit of news is that we had a Green Flag surprise interim inspection at the Cemetery and we had a really positive response from them. Considering it was done in the winter season, they were very pleased with the condition. So, well done to the ground staff. We do know they take a great pride in it and this has proved it.

We have had a few requests for more dog bins in and around Hedge End. We have put some on the current list, but if you feel that you know of any area that is really a 'hot spot' please let us know and we can put them down for future reference. However, just in case you are not aware, any new litter bins that are installed are dual bins (i.e. the dog / litter bins are combined). They are very robust.

Spring I am pleased to say is finally here. The crocuses are just coming out and soon too will the daffodils - what a lovely thought!

Best wishes

**Jane Welsh**  
[jane.welsh@hedgeend-tc.gov.uk](mailto:jane.welsh@hedgeend-tc.gov.uk)

### HEDGE END VILLAGE HALL HIRE

The decision of the Citizens Advice Bureau to leave their offices at the Village Hall has led to some radical changes in how the hall will be used. Internal modifications have been made to enable the Village Hall Pre-School to move out of the main building and have sole use of the former CAB/library. They will now cater for slightly fewer children but can offer longer and more varied sessions in their dedicated premises.

This means that the main hall is now available to be used by other organisations every morning. The Village Hall is one of the biggest public hall in Hedge End and has very good facilities including a brand new refitted kitchen. **If you are interested in using the hall please contact the Booking Secretary on 01489 784962 or 07864065330 for details.**

### BARN DANCE

Thanks to everyone for supporting the Barn Dance on the 31st January. It was a great night and I would like to thank all my helpers. With match funding by Barclays Bank, my two chosen charities benefited by £1000 each. Next year, I hope to have my Burns Night as usual. Thanks again.

**Jane Welsh**

### BABY PROMS COMES TO HEDGE END

**Baby Proms is a local, monthly concert series for babies, toddlers and their grown-ups...**

Back in December, I read of how the renowned violinist Kyung-Wha Chung had berated the parents of a coughing child in the audience, telling them from the stage 'maybe bring her back when she's older'. I thought it was such a shame that a musician whose own piano studies began at age four could be so dismissive of children's enjoyment of music - so I decided to create Baby Proms. The idea is that the children can experience classical music without pressure to sit still or keep quiet.

They are welcome to sit, crawl, dance, nap, feed, speak, cry, listen or just let the music wash over them. The adults can enjoy a quality concert in a relaxed and informal setting.



The concerts take place at St. Luke's Church, Hedge End, SO30 2US, on the first Thursday of each month, from 10.45 - 11.30am. Each month features a different instrument or style, so that the children can have as rich an experience as possible over the series, and to keep everyone coming back for more! The first concert was Glorious Guitar on 5th February 2015. The programme included Vivaldi, traditional Flamenco and Karl Jenkins. The next concert will be Brilliant Brass 2 April 2015. Tickets available on the door from 10.30am.

Children free Adults £10 (loyalty card for 6<sup>th</sup> concert free).

**Kate Garcia**

# Community News

## Community Tennis | HEWEB Youth Team

### COMMUNITY TENNIS AT WOODHOUSE LANE

The Tennis courts at Woodhouse Lane Leisure Park have been refurbished and soon this popular facility will be ready for the game of tennis throughout the year with improved letting and management systems.

Hedge End Town Council, with the guidance of the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Lawn Tennis Association, seeks to provide a Community Tennis Programme. In order to achieve maximum use of the Tennis Courts, the facility required improvements to secure the courts with substantial perimeter weld mesh fence, works to improve the court markings and surfacing as well as the provision of systems to streamline membership and bookings.

The Town Council was able to raise 33% of the required budget with the balance funded by Hampshire Playing Fields Association, Hampshire County Councillor Rupert Kyrle, Lawn Tennis Association Operations Ltd., and Hampshire Isle of Wight LTA.

In securing the courts, the gate has been fitted with a locking system which provides online readers and updaters with a small portable programming device, which will be essential to implement management of letting and to audit the use of an access control system by pre-coded key fob.

New facilities include, the purchase of Family Key Fobs, Annual Membership and Coaching sessions, as well as 'Play on Demand'.

Court markings will not be completed until early spring in the hope of drier weather. With this in mind, the Town Council envisage the re-opening of the courts mid-April – early May, 2015.

For further information, please telephone 01489 780440.

**Denise Lowth - Deputy Town Clerk**  
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### HEWEB YOUTH TEAM OUT AND ABOUT

The Youth Team, based at The Box, Wildern Lane are employed by Hedge

End Town Council and will be delivering 'street based' youth work via the Street Talk project minibus every Wednesday evening between 6.30-9.30pm. Working with local young people aged 13-21 across the Hedge End, West End and Botley (HEWEB) area.

Youth Team Leader, Donna Brewer explains -

"The street based youth work team 'outreach service' delivers youth work out on the streets, engaging with young people in places they like to meet. **We offer advice, information and support to young people on issues that are really important to them.**

All staff hold a current DBS certificate (Disclosure & Barring Service, previously known as CRB) and carry Hedge End Town Council identification at all times.

We do go out on a specific route, however young people can also **call us on the project mobile 07534563424** and we will meet them wherever they are within the HEWEB area.

Look out for the blue and yellow Street Talk bus around **Woodhouse Lane Skate Park, Greta Park, Botley Recreation Ground, Dowds Farm, Grange Park (Drummond Road Area), Hatch Grange, Moorgreen, Rodaway and Turnpike**".





# Community News

## Wellstead Community Choir

The Wellstead Community Choir, based at the Salvation Army Community Centre, White's Way, Hedge End, have been rehearsing and performing in Hedge End since they were established in November 2009. Originally inspired by the BBC TV series 'The Choir' conducted by Gareth Malone, its membership has increased to a 50 strong mixed ability group of performers with a shared love of singing.

During December, they were asked to sing at the BBC Radio Solent 'A Christmas Carol Concert' event, recorded in front of a full congregation at St Mary's Church in Portsmouth on Sunday 14 December 2014. David Mallett, Conductor of the Wellstead Community Choir explained –

"We were invited to come along and sing by Tim Daykin, the BBC Radio Solent presenter and event organiser, as he wanted a community choir who could perform something a little different. We chose 2 songs, 'Shepherd's Story' written by myself and 'A Swingin Christmas', an American arrangement. It was such a good experience for the choir to be able to perform in such beautiful surroundings and in front of a congregation. We also sung at the Berry theatre, at our own Carol Concert and at the Salvation Army Christmas Eve community carol service, an additional highlight at the end of 2014.



Wellstead Community Choir Perform at the BBC Radio Solent Christmas Concert

The choir rehearses every other Monday, 7.45 – 9.15pm and we are always looking for new members. We are lucky enough to rehearse for free at the Salvation Army Community Centre and we are

totally funded by donations and fundraising, which enables us to buy our music. It really is a fun place - the essence of the choir is fun and enjoyment and a love of singing, and it's very sociable too. We do 'light music' mainly, songs from the shows, Pop (like Abba), spiritual, all sorts and we don't do auditions - you can simply turn up and take part and make new friends along the way. You will be made to feel most welcome! Our next performance will be on 24 April at Botley Church, alongside Botley Choir".

If you would like to find out more about Wellstead Community Choir, please call: 01489 796491 or visit their facebook page.

### What's on @ The Box

**MONDAY EVE 6.30pm TO 9.00pm**

**SENIOR YOUTH GROUP AGES 13 to 16**  
Year Groups 9 to 11

**WEDNESDAY EVE 6.30pm TO 9.00pm**

**OUTREACH YOUTH WORK AGES 16-21**

Street Talk youth bus out & about in HEWEB...

Project Mobile: 07534563424



**THURSDAY 3.15pm TO 5.45pm**

**JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP AGES 10-13**

Year Groups 6 to 9



**FRIDAY EVE 6.30pm TO 9.00pm**

**ADDITIONAL NEEDS YOUTH GROUP**

AGES 11 – 18 / £2.00 subs per week. For young people with additional needs or learning difficulties. Including Autistic Spectrum or physical needs and /or confidence issues. Come along & make new friends!

Youth Team Leader Donna Brewer

Phone: 01489 789638

HEDGE-END  
TOWN COUNCIL

# Community News

## Hedge End Household Waste Recycling Centre

**Are you thinking about that all important spring clean? Do you have bags filled with old, unloved and unwanted items from the loft, garage or understairs cupboard, ready for removal to the dump or charity shop?**

In England alone, we generate a staggering **177 million tonnes of waste each year\***. As well as the cost implications to both businesses and households for its removal, the damage to the environment caused by harmful 'greenhouse' gases emitted from landfill sites, has long been a matter of concern and debate.

On a sunny, but particularly cold February morning, we pulled on our wellies and winter coats and



Site Manager:  
Chris McDonald

ventured down to meet Site Manager, Chris McDonald (Hopkins Recycling Ltd) and his team, 'the unsung heroes' of Hampshire County Council's Hedge End Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC), who are working tirelessly in all weathers, to sort and extract recycled waste from the bulky

domestic waste brought in by households in Hedge End. We asked Chris to show us around the site and to tell us a little about the work they do to maximise Hedge End's recycling....

Chris explained, "I've worked here now for 15 years and we may be a relatively small site, but we are extremely busy. It may surprise residents to know that Hedge End HWRC received approximately 150,000 vehicle visits in 2014, that's an average of 400 cars per day!

I must have met quite a lot of the local residents too over the years. Hedge End residents are very good at sorting their rubbish, which is really helpful for the team. But, for those that aren't sure 'what goes where', the team here are always on hand to offer help and assistance. We have a very friendly team committed to customer care and we get a lot of

compliments from residents saying 'thank you' for our help.

**We are also committed to optimising the recycling levels at our facility and we are very proud that our site regularly manages to recycle or recover more than 90% of the waste delivered here - meaning less than 10% goes on to landfill, which is great for Hedge End's carbon footprint!**



The team thoroughly sort the waste for recyclables...

Our site has been both winner and runner up 'Site of the Year' (Hopkins Ltd in association with Hampshire County Council) across 26 sites in Hampshire. It's judged on our customer service excellence, recycling performance, cleanliness and health & safety, so it's a huge honour to be selected and to win... it means we really must be doing something right!

I think the people of Hedge End are so much more aware of the importance of recycling now than when I first arrived 15 years ago. Back in 2000, only 47% of the waste we took in was recycled, so it's a massive achievement to be performing so well in 2014/15. I have a team of 8 staff who meticulously sort through what comes in, to ensure we have stripped everything down into the correct bins. That is why we ask residents to, wherever possible, please segregate their recycling beforehand, as this really does save us valuable time. Whether it's cardboard, wood, metal or plastic, it makes our job much easier, which in turn means we get more waste recycled!



You will notice we have 24 hour CCTV on site with automatic number plate recognition. This enables me to ensure the safety of our visitors and my staff and also to prevent the deposit of trade waste.

\*www.gov.uk



# Community News

## Hedge End Household Waste Recycling Centre

The cameras are useful for counting vehicles, helping to resolve any queries or complaints that may occur and are supported by a permit scheme for any residents using a van or large trailer to deliver rubbish from their own home. We ask all visitors to ensure any small children or pets remain in the car, for their own safety. We would also like to remind residents not to pull up and park opposite the parking bays, unless you are specifically removing rubble, as this can make it very difficult for other car users to park safely.



A key part of our site is our sales area, which many people love to browse when they visit. It's an incredibly important part of our site and the

money generated goes towards our running costs. It also gives a new lease of life to people's unwanted items and keeps it away from landfill - it's a win-win situation! People often pop in looking for specific items too such as furniture, gardening equipment, cassette tapes, even paint and if we haven't got the item, we keep an eye out for them.

If we get really good quality mattresses we even sell these, as they often come in perfect condition, they are just no longer needed. All other mattresses get completely stripped down. We are one of the only sites in Hampshire that strips down mattresses because it's a time consuming job, but one we feel is important if we want to maximise our recycling. Same goes for bed bases and sofas, which are stripped of their wood and metal. Everything the team manages to do on site means less for landfill, which is the ultimate goal!

We would really like to encourage residents to collect up their old household batteries and bring these down to us. Many people may still throw these in their black bins at home, but the harsh chemicals eventually leak out in to the soil which is

harmful for the environment. We have large buckets on site here and we get them taken away to be disposed of correctly.

We get an incredible amount of garden waste delivered, so there must be a lot of avid gardeners here in Hedge End! All of our garden waste is taken away and turned into compost at a special processing plant. This is then bagged up and delivered back to us as soil conditioner, which you can then purchase on site here - it's apparently great for clay soils!

There are certain items that we are not licensed to accept here, such as tyres, oxygen bottles, clinical waste, asbestos and trade waste. If you are not sure please check the website -

[www.hants.gov.uk/wap.htm](http://www.hants.gov.uk/wap.htm) or, alternatively give us a call here on 01489 780028 or refer to the recycling team at Hampshire County Council on 0300 555 1389.

Our site is open 362 days a year from 9am - 6pm in the summer, 9am - 4pm in the winter and 9am - 5pm during March. Since I have been here, we have only had to close unexpectedly on very rare occasions, the most memorable being when a member of my team discovered a hand grenade in someone's rubbish bag. We didn't know whether it had been deactivated or not, so we had to close the site down, evacuate and call the bomb disposal unit - thankfully that was 12 years ago now and we haven't found anything like this since!

We know that coming to do your recycling isn't the nicest of jobs, but we like to think that we can make it a more positive experience for the community as the need to recycle, reuse and minimise waste is so important to reducing the damage to the environment that can be caused by our waste."

**Thank you to Chris and his team for showing us the site and for making us feel so welcome.**



Hedge End Household Waste Recycling Centre | Shamblehurst Lane South | Hedge End | SO30 2FN | 01489 780028



# Carnival News

## Hedge End Carnival Committee Report

**At this time of year, the carnival might slip from most people's thoughts, but for the Carnival Committee it is the time when all the arrangements have to be made...**



The day that we hold the carnival never changes, it is always the first Saturday in July. This year's event will be held on Saturday 4 July and the theme



for the procession will be -  
**All Things Bright & Beautiful**

What sets carnival aside from most other entertainments is the ability for you to take part and be involved and the more you get involved the greater you will enjoy it. Being in the procession is much more fun than just watching. It is not difficult to enter the procession just come along, join in and be a part of Hedge End's best day of the year. Procession entry forms are available on the carnival website -

[www.hedgeendcarnival.org.uk](http://www.hedgeendcarnival.org.uk)

We will soon be looking for a new Queen to reign over the 2015 carnival. To be eligible to become **Carnival Queen**, girls must be 14 or older and live in Hedge End. It is a great honour stretching back more than 60 years and you will be helping to raise money for good causes in Hedge End. There is also an opportunity for younger children to be a Carnival Prince or Princess. The selection process will be in April and all the information you need is on the Carnival website.



Carnival Procession 2014

In order to stage the carnival procession and the gala show, we require a lot of people to help and make things go smoothly. **The Carnival Committee is looking to set up a register of people who are willing to help for a few hours on Carnival Day.**

The tasks are not onerous and you will be given instructions on Carnival Day - lengthy training sessions are not required! If you are prepared to offer your services to help ensure that Hedge End's biggest event can continue, please contact the Carnival Committee soon.

One of the aims of the carnival is to raise money for good causes in Hedge End. If you belong to an organisation that could benefit from a donation you are welcome to apply. The application form is on the website. If you would like a donation, we really need you to be taking part helping us to raise the money. This is especially important this year as, having to cancel the Firework Fiesta last year, has left the carnival coffers rather depleted.

Whilst planning is at an early stage, we are hoping to bring you a couple of different events during carnival week, so look out for these when you get your carnival programme.

If you wish to come along to the **Carnival Week Quiz on Monday 29 June**, be advised that you need to book early as it is usually oversubscribed resulting in people being turned away. Carnival quizzes are always popular and this year we even had to say sorry to some people who wanted to come to the January quiz.

The carnival website has recently been updated by Crucial PC, check it out for more carnival news!

**Remember that the carnival is only as good as you make it. The Carnival Committee only enable it to happen. It is what YOU do that counts, so let's make it a bumper carnival in 2015!**



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Hedge End Carnival Committee | [www.hedgeendcarnival.org.uk](http://www.hedgeendcarnival.org.uk) | [info@hedgeendcarnival.org.uk](mailto:info@hedgeendcarnival.org.uk)



# Community News

## Tree Warden's Report | News Round Up

### TREE WARDEN'S REPORT

Well, we are now into 2015 and at the moment the trees and shrubs show little sign of progressing. It is therefore, a welcome sight to see a few daffodils in bloom and on the bird front, the magpies can be seen breaking off small branches to build their nests.

I have often seen trees that have been planted in gardens that, as the years go by, become a problem because of their size. So, if you do wish to plant any trees in your garden and I hope you will, please choose a tree that is ecologically suited to the site. Sometimes, it is best to choose from locally grown stock as they are in tune with the local climate. Some species such as Hawthorn, Holly and Bird Cherry are good for the bird population. Other small trees such as Wayfaring, Spindle, Redbud, Syrian Juniper, Cocks Comb Beech could also be considered.

Before planting any trees, check that there are not any gas mains going through the area. If there is a pipeline, permission must be obtained from the

National Grid, stating the type of tree wishing to be planted.

Look out for the crocuses and daffodils coming into bloom shortly (fingers crossed)...



**Andrew Jemmett**

### STILL LOOKING FOR OUR OWN HOME...

**Lizzie & Cokey are victims of cruelty and neglect. They have been rescued and have been in care for a year now. They are desperately looking for someone to love & look after them.**

**If you live in a safe area with a garden and could offer either of these cats a new home, please contact: 02380 435855**



### EASTLEIGH RAMBLERS SEEK NEW MEMBERS

Eastleigh Ramblers were founded in 1988. We walk most Saturdays and Sundays, also Thursday evenings during the Summer. Our walks have different starting points and each walk is usually between 5-7 miles. A picnic or pub lunch is taken, depending on the location.

We are lucky to be able to do walking holidays and last year 13 members walked half the 'Coast to Coast Walk' with the intention of completing the 192 miles in May. We are also doing the Shakespeare Way during the summer, walking one Saturday a month.

In April, part of the Welsh Coastal Path will be walked and during September a trip from Barfleur to Carentan in France is planned.

We have a Supper Club that meets every 3 months when a different location is found for members to meet and enjoy a meal and socialise.

So, if you want to keep fit, make friends and enjoy our beautiful countryside, we look forward to welcoming you on our next walk. All details can be found at -

[www.eastleighramblers.hampshire.org.uk](http://www.eastleighramblers.hampshire.org.uk)

Or you can call Chris Bond on 07716 422 319 and, if you like us, perhaps you will become a member...



# Community News

## Albert Road Baby Memorial

### FOR ALL BABIES BORN ASLEEP

**Throughout history there are many amazing facts of interest that raise one's emotions and sometimes past practices come to light, that most people nowadays would find difficult to understand. One such tradition of history was discovered within Hedge End Town Council archives quite recently...**

During recent archiving, we discovered documents referring to the interment of 30 stillborn babies within Albert Road Cemetery and whilst records identified registration of their parents and the date of burial, it had remained a mystery as to the location of their interments. However, the documents found within the archives clearly explained why their location had not been identified as they were laid to rest in un-consecrated grounds.

History indicates that prior to the 1980's, it was customary that stillborn babies were interred in unconsecrated land and parents were not told where their child lay or given the option of a funeral. It would also seem that there was a train of thought that, as there was no opportunity for the child to be baptised, it was laid to rest in unconsecrated land and the parents urged to forget.

It has long been the unmentionable, undisclosed and unidentified area of Albert Road Cemetery which the Town Council wished to remedy as sensitively and respectfully as possible. In the first instance both staff and Councillors referred to rumour of a location, which none could verify as the last interment had taken place long before employment or serving Council. However, a former and now retired Funeral Director was able to concur that he too had been of the impression that the burials had taken place within the bank of the boundary at the St. John's Road end of the cemetery.

The register of the Burial of Stillborn children provides the date of burial and the names of parents and it was not until archives dating back to 1957

were uncovered, that we were able to identify addresses and found that the babies came from Millbrook, Butlocks Heath, Netley Abbey, Bursledon, West End, Sholing as well as Hedge End, which may also indicate that the parents were not made aware of the final resting place of their child. In recent years, the Town Council has been approached by a man searching for his sibling's grave and when we found his parents named in the Register for Stillborn Children he was shocked to find that the name of the child had not been entered. However, this was the requirement of the time and then to learn that the baby lay in unconsecrated land was very little comfort as we were unable to identify a specific grave. Indeed, we were only able to suggest the area by hearsay.

It is the Burial Authority's duty to ensure that no interment/grave is disturbed and whilst the remaining areas of Albert Road Cemetery decrease, it might be a suggestion long into the future to inter in the very ground that remains unconsecrated, through the mere fact that it has not been identified as interred.

Sands, stillbirth and neonatal death charity, a bereaved parents' group, has been campaigning for sympathetic burial, cremation and memorials for babies with considerable success in recent years. Community baby memorial areas are appearing in cemeteries, crematoria and hospital grounds and cemeteries are increasingly setting up children's burial and memorialisation sections and the Town Council has resolved that it is time that corrective measures are taken and that this part of Albert Road Cemetery is recognised.

The Town Council, with the assistance of funding from County Councillor Rupert Kyle's County Grants Scheme, have commissioned a commemorative stone with the words "For All Babies Born Asleep 1932 – 1983" to be placed to identify the area of the cemetery. The memorial, a former exhibition model of dark-grey all polished granite with an Angel carved insert and gold leaf lettering, will be



# Community News

## Hedge End Breakfast Rotary

unveiled during a dedication service conducted by Churches Together on the first day of spring, 10.30am, Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2015.



Enquiries may be referred to the Burial Authority and will be dealt with sensitively and respectfully by contacting Denise Lowth, Deputy Town Clerk:  
Telephone: 01489 780440  
Email: [deputytc@hedgeend-tc.gov.uk](mailto:deputytc@hedgeend-tc.gov.uk)

### HEDGE END BREAKFAST ROTARY CLUB SHOE BOX APPEAL



Hedge end Breakfast Rotary Club have had a busy end to 2014. In November, in collaboration with the Schools Network Community group, it sent in excess of 600 shoe boxes of books toys and gifts to children in Montenegro, Moldova, Albania and the Philippines.

The community group consists of Wildern Secondary, Freegrounds Junior, Wellstead Primary, Kings Copse Primary, Shamblehurst Primary, Botley Bees Pre-School and Botley Primary school. The project was supported by John Lewis who provided transport to the shipping depot in Nursling.

Then in December, with its traditional Christmas Sleigh collections around Hedge End and surrounding area, it collected over £2500.



Local school children help to load the shoe boxes...

In past years, recipients have included The Box, Countess Mountbatten and The Rainbow Centre to name but a few local charities. Internationally, Rotary continues to fight Polio with new cases only being found now in the Pakistan region of the

world. Rotary President Andy Grace said -

*"Once again the Hedge End residents showed their generosity towards our local and international charities.*

*Thank you all very much".*

### HEDGE END BREAKFAST ROTARY YOUNG MUSICIANS COMPETITION




Six pupils from Wildern School took part in the Young Musicians competition on 26th January 2015, run by Hedge End Breakfast Rotary Club.

The pupils decided on whether they wished to sing or play an instrument. Three participants sang solos, two played the piano and one played the trombone. The entertainment was very varied. All the participants demonstrated an excellent standard in music.

Ling Drover was the winner who goes forward to the regional competition which is to be held on 22nd February. Rotary President, Andy Grace thanked all the participants and the teachers from Wildern School for their efforts and commitment in making such a great competition.

**Good luck to Ling in the next round!**



# What's On Guide

<b>1ST HEDGE END BOYS' BRIGADE</b>	Methodist Church   Boys 6+   01489 783779
<b>1ST HEDGE END GIRLS' BRIGADE</b>	Methodist Church   Girls 4+   02380 696222   <a href="mailto:info@hedgeendgb.org.uk">info@hedgeendgb.org.uk</a>
<b>31ST ITCHEN NORTH (AMAZON) SEA SCOUTS</b>	Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers   07900 277379   <a href="http://amazonseascouts.org">amazonseascouts.org</a>
<b>ART &amp; CRAFT CLUB</b>	Tue 1.30-3.30pm   Village Hall   Outings   Demos   01489 798233
<b>BINGO</b>	Wed 1.30-3.30pm (Tickets 1.15pm) Drummond Centre   'Good Companions SC'   01489 789727
<b>BREATHE EASY HEDGE END</b>	Fri 2-3pm   Underhill Centre   COPD Sufferers Grp   02380 403339
<b>CALLIGRAPHY</b>	Wed 1.15-3.15pm   2000 Centre   Beginners welcome   email: <a href="mailto:mary.noble@btinternet.com">mary.noble@btinternet.com</a>
<b>CHEER-A-CALITY</b>	New Cheerleading squad   Wed   Sal'tion Army Community Centre   Ages 4-16   07736320103
<b>CRAFTY SATURDAYS</b>	Saturday Mornings   The d.art Centre   All ages & abilities   01489 779471
<b>DANCE JUNKIE</b>	Mon Eve   Dart Centre   Street Dance Classes   All ages & abilities   01489 779471
<b>FLOWER CLUB</b>	1st Tues, Monthly 7pm   2000 Centre   Demos   Workshops   01489 783115
<b>GIRL GUIDING</b>	Rainbows   Brownies   Guides - email the 'Join Us' Co-ordinator: <a href="mailto:guiding@hotmail.co.uk">guiding@hotmail.co.uk</a>
<b>GLEE CLUB</b>	Mon 7.15-8.45pm   Drummond Centre   Singers- All Ages & Abilities   07810 127351
<b>GOJU RYU KARATE</b>	Weekly classes   Village Hall   All Ages & Abilities   <a href="http://www.hsgk.co.uk">www.hsgk.co.uk</a>   01489 782038
<b>HAMBLE VALLEY U3A</b>	2nd Tues Monthly, 2pm   Hedge End Club   <a href="http://www.u3asites.org.uk/hamblevalley">www.u3asites.org.uk/hamblevalley</a>
<b>HAMBLE VALLEY BRASS</b>	Mon 7.45-9.20pm   Community Band   Dart Centre, Wildern Lane   07929 061068
<b>HEDGE END BOWLING CLUB</b>	Woodhouse Lane   New members always welcome   01489 783690
<b>HEDGE END BREAKFAST ROTARY CLUB</b>	Meets Tuesday   Botley Park Hotel   01489 690126
<b>HEDGE END CARNIVAL COMMITTEE</b>	Help always needed   <a href="mailto:info@hedgeendcarnival.org.uk">info@hedgeendcarnival.org.uk</a>   01489 785041
<b>HEDGE END INDOOR BOWLS CLUB</b>	Wed 2-4pm, 7.30-9.30pm   Sun 7.30-9.30pm   Village Hall   Join Us!
<b>HEDGE END JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB</b>	U16s   Girls & Boys   <a href="mailto:grahamelliott1@virginmedia.com">grahamelliott1@virginmedia.com</a>   07825 267698
<b>HEDGE END RANGERS FC</b>	League football for all ages   Girls & Boys   Rodaway Pavilion   07983 355449
<b>HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY</b>	3rd Mon, Monthly   2000 Centre   Gardening   Demos   01489 690481
<b>JAMZ DANCE</b>	Zumba, Street & Toddler Classes   Hedge End Club   <a href="http://www.jamzdance.co.uk">www.jamzdance.co.uk</a>   07929 095405
<b>MACULAR DISEASE SOCIETY</b>	Central Vision Loss Support   St Lukes Church   01264 321963
<b>NEW MUSIC MAKERS</b>	Thurs 7.30pm   Methodist Church   Light Music   Show songs   02380 454285
<b>OVER 60'S CLUB</b>	Mon 1pm-3.30pm   2000 Centre   New members welcome   01489 787408
<b>POP IN CAFE</b>	Wed 10.30am - 12noon   Methodist Church   Tea, Coffee, Chat & Booksale   Just pop in!
<b>PILATES</b>	Mon 10-11am, 2000 Centre   Fri 11am-12pm HEYCA   All levels & abilities   07967 631739
<b>PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY (YOUTH)</b>	Youth Drama (14-30)   Sun & Mon   HEYCA   01489 690140
<b>PAULA'S ZUMBA   'FITSTEPS'</b>	Thurs 6.30pm (Fitsteps) 7.30pm (Zumba)   2000 Centre   07731320440
<b>RETIREMENT CLUB</b>	Tue 1.30 - 4pm   2000 Centre   Cards   Bingo   Outings   01489 783469
<b>SALLY JOHNSON DANCE ACADEMY</b>	Drummond Community Centre   Ballet, Tap, Modern   02380 255415
<b>ST JOHN AMBULANCE BADGERS</b>	Weds Eve   Salvation Army Cmty Centre, Dowds Farm   All ages   07827 883439
<b>ST JOHN'S CAFE</b>	1st & 3rd Friday, monthly, 10-12noon   Tea/Coffee/Cakes & Chat   01489 790048
<b>SERIOUS SHAPES DANCE COMPANY</b>	Thurs eve   Dart Centre   Adult Dance Classes   07851 285860
<b>STEADY &amp; STRONG CLASSES</b>	2000 Centre   Posture, Mobility & Confidence   01962 846605
<b>TAEKWONDO</b>	Mon Eve   Rodaway Pavilion   Families welcome   All ages & abilites   07801706188
<b>UECHI RYU KARATE</b>	Mon & Thurs 8pm   HEYCA   16+ All abilities   07970 684017   <a href="mailto:mail@uechi-ryu.org.uk">mail@uechi-ryu.org.uk</a>
<b>WELLSTEAD COMMUNITY CHOIR</b>	Mon Eve 7.30pm   Salvation Army Community Church   01489 798681
<b>WEST END CARNIVAL SHOW BAND</b>	Tue Eve   HE Village Hall   07851 013322   <a href="mailto:info@wecsband.co.uk">info@wecsband.co.uk</a>
<b>WEST END SINGERS</b>	Wed 7.30pm   2000 Centre   Mixed Voice Choir   02380 404881   <a href="http://www.westendsingers.co.uk">www.westendsingers.co.uk</a>
<b>WOMEN'S INSTITUTE</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Tues Monthly 7.30pm   2000 Centre   Crafts   Walking   01962 852721





# Local Services

## LOCAL SERVICES

The Berry Theatre , Wildern Lane	01489 799499
The Box (Youth Centre) , Wildern Lane	01489 789638
Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB), Salvation Army Community Church	02380 616046
Civic Amenity Site, Shamblehurst Lane	01489 780028
The D@rt Centre (Arts), Wildern Lane	01489 779471
Hampshire Constabulary, Hedge End Police Station, St Johns Road	08450 454545
Hedge End Library, Upper Northam Rd	0845 6035631
Post Office, Upper Northam Rd	01489 782066
Skyline Gold Radio 102.5FM, St John's Rd	01489 799000
TADIC (Teenage Drop-in), Lower Northam Rd	01489 782727
Tennis   Bowls   Putting Green, Pavilion Rd (Apr-Sep)	01489 780440
Wildern Leisure Centre, Wildern Lane	01489 787128

## SCHOOLS

Hampshire Education Authority	01962 869611
Berrywood Primary School, Maunsell Way	01489 780068
Freerounds Infants School, Hobb Lane	01489 782075
Freerounds Junior School, Hobb Lane	01489 782295
Kings Copse Primary School, Kings Copse Ave	01489 785040
Shamblehurst Primary School , Wildern Lane	01489 782342
Wellstead Primary School, Wellstead Way	01489 799351
Wildern Secondary School, Wildern Lane	01489 783473

## HEALTH

St Luke's Surgery, St Lukes Close	01489 783422
The Medical Centre, 24-26 Lower Northam Rd	01489 785722
Hedge End Dental Surgery (NHS), Saracen House, Freerounds Avenue	01489 790661

## PLACES OF WORSHIP

Hedge End Baptist Church, Upper Northam Rd	01489 786260
Hedge End Methodist Church, St John's Rd	01489 790604
Hedge End United Reformed Church , St Johns Rd	01489 787408
Kings Community Church, Upper Northam Close	01489 784333
Our Lady of the Assumption, Freerounds Rd	02380 449088
St John's The Evangelist Church, St Johns Rd	01489 790048
St Luke's Church, St Luke's Close	01489 781448
The Salvation Army Community Church, Wellstead Way	01489 798681

## COMMUNITY HALLS FOR HIRE

2000 Centre ( Large & Small Hall), St Johns Rd (HETC)	01489 780440
Baden Powell Lodge, Pavilion Road	01489 781838
Drummond Community Centre, Drummond Rd, Grange Park (HETC)	01489 780440
Norman Rodaway Pavilion, Heathhouse Lane ( HETC)	01489 780440
Turnpike Pavilion, Turnpike Way (HETC)	01489 780440
Hedge End Village Hall, St Johns Rd	01489 784962
Hedge End Youth & Community Association Halls (Old School House), St Johns Rd	01489 690140
Methodist Church Hall, St Johns Rd	01489 784823
Underhill Centre, St Johns Rd	01489 790048
United Reformed Church Hall, St Johns Rd	01489 787408

# Hedge End Town Council

## Contacts & Committees

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### Town Council Committee Meetings

**All committee meetings are held at the Town Council Office. All meetings are formal, yet friendly and members of the public are encouraged to attend and take part. All meetings begin promptly at 7pm with the exception of the third Wednesday Highways & Planning Meeting, which starts at 6.45pm followed by Full Council which starts at 7.30pm.**

**Recreation & Amenities - Second Wednesday monthly**  
**Finance & Administration - First Tuesday monthly**  
**Highways & Planning - First Wednesday & Third Wednesday monthly**  
**Full Council - Third Wednesday monthly**  
**Community and Culture - Second Tuesday monthly**

**(Please note that the Highways and Planning Committee meeting for the third Wednesday will determine planning applications only; followed by Full Council)**

2015	Community & Culture	Finance	Full Council	Highways & Planning	Recreation & Amenities
April	14	7	15	1 & 15	8
May	12	tbc	20	tbc & 20	13
June	9	2	17	3 & 17	10
July	14	7	15	1 & 15	8

**Deadline for contributions to the  
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