



KINGS LANGLEY

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Village comes together to reject housing plans

The village has united in its rejection of a proposed planning application, with an almost unanimous vote to oppose the building of 150 homes on Hill Farm land.

When the consultation period ended in mid-February, 237 public comments had been left on the council's portal, only one of which was in favour of the application.

The volume of lengthy, passionate objections showed a strength of feeling among the community who variously cited loss of Green Belt land, traffic congestion, a lack of amenities and increased pressure on local infrastructure as the key reasons why the location represents a poor choice for development.

One resident also highlighted the disruption to students at Kings Langley School, which directly adjoins the site, saying 'This work is slated to take three years. That's three years of diggers, drills, machinery, excavation and lorries every single day, just metres from a secondary school. I can't begin to imagine how seriously that will impact concentration, sports sessions and exam periods, not to mention the horrendous pollution that's going to be pumped into the school grounds. Either this hasn't been considered,



The Green Belt land under threat – photographed in 2019

which is shortsighted, or has been dismissed, which is deeply selfish.'

Campaigners, including Green Belt Matters, have been working tirelessly to oppose an outline planning application on the land, which would be accessed via a new entry point at 36 Chipperfield Road, with one – who didn't wish to be named – calling the process exhausting, frustrating and damaging to their mental health.

She said 'Fighting this initial application has consumed us for months and even with virtually unanimous objections from the public there's no guarantee that will make any difference to the decision. We all feel helpless and know that this is only the tip of the iceberg. Even if this application gets refused they'll submit another one.'

'The length and detail of the objections on the council website must surely show how passionately our community feels about stopping this development. But at what stage do the feelings of those of us who live in and love this village get taken into consideration? It seems

decisions are made in offices miles away, ticking quota boxes, without any thought for the serious long term consequences.'

The group say the distance from the centre of the village, plus the funnelling of traffic down Vicarage Lane, Langley Hill and Common Lane, will make the area dangerously congested.

Councillor Richard Roberts, who has been fighting the application on behalf of residents, said 'This is an outrageous speculative application on a site which was rejected after consultation not once but three times. If anything the site has had its Green Belt credentials strengthened. Planning officers are so worried about development behind Chipperfield Road and extending all the way to Barnes Lane that they rejected its inclusion under both the local Conservatives and Lib Dem Councils.'

'We may not be able to save all the Green Belt but we can't abandon the principle altogether or Kings Langley village will be lost and simply become a suburb of Hemel Hempstead.'

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Bob Davies 12.11.49 – 1.12.24

As the eldest of three children, Bob's early years were spent in and around Kings Langley. He followed in his father's footsteps and attended Watford Boys Grammar School where he made lifelong friends.

Bob's love of life, humour and his slightly naughty streak meant he was very politely asked to leave at the age of 17.

Central to the community from an early age, Bob joined 1st Kings Langley

Scout Group, becoming a patrol leader, and was a member of All Saints Church Youth Club, taking over the pews in the bell tower on Sundays.

As a teenager, his interest in all things mechanical developed, acquiring his dad's love of motorbikes and cars, endlessly taking them apart and putting them back together again with ever increasing skill.

In 1970 Bob took his first steps into his lifelong career at Taylors Tools, and was passionate about the business he built there – he lived to sell and to make customers happy. When his sons James and Ed joined the business, he taught them to look after everyone.

He married Hilary at All Saints on 7 September 1974 and they recently celebrated 50 years of marriage.

Bob's love of children (and their love of him) meant he became somewhat of a bonus dad to the kid's friends or friend's kids. He would take many

under his wing, becoming a father figure and a role model. His generosity of spirit, giving time and attention to everyone and, importantly, giving everyone a chance, meant there is a fabulous array of shop employees who never wanted to leave, or whose lives have had a heavy imprint of Taylors Tools (or Bob) on them.

Bob and Hilary loved to travel, visiting 92 countries despite bringing up four kids, building and renovating three houses and working a six-day week!

He was a well loved and respected Mason, known for his excellent recitals, and became a mentor to many. It is said that a mark of a man's success is the amount of love he generates in his life. That being so, Bob was hugely successful. To his family he was the world's most amazing husband, dad, grandad and more. A hugely respected figure in the community, whose popularity was evident by the numbers who packed All Saints church for his funeral on 18 December.

Pamela Wells 5.8.28 – 24.1.25

A Service of Celebration for the life of Pam, who had lived in the village for the past 73 years, was held in All Saints Church on 18 February. Latterly, she was a familiar sight in the High Street trundling along on her mobility scooter.

Born into a farming family near Chichester, Pam's early education was with a neighbouring Governess. When the family moved to Cambridge, she attended Cambridge High School for Girls. Pam's mother had a large vegetable garden to supplement their meagre war rations. Her father, Jack, taught her to skin the wild rabbits he shot, as the rabbits would eat the growing vegetables.

After the war her parents moved to Alderney in the Channel Islands, where her father reallocated the farmland as people returned after the German occupation. Pam recalled returning to school in Cambridge in a flying boat out of Alderney harbour. After school she trained in pharmacy, working at a chemist in Worthing. Here, at a Young Farmers Ball, she met John Wells and they were married at Kington, near Lewes, in 1950.



Pam and John worked as estate managers for a disabled childrens' home in Kent, before later moving to a similar post at Michael Hall in Forest Row, where John was an old scholar. She cultivated an interest in Bio dynamic gardening along with Rudolf Steiner's philosophy on education. In 1954 Pam and John moved to Kings Langley Rudolf Steiner school for John to teach Class one and Gymnastics.

As her two sons, Nigel and Simon, grew older, Pam took a teacher training course at Wall Hall. She then taught at The Divine Saviour school in Abbots Langley, later taking a Dyslexia training course after which she taught individual children at home or around various Hertfordshire schools.

Along with Tom Burke and others, Pam set up the Kings Langley History Society which published various articles and a book on local history. With Beryl Pizzy, she also took on The Luncheon club for the over 60s, organizing a network of car drivers to ferry the diners of Kings Langley to a weekly social lunch, cooked initially by the Ovaltine factory canteen. This later joined Kings Langley Good Neighbours Association, whose services Pam later greatly appreciated herself.

For many years Pam enjoyed a Tuesday group of friends who studied lectures of Rudolf Steiner. Pam said she could not live without classical music and the natural world in her garden, in which she liked to walk daily. She especially loved watching the sky and clouds.

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The next *Village News* will be published for May/June 2025 – copy and advertising deadline is Friday 18 April 2025.

Hertfordshire Constabulary launches new drone team

Hertfordshire Constabulary has expanded its drone capabilities in the county, adding a new specially trained drone team to their Operational Support Group (OSG).

The OSG is a specialist police unit that tackles volume priority and organised criminality, such as robbery, burglary, drugs and assaults. They are trained in police tactics such as executing warrants, public order and taser deployment. They work across the county, assisting local officers with operations and investigations.

The ten new specially trained drone pilots will be working in collaboration with five existing drone pilots, using drones in a number of ways including to support high-risk missing person searches, warrant executions, scene investigations, search and rescue operations, as well as being utilised during major incidents.

Inspector Paul Stanbridge, who heads up the OSG, said 'Drone technology has improved so much in recent years, it's only right that we have increased capacity in using this crucial equipment across Herts police. Whether we're looking for a missing person or pursuing an offender, drones are a vital tool in modern policing.'



Parking charges go live in March

Visitors who drive to the High Street will be charged to park from Monday 31 March.

The charges will be payable 8am – 6pm, seven days a week (free overnight). The parking bays between Langley Hill and Vicarage Lane will cost 80p for 30 mins or £1.50 for an hour, with no return within two hours.

Payments need to be made by card either at a machine or via an app. South of Langley Hill and north of Vicarage Lane, the bays are free for 30 minutes, but with no return within two hours.

The car spaces in The Nap and Langley Hill are free to park for up to four hours between 8am and 6pm – no return within two hours. There is no time limit in the car parks outside these times.

Bowls Club Open Day

Kings Langley Bowls Club is starting the new season with an Open Day on 26 April, from 10am.

Participants need nothing more than a pair of flat shoes – all other equipment is provided, and no previous experience is necessary. It's fun, sociable and offers light exercise in the fresh air. For the more competitive players there are plenty of opportunities to compete. For any queries, contact Graham Hatch on 07969 057212.

It's the club's 100th anniversary this year – news will follow on special events taking place.



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Village Quiz raises over £1k for Christian Aid

The annual Christian Aid Village Quiz took place on 7 February at the Services Club when 13 teams came together from a wide variety of groups in the village to share an enjoyable evening.

80 people laughed, talked with friends and appreciated the challenge of the searching, but not too difficult, questions.

The winning team were the 'Onions', which included members from the Methodist Church and their friends,

while over £1,060 was raised in total from ticket sales and the raffle.

Organisers extended their thanks to all those who contributed to the event, including the businesses who donated raffle prizes: The Grove, Taylors Tools, The Langley Butcher and Christies Beauty Salon. Thanks also went to the Services Club for their hospitality and loan of the venue at no charge.

Proceeds from the raffle (£285.00) went to Christian Aid's Crisis Appeal for Sudan where 12 million people have been forced from their homes, 25.6 million face food insecurity and 800,000 are on the brink of famine.



PHOTO: CHRIS PETTIT

The balance went to support Christian Aid's emergency relief and development work amongst the most vulnerable in the world.

Above: Paul Tucker presented prizes to the winning team

Male voices sought to join choir

The Kings Langley Community Choir is preparing to perform at St. Mary's Church in Watford High Street on Saturday 12 April for a *Spring Me Sunshine* concert with the Watford Phoenix Choir.

The group, which is also performing with Rickmansworth Players Choir on Friday 27 June at St. Paul's Church, Chipperfield, is always happy to welcome new members. In particular, it is encouraging some more male singers.

The choir is also available for private and corporate functions as well as performing at fundraising events.



For more information, please contact pat.w@kingslangleychoir.com

New members welcome at KL Evergreen Club



The Evergreen Club meets every other Thursday afternoon at the Community Centre

It offers entertainment and activities in a variety of ways for people over the age of 65 who live in Kings Langley and may be lonely or just fancy an afternoon out in a friendly warm atmosphere. Coming up soon they have solo singers, a choir, a ventriloquist, a craft afternoon and an afternoon out for tea.

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Parish Council welcomes Police Commissioner

This year's Kings Langley Annual Parish Meeting will take place at 7.30pm on Thursday 24 April at Kings Langley School's Sixth Form Centre.

Amongst those speaking, and answering questions, at the public meeting is Jonathan Ash-Edwards (right), Hertfordshire's Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC).

'The role of the PCC is to be the voice of the residents and hold the local police to account; they are responsible for the totality of policing,' explained Councillor Alan Johnson. 'PCCs aim to cut crime and deliver an efficient police service. It's a big job!'

The meeting is also an opportunity for the Parish Council, and other local organisations, to let local residents know what they have been doing over the past year.

As readers of *Village News* will know,



there has been a lot happening this year, from the continuing saga of parking charges being introduced in the High Street and proposals for a roundabout at the Vicarage Lane and High Street junction, to permission granted for an additional 135 properties on Rectory Farm and proposals for an additional 650 dwellings at Shendish and Hill Farm.

Other speakers are expected to include County Councillor Richard Roberts on the increasing challenges – not just financial – of issues such as social care and highways infrastructure, and Frances Stickley, Chair of Governors at Kings Langley School, talking about the exciting times ahead following the opening of the Sixth Form Centre and the 3G sports pitches.

Do it for DENS and make a difference in 2025

Looking for a meaningful resolution? Local charity DENS invites you to take part in exciting fundraising events to support people facing homelessness, poverty and social exclusion.

Highlights include the DENS Hillbuster cycling event, St Albans Inflatable 5k, Royal Parks Half Marathon, bungee jumps, DENS Sponsored Sleepout and exclusive places for the 2026 London Marathon!

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Youth Survey shows gaps in opportunities for teens

A survey of young people conducted by Kings Langley Parish Council has identified the current demand for communal social facilities for teens in the village.

The Neighbourhood Plan has previously identified little provision for teenagers, other than those created by organisations such as the Scouts, with very little outdoor provision available for this age group.

Through externally-run focus groups it was possible to provide an assessment of what is currently available and consider how this aligns with what this older age group would like in terms of leisure facilities, to establish unaddressed demand.

Many respondents expressed a preference for unstructured, self-directed leisure activities, but it was generally felt that there is a lack of such opportunities. Whilst sports facilities and the range of activities provided by the senior school were praised, it was considered there was room for further improvement.

Some participants favoured development of current park/outdoor facilities, for example the addition of basketball and tennis courts, bike tracks or dirt/off road trails, and outdoor gym facilities. Others welcomed the concept of a youth group, where they could meet in a more informal setting with friends. Such a facility would include activities like a pool table, darts, and table tennis, possibly with the addition of refreshments or a café.

The parish council will be considering the full report over the next few months with a view to potentially providing some funding or signposting for some of these ideas.

The taste of summer

After a wet and windy start to the year which has only recently started to lift, it may be difficult to remind yourself that, with the Carnival a few months away on Saturday 21 June 2025, things will only get better.

Potential stall-holders have certainly got the message, with a steady stream of bookings aiming to keep visitors fed, watered and entertained all day.

For example, you might want to start with a gourmet coffee or one of a range of speciality drinks, cakes and pastries from Really Awesome Coffee. That's not a recommendation; that's the name of the baristas.

By lunchtime you might fancy some Indian Street Food from Tiffin Box, typically providing a variety of meat, vegan and vegetarian dishes.

Mid-afternoon – perhaps something sweet? Waffle Wands promise to provide the fluffiest, lightest, most delicious waffles with mouth-watering sauces. And, of course, the cricket club will be open into the evening to provide an opportunity to put your feet up with a glass of something cold and refreshing.

Carol Chandler, Carnival Committee Chairwoman, added 'However, the stalls are not all about food and drink. Local organisations will also be raising funds for good causes, providing information about their services and offering a plethora of opportunities for games of chance.'

Anyone who would like to host a stall should email Stalls-KLCarnival@hotmail.com Alternatively, if you want to sponsor the Carnival, play a part on the day as a 'Half Hour Hero' or join a friendly Carnival planning group, please contact the team via the website kingslangleycarnival.com or via Facebook.



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willing drivers who are prepared to take an extra turn, for which Good Neighbours is very grateful.



If you would like to volunteer your own services to increase the driver availability just call the helpline number **07790 668672** and you will be made most welcome!

Left: Volunteer driver, Lillian Adams, receives a text from the helpline as a new job comes in. She is free to accept it or ignore it as she wishes.

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Lots going on in the Library this Spring!

It's time for the next Community Library AGM which will take place in the library on Saturday 22 March at 2pm.

Papers for the meeting are available from 22 February, so if you are interested in what the volunteers have achieved over the last year please call in to read them and submit any questions in advance. Further information will be available on the village notice boards soon but all library members are welcome to attend the AGM.

On Saturday 12 April there is a Library garden spring event to celebrate an art installation that has been produced by the Kings Langley Arts and Craft Society. The works illustrate various buildings, scenes, artefacts and people from the history of the village. All are welcome to share the morning with some live music and free refreshments.

There are two evening talks coming up soon. On Wednesday 19 March the Kings Langley History Society

will present some film footage of the High Street from the 1950s, and on Wednesday 16 April there is a presentation from the de Havilland Museum on Geoffrey de Havilland and his aircraft through the ages.

These talks are always well attended so call in to buy your tickets soon – tickets for both talks are available from the library for £5 each to include refreshments.

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WEDNESDAYS Monthly programme of evening talks from 7pm (see library posters)

FRIDAYS BABY RHYME TIME meet weekly in term time 10.30-11.00am

FRIDAYS ANCESTRY AND FAMILY HISTORY GROUP: 1st Friday of the month 2.30-4.30pm (programme on library posters)

SATURDAYS CHESS CLUB meet weekly 10-12.00pm

SATURDAYS MAGIC CARPET RIDE (2-5yr olds) held monthly 10.30-11.00 am. See library posters.

Details correct at 29 Jan 2025

Free local walks information

Has the recent spring-like weather persuaded you to get up and get out for a walk in the countryside?

We are lucky that Hertfordshire is such a beautiful rural county with hundreds of walks to enjoy. One couple – Ellie and Dave Brewer from Brookmans Park – wanted to share their love of walking in the Hertfordshire countryside with like-minded people, so they created a website and have documented over 290 Hertfordshire walks in detail over the last 25 years.

Their walks are colour-coded by distance and elevation, many are loops and you can even search for walks around a specific pub or cafe. The walks can be downloaded to your phone and used with a free GPS satellite navigation app. There are no costs involved and you can find all of their walks at www.hertfordshirewalker.uk

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Give your views on proposed cyclist access

Or, as it is more properly called, the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP – phonetically Elsie Whip).

This plan covers Dacorum Borough and is intended to promote the central government’s ambition to make walking and cycling the natural choice for shorter journeys or parts of longer journeys. The parish council encouraged local residents to respond to earlier parts of the consultation process with a view to getting traffic lights at the Vicarage Lane/High Street junction.

The final recommendations are now out for consultation at Dacorum LCWIP until 23 March 2025. The recommendations include improvements at the Rucklers Lane junction with Hempstead Road in the form of early release signals and advanced stop lines for cyclists. In addition, the Hempstead Road would become a shared-use path for pedestrians and cyclists; some verges would be removed to increase the footway width to a minimum of three metres.

Parish Councillor Alan Johnson said ‘Needless to say, none of these proposals were on our wish list, and frankly this could cause mayhem if implemented, with the need to potentially widen some footpaths on Hempstead Road by over a metre. It may even involve moving some street furniture and verges on both sides of the current footpath. We would urge residents to respond with their views.’

Readers can review the proposal and have their say at https://dacorum-lcwip-hertscc.hub.arcgis.com/pages/have_your_say_dacorum



Druglink’s Valentines Raffle Raises Over £1,400 for Oxygen Recovery

A raffle held to raise funds for Druglink was a resounding success, raising an impressive £1,420 to help fund much needed new flooring at Oxygen Recovery, the charity’s residential rehabilitation service.

The Valentines Raffle, which saw huge support from local businesses, featured a range of amazing prizes, including dinner at The Grove, a round of golf at Shendish Manor, and an Albert Square sign signed by the entire EastEnders cast. Organisers declared the overwhelming generosity of the community – both in donating prizes and purchasing tickets – as being ‘truly heartwarming’.

The live draw took place on 14 February, hosted by Druglink’s new patron, actor

Mark Wingett, known for his iconic roles in *The Bill* and *Quadrophenia*.

Emma Kingham, Director of Communications at Druglink, said ‘We are incredibly grateful for the generosity of our local community. The support we’ve received will make a real difference at Oxygen Recovery, creating a more comfortable and welcoming space for those on their journey to recovery.’

For more information about Druglink and its work, visit druglink.co.uk or email emmakingham@druglink.ltd.uk

Left: Mark Wingett and Druglink’s Emma Kingham drawing the raffle



KLMTTC – it’s *Curtains!*

Don’t miss this great ‘murder, mystery musical’ being staged by Kings Langley Musical Theatre.

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KLCC sets sights on new terrace after fundraiser

A series of fundraising events have seen Kings Langley Cricket Club smash its goal of raising £25,000 to renovate its patio and outside seating area.

Members of the club were the driving force behind the fundraiser, with many donating 'incentives' such as a tour of a racing stable, Sri Lankan food and a trip in a classic car. The club also ran a Golf Day, a quiz and had a special section of their End of Season Dinner that was designed to get hands in pockets.

Through Crowdfunder, a charity-oriented website that helps to match external funding to projects, the club applied for a grant of £12,500 from Sport England – who distribute lottery funds to sports clubs – but this was subject to them matching the amount with further donations.

Additional funding was acquired via Community Action Dacorum, with the specific purpose of improving the disabled access to the club. The total raised finally hit £30,000, all of which will go towards the renovations.

The facilities at KLCC, which will celebrate its 200th anniversary in 2030, were last upgraded in the mid-1980s but the terrace in particular is now in urgent need of modernisation.

Work will get underway in the next month or so and the club hopes to have an 'official' opening on Saturday 10 May.

Tom Templeton, club chairman, said, 'We needed the generosity of local businesses, grants from charitable bodies, the Members to step up and for the local community to get involved. Everyone has!'

Selfish act damages common

A vandal has caused damage to the Common after driving their car in circles around the cricket square.

On the afternoon of 12 February the driver of a Subaru mounted the kerb, drove around the cricket pitch and drove off, leaving extensive tyre tracks in the grass – which was already in a poor state thanks to months of bad weather.

Tom Templeton, KLCC chairman, said 'They might have had 45 seconds of "fun" but the damage done will take 20+ volunteer hours and a significant cost in grass seed and diesel to put right.

'This was reported to the police and local people have provided pictures and video. Sadly the Police have decided to close the inquiry. We hope that the repairs will be complete for the start of the cricket season in late April.'

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New Girls' Football partnership at KLFC

Kings Langley FC is proud to announce a new partnership for its Girls Football section.

For the next two seasons the club will be teaming up with WUKA, a female-led start-up founded in 2017, which devised the UK's first ever reusable and leak-proof period wear.

WUKA stands for Wake Up Kick Ass because they believe that nothing should hold you back on your period.

As part of this incredible partnership, every player will receive one free pair of WUKA period pants to support them in staying active and confident during their periods. WUKA's name will also appear on the shorts of all of the girls team.

Dean Wigzell, Head of Community Engagement at Kings Langley FC, said 'We are thrilled to be working in partnership with WUKA. Over the last few years the club has made great strides in providing an environment for girls to thrive in football and we hope that this will only strengthen that commitment.'

'Research shows that one in two girls drop out of sports after primary school, with 71% avoiding physical activities during their periods. WUKA, and now KLFC, are here to change that!'



Prize Xword

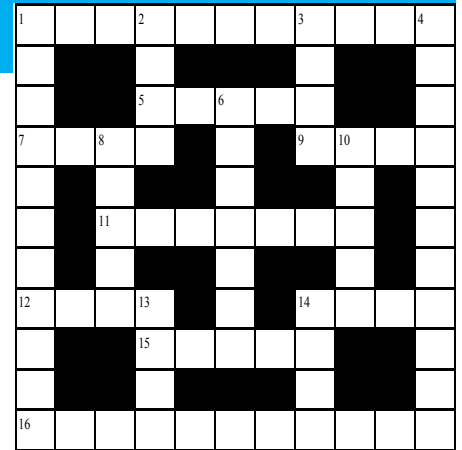
For this issue, our prize is a **£30 voucher to spend at Oscars Pizza Company** for the first correct entry to be drawn from the hat! To enter, simply post or email your crossword entry and contact details to us (see page 2) to arrive no later than Friday 18 April 2025.

Across

- 1 A village cul-de-sac hidden within a local escape? (6,5)
- 5 Venomous snake (5)
- 7 A term used in some parts of the UK for someone who is sensitive to the cold (4)
- 9 In short, an academic title (4)
- 11 Squirrel sized monkey from parts of Mexico, Central and South America (7)
- 12 British nobleman (4)
- 14 Domesticated bird, kept for its eggs (4)
- 15 A sung dramatic work (5)
- 16 Short village byway hiding in costly reels? (6,5)

Down

- 1 The English royal dynasty that Kings Langley's Edmund de Langley belonged to (11)
- 2 Part of the foot (4)
- 3 Jump a long way (4)
- 4 Village byway leading up to Beaufort Court and beyond (3,4,4)
- 6 Very strange, unusual (7)
- 8 Large, stringed instrument (5)
- 10 A musical form, with recurring theme, often at end of a sonata or concerto (5)
- 13 A vein of metal ore found in the earth (4)
- 14 Unsuccessful in some undertaking (4)



Prize Xword No. 43 set by Andrew Selby



Marion Money told us 'I've lived in the village for 37 years and this is the first time I've won anything locally!' Lewis Johnstone, owner of Clare James Health Foods, presented her with her Prize Xword win from issue 42. Marion spends much of her time tending the Priory's Biodynamic allotment but is looking forward to some retail therapy spending her vouchers with the shop.

Answers to Crossword No: 42

Across: 1 Beechfield, 6 Acre, 7 Edam, 8 Decor, 10 Dalling & Co, 12 RSPB, 14 Nadir, 15 Ring, 16 Barnes Rise.

Down: 2 Enamel, 3 Fred & Ginger, 4 Decry, 5 Breadcrumb, 9 Cycad, 11 Trug, 13 Bran





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 Varied programme of events.
 Alternate Thursday afternoons from
 2.30pm – 4.00pm.
 Contact Ann Martin on 01923 267604 or
 email anniedirectchore@hotmail.com

Probus

Kings Langley Cricket Club.
 Probus is a club for retired men, meeting
 every third Tuesday in the month
 at 10am with a speaker and coffee.
 Occasional excursions, dinners and other
 special events (including partners) are
 also arranged.
Future events:
18 March: 'Where do Novelists get their
 ideas from?', Bobbie Darbyshire
15 April: 'Curiosities in the Chilterns',
 Alan Copeland
20 May: 'A Life on Rails', Bill Davies
 Contact the secretary, Mark Stannard
 on 07887 655292 or markstannard@
 hotmail.com for further information.

Singing

All Saints Choir practice
 All Saints Church
 Friday 6.30 – 7.30pm
 All welcome.

Kings Langley Community Choir
 Christ Church Baptist, The Nap, WD4 8ET
 Music for all – Pop, Folk, International, etc.
 Every Tuesday evening 7.30pm – 9.00pm.
 For further information contact Pat on
 07714 701316. Also see Facebook and
 www.kingslangleychoir.co.uk

Local Produce Market

All Saints Church, Church Lane.
 Food, crafts, books, cards, homemade
 cakes and refreshments and lots more.
 The Local Produce Market is held on the
 third Saturday of every month from
 9.00am – 12.30pm.

Short Mat Bowls

Kings Langley Community Centre, The Nap.
 A friendly group who play all year round.
 New members welcome.
 Wednesday mornings 11am – 1pm.
 You do not have to have your own
 bowls as they can be provided at the
 Community Centre.

Women's Institute

Kings Langley Community Centre, The Nap.
 All welcome.
 Every second Tuesday monthly at
 7.30pm.
 For further information please email
 kingslangleywi@gmail.com
 Details of monthly meetings will also
 appear on the Kings Langley Matters
 facebook group.

Jazz

Kings Langley Jazz Club
 Kings Langley Services Club Theatre Bar
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