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Parish Council

Vacancy

Sadly, Nicola Davies has resigned with regret due to personal circumstances. The following Notice of Vacancy is therefore published:

NOTICE OF VACANCY ON HEMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL
FILLING OF CASUAL VACANCY ON HEMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that a vacancy has occurred in the office of parish councillor for the above parish arising from the resignation of Nicola Davies.

An election to fill the vacancy will be held if notice in writing of a request for such an election is made by ten Local Government electors for the electoral area and received by the Proper Officer, C/o Electoral Services, Uttlesford District Council, Council Offices, London Road, Saffron Walden, Essex CB11 4ER, by not later than 5.00pm on 11th March 2025.

If an election is not requested by ten Local Government electors, the vacancy will be filled by the parish council as soon as practicable after the expiry of the date referred to above.

Dated: 19 February 2025

Rebecca Cox, Clerk to Hempstead Parish Council

Flooding

The stream at Holbrook Farm in Great Sampford has been cleared, downstream of our section; the large tree on the bank near Anso Corner has been removed and more jetting has been undertaken.

Please continue to clear your own sections of the stream if you see build-up of debris, thank you.

Stansted Airport

We attended the workshop on the consultation on the growth of the airport over the next 20 years and made comments on how it may affect Hempstead and our surrounding area. (see elsewhere in this Newsletter on how to submit your own comments).

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Spring Wreath Making

Evening workshops in Hempstead Village Hall, CB10 2PD. Two dates available:



Thursday 20th March at 8pm

Tuesday 25th March at 8pm

Make a joyful wreath to welcome in the Spring. We will use mix of dried flowers and fresh materials to decorate hand-woven willow wreaths.

Please bring scissors, gloves if you would like to use them and any particular Easter/ spring accessories you may like to add.

Same price as last year - £25 including drinks and some nibbles

To book your place please email diana_frost@lineone.net and say which session you wish to attend.

Payment will be by cash on the night please.



Coffee/Plants/Mother's Day/Easter/Jewellery

A coffee morning with something for everyone of all ages! On Saturday 29th March from 10-12 noon in Hempstead Village Hall we will be offering refreshments and a host of seasonal shopping. Mothering Sunday (Mother's Day) is the next day so there will be inexpensive fresh flowers and gifts for children and adults to give and you can select your own container and flowers.

Perhaps you just want something for a friend, or to put on a grave – we will have something for everyone. There will also be Easter items to decorate your home, and gorgeous jewellery. *Cont:*



The morning will be full of Spring cheer and colour. Bring and meet up with friends you haven't seen for a while.



All funds raised will go to repairing the roof of the hall. Thank you.

Bluebell 2 luncheon

The wait is over...Bluebell 2 returns
Sunday 30th March 2025

2 course Sunday roast (Main and
Dessert with all the trimmings)
£20 / adult.

£10 / child portion.

Bar opens at 12:30 for all.

Bar open until 19:00

Dinner served at 13:00.

ALL profits to the Village Hall
funds.

Dinner must be pre booked and paid
for prior to the event. Tickets from
Russ Wide. email: russwide@aol.com

Quiz Night

The annual Hempstead charity quiz night will be in the Village Hall on Saturday 17th May, 7pm for a prompt 7.30pm start.

Teams of up to eight people. Tickets are £12 per person including a hot supper (vegetarian option by prior arrangement). Bring own drinks and nibbles.

The quiz is always oversubscribed so book your place early by phoning/texting Ross on 07933 766570 or emailing ross@campionsend.com

Ukraine – next collection date

The next collection date for donations to Ukraine will be the 3rd May. More details will be provided nearer the time.

Stansted Airport

MAG group have launched a consultation on their long-term plan to grow sustainably over the next 20 years. They say:

“As the biggest local employer – supporting 12,000 good local jobs – a source of income to thousands of local businesses and a supporter of hundreds of local community projects, we take our responsibilities seriously, that’s why we’re planning ahead.

Today, almost 30 million passengers use the airport every year. This will change over the next 20 years. With a new terminal extension and airlines ordering bigger, more efficient planes we expect up to 51 million passengers to be using the airport by 2040 - bringing over 4,000 more local jobs and better connections to the world.

We have a long-term plan to accommodate this by making the best use of what we have – a single runway within existing limits and no more flights than allowed today. The plan will put in place the measures now to support growth in the future. As part of this, we are looking to increase the current passenger limit to 51 million so that we are prepared for the future.

We intend to submit our planning application within the next few months, so we are asking residents, local businesses and passengers for their views, so we can all benefit from the jobs, training and access to the world that makes our area special. You can find out more about our plan and have your say here [Back Stansted Plan](#)”.

Plans for expansion of the terminal building are already approved.

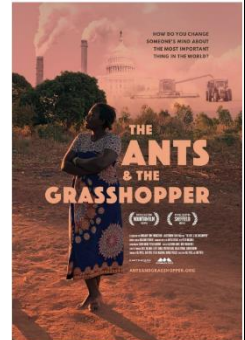


New Exhibition, Saffron Museum

Saffron Walden Museum will host “Letters from the Global South,” an exhibition exploring climate justice, from Saturday 8th March – Sunday 27th April. It features first-hand accounts from children and activists about the impacts of climate change in some of the most-affected countries. The exhibition is brought to life with items from across the Museum’s collections highlighting the themes of pollution, wildlife loss and climate change from the posters. Exhibition hosted with thanks to Zero Hour UK.

The Museum will also screen “The Ants and the Grasshopper,” a film following Anita Chitaya from Malawi across America to the White House, sharing first-hand accounts of the effects of climate change. Film screening on Wednesday 26 March at 6:30pm for an exhibition view, film at 7:15pm. Spaces are limited - please reserve your FREE ticket at <https://saffron-walden-museum.arttickets.org.uk>

During the exhibition run, climate change themed events will be running across the town including the climate change weekend (15th & 16th March) and the “Uprising” community opera being held at Saffron Hall <https://www.saffronhall.com/whats-on/view/uprising>. All of the events will run up to World Climate Day held on the 15th May.



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