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North Town Moor: the community orchard – mainly apple but with some other trees such as damson, quince & mulberry (see page 7)

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Chairman's Piece

The right to challenge is a democratic right

Is the democratic process working with Local Authorities? Maidenhead Civic Society constantly responds to planning applications monthly, expressing views and concerns about local development schemes. However, the local planning authority does not consider the Civic Society a statutory consultee within the planning process. This should not be the case. Maidenhead Civic Society was created to allow the expression of views to be heard through local planning officers and for them to consider some of the comments in their determination of planning applications.

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government are changing the ways Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) consult with third-party organisations and dropping some of the consultees from those that are consulted in the planning process.

Some years ago, the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead (RBWM) enabled proper consultation with local heritage societies within the towns of Maidenhead, Windsor, and Eton, and included local architect groups to be involved in the future development within the Borough.

This was a key group that met every 6 months to assist in looking at future development schemes, and through this group, changes could be suggested by the local heritage groups and architects to ensure the right sort of development could take place for the benefit of the local community.

Nowadays, with this lack of consultation and the steer from the Ministry, the LPA are not interested in comments being made from the various groups that they should be embracing to encourage better developments to be built within the local community. Within another county, the LPA is no longer going to publish on their planning portal comments from local residents or groups that do not apply to their list of statutory consultees. These consultees will normally consist of the Environment Agency, Natural England, English Heritage, and the Highways Agency.

We have an important voice within our local community to preserve our local heritage within the area. We would like RBWM to reconsider their approach and be a pathfinder authority to re-establish a group of 'like-minded' organisations to be consulted on future development schemes that will impact future generations. This should consist of Maidenhead Civic Society, other heritage groups and local architects, as everybody has a stake in the town they live in.

Derek Wilson

Planning Matters

As anticipated, the application for a 7-storey block of 57 flats on West Street behind the Old Post Office (**106 to 114 High Street**) has been permitted. Similar approvals can be anticipated for the other two residential blocks on West Street where applications are in the pipeline. There appears to be no evidence of any traffic management review to address the likely congestion caused by the multitude of flats (with parking) that will ultimately be delivered in the West Street Opportunity Area.

There is good news to report that an amended application has been refused for **Lawnfield House** on the corner of Westmorland Road and Bath Road. Although scaled back from 70 care bedrooms to 56, the scheme was considered overlarge and out of character for the site – which is currently occupied by a distinguished Victorian Villa. A further consideration was the potential overprovision of care-bed capacity in Maidenhead – with a case being made within the application for the demand for more care beds being called into question.

Refused schemes can always go to appeal, of course. Currently there are two significant appeals in the pipeline. The proposed 5- to 6-storey residential block on the car lot known as Land South of Stafferton Way has been refused on a number of occasions. This narrow strip alongside York Stream is unsuitable for the scale of development proposed, although scaled back from 43 flats to 25. Despite the mounting pressure to deliver more dwelling units it is to be hoped that the Inspector upholds the Royal Borough decision to refuse the proposed scale of development of this site. The second appeal is against the refusal of the application to increase and upgrade boatyard activity at Freebody's Boatyard on Boulters Island. Although the Society was initially concerned at the scale of the proposed new boatsheds, and the increase in footprint, we were pleased to see investment in river related activities. On balance we accepted a modified scheme and were surprised that planning was refused. The application is now going to appeal, and just this once it is to be hoped that the appeal is upheld.

The proposal to introduce **BT Street Hubs** to three locations was covered at length in the last newsletter. Three sites were proposed and the two within the High Street Conservation Area have been refused. These were located in Market Street (outside Boots side entrance) and High Street (near the old Post Office). The proposed street furniture was not regarded as compatible with the setting of a Conservation Area. However, no such planning protection exists on Stafferton Way and a Street Hub has been permitted near the bus stop outside Lidl. The application erroneously stated that the Street Hub would replace an obsolete phone kiosk. No such kiosk exists – but permission has been granted anyway. Since the two refusals in the town centre it has transpired that BT are appealing against the decisions. It is to be hoped that the protection offered by the designation as a Conservation Area is adequately robust. There are two new applications of interest that are pending. About two years ago we objected to an application to build a terrace of three town-houses on previous amenity public open space at **12 to 18 Ribstone Road**. The land in question had been speculatively sold at auction without planning permission. The application was refused. A new application has been submitted for one dwelling – a four-bedroom bungalow (two beds in the roof space) with a basement gym/cinema room. There will be only two parking spaces (which is inadequate for a four-bed house), the site will be surrounded by a solid wooden fence and there will be a resultant loss of frees. Furthermore, the front footpath which provides access to the front doors of four existing properties (Nos. 12 to 18) lies within the boundary of the site and should never have been included in the sale. Any development on the said plot will adversely impact the visual aspect and access to this open space – which was planned at the outset for the benefit of the residents of Ribstone Road. We are pleased to report that the application was refused in mid-April.

There has been a further application in the long running attempt to develop **The Ark**, 20 Ray Street. This public house is undoubtedly a so called "community asset" and we welcome future investment in the site. The main building is being extended and renovated to deliver 3 x 1b, 2p dwellings within the pub, each with a designated parking space. Previously, these plans were rejected because of the living areas not meeting the minimum space standards. It is believed that this has been addressed. The ongoing proposed 2-storey block of 2 x 1b2p flats to the rear remains a concern. This is unsuitable because of the constrained nature of the site with the building line right up to Ray Park Lane. This narrow street is characterised by a terrace of small Victorian cottages which lie immediately to the north of the site. The new block will be out of character and result in a cramped development. Although the two proposed new build flats each have a parking space, the available parking provision will result in increased on street parking displacement. A total of seven parking spaces is proposed, but of these five are designated to the three residential flats within the main building and the two new-build to the rear. Only two spaces remain for the use of pub staff and/or clientele. This is clearly inadequate, and the available space to the rear would be better used as parking.

There was a Development Panel meeting at the end of April that considered two major applications for allocated housing sites within the BLP. Both have been discussed in earlier Newsletters. In both cases the planning officers recommended permission to be granted. Because RBWM cannot demonstrate the existence of a 5-year supply of building land there is pressure to allow such schemes unless any perceived harm is both significant and demonstrable. (For info: the land supply is 4.4 years). The Taylor Wimpey development on **land south of Kimbers Lane** is for 225 homes. It forms Phase 2 alongside an adjoining site that is already under construction. On the positive side it contains 30% affordable housing – all flats. There is also a shift towards 3-bed affordable homes to address the oversupply of smaller units. There are only a few trees on site – 16 in total of which only one good specimen is to be retained. The other trees are of low quality or diseased. 145 new

trees are to be planted – hopefully well-established rather than saplings. There is also a significant area of open space. On the negative side, the eight blocks of unattractive 4-storey flats alongside the A404M are retained. A decision is overdue having already been deferred. The panel decided to defer again to await a report from the tree officer – who had not submitted a report. This is probably an example of unwieldy planning panels criticised by central government. This two-stage development of land south of Kimbers Lane has thrown up a fascinating issue that has received little attention. The existing established residential properties to the north of Kimbers Lane are uphill from the new developments and are served by a dedicated sewage farm. This sewage farm is privately owned by a third party. Can you guess where it is located? Yes – right in the middle of the new developments. Several new homes will back on to the site which will have high security fencing and require occasional visits from maintenance vehicles and workers. It will be a very effluent area!

The second major scheme before the panel was for **Spencers Farm** - already granted outline permission for 330 homes. This application gave details of the proposed scheme which included 40% affordable homes of which more than 50% were houses – rather than flats. There was also a move towards 3-bed dwellings – altogether a good outcome on the social housing front. There are nearly 1,000 trees on this site – of which 185 are to be lost. 513 new trees will be planted. The application was permitted with three conditions. Firstly, improved landscaping and screening between the south side of site (and school) and existing residential neighbours. Secondly, the introduction of bat and swift nesting boxes and finally the introduction of battery storage capacity to support the solar power potential across the site.

As you are aware there has been an ongoing trend in recent years for office blocks to be converted into residential flats. If there are no significant changes to the elevations of the blocks or proposed additional structures this has been allowed under what is known as Prior Approval/Permitted Development. Whilst providing a "welcome" flow of new dwelling units, this trend results in the loss of employment sites and the overprovision of flats. After nearly a year of consultation belated action has been taken by RBWM with the introduction of **Article 4** protection for designated employment sites – both individual blocks and office parks. The first refusal using Article 4 of such a proposed change of use occurred in January when Volvo were denied the go ahead to convert **Scandinavia House** (on Norreys Drive) into residential units. Any future proposals will have to go through the full planning process.

A smaller proposed change of use has been refused at **158 Blackamoor Lane**. This is a small, single-storey light industrial unit. Prior approval was sought to create eight residential units out of the structure. The site had not been identified for Article 4 designation, but the proposals were so substandard that permission was refused on a number of grounds. There was inadequate access to several dwelling units, there was

a lack of amenity space, some units failed to meet minimum space standards and there was inadequate parking provision for eight dwellings.

An update on the proposed town centre development known as Nicholsons Ouarter: The success or otherwise of this major regeneration project will determine the medium to long term future of Maidenhead. There have been further consultations with piecemeal disclosure of ongoing amendment to the plans to which we have responded. We are pleased to see the proposed "landmark" tower block reduced in height from 25 to 20 storeys. We welcome the increase in open space from 1.3 acres to 1.65 acres. However, the scheme is essentially a high-density residential development with some office space provision and retail units at ground level. The number of residential units has been increased from 675 to 856 in total and there is a danger that there will be too high a proportion of 1-bed flats. Flat dwelling may not be ideal for families – but more 3-bed homes are required in Maidenhead. The senior living element of the scheme has been reduced from 311 units to 100 - the previous figure was clearly unrealistic. There is also a significant reduction in office space down from 314,000 sq.ft to 124,000 sq.ft. In the future Maidenhead will still generate significant demand for offices within a balanced town centre and this reduction is regrettable. The retail offer is largely concentrated on smaller trading units, and the number of units has been reduced from 65 to 55.

There are concerns that at street level there will be a lack of daylight/sunlight because of the height of the development. There will also be the risk of wind tunnel effect in certain conditions. However, the number one issue is the failure to deliver the anticipated parking provision required for the town. Car parking within this development is not restricted to Nicholsons Quarter but should be integrated into the future of the entire Maidenhead Town Centre. With the planned loss of the highcapacity Broadway MSCP, it was intended that 885 spaces would be generated by the Nicholsons Quarter scheme that was permitted in 2021. This latest proposal offers only 458 spaces - nearly a 50% reduction. Of these 458 spaces it is indicated that 200 will be reserved for residents/contract parking. The balance of 258 spaces will be for everyday public use. The developers maintain that they have been working alongside RBWM to develop the scheme. If that is the case, how is it that such a dramatic loss of parking capacity can be envisaged? The recent decision for RBWM to relinquish their interest in the freehold of Nicholsons Walk does not impact the critical requirement that any upcoming planning application must address the longerterm parking demand in Maidenhead town centre.

Finally, Mark Harris reports that recent commercial retail developments include a lease renewal for Pizza Express, who are now staying in Maidenhead, and also that Nando's and Pret-a-Manger have signed up at One Maidenhead. This is positive news for the town centre. Other recent retail lettings include Esquires Coffee Shop at 70 High Street and the Bisque-It Studio in Nicholsons Centre.

Martin McNamee

Projects

THE GREEN WAY

North Town Moor

Our joint project with East Berks Ramblers, the Green Way, passes through North Town Moor and we restored the pond there in the mid-1980's so we take an interest in it and support the work of the conservation group, *Make Space for Life*, that meet there on the first Saturday of the month. Since 2014 our support has included monitoring the aquatic life in the pond on the moor monthly. The Royal Borough organises the grass cutting and the National Trust and Wild Maidenhead help when pruning of the orchard is necessary. If you have children or grandchildren wanting to do community service in conservation e.g. for Duke of Edinburgh Awards, we are happy to give you contact details.

The work of *Make Space for Life* was ably described by member Nina Morrow in the February 2024 Newsletter. The community orchard they planted is now a popular and well-used source of fruit in the autumn (see photo at front of this Newsletter).

North Town Pond



The pond in North Town Moor was desilted by the Society in 1986. This was done again by the Royal Borough in 2014 and again in March 2022.

Over the years it has had various problems. The water comes from storm drains and one year sewage overflowed into the drains and killed off most of the aquatic life. Another year a badger decided to demolish a tree stump next to the pond causing woody debris to accumulate and rot in the sediment. Then the storm drains became blocked with tree roots and water overflowed from the manhole cover creating a furrow to the pond. There is also the perennial problem of dumping and littering. However more recently an ecological problem has arisen.

When the Society desilted in the pond in 1986, we could have stocked it with fingerlings (small fish) but it was pointed out that if so, no amphibians would be able to breed there, so we didn't. Fish consume both the food organisms and the eggs of amphibians.

Happily, newt larvae were recorded in July to September from 2016 to 2020. Unhappily, in 2021 the first fish larva was sampled in May and despite the presence of adult newts in June, no newt larvae have since been sampled. The aquatic fauna also declined in biodiversity.

For nine months from June 2024 no fish larvae or adult fish (sticklebacks) were sampled, and it was hoped they had been fished out; any sampled were relocated to the nearby stream. Biodiversity improved. Unfortunately, in April 2025 fish larvae were again recorded and it is almost certain adult sticklebacks will be sampled in the coming months.

2025 marks the completion of ten years of monthly sampling the pond during which it has overcome a variety of difficulties. By the end of the year, it should be known whether this newt breeding site has been lost.



Adult Stickleback (about 6 cms long)

OCKWELLS MANOR

Ockwells Records Donated to the Royal Berkshire Archive

Original material, photos, documents etc, collected during the research for my book *Ockwells Manor - a history of the house and its occupants*, was donated to the Royal Berkshire Archives (RBA) in Reading on 12th March 2025.



Ann and Mark Stevens, the County Archivist, looking at some of the donated Ockwells records

These records came from two sources. Firstly, from the late Peter William Cannon (right, with Ann in 2021), former estate manager at Ockwells during the ownership of both Sidney Barnett and Patrick Chung. Peter had been given a box full of assorted material when Sidney Barnett, then owner of Ockwells, was moving out and thought Peter would be interested. Peter had them in his loft for years and I would occasionally ring him about them. Luckily, I phoned during the pandemic, and he said he had got them down We round and photographed went



everything. He later gave the records to me to donate to the RBA.

The other donor was Rosalind Muspratt whose father David had inherited the records from his grandfather Sir Edward Barry. These had also been photographed in the past. Rosalind happily agreed to them being deposited in the RBA.



Ann and Rosalind Muspratt with some of her archive

If these records had not been kept there would be no photos of the restoration at the end of the nineteenth century. Prior to this restoration, Ockwells, then owned by William Henry Grenfell, was referred to in the *Pall Mall Gazette* under the headline "Is Ockwells to be destroyed", with William Morris, founder of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, saying that *it seems one of the rights of private property still held sacred among us is the right to destroy a portion of what is above all things national property- the history of the nation in the past.*

Grenfell, later lord Desborough, responded that he would be happy to meet with anyone who thinks he can do it justice, offering to return the armorial glass to the great hall. The glass had been taken out by his grandfather, Charles Pascoe Grenfell, probably because the roof, deemed to be too heavy for the walls that supported it, might fall taking the glass with it.

Many of the photos have been included in my book, greatly enhancing its documentary value, only possible because Peter Cannon, David Muspratt and then his daughter Rosalind, preserved these and other records.

And on the subject of the book, as previously reported, we printed 150 copies and to date have now sold all but 23 - so there's still a chance to get a copy if you haven't already!

Restoration

Ockwells was sold in April 2024. While it was still under offer we were contacted in March 2024 by Nick Cox Architects who wished to purchase a number of copies of the Ockwells book. They are a firm of specialist architects, known to the National Trust and English Heritage, who have been appointed to direct the restoration of the house. The architects showed us round Ockwells in July last year and I have asked them to make a record of what they do. The gardens are also being restored and I went round with Dr Sarah Rutherford who in 2019 had been commissioned by the Royal Borough to write *Ockwells Manor, Berkshire - Historic Setting Analysis.* From these visits we have a photographic record of the state of Ockwells prior to restoration.

The new owner is Sébastien Aguettant, a Frenchman and owner of a global pharmaceutical corporation. He is also a keen polo player – the polo ponies are apparently already there. We can only hope that he is as interested in the history of Ockwells as was the previous owner, the late Brian Stein.



Ockwells Manor house from the southeast, showing the extensive scaffolding (photo courtesy of James Camplin of Flight Surveys)

Ann Darracott

Events

CIVIC SOCIETY DINNER Friday 20th June 2025, 7 for 7.30pm

Following our visit to White Waltham Airfield our next event is a dinner at Moor Hall, Cookham, SL6 9QH. Our speaker is Ian McCarthy, Facilities Administrator at the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Ian has had a lifelong interest in military history starting at an early age having watched "*A Bridge Too Far*". This then led him to look into what happened in 1944 and more, during this research he came across the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Ian will introduce us to the amazing work that the Commonwealth War Graves Commission does around the world, and how it all came about.

The dinner is open to members and their guests, although numbers are limited. The cost is £35 per person for a 3-course meal and includes a choice of menu. If you wish to purchase drinks with your meal these can be ordered on the night. We hope you will join us for a relaxed and informative dinner. It's a great opportunity to socialise with other members of the Society. You will find a booking form overleaf; select your preferences from the menu below (and perhaps keep a note of what you've ordered!), indicating whether you have any special dietary requirements, and send it to Joyce Delasalle along with your cheque, or pay by bank transfer – details on the booking form – **no later than 2nd June 2025.**

<u>The Menu</u>

Starters

- A) Plant Based Creamy Spinach & Potato Soup
- B) Chorizo Arancini, Soused Vegetables, Sweet Onion Relish

Mains

- C) Stuffed Breast of Chicken wrapped in Herby Bacon, Roast Carrot, Parmesan Anna Potato, Black Cabbage Sherry Pan Jus
- D) Grilled Fillets of Red Mullet, Capers & Prawns White Wine Cream, Potato Galette Leeks
- E) Braised Butternut Squash & Gnocchi, Ripped Mushrooms, Onions & Ricotta

Dessert

- F) Rich Chocolate Torte
- G) Ice Cream
- H) Eton Mess

Booking Form & Menu Choice

CIVIC SOCIETY DINNER at MOOR HALL

Friday 20th June 2024, 7.00 for 7.30 pm

Please detach and send this completed form, together with your payment (see below) to reach Joyce Delasalle, 7 Laxton Green, Maidenhead, SL6 3HW

no later than Tuesday 2nd June 2025

NAME
ADDRESS
POSTCODE
PHONE:EMAIL:
Please reserve place(s) @ £35.00 each. I have paid as follows (please delete as necessary)

I enclose a cheque for	£ payable to "Maidenhead Civic Society"
or	
I have paid by bank tra	ansfer to the account: Maidenhead Civic Society,
Sort Code: 30-95-36;	A/c: 00277876, quoting ref "Moor Hall"

My party's names and menu choices are (continue on a separate sheet, if necessary):

Starter	Main _{C-E}	Dessert F-H

Please indicate if you have any special dietary requirements

If you have any problems, or for last minute cancellations, please contact Joyce Delasalle without delay on 07917 876145

FLOOD-RISK MANAGEMENT IN A TIME OF RAPID CLIMATE CHANGE Talk by Professor Robert Van de Noort – advance notice

Thursday 11th September at the Parish Centre next to Holy Trinity Church in Cookham, 2-5pm.

Prof Van de Noort CBE is President of the River Thames Society, Vice-Chancellor of Reading University and a marine archaeologist. He also serves as the Chair of the Thames Regional Flood & Coastal Committee.

In his article in the Spring 2025 *Thames Guardian*, magazine of the River Thames Society, he talked about the Thames Valley Flood Scheme designed by the Environment Agency to use natural flood management techniques (creating flood storage areas in the Thames tributaries) to improve climate resilience for communities at risk of flooding. He noted that this Scheme has now been discontinued and suggests it is time for a rethink. As both flooding and drought impact on the waterways of Maidenhead and Cookham we think his views should be of interest to members of our Society, the Cookham Society, and Maidenhead Waterways.

The charge will be £3 to Members and £5 to Non-members, with complimentary teas/coffee and biscuits. Full booking details will be in the August Newsletter.

MAIDENHEAD HERITAGE CENTRE

We have two events for VE Day:

1. On VE-Day itself, (Thursday 8th May) readers are invited to come to a free reminiscence session at MHC and share their memories of life during and immediately after World War II. These memories will be about their lives as children – what they wore, what they ate and drank, games they played, anything scary (like a V1 flying bomb landing near the Cordwallis estate. Times: 10.30-12.30, coffee/tea and biscuits provided.

2. Starting on Thursday 1st May, a temporary exhibition *Maidenhead at War* describing life on the Home Front in Maidenhead, with lots of stories, photographs, uniforms and objects varying from tins of dried eggs to a first aid kit supplied by Boots the Chemists. A number of military and ATA uniforms will also be displayed. *Maidenhead at War* will run until the end of half-term Saturday May 31st.

MAIDENHEAD WATERWAYS PADDLEFEST – Saturday 14th June

This event will run from 9.30 to 12.30 with canoeists launching from Town Moor before gathering in Chapel Arches for a mass paddle down to the weir and back. Entertainment will be provided by Devine Buskers at Chapel Arches and Teddies Music Club will lead a sing-along for families with young children in the amphitheatre. Activities on the water will include coaching for local Scouts by Marlow Canoe Club, a canoe nature trail and free boat rides for the public. If you canoe and would like ioin please email have а to in paddlefest@maidenheadwaterways.org for full details.

MAIDENHEAD AND MARLOW ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY (MMAHS) – an update

In the past, the Civic Society has collaborated with local heritage and like-minded groups in publicising each other's events. Like many voluntary bodies, the Marlow Archaeology Group (MAG) has found bringing new blood into its committee a challenge and approached Maidenhead Archaeological and Historical Society (MAHS) last summer with the suggestion of investigating whether merging the two societies might be the answer. For some years MAHS and MAG have collaborated closely in archaeological fieldwork. Most recently this has blossomed in the annual excavations of Cookham Abbey. So, given this close relationship, it was no surprise that discussions about merging were from the outset warm and positive. It rapidly became clear that a merged group would deliver an opportunity to play to the strengths of each group and spread better the organisational load. So, Maidenhead and Marlow Archaeology and History Society was born on April 2nd this year, electing a 14-strong committee of Trustees from a combined membership of 232. Together with a strengthening of archaeological fieldwork, the outline plan is to continue activities broadly as they have been, with talks and other events in both towns.

Talks Programme - 2025

May 28 th	Heather Adams - "Pages by the Thames: a Literary History of Maidenhead, Marlow and Cookham"
June 25 th	Simon Elliott - "Septimius Severus: the First Hammer of the Scots"
July 30 th	John Pearce - "Deadly Games in Roman Britain: Gladiator Shows
August 27 th	and Beastly Spectacles on the Edge of Empire?" Denise Allen - "Roman Glass: Wonderful Recent Finds and
September 24 th	Experiments" Charles Bryant and Anne Samson - "Kitchener the Man not the
	Myth"
October 29 th November 26 th	Martin Bell - "Archaeology and Nature Conservation" Anne Sebba - "The Women's Orchestra of Auschwitz"

Our talks are usually held at the United Reformed Church, West Street, Maidenhead (7:15 pm for 8:00 pm) and live-streamed via Zoom ("doors" open 7:50 pm). January and February are Zoom only. Ticket prices are currently:

live at the URC - \pounds 3 to MMAHS members, \pounds 6 to others; Zoom - free of charge to MMAHS members, \pounds 4 to others.

The programme is subject to change. Booking for all MMAHS talks and events is via TicketSource at:

www.ticketsource.co.uk/maidenhead-and-marlow-archaeology-and-history-society

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 13th May Visit

Saturday 14th June Public event

Friday 20th June **Dinner with Speaker**

Thursday 11th September

Talk by Prof Robert Van de Noort

Visit to White Waltham Airfield 12.30 pm – 4pm.

Maidenhead Waterways Paddlefest 9.30 am – 12.30 am, Chapel Arches

Civic Society Dinner Moor Hall, Cookham, 7.00 for 7.30 pm

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Flood-Risk Management in a time of rapid climate change 2.00pm – 5.00pm, Parish Centre, Cookham

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR 2025

All meetings are now at the Cox Green Community Centre, 6.30pm until further notice.

14th January, 11th February, 11th March, 8th April, 13th May, 10th June, 8th July, (12th August), 9th September, 14th October, 11th November, 9th December

The 65th AGM will be held on a date to be confirmed in September 2025, at 7.45 for 8.00 pm.

The closing date for copy for the next issue of the Newsletter is 18th July 2025

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