

# Nene Valley

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### New pilot scheme

Parents will be offered a library card for their baby when they register the birth as part of a new pilot scheme aimed at promoting reading with young children.

Registrars will offer a library card to parents of all newborn babies at the birth registration appointment, where they will also be given a free book to share with their baby. They then need to visit a library to activate the card, when they'll receive a second free book for their baby.

Northamptonshire libraries are delivered by First for Wellbeing on behalf of Northamptonshire County Council.

### Raunds Christmas carol service

Special guests the Mayor of Raunds, Ms Helen Howell and her deputy Mr Nick Beck joined the huge congregation which filled St Peter's Church Raunds to enjoy St Peter's Church of England Academy school's special Christmas carol service.

Each class performed carefully rehearsed carols and readings, and there was the opportunity for the grown-ups to sing their favourite well-known carols.

# A journey through the Nene Wetlands

Covent Garden-style street performances and characters from nature and history will soon be inviting Rushden shoppers to explore the wildlife spectacles on their doorstep thanks to a ground-breaking wildlife and heritage project.

The Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire's (BCN) Into the Valley has secured £662,800 from the Heritage Lottery Fund to:

- Create a major new

270-hectare nature reserve – the Nene Wetlands – from seven disconnected wildlife areas, three of which are currently closed to the public.

- Protect, restore, and

manage new and existing habitats for wildlife – providing new access routes and interpretation will complement the outstanding natural value of the site as an internationally important



destination for breeding and overwintering birds.

Into the Valley will encourage shoppers at the Rushden Lakes leisure and shopping destination – due to open in spring 2017 – to embark on an adventure through nature and time at a place where wildlife, industrial history and modern retail culture come face-to-face. Shoppers will be invited to take a walk down Wild Street from the precinct to the natural world.

Wildlife and historical characters will introduce Secret Spectacles beamed live to screens in the Visitor Centre; a new path network will bring people up close and personal to the sights and sounds of nature; and an interactive programme of learning and experience activities will inspire young and old to get involved and become wildlife enthusiasts.

The developer of the Rushden Lakes centre, LXB, is also funding

a major new lakeside Visitor Centre – the first for Wildlife Trust BCN. This will act as a gateway for people to access and enjoy the wildlife of the Nene Wetlands. The eco building will be zero energy and will also feature a green roof which will absorb rainwater, provide insulation and create wildlife habitat.

This section of the River Nene, and its connected gravel pits, is essential for the journeys of more than 20,000 migratory birds each year. It is known as one of the best places in the world to enjoy the spectacle of thousands of overwintering birds.

It is expected that more than 500,000 people will visit the Nene Wetlands each year.

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Dear Editor,  
Our local councils will shortly be deciding the amounts of tax they need to collect from us for 2017/18.

Readers may be aware that Northamptonshire County Council have been asking for people's views on a proposed 3.95% increase, which includes 2% needed to help with the high cost of adult social care.

In common with the district councils, the county taxation amounts have changed little for some years due to restrictions imposed by the present government. I presume this was thought necessary following the doubling of charges under Labour.

However, as is well known, such restrictions were not imposed on town and parish councils. For the town of Oundle, the precept for an average band D property has risen to 87% more than it was prior to 2010/11. It's also now about 40% more than Oundle residents pay to the district council; prior to 2010/11 it was 13.7% less.

Oundle's total precept is currently £387,885 which is about £105,000 more than the average for other similar sized towns in the east Northants district. It includes a 15.2% increase for the current year when inflation had flatlined, even going negative at one point, during the preceeding year.

In view of the above, I anxiously await the 2017/18 precept figures and trust there will be little or no increase this time – possibly a reduced amount?

Thank you for your attention.

D. Walton

## Genealogy jottings

Have you made any New Year resolutions? Perhaps to get all of your research in order so that you don't end up ordering the same certificate more than once? It has been done... Possibly research a particular ancestor and find out as much as possible about them? Maybe follow a female line rather than the male line of a family? Whatever you have decided to do, the long dark evenings of winter are the ideal time to hunker down and the time will pass before you know it!

Then again, it might be the social conditions of the time that interest you. If you look at a census of 1891, for instance, you will see a family listed with a / marking the end of a group of people. This shows one household. It is not until you see a double line // that you will have reached the end of a dwelling. Therefore, you could find as many as five households living in one house! If the building still exists – and many of them do – you may be able to find it on Google Maps for instance if you are unable to visit the location personally.

**By Jan Pearson**  
*Genealogy Specialists, Tracing Our Past, Discovering Our Genes (TOP DOG)*  
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My great grandparents, Caleb and Millicent Goldsmith, were living in Earlswood Road, Redhill with their four eldest children. (They were to produce another nine over the next 15 years). They are shown with another family in the same house – a widow, her two children and two lodgers – making a total of 11 people in one house. The house still exists and is probably home to just one family these days. But what must have conditions been like back in 1891? Caleb would have been out at work all day – he was a baker – leaving Millicent to look after their growing family. Looking at the house, they probably just had two rooms – the toilet would most likely have been outside and certainly shared between all eleven!

What were the living conditions like for your ancestors?

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## Editor's notes

First, a happy New Year to all our readers. How are your New Year's resolutions progressing? In this edition we have the prospect of help for those who have set their sights on doing something more energetic in the coming year: in Higham, the Ashgrove Clinic is offering consultations to encourage health awareness and help fix your aches and pains; in Oundle there are walking football sessions; and, if you are still casting around for something new in the New Year, you might try becoming a reading helper with the Beanstalk charity.

Whatever your views on the new retail development at Rushden Lakes, whether you regard it as a magnificent opportunity to improve the job count in the district or see it as a contributory factor in

the inevitable decline of local town centres, our article in this edition demonstrates that the site will do more than pay lip service to the needs of local wildlife. A recent visit to the site, hosted by Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire & Northamptonshire, provided the opportunity to see first-hand the excellent work being done by the Trust. It seems that a visit to the new development will enable those set on retail therapy to shop knowing that their friends and family in need of a little more exercise and fresh air can stroll around the lakeside paths and look at the wildlife.

The new Deenethorpe development of a garden village is moving forward and promises to provide a raft of new homes in a 'self-contained' setting. This option seems vastly preferable, albeit not if

you live in the existing hamlet of Deenethorpe, to the more usual piecemeal expansion around existing town centres which cannot then be expanded to provide the infrastructure needed to support the new homes.

Doubtless, there is more bad weather to be endured before we get to spring and consequently we can expect a further deterioration in the condition of our local roads. The A605, particularly between the Oundle and Warmington roundabouts, already seems to be in a very poor condition with little prospect of significant repair work before the weather does improve and even then it will be in competition with other roads in the county for the available pot of funding. Meanwhile, be sure to drive carefully on all our roads and watch out for the inevitable potholes.

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# Castle Court festivities

Around 40 children from Thrapston Primary School delighted residents, local families and friends when they came along to sing Christmas carols at Castle Court's Christmas Fair, in the lead up to Christmas.

Visitors enjoyed browsing the stalls and taking a peek at some of the lovely apartments that are still available. Seasonal mince pies, mulled wine and hot chocolate were part of Castle Court's welcome, with donations going to Thrapston Primary School. The event raised over £200, which was gratefully received by the school.

Castle Court, developed by Keystone Developments, is a new exclusive living complex for the over 55s in Chancery Lane, Thrapston. Scheme manager, Sinade said: "It was great to see such a fantastic turnout, I'd like to thank all the stall holders and everyone who came along. Thrapston is a small market town with so many hidden gems, so it's great to involve the community in our events, especially the local school. Everyone enjoyed listening to the choir and it was lovely to hear such pleasant feedback from visitors about Castle Court and have an opportunity to answer any questions."

Diana, a resident at Castle Court said:



"I love the events we have here. I don't feel lonely or isolated any more. You can keep yourself to yourself in the privacy of your own apartment, or equally share a coffee and a chat with a friendly face in the communal lounge or join an event like today."

Janet agreed: "The worry has just dropped off my shoulders since I moved in. It's so nice to keep your independence, yet



get some support if you need it. The apartments are beautiful, they're

finished to a very high standard and are so easy to keep clean."

Doorman on the day, prize draw coordinator and fellow resident Tom said "Castle Court suits my lifestyle, I'm a bit of a sun worshipper and spend most of the British winter abroad. Now I live here, I can

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# Spotlight on Rushden



**R**ushden High Street has seen the opening of a new and quite unusual shop, the House of Venom Reptiles. The shop sells a variety of reptiles, reptile products and is equipped with everything to suit the beginner through to an experienced reptile handler.

## Stop 4 Beer

The former Post Office building in College Street (built in 1939) is now the town's first micropub and bottleshop. The Hopmaster

General opened its doors at the end of last year and is proving to be an exciting venue to visit and enjoy a craft beer or real ale in a friendly and fun atmosphere. Customers can choose from a range of draught, bottled and canned craft beers and real ales as well as ciders, wine, spirits, soft drinks and a number of bar snacks. The new micropub has created five part-time jobs and has brought empty premises back into use. The opening hours are midday until 11pm

seven days a week with last orders at 10.30pm daily.

## Colemans Craft Warehouse

Colemans Craft Warehouse at Brindley Close, Rushden has recently reopened after a complete refurbishment which includes the opening of a brand new café. A variety of craft Demonstration days and workshops are held at the warehouse on the first Saturday of every month. Please visit [www.colemans-online.co.uk](http://www.colemans-online.co.uk) for further information.

## Ma's Buttons and Haberdashery

Ma's Buttons and Haberdashery is a well-stocked shop run by a mother and daughter team. The shop is located just off the high street and has lots of craft wares on offer. Sadly haberdashery shops had all but disappeared from our high streets but a renewed interest in sewing and craft has prompted a revival in the industry. We are delighted Rushden has this unique shop. The business started as a local indoor market and has rapidly expanded into a shop and a growing online business which offers an excellent click and collect service. For more information visit [www.masbuttons.co.uk](http://www.masbuttons.co.uk)

## Cherry Pharmacy

Cherry Pharmacy is well placed in the centre of the high street and is home to Rushden's busy Post Office. The pharmacy is a friendly family run business selling a wide range of beauty and healthcare products. Inside there is an extensive perfume counter offering a welcome one to one shopping experience.

## Richard James Estate Agents

Richard James Estate Agents in the High Street are the proud winners of the Relocation Agent Network Agent of the year in 2016. The award demonstrates the team's outstanding commitment and dedication to all its customers.

As part of the Great British Spring Clean (3rd–5th March 2017) Rushden Town Council is launching its High Street Improvement programme, phase one of which includes a deep clean of the High Street commencing at the end of January, followed by new floral planters, refurbishment of street furniture, the installation of new interesting interpretation boards and the introduction of a community wide project to bring the "pride back" to Rushden.

## Events in Rushden – 2017

A number of exciting events are already planned for Rushden in 2017, including:

- The Mayor's Civic Dinner – Friday 17th February
- St George's Day – Saturday April 22nd
- Rushden Party Week – Friday 30th June to Sunday 9th July
- Soap Box Derby – Friday 30th June (to be confirmed)
- Party in the Park – Saturday 8th July
- Proms in the Park – Saturday 2nd September
- Bark in the Park – Sunday 3rd September
- Rushden Fireworks Night – November

- Rushden Christmas Lights Switch On – Saturday 25th November

## Rushden Town Partnership

Rushden Town Council works closely with Rushden Town Partnership (RTP), a community organisation that was set up to develop a genuine and effective partnership with businesses and community groups in Rushden. Details of how businesses and organisations can join the partnership can be found at [www.rushdentown.org.uk](http://www.rushdentown.org.uk). RTP organise regular networking opportunities for local businesses and community groups. The next business networking meeting is scheduled as a breakfast meeting, 7 for 7.30am on Tuesday 24th January 2017 at Serve, 19 Church Street, Rushden.

Rushden Town Council are pleased to continue their support for local businesses through a Shopfront grants scheme. The scheme is open to all businesses who need help with the refurbishment of shopfronts up to a maximum of £500. To obtain further details please visit <http://www.rushdentowncouncil.gov.uk/> or contact the town clerk for an application form.

## Rushden Lakes

The construction of phase one of this exciting development is well under way and is looking to open in July of this year. This phase will be anchored by the retail stores House of Fraser, Marks & Spencer and Primark.

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## MAYOR'S AWARDS 2016-2017

Rushden Town Council is seeking nominations for the Mayor's Awards for Services to the Community for the year 2016/2017. The Mayor's Award is given to an individual for their work and commitment within the community of Rushden over a number of years. (Group nominations will not be eligible for an award.)

Please submit the name and address of nominees, together with details of the reason for their nomination, to the Town Clerk at Rushden Town Council, Rushden Hall, Hall Park, Rushden, Northants, NN10 9NG, or e-mail the Town Clerk at [info@rushdentowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:info@rushdentowncouncil.gov.uk). All nominations should be received by **Friday 24th February 2017.**



# Another triumph for Raunds Music Festival!

Following a terrific festival in early May, when the Saxon Hall was packed for some of the finest festival acts in the country, the Festival Committee ended 2016 by inviting the much loved Albion Christmas Band to kick off Christmas.

Veterans Ashley Hutchings and Simon Nicol (50 years on from forming Fairport Convention) were joined by Northamptonshire's Simon Care and the lovely voice of Kellie While.

Manor School Sports Hall was filled with beautiful Christmas music and festive

readings, to the delight of the packed audience and the band, who were "over the moon" with their reception in Raunds.

There will be no rest for the Festival Committee as their thoughts turn now to the 2017 Festival (27th-30th April). In keeping with the tradition of featuring many

different kinds of music, the Saturday Night Special dance will be headlined by The Swing Commanders – an exciting mix of 1940s classics, boogie-woogie, western swing, 50s jump jazz and more! The Festival will also welcome the hilarious Les Barker and The Askew Sisters,



who won the Spiral Earth traditional album award in 2015.

On Sunday the festival will close with two of the

UK acoustic/folk scene's finest singer-songwriters, Jez Lowe and Steve Tilston. They will be bringing their fleet-fingered musicianship

and songs of social injustice to 'Celtic Connections' in January and the organisers are proud to be able to bring them to Raunds.

## Council issues decision on supermarket sign

A planning inspector has agreed with councillors and officers that an illuminated totem sign outside a Rushden store must be removed as it is not in keeping with the visual amenity of the area.

Councillors and officers first raised concerns after receiving a planning application for two free standing six-metre high illuminated signs for the new Lidl store in Rushden.

The application was refused on the grounds that 'the proposed

advertisement would adversely affect the character and visual amenity of the area, including views into/out of the conservation area. The proposal is therefore contrary to national and local planning policies.'

Unfortunately, one totem sign was put up between

the committee making its decision and the decision notice being issued shortly after and so the council's enforcement officer served a notice to remove it. The planning decision and the enforcement notice were appealed against but on 12th December 2016 an inspector dismissed both

appeals and agreed with East Northamptonshire Council that 'the sign does harm the setting of the conservation area and the character and appearance of the surrounding area.' He also said that at 'an important and attractive entrance to the town and the conservation area... the totem stands out and...

looks incongruous and wholly out of place. It also seems to be over-large and dominant.'

Ward member, Councillor Barbara Jenney said: "We're really pleased that the planning inspector agrees that this sign is at odds with the area and agree that from certain angles, it dominates and is

out of place.

"Planning officers and councillors have worked hard to show how the sign harms the setting of the Rushden conservation area and the character and appearance of the area."

Planning officers are now in communication with Lidl to agree a date for removal of the sign.



## RSC win top visiting club third year running at the Northgate PB Buster

Rushden Swimming Club were winners of the Top Visiting Club at the Northgate PB Buster 2016 held at Wolverhampton Central Baths over the weekend of 26th-27th November. This was their third successive win of the award.

The meet is always a favourite for the club as it is a stay away meet for all age groups, so it is a good social event plus a great opportunity to achieve some great personal bests and qualifying times for

the Counties.

Thirty-five RSC swimmers attended the meet over the two days and medals were won spanning all age groups, with a total of 39 Gold, 23 Silver and 27 Bronze achieved overall.

Overall awards for Top Male/Female in each age group were also presented and RSC were winners in four categories: Tamzin Rowthorn (10 years), Mollie Chapman (11 yrs), Amber Bales (14/15 yrs) and Hannah Hawkins (16 yrs and over).

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**16/02370/FUL (04/02/2017) (Info)** Erection of stable building/implement shed (in lieu of field shelter approved under 14/01978/FUL) at Chapel Farm Barns The Green Ashton

**Benefield**  
**16/02221/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** First Floor Extension to rear of existing dwelling to form a bedroom and internal alterations to both ground and first floor together with proposed vehicular access and driveway at 37 Main Street Lower Benefield PE8 5AE  
**16/02425/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** To erect PVCU conservatory to rear of property at 14 Main Street Upper Benefield PE8 5AN

**Denford**  
**16/02412/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Conversion of loft to habitable room and provision of new first floor window to front elevation at Milton House High Street Denford NN14 4EQ

**Easton-on-the-Hill**  
**16/02390/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** Installation of external lighting and air conditioning units including a trellis compound and decking area at Easton House 54 Church Street Easton On The Hill  
**16/02410/REM (28/01/2017) (Info)** Reserved matters Siting, scale and appearance of the buildings and the landscape of the site pursuant to planning permission 10/01183/OUT dated 20.3.14 at land rear of 28 30 and 32 Western Avenue Easton On The Hill

**Fotheringhay**  
**16/02087/FUL (04/02/2017) (LBRegs)** Replace current lead roofs in lead. Including revised ridge detail and raising roof to provide ventilation at St Marys All Saints Church Main Street Fotheringhay PE8 5HZ

**Glaphthorn**  
**16/02399/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Change of use of redundant agricultural barns to a single residential dwelling and associated access at Barns Cotterstock Road Glaphthorn

**Great Addington**  
**16/02411/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Proposed single storey rear extension at The Spinneys Woodford Road Great Addington NN14 4BS

**Harringworth**  
**16/02127/VAR (04/02/2017) (LB/CA) (Info)** Variation of Condition 15 Application Reference Number: 16/00131/FUL Date of Decision: 24/03/2016 Condition Number(s): 15 Conditions(s) Removal: To amend the proposed approved drawing to show the shutters on the single storey barn east elevation as being fixed shut. To replace approved drawing no. 997 - 02f - Proposed Plans and Elevations with drawing no. 997 - 02g - Proposed Plans and Elevations at Lime Grange Wakerley Road Harringworth Corby  
**16/02366/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Construction of a single storey extension within rear garden area to create a Summer Room and additional Lobby/WC at 1 The Bungalows Wakerley Road Harringworth NN17  
**16/02439/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** Two storey extension,

replacement single storey extension and porch, partial loft conversion and internal alterations at The Old School House 40 Gretton Road Harringworth

**Hemington**  
**16/02402/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Construction of new porch to front elevation at Latham House Main Street Hemington PE8 5QJ

**Higham Ferrers**  
**16/02051/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Erection of a dwellinghouse at Riverside Park Wharf Road Higham Ferrers NN10  
**16/02417/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Two storey rear and side extension and single storey side extension at 44A North End Higham Ferrers NN10 8JB

**Irthlingborough**  
**16/02357/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Change of use to garden land; part removal of hedge and erection of 1.8m close boarded fence (resubmission of 16/01015/FUL) at 79 Gulliver Road Irthlingborough NN9 5GR

**Islip**  
**16/02345/OUT (04/02/2017) (Art8) (LB/CA)** Outline planning permission for development of up to 80 dwellings (Use Class C3), public open space, play area and associated works including means of access, with other matters (relating to appearance, landscaping, scale and layout) reserved at Field Opposite Playing Field Toll Bar Road Islip

**Kings Cliffe**  
**16/02292/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** Garden room extension to rear of house at 98A Wood Road Kings Cliffe PE8  
**16/02324/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Removal of a 17 metre high telecommunications monopole and installation of a 20 metre high telecommunications lattice tower and associated ground-based equipment cabinets within the existing fenced compound at T Mobile Communication Station Willow Lane Kings Cliffe  
**16/02349/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** Conversion and extension of existing detached garage to provide a two bedroom dwelling at The Old Wheatshaf 56 Park Street Kings Cliffe PE8 6XN

**Little Addington**  
**16/02305/FUL (04/02/2017) (Art8)** Residential development of 11 No dwellings and associated infrastructure including new highway access at land adjacent Meadowview OP1990 SP9673 Woodford Road Little Addington

**Nassington**  
**16/02382/VAR (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** Variation of Condition 3 to allow proposed alterations to approved plans and elevations pursuant to 16/01893/FUL - New detached dwelling dated 18.11.2016 To include proposed alterations to approved plan and elevations comprising additional 1 metre added to south side of building, rear single storey section increased in width by 500mm and 2 No small ground floor windows added on east elevation. Drawing references to be changed from 16.06/02A to 16.06/06 (Proposed Plans and Site Plan) and 16.06/03A to 16.06.05 (Proposed Elevations and Sections). At 38A Church Street Nassington PE8 6QG

**Oundle**  
**16/02090/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Erection of porch at 114 Glaphthorn Road Oundle

**16/02380/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** Single storey rear conservatory extension at 25A East Road Oundle PE8 4BX  
**16/02386/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Proposed new pitched roof conservatory enclosure on the back elevation of the chapel at The Chapel Stoke Doyle Road PE8 5TR  
**16/02434/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** New single garage at 67 Benefield Road Oundle PE8 4EU  
**16/02456/ADV (28/01/2017) (Info)** One hanging sign at The Coffee Tavern 34 Market Place Oundle PE8 4BE

**Polebrook**  
**16/02451/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** Single Storey rear extension at Pole Cottage Lutton Road Polebrook PE8 5LX  
**16/02452/LBC (04/02/2017) (LBRegs)** Single Storey Garden Room Extension and Landscaping at Pole Cottage Lutton Road Polebrook PE8 5LX

**Raunds**  
**16/02151/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Fit lantern roof to repair existing roof to rear of property ensuite shower-toilet room to dormer bedroom to rear of property (part retrospective) at 65 Butts Road Raunds  
**16/02351/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Demolition of existing carport and erection of single storey side and front extension, forming porch, new store, WC and study at 14 Nichols Way Raunds NN9 6SB  
**16/02431/VAR (04/02/2017) (Art8)** Variation of Condition 19 - Plans - Pursuant to Application Reference Number: 15/02095/FUL Development of foodstore with access, service area, car parking, petrol filling station, and landscaping at ASDA Store Michael Way Raunds NN9 6GR

**Ringstead**  
**16/02450/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Two storey rear extension to house and detached brick store in rear garden. at 24 Denford Road Ringstead NN14 4DF

**Rushden**  
**16/02358/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Residential development of six one bedroom apartments and one two bedroom dwelling including change of use from commercial to residential and demolition of outbuilding and barn at Site at 206 208 And 208A Wellingborough Road Rushden  
**16/02377/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Change of use from a building contractor's storage yard to a private car park for the nearby commercial/industrial units. This will involve hard surfacing, fencing and lighting at land between Sewage Pumping Station and Site D Crown Way Rushden  
**16/02384/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and replace with new four bedroomed detached dwelling at 165 Bedford Road Rushden NN10 0SA  
**16/02409/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Single storey rear extension at 5 Gravely Street Rushden NN10 9XH  
**16/02429/ADV (28/01/2017) (Info)** New illuminated logo and heritage vinyls installed to the existing shop front at Unit 15 South Terrace Rushden Lakes Rushden  
**16/02436/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Alterations to form a family room by converting existing internal double garage and the construction of a detached double garage to the front side of the existing house at 1 Meadow Sweet Road Rushden NN10 0GA  
**16/02437/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Proposed First Floor Extension at Unit 23 Norris Way Rushden NN10 6BP

**Sudborough**  
**16/02304/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** Change of use to residential garden land (C3) at The Round House Main Street Sudborough NN14 3BX

**Thorpe Achurch**  
**16/02408/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Proposed carport and tiled roof to replace existing flat roof over garage. Replace existing hanging tiles with oak shiplap cladding at Westerholme Lilford Road Thorpe Waterville

**Thrapston**  
**16/02420/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Demolition of existing rear conservatory and proposed erection of single storey rear extention at 7 Pembroke Close Thrapston NN14 4XJ

**Thurning**  
**16/02368/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** Proposed extension to the existing garage block, (fenestration changes and alternative wall finish to previously approved application 16/00865/FUL) at The Brambles Main Street Thurning PE8 5RB

**Titchmarsh**  
**16/02378/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** New garage and utility room (retrospective) at 16 Polopit Titchmarsh

**Twywell**  
**16/02318/FUL (04/02/2017) (Art8)** Erection of new farm buildings to include cattle building, machinery store and hay and straw store at Site 1020 Former Quarry Old Kettering Road Twywell

**Wadenhoe**  
**16/02392/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** Change of use of part of site from C1 to C3. Reinstatement of existing vehicle access including the removal of existing gates and the formation of an access drive with car parking and turning area at 24 Pilton Road Wadenhoe PE8 5SU  
**16/02393/LBC (04/02/2017) (LBRegs)** Removal of existing gates at 24 Pilton Road Wadenhoe PE8 5SU  
**16/02413/FUL (04/02/2017) (LB/CA)** Change of use from C1 wedding and conference centre to C3 dwellinghouse at Wadenhoe House Church Street Wadenhoe PE8 5SR

**Woodford**  
**16/02347/FUL (28/01/2017) (Info)** Demolition of existing conservatory, removal of existing render, installation of external insulation and timber cladding, revised roof design, replacement roof materials, and windows and erection of two storey rear extension at 75 Mill Road Woodford NN14 4HL

The reason for applications being advertised is as follows:  
**Part3 - Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 2015.**  
**Part16 - Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 2015.**  
**Info - Non-statutory - included for information only.**  
**LB/CA - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990.**  
**LBRegs - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990.**

Paul Bland, Head Of Planning Services  
Dated 14 January 2017



# Getting you back to health in Higham

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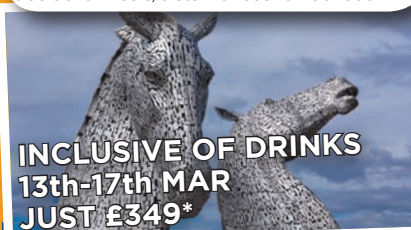
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# Advice Column

The Citizens Advice service is a network of charities, local and national, that between them provide advice to millions of people each year. Here, experts from Central and East Northamptonshire Citizens Advice provide answers to typical questions.

Readers willing to have their enquiry anonymously published (editor's decision final) can email Nene Valley News direct news@nenevalleynews.co.uk. Please mark such enquiries "Citizens Advice Column" in the subject.

**I use heating oil to power my home, but I'm struggling to cover the cost. It's hard for me to**

**cut my energy use to save money, as my daughter's asthma gets worse if I turn the heating down too low. Is there anything I can do to cut my bills?**

Households that use heating oil often struggle to cut their costs as they don't have the same ability to shop around as those who are on grid. They are also more commonplace in areas like East Northamptonshire,

where homes are also often a fair bit older and more difficult to heat. But there is action that you can take to cut costs and save money, without having to turn down the heating.

Stocking up on oil now, before temperatures start to drop, can help you to avoid the high costs of buying during the winter. The cost of oil is usually at its highest in December, January and

February, as extra demand can push up the price. Make sure you shop around for the best price and ask suppliers about flexible payment options if you struggle to pay the whole cost up front.

Joining an oil club is also a great way of saving money, as you can often get a better price by clubbing together with others and buying in bulk. This will also cut down the number of trips the oil supplier needs to make, which could reduce delivery costs and is better for the environment.

To see if there's an oil club in your local area, put your postcode into the oil club

map at [www.citizensadvice.org.uk/oilclubs](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/oilclubs). If you would like to set up your own club, CAB can help. Come into the bureau or visit the website to find out everything you need to know.

It's also worth checking whether there are any grants or discounts you are entitled to. A quick call to the Energy Savings Advice Service on 0300 123 1234 will help you get to the bottom of that.

By  
**Martin Lord**



**Central & East Northamptonshire**

## The 2016 Poppy Appeal in Higham Ferrers

The Higham Ferrers Branch of the Royal British Legion (H.F.RBL) saw great success in donations to The Poppy Appeal last year.

Let Col (Retd) Glenn Harwood MBE, Chairman of the Branch said: "The final amount donated by local people and businesses exceeded a fantastic £5,780. That is a superb amount for the local Branch to have raised and is nearly a 50% rise in last year's total. It also reflects the kindness and generosity of our local

residents who support the Poppy Appeal. Well done one and all."

Mr Andrew Evans, Poppy Organiser said: "Thank you to all who have donated, our volunteer collectors and all the local businesses and schools who kindly allowed collecting tins on their premises. Their sterling efforts have allowed serving

and ex-serving beneficiaries and their families to received assistance from the RBL."

Mr Joe Granfield, Higham Ferrers Branch Secretary said: "The Legion's role remains as contemporary and as vital as ever, not only supporting today's generation of Armed Forces families and veterans, but also locally we are looking forward to helping local people and projects.

"Our recent promotional 'Poppy Man' who was on display outside the Town Hall, was a resounding success. It played a major role in educating our local youth groups and in highlighting the role of the Royal British Legion in Higham Ferrers."

The branch 'Poppy Bowl Award', presented annually by the Branch to the group of local youngsters who, in the view of the Branch Committee, have done the most to promote and support the poppy appeal was this year awarded to Henry

Chichele Primary School (see insert). The School were overjoyed at receiving the award, which was presented at Rushden Bowls Club on 12th December.

Mrs Dee Newman (Deputy Head) said: "The staff and children of Henry Chichele Primary School are honoured to receive this award and certificate. The children all enjoy supporting our community, especially the British Legion. We uphold these values wholeheartedly."

The Bowl has been sponsored this year by Freightroute Ltd and J&P Fruit & Veg. The Branch is extremely grateful to them. If you are a local business and would like to be a future sponsor then please contact us.

For details on joining or helping the Royal British Legion as part of the Higham Ferrers Branch, please contact Mr Joe Granfield, Branch Secretary on: 07940 745594

## Your Health Matters

### 1. Whiplash at 0 mph?

"How's it possible?" I hear you ask. "Surely you need to be in a car accident to get whiplash?"

Actually, no, you don't need to be in a car accident to get whiplash. Plenty of people get whiplash from falling over, from falling off horses and from being knocked sideways.

But you're right, whiplash at 0 mph isn't common. The scenario I'm talking about is sitting at your desk. Ok, so it's not technically whiplash, but sitting at a desk without breaks can cause a lot of problems both in the neck and elsewhere in the body.

So what can you do to prevent it?

- 1. Take breaks.** The most important thing to remember is not to sit for too long. Even if you do none of the other things on this list remember this one. Whether you have the most expensive ergonomic chair available, or you sit on a dining room chair at your desk, sitting for long periods is not good for you. So don't do it.
- 2. Sit square to your computer, book or paperwork.** Don't twist to one side

to avoid the plate, pile of paperwork or cat sitting on your desk. Move the plate/paperwork/cat and sit straight (remember the cat goes on your lap; the plate in the sink, not the other way around.)

- 3. Mouse with the other hand.** If your arm aches change it to the other hand. It's not as hard as it sounds.
- 4. Don't curl up on the sofa with your laptop.** Curl up with the cat instead and only use your laptop at a table.
- 5. Take another break!**

**Top Tip: Give your neck and shoulders a break too. If they ache try rolling your shoulders around – it's like giving them a nice cup of tea.**

Have a happy, break-filled week!  
*Claire*

Claire Short is a Registered Osteopath, and runs The Ashgrove Clinic in Higham Ferrers. Send your questions to [claire@ashgrovehealth.co.uk](mailto:claire@ashgrovehealth.co.uk) or Tweet to @AshgroveClinic

## £1,000 fine for Rushden fly tipper

A woman from Rushden was fined over £1,100 recently for fly tipping in East Northamptonshire.

East Northamptonshire Council (ENC) was called to investigate a fly tip at Rushden's Goulsbra Road in November 2015.

Miss Chloe Bee also failed to return a Section 108 questionnaire, which is a legal requirement, in relation to the waste found, which included household waste, paper, cans, bottles and general rubbish.

Magistrates found Miss Bee guilty and ordered her to pay £1,126, made up of a

£660 fine, £400 costs and a £66 victim surcharge.

Waste Services Manager at ENC, Charlotte Tompkins, said: "The Waste Management Team work tirelessly to deal with incidents of fly tipping in the district. If you receive a request for information regarding an investigation, the best course of action is to complete the form with as much information as possible.

"Fly tipping is a crime that costs each and every

taxpayer. Make sure you don't unwittingly become a waste criminal by making sure you use a licensed waste carrier to remove ANY waste from your property."

For more advice about waste carriers go to [www.rightwasterightplace.com](http://www.rightwasterightplace.com)

Household waste can be taken to your nearest Household Waste Recycling Centre, managed by Northamptonshire County Council, or disposed of through your weekly bin collections.

Visit [www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/flytipping](http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/flytipping) to find out more about fly tipping and/or to report an incident.



# From the ENC Chairman

I hope that all readers of Nene Valley News enjoyed a Merry Christmas. We now look forward to the coming year.

I take this opportunity to record my appreciation for the work of my 39 Councillor colleagues.

In our two Policy Committees – Policy and Resources and Planning Policy – they debate and then decide on many issues. Planning Management Committee members have a quasi-judicial role in hearing and deciding on applications for planning permissions. Licensing Committee members sit in panels of three to hear and decide on applications for licences required for alcohol sales, related matters and taxi operators. The Scrutiny Committee reviews policy decisions ‘called in’, while the Governance and Audit Committee and the Joint Standards Complaints Committee’s roles are self-explanatory.

I also record my appreciation of the work

of our council’s officers – the professionals, who provide advice, without fear or favour, implement decisions taken and ensure that the work is properly done. While councillors, elected, are politicians, officers serve on the express basis that they are politically neutral in their work. This is the, considerable, strength of our British system.

Local government ensures that its statutory duties and general powers are the responsibility of councillors elected locally, close to their communities, with elections every four years.

Readers will appreciate that the work of the Chairman is very much ‘the tip of the iceberg’ with the rest of the work of the council done by his or her councillor colleagues. I chair the meetings of the full council – normally six

every year – which take the most important decisions, like the budget. At full council meetings I call the speakers and rule on points of order: so my role is like that of a referee. The rest of my work is ceremonial.

During the remaining months of my Chairman’s year I expect to raise more donations for my three Charities: the National Autistic Society; the Royal Anglian Regiment Benevolent Charity; and the Gurkha Welfare Trust.

I wish all in East Northamptonshire a happy 2017.

*Councillor Rupert Reichhold  
Chairman of East Northamptonshire Council*



## Adoption agencies join forces

Northamptonshire County Council has joined together with other local authorities and adoption agencies in the region to help find loving families for vulnerable children.

The new partnership is formed of 10 local authority and voluntary adoption agencies across the East of England, covering Cambridgeshire, Buckinghamshire, Bedfordshire, Norfolk and Northamptonshire.

The initiative supports the Government’s drive to speed up the time it takes to find adopters for children waiting for a family. In the future, approved adoptive parents will be able to find out more quickly about children who are waiting for a family across the whole region rather than just in their local area.

The agencies also hope it will help to recruit more adopters for children who often wait longer to be placed with a family,

including children who are part of a sibling group, or from a black or minority ethnic background.

Northamptonshire County Council cabinet member for corporate parenting Cllr Suresh Patel said: “This is an exciting opportunity for prospective adopters to find out more about the children across the region who are in need of a stable, loving home.

“By working in collaboration with our new regional partners, we can also increase the potential pool of adopters for the hundreds of children in need of a new home, while enabling partners to develop wider support services and share skills and resources.”

The group is hosting an information event on 4th February at the offices of Coram Cambridgeshire Adoption, for anyone who is interested in adoption. Please contact sally.beaumont@coram.org.uk for more details.

## Anything goes...

Cole Porter’s effervescent, escapist musical comedy Anything Goes opened on Broadway in 1934 with America in the throes of the Great Depression. In today’s comparatively egalitarian western world, the social divide on trains, planes and cruise ships is defined by First Class and Economy. Back then, the great ocean liners which provided the backbone of intercontinental travel had high society voyaging in luxury on the upper decks while the lower decks were crammed with desperate migrants investing every last penny in search of a better life.

Wellingborough Amateur Operatic Society’s Anything Goes is set on just such a liner named S.S. America. We think of it as Cole Porter’s show – he wrote both music and lyrics – yet the show’s original quartet of book writers also included another literary eminence, PG Wodehouse. We associate

Wodehouse with Jeeves and Wooster but in 1934 all that was yet to come. At that point Wodehouse had a string of hit musicals to his name, written with various collaborators, and only published his first comic novel that same year. Anything Goes was his last work for the musical stage.

Ethel Merman created the role of Reno Sweeney on Broadway. Wellingborough Amateur Operatic Society’s Reno is played by Johanna Beech.

This is a great show – one not to be missed!

Tickets from Castle Theatre Box Office, telephone 01933 270007 or online at [www.castletheatre.co.uk](http://www.castletheatre.co.uk)  
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# Former Deenethorpe Airfield set to become a Garden Village

The Government has announced that it will support work on a proposed 'Garden Village' at Deenethorpe Airfield.

The new village, including up to 1,500 homes, community facilities, shops, business premises and generous green spaces, would occupy part of the 600 acre airfield site located between the villages of Deenethorpe and Benefield to the east of Corby.

The Deenethorpe Airfield project is one of 14 schemes across the country that will share £6 million funding plus ongoing support from the Government's Homes and Communities Agency. This is to help East Northamptonshire Council work with the landowner (the historic Deene Estate) in preparing a detailed masterplan and delivery strategy. It will pay for extra staff capacity, specialist advice (such as design and viability) community engagement, and various studies.

The Leader of East Northamptonshire Council, Councillor Steven North, is delighted with the announcement of Government support: "This is an exciting project and it's great that the Government is backing it as one of the first new Garden Villages in the country. We have supported the principle of a new village for a number of years and,

with this Government funding, we can now work with the Deene Estate to ensure that the proposal is of the highest possible standard of design and sustainability and addresses concerns and opportunities identified by local communities."

Development Manager Aldred Drummond, speaking for the Deene Estate, has also welcomed the Government support: "The Estate has owned this land for over 500 years and is determined to use its landholdings and long-term stewardship to create a model for sustainable rural living, with exemplary standards of design and community facilities. The uniqueness of the site is its scale at over 650 acres, with around a quarter to be built on, which gives unrivalled potential for a true garden village with masses of green space. We are working closely with the Joint Planning Unit and East Northamptonshire Council in refining our masterplan and this funding, and the national recognition that comes with it, is a major boost."

The Council has set up a Garden Village Project Board, including representatives of the District, County and Parish Councils to

oversee the project.

The Chairman of the Project Board, Councillor Roger Glithero, is keen to emphasise the importance of local input: "The Project Board is already aware of some local concerns, including the potential impact of traffic to and from the development and pressures on local infrastructure. We have held a workshop with key technical stakeholders such as environmental bodies, the highway authority and providers public services, to consider the emerging Garden Village proposal. We have asked the Estate's

Consultation on a draft masterplan is scheduled to take place early this summer and could lead to a planning application later in the year. In the meantime, the Council is keeping the Parish Councils updated on progress and will provide information online at [www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/deenethorpegv](http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/deenethorpegv) Anyone wishing to register an interest in receiving information on the Garden Village proposals can do so by contacting the Joint Planning Unit by e-mail [info@nnjpu.org.uk](mailto:info@nnjpu.org.uk) or telephone 01832 742358.

team to address the matters arising from this initial work and will be actively seeking local views when a draft masterplan is available for consultation."



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### Monday 16th January Higham Ferrers W I Meeting

The Adult School, Westfield Terrace, Higham Ferrers  
2.15pm  
Jill Waller 01933 387073  
The speaker on the day will be discussing a Zulu village.

**Lecture by Mike Frost, Astronomical Historian**  
Chelveston Village Hall, Caldecott Road Chelveston NN9 6AT  
8pm. Visitors and Members welcome. £3 per person including tea/coffee and biscuits.  
Steve Williams 01933 650331 or email: [chilternastro@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:chilternastro@yahoo.co.uk) or Mrs Peta Jellis on 01933 356914 or email: [pej@petaj26.me.uk](mailto:pej@petaj26.me.uk)  
In 1894 the Royal Observatory Greenwich was blown up by a terrorist bomb. Why did this happen?

### Wednesday 18th January Vasara String Quartet performance

Great Hall, Oundle School  
6pm  
All welcome, no tickets required  
The Vasara Quartet was formed in September 2012 by students from the Royal College of Music in London.

**Wednesday 18th & 25th January  
Come and Try Archery  
Pemberton Maid Marion's Ladies Archery Club**  
Pemberton Centre, HE Bates Way, Rushden  
11am-12.30pm, £4  
Diane 01933 314032 or Nicki 395913

**Thursday 19th January  
Lunchtime Concert – GCSE fifth form performers**  
St Peter's Church, Oundle  
1.15pm  
Free admission / Lunch can be purchased for £3.50  
Concerts in this beautiful church setting in Oundle.

**RSPB Mid –Nene Local Group Indoor Meeting**  
Saxon Hall, Raunds  
7.30pm  
Admission £3, including tea or coffee. Children free  
Penny 01933 350404  
There will be a Illustrated talk on Undiscovered Norfolk by Chris Ward.

**Tiddlers Group for 0-3 year olds**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
9.30am-11.30am  
Friendly and welcoming with lots of toys and play equipment for the little ones to enjoy. £1 per carer – as many toddlers as you like!

**Friday 20th January  
Fusion for 7 to 11 year olds**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
6.30pm-8pm  
Lively and fun group with games, songs and bible based illustrations.

**Learn to Paint Open Studio Day**  
15 Carlow Street Ringstead  
NN14 4DN  
11am-3pm  
01933 460676  
If you have ever wanted to learn to paint, come along to this event and see how easy it is to paint with Chris, she will be demonstrating throughout the event.

**An Illustrated Talk on the Willow Brook**  
Methodist Church, Drummingwell Lane, Oundle PE8 4AA  
7.30pm, £2 per person  
Keith Alvey 01832 272666  
A talk on the Recovery of the Willow Brook by Barry Harbott.

**Wind and Brass Concert**  
Great Hall, Oundle School  
7.45pm  
All welcome, no tickets required  
Everyone is warmly invited to this concert of vibrant music-making.

**Rushden & District History Society**  
South End Junior School, Wymington Road, Rushden  
NN10 9JU  
7.30pm, members £1.50, non-members £2.50  
01933 350038  
David Fowler – The BBC and Glenn Miller.

**Saturday 21st January  
Learn to Paint Open Studio Day**  
15 Carlow Street Ringstead  
NN14 4DN  
11am-3pm  
01933 460676  
If you have ever wanted to learn to paint, come along to this event and see how easy it is to paint with Chris, she will be demonstrating throughout the event.

**Afternoon Tea and Entertainment**  
Hope Methodist Church, Linnetts Lane, Higham Ferrers NN10 8DE  
3pm, tickets £5  
Chris 01933 317719  
Entertainment and singing by Jenny Simmonds followed by afternoon tea. Everyone welcome.

**Concert by Belcanto All Ladies Choir**  
Rushden Salvation Army, Church Street, Rushden  
7pm, £7 on the door  
George Ellitson 01933 313106  
At the forefront of International Choirs and previous winners of Llangollen International Eisteddfod.

**Sunday 22nd January  
Whitefriars Church – Morning Worship with Holy Communion**  
Whitefriars Church at Whitefriars Junior School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX  
10.15am  
Chris Youngman 01933 551769  
An informal church service open to all.

**Morning Service**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
10.30am  
Preacher: Lewis Houston

**Learn to Paint Open Studio Day**  
15 Carlow Street Ringstead  
NN14 4DN  
11am-3pm  
01933 460676  
If you have ever wanted to learn to paint come along to this event and see how easy it is to paint with Chris, she will be demonstrating throughout the event.

**Ringstead Shared Church**  
NN14 4DA  
10.30am Morning Service and children's group –  
Revd Carol Murray  
6pm Evening Meeting –  
Revd David Shaw  
We would love to see you.  
[www.ringsteadsharedchurch.org.uk](http://www.ringsteadsharedchurch.org.uk)

**Wednesday 25th January  
Basic Brushstrokes Painting Class**  
Ringstead  
11am-1pm, £12 booking essential  
01933 460676  
Perfect your brushstrokes for Rosebuds & Violets. Two-hour class includes use of all painting materials.

**'Footprints in the Sand' by Nene Valley Choir**  
Hope Methodist Church, Linnetts Lane, Higham Ferrers NN10 8DE

7.30pm  
Free but donations welcome.  
Chris 01933 317719  
A musical evening followed by refreshments. Everyone welcome.

**Wednesday 25th –  
Saturday 28th January  
Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs**  
Queen Victoria Hall, Oundle  
7.30pm (Wed/Thu/Fri), 3pm & 7pm (Sat), admission fee: £10 (offers available)  
Oundle Box office: 01832 274734  
Traditional family pantomime featuring popular local actors and a live band.

**Thursday 26th January  
Basic Brushstrokes Painting Class**  
Ringstead  
11am-1pm, £12 booking essential  
01933 460676  
Perfect your brushstrokes for Sunflowers & Pansies. A two-hour class includes use of all painting materials.

**Lunchtime Concert – Upper Sixth cohort of academic musicians**  
St Peter's Church, Oundle  
1.15pm, free/lunch can be purchased for £3.50  
Concerts in this beautiful church setting in Oundle.

**Higham Ferrers Footpath Group**  
Hensman Hall, Higham Ferrers  
7.30pm, free  
01933 387991  
AGM with photos from our walks.

**Tiddlers Group for 0-3 year olds**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
9.30am-11.30am  
Friendly and welcoming with lots of toys and play equipment for the little ones to enjoy. £1 per carer – as many toddlers as you like!

**Friday 27th January  
Fusion for 7-11 year olds**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
6.30pm-8pm  
Lively and fun group with games, songs and bible based illustrations.

**Basic Brushstrokes Painting Class**  
Ringstead  
11am-1pm , £12 booking essential  
01933 460676  
Perfect your brushstrokes for Snowdrops & Tulips. A two-hour class includes use of all painting materials.

**Film: The Bargee (PG)**  
Ringstead Social Club, High Street, Ringstead  
Doors open 7.30pm film starts 7.45pm, tickets £5  
01933 460373  
Classic comedy film starring Harry H Corbett as the philandering bargee.

**Saturday 28th January  
Jane Hawking: From Fact to Film to Fiction**  
The Great Hall, Oundle School, New Street, Oundle  
7.45pm-8.45pm, tickets £8 (£6), £1 off early bird tickets bought before 21st January, Oundle Box Office 01832 274734, online at [www.oundlefestival.org.uk](http://www.oundlefestival.org.uk)  
Helen on 07743988181 or email [oundlelifestival@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:oundlelifestival@hotmail.co.uk)  
A fascinating chance to hear Jane speaking about her life with Stephen, her thoughts about the film, The Theory of Everything and about her latest book, Silent Music.

**Higham Ferrers Farmers Market**  
Market Square, Higham Ferrers  
9am–1pm

[Danielle@highamferrers-tc.gov.uk](mailto:Danielle@highamferrers-tc.gov.uk) or 01933 312075  
Good quality local produce including organic meat, poultry and eggs, vegetables, plants, olives, preserves and much, much more.

**Baby and Kids Nearly New Sale**  
The Pemberton Centre, Rushden  
10am-12noon,  
entrance £1, kids free  
Lots of preloved items (toys, clothes, DVDs, maternity clothes and equipment) at a fraction of the high street cost! To book a stall £10 please call 07577 701161 or email [karen\\_aves@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:karen_aves@hotmail.co.uk)

**Sunday 29th January  
Ringstead Shared Church**  
NN14 4DA  
10.30am Morning Service and children's group –  
Revd Dr Ted Hale  
6pm Evening Meeting –  
Revd Peter Eyre  
Come and share with us. [www.ringsteadsharedchurch.org.uk](http://www.ringsteadsharedchurch.org.uk)

**Whitefriars Church – Morning Worship**  
Whitefriars Church at Whitefriars Junior School, Boughton Drive, Rushden NN10 9HX  
10.15am  
Chris Youngman 01933 551769  
An informal church service open to all.

**Higham Ferrers Footpath Group**  
Saffron Road car park Higham Ferrers for car sharing  
9.20am, free  
01536 483687  
5.5 mile walk from Pertenhall.

**All Age Service**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
10.30am  
Preacher: Mat Hussain. Theme: Deborah & Barak.

**By Appointment  
Counselling & Listening Service**  
No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle, Northants PE8 4BG  
These services are free  
Marilyn 07936015965

**Housing, Benefits and Employment Advice**  
No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle, Northants PE8 4BG  
[office@oundlebaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@oundlebaptist.org.uk) or 01832 770010

**Half-Term  
All-age Touch Typing Club**  
9.30am-10.30am Mon-Fri  
Diane Gifford 07432 123 438  
Learn or Refresh your skill £15 course intro with coffee.

**Every Monday  
Titchmarsh Folk Dance Club**  
The Club Room, High Street, Titchmarsh NN14 3DF  
8pm-10pm, £1 inc tea/coffee  
Kev Prigmore 01536 514023/  
[titchmarshfdc@gmail.com](mailto:titchmarshfdc@gmail.com)

**Oundle Ladies Running Group**  
Oundle pool car park  
6.45pm  
Jane Walker 01832 272898/  
[janewalkercakes@icloud.com](mailto:janewalkercakes@icloud.com)

**Baggy pants Yoga**  
Studio 2, Pemberton Centre, HE Bates Way, Rushden  
10am-11am  
01933 382837/07873 743256/  
[carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com](mailto:carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com) £5 per session.

**Every Monday (term time)  
Praise and Play**  
St James' Church Thrapston  
1.30pm-2.45pm,  
refreshments available  
Anita 735443



**Aqua Aerobic Classes**  
Oundle School Swimming Pool, Milton Road, Oundle  
8.45-9.30am, £25 for 5 sessions  
01832 277208/277195

**Every Monday, Friday & Saturday (term time)  
Otters Swim School Lessons**  
Oundle School Swimming Pool, Milton Road Oundle  
Mon 3.55pm-6.10pm, Fri 3.55pm-6.10pm, Sat 8.30am-12noon, booked in advance as a block (£5.50 per lesson)  
01832 277208/277195

**1st Monday of the month  
Oundle Wives**  
Methodist Church, Oundle  
7.45pm, £3 refreshments/raffle  
01832 272178

**Oundle & District Royal British Legion Meeting**  
The Talbot Hotel, Oundle  
7pm  
Les Starks 01832 270073

**Every 2nd Monday (except January & August)  
Thrapston & District Royal British Legion Branch Meeting**  
The Thrapston Centre, High Street, Thrapston  
7.30pm  
Veronica McCurdy 01832 735206

**2nd Monday of the month  
Royal British Legion Rushden Branch Monthly Meeting**  
Rushden Football & Social Club, Hayden Road, Rushden  
7.15pm, annual fee £17  
Jake Baker 07525 441267

**2nd & 4th Mondays of the month  
StitChat**  
No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle  
1.30pm-3.30pm  
01832 770010/  
[office@oundlebaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@oundlebaptist.org.uk)

**Monday once a month  
Woodturning Club**  
Hardwick Village, Near Wellingborough NN9 5AL  
7pm-10pm  
Paul Lawman 01933 674260

**Every Monday & Thursday  
Oundle Bridge Club**  
Fletton House, Fletton Way, Oundle PE8 4JA  
7pm start  
01832 273044

**Every Tuesday  
Art Classes (10 weeks)**  
Knuston Hall, Knuston  
7-9pm, 10 Lessons £100  
Jamie 07899 676769  
Art Classes for beginners and advanced students.

**East Northants Classic Motorcycle Club**

New Inn Public House, Wymington  
Meet around 7.30pm

**Sling Walk**  
11am  
First Tuesday of the month there will be Sling Library at 10am prior to the walk. Second Tuesday meet at Rushden CC Hayway instead of Higham Ferrers. 01933 410112

**Rushden Mission Training Band**  
Mission Church, Wellingborough Road, Rushden  
7.30pm-8.45pm  
Alan Richardson 01933 355302

**Short Mat Bowls**  
Saxon Hall, Raunds  
1.45pm-4pm, £3  
01933 624545

**Yoga Class**  
Whitefriars Infant School, Boughton Drive, Rushden  
7.15pm-8.15pm, £5 per session  
Carole 07873743256/  
[carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com](mailto:carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com)

**Ringstead's Jolly Good Company**  
Ringstead Shared Church  
10am-11am, £4  
Music & Movement for over-55's.

**Every Tuesday (term time)  
Toddlers' Drop In**  
No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle  
9.15am-11.30am, free  
[office@oundlebaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@oundlebaptist.org.uk) or 01832 770010

**Tuesday Toddlers**  
No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle PE8 4BG  
9.15am, free  
Judith Brashaw on 01832 770010

**1st Tuesday of every month  
Great Companions (single people 55+)**  
Rushden Bowls Club, Northampton Road  
7-9pm, yearly membership £6  
Pat Bazeley 07931 964360

**2nd Tuesday of the month  
Tea Dance**  
Pemberton Centre, Rushden  
Dancing to 'Music Box'  
2pm-4pm, £3 per person including tea/coffee & cake

**Higham Ferrers Guided Tour**  
Groups of 6 minimum. Trained guides. Tea & cakes, optional.  
01933 411191

**Wildlife Trust Little Bugs Club**  
10am-11.30am, £1 per child (adults are free)  
Louise Tuffin 01604 774043/  
[louise.tuffin@wildlifebcn.org](mailto:louise.tuffin@wildlifebcn.org)

**50+ Adventure Club**  
For further information



01536 505548/www.fiftyplus  
northantsadventureclub.org.uk

**Every Tuesday & Thursday  
Health Walks Stanwick Lakes**  
10am-11am, free, car park  
charges  
01933 625522  
[www.stanwicklakes.org.uk](http://www.stanwicklakes.org.uk)

**Short Mat Bowls**  
Saxon Hall, Raunds  
1.45pm-4pm, £3  
01933 624545

**Every Tuesday,  
Thursday & Friday  
Whist Drive**  
Rushden Bowls Club  
Northampton Road, Rushden  
7.30pm, £2  
01933 313714

**Every Tuesday & Saturday  
Coffee Mornings**  
St James Church Thrapston  
10am-12noon  
01832 730019

**Every Wednesday  
Short Mat Bowls**  
Islip Village Hall  
2pm-4pm, £3  
01832 733154

**Tai Chi**  
Chelveston Village Hall  
2pm-3pm, £5  
Tai Chi for health, fitness and self  
defence. All ages (18+) welcome.

**Dog Training and  
Socialisation and Ringcraft**  
Halefield, Woodnewton,  
near Oundle  
Classes from 6.45pm  
01832 293432/oundledogs@aol.  
com/[www.oundledogs.co.uk](http://www.oundledogs.co.uk)

**Rainbow Cafe for Tots**  
(aimed up to 5 and their adults)  
Stanwick Lakes  
10.30am-12noon, £2.50 per child  
– car park charges apply.  
01933 625522/  
[www.stanwicklakes.org.uk](http://www.stanwicklakes.org.uk)

**Club Night**  
Apethorpe Tennis Club  
From 6pm

**Returners to Work**  
No.1 St. Osyth's Lane  
10am-12noon  
01832 770011

**Art & Craft Class**  
Oundle Rural Mind, 1 Herne Park,  
East Road, Oundle PE8 4BZ  
Irene Issitt – Manager  
01832 275020

**Inflatable Fun Session**  
Oundle School Swimming Pool,  
Milton Road Oundle  
5-6pm (May vary during school  
holidays), £3 adult & £2.25 child  
01832 277208/277195

**Cambridge First  
Certificate in English**  
The Old Town Hall,  
Market Place, Oundle  
9.30am-12.30pm, £25 per week  
01832 776336/  
[info@antlerlanguages.co.uk](mailto:info@antlerlanguages.co.uk)

**French Tuition**  
The Old Town Hall,  
Market Place, Oundle  
From 6pm, £25 per week  
01832 776336/  
[info@antlerlanguages.co.uk](mailto:info@antlerlanguages.co.uk)

**Ringstead's Beat Bugs**  
Ringstead Shared Church  
NN14 4DA  
2pm-2.45pm, £21/6-week session  
(£3.50 per week)  
Angela – [rbc-rsc@angeladavis.net](mailto:rbc-rsc@angeladavis.net)  
or 01933 622316  
Language, confidence, social skills  
through music, rhymes and  
puppets for mums and tots (6  
months to school age).

**Every Wednesday (term time)  
Community ICT Classes**  
Needham Building, Oundle  
School SciTec, Glapthorn Road,  
Oundle  
2.30pm-4pm

**Yr 7 & 8 Sports Club**  
Sports Hall, Milton Rd, Oundle  
7.45pm-8.45pm

**660 Club**  
Two Acre Club, off Milton Road  
2.15pm-3.45pm  
Afternoon tea and entertainment  
for 60+ hosted by Oundle pupils.

**Community ITC Classes**  
Needham Building, Oundle  
School SciTec, Glapthorn Road,  
Oundle  
2.30pm-4pm

**Allegra Singers –  
Three-part ladies choir**  
Music room, Sports Pavilion, Islip  
7.30-9.30pm, £3 per session  
Veronica 01832 732611/  
07753 472225

**1st Wednesday of the month  
Raunds Ladies Group**  
The Saxon Hall, Raunds  
8pm-10pm, Visitors £3.50

**1st & 3rd Wednesday  
of the month**

**Thrapston Country Dancers**  
St Johns Ambulance Hall  
2pm-3.30pm  
G Hearnden 01933 622827/  
[ghearnden@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:ghearnden@tiscali.co.uk)

**2nd Wednesday of the month  
Coffee Morning**  
Raunds Methodist Church  
10am-12noon  
01933 383378

**2nd & 4th Wednesday  
of the month  
Northants Model Makers**  
Windmill Primary School,  
Raunds NN9 6LA  
Main meeting starts 7.30ish  
First couple of meetings free  
Bob Humpage 07960 054405/  
[modelmaker@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:modelmaker@tiscali.co.uk)

**NWR – linking lively  
minded women**  
Dovedale, 1 Herne Park,  
East Road, Oundle  
7.30pm-7.45pm  
Carol 01832 270061 for more info.

**3rd Wednesday of the month  
Wellingborough Flower  
Arrangement Society**  
St Mary's Church Hall,  
Knox Road, Wellingborough  
NN8 1HU  
7.30pm, £5  
Chairman 01933 222326/  
Secretary 01604 870275

**Higham and Rushden U3A**  
Pemberton Centre, Rushden  
2pm-4pm, £2 for visitors  
Membership Secretary  
01933 418653

**4th Wednesday of the month  
Rushden Pensioners Forum**  
St Peters Church Hall,  
Midland Road, Rushden  
2pm-4pm  
Mary Morby 01933 312476/  
[e.m.m@btinternet.com](mailto:e.m.m@btinternet.com)

**Wednesday & Thursday  
Free Counselling**  
No.1 St. Osyth's Lane Oundle  
By appointment 0793 6015965

**Wednesday & Saturday  
East Northants Athletics Club**  
– 'Getting Kids Into Athletics'  
The Ferrers School, Higham Ferrers  
Wed 6-7pm, Sat 9-10am, £4 per  
session or Wed & Sat £7  
Graham Bufton 07788 698883/  
[grahambufton.ena@gmail.com](mailto:grahambufton.ena@gmail.com)

**Every Thursday  
Rushden Folk Dance Club**  
St Mary's Church Hall, Rushden  
8-10pm, first visit free, £2 thereafter  
Val 01933 387327

**The Silver Fox Woodturning  
Club**  
Dale End Scout Headquarters,  
Croyland Rd, Wellingborough  
10am-1pm, £2 all members  
Mick Webb 01933 682517

**Move to Health**  
No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle  
2.15pm-3pm  
[office@oundlebaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@oundlebaptist.org.uk)/  
01832 770010

**Thursday Drop-In**  
No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle  
10am-2pm  
[office@oundlebaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@oundlebaptist.org.uk)/  
01832 770010

**Enjoy Yoga**  
Whitefriars Infant School, Rushden  
7pm-8.30pm, £5 per session.  
Gill Hughes 01933 313494/  
[hughes-g17@sky.com](mailto:hughes-g17@sky.com)

**Little Ducklings Pre-School  
Stay & Play 'Tea & Tots' Sessions**  
1.30pm-3pm, £1.50 per family.  
01832 358085

**Short Mat Bowls**  
Wymington Memorial Hall  
1.45pm-4pm, £2 admission  
Mrs Smith 01933 355960

**Every Thursday (term time)  
Music Makers**  
Titchmarsh Pavilion  
9.30am-10.15am, £4 per child,  
£2 for siblings  
Naomi Cooper on  
[musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com](mailto:musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com)

**Music Makers**  
Joan Strong Centre, Oundle  
11.15am-12noon, £4 per child,  
£2 for siblings  
Naomi Cooper on  
[musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com](mailto:musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com)

**Little Treasures Tots Group**  
St Laurence's Church, Stanwick  
9.30am-11am, donations to cover  
costs  
Nicki 01933 625658

**Music Makers**  
Stanwick Village Hall  
2pm-2.45pm, £4 per child,  
£2 for siblings  
Naomi Cooper on  
[musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com](mailto:musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com)

**Community Art Classes**  
Oundle School Art Department  
7.30pm-8.30pm, free classes for  
people with a physical or learning  
disability.

**Coffee/Tea and Biscuits in the  
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St Mary's Church, Higham Ferrers  
10am-12noon, no charge just a  
donation to cover costs.

**Adult & Child Swim Sessions**  
Oundle School Swimming Pool,  
Milton Road Oundle  
9.15-9.45am, booked in advance  
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**3rd Thursday of the month  
Painting Class with  
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**Thursday Market Day  
No.1 Cafe - Free Drop-In**  
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**Every Friday  
Walk and Chat**  
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**1st Friday of the month  
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Stanwick Lakes  
10.30am-1pm, modest charge for  
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**Oundle Evergreen Club**  
2.30pm in the Victoria Hall for tea  
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Raunds Tea Dance**  
Saxon Hall, Raunds  
2-4.15pm, £3 (50p for raffle)  
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(members) includes refreshments

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**3rd Friday of the month  
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**1st Saturday of the month  
Coffee Morning**  
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Thrapston High Street  
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**2nd Saturday of the month  
Coffee 'n' Cakes**  
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**Oundle Farmers' Market**  
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**Messy Church**  
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Church Street, Rushden  
4pm  
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**Last Saturday of the month  
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Farmers' Market**  
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**Every Sunday  
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Rushden Mission Church**  
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Alan 01933 355302

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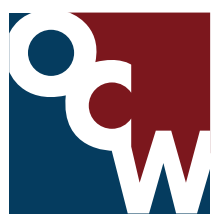
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**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during installation of a new water connection.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 30th January 2017 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

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Director of Law &amp; Governance

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If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604-883400.

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14****THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, TANSOR, WARMINGTON, FOTHERINGHAY, LUTTON, PILTON, THORPE WATERVERVILLE, HARRINGWORTH, FINEDON & IRTHLINGBOROUGH)****(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC & TEMPORARY NO WAITING) ORDER 2017**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding or waiting along those lengths of the various roads as specified in the Schedule below.

**REASONS FOR RESTRICTION:** The restriction is required for safety during patching, resurfacing and associated works.

**PERIOD OF CLOSURE:** The proposed Order will come into effect on 1st February 2017 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

**EXPECTED DURATION:** It is expected that the roads will be restricted for up to five days per location when signed.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES:** As specified in the Schedule below.

Dated this 14th day of January 2017

QUENTIN BAKER, Director of Law &amp; Governance

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**SCHEDULE**

Road Name	Termination Points	Alternative Routes - use
Cotterstock Road and Main Street, Tansor	From Oundle Road to Fotheringhay Road	Fotheringhay Road, Main Street, Woodnewton Road, Main Street and Oundle Road.
Fotheringhay Road, Tansor and Warmington	From Main Street to 30mph Signs	Main Street, Woodnewton Road, Main Street, Oundle Road, Cotterstock Road and Main Street.
Nassington Road, Fotheringhay	From Fotheringhay Road to Main Street	Main Street, Woodnewton Road, Oundle Road, Main Street, Apethorpe Road, Nassington Road, Apethorpe Road, Church Street and Fotheringhay Road.
Washingley Road, Lutton	From Main Street to County boundary	Glatton Road, Bullock Road and Lutton Road.
Oundle Road, Lilford Road, Pilton and Pilton Road, Thorpe Waterville	From Lilford Park to Wadenhoe Road	Wadenhoe Road, Pilton Road, Aldwincle Road, Wadenhoe Road, Main Street, Lowick Road, Islip Road, A6116, A14 and A605
Scotgate and Deene Road, Harringworth	From Laxton Road to Wakerley Road	Wakerley Road, Harringworth Road, Main Street, Duddington Street, A43, Laxton Road, Bulwick Road, Main Street and Laxton Road.
A6 Irthlingborough Road, Finedon and Finedon Road, Irthlingborough	From Nene Park roundabout to Obelisk Road	A45 and A14.



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# Chess Corner



## Krimbo Blitz

The holiday period saw the annual Krimbo Blitz fought out at Rushden Chess Club. This has become a tradition at the Club, with a Junior and Senior competition taking place.

First up were the Juniors, with seven players competing over six rounds. The results were very close but Julita Biernacka just pipped first place with a total of five points. Close behind came Gershon Lesly who managed to win four of his games, followed by Witold Biernacki, Oscar Childs and Shabnavee Jeffrey with three wins each. Chocolate based prizes were awarded to Julita and Gershon with all the competitors receiving goodie bags of chocolates.

The senior competition comprised twelve players competing over six rounds. James Gardner proved to be a worthy winner with



**By Derrick Sims**

a 1½ point lead over runner-up Richard Ellis. Bob Ellam and Tom Murts came joint third. The leading lady was Barbara Gray.

Xmas Chess Puzzle solution

1.Qxh6+ g7xh6 2.Be5+ Rf6 3.Bxf6#



Chess is a game for people of all abilities, disabilities, and lifestyles. Rushden Chess Club loves welcoming new members, so do come along to a meeting if you're interested in playing chess in a very friendly environment. The club opens most Mondays from 6pm for Junior players – for details please call the Club Secretary on 01933 625767, or visit the club website <http://rushdenchessclub.com>

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