

# Nene Valley NEWS

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#### Bridge update

A spokesman for Northamptonshire County Council tells us: "We are currently still in consultation over the introduction of a three tonne weight restriction on North Bridge Oundle. A working group will be set up to discuss the implications of the [...] prohibition on the traffic movements in the area with Oundle Town Council and the surrounding parishes. No exact date for the restriction being imposed at the moment..."

#### Ensuring a safe tournament

As the 2018 FIFA World Cup kicks off, police officers in Northamptonshire are working to ensure that football fans in the county can enjoy a safe tournament.

Chief Inspector James Willis, said: "Patrols will be out in key areas during the matches to respond to any incidents and people are encouraged to report anything or anyone they are concerned about via 101 or anonymously via Crimestoppers on 0800 555111."

# New public seating area officially opens in Raunds

On Saturday 26th May Cllr Lee Wilkes, Deputy Mayor of Raunds and Chairman of the Environment, Leisure and Recreation Committee, was delighted to officially open the Covered Seating Area on The Square in Raunds.

The facility will host a series of events during the year, including performances from local groups and bands, face painting and much more. The programme kicked off with performances from Different Direction Choir and Raunds Ukulele Orchestra.

Cllr Wilkes said: "It's wonderful to see The Square being used as a real community space. We hope this will help bring our residents together, it's somewhere where our local groups and clubs can perform and raise funds and also a place just to meet friends and take a seat."

After the event, Different Direction Choir posted a video from the event on Facebook and said: 'We were delighted to be the very first group to perform in Raunds' new covered seating area. Fantastic weather and a lovely opening speech. Thank you to all who came, supported or worked so hard to be a part of

it!'

A local resident attending the event said: "It's great to finally have a focal point in the town for community activities."

The Covered Seating Area, which has been fully funded through grants and contributions from local developers, is part of a wider plan to make improvements to The Square. These include the introduction of planters, a digital noticeboard and new play equipment. All the works will be completed during the summer.

Following the opening, Raunds Community Choir led a singalong on The Square on Tuesday 29th May.

A council spokesman said: "If any other groups or clubs would like to use the space then please do get in touch with us at the council offices, we would be happy to assist and can provide a PA system for your performance. We look forward to hearing from you!"



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## A midsummer sleepout at Barnwell Country Park

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Beginning at 6pm, you will explore the park, partake in some nature activities and at dusk prepare your camp (bivvy bags, small tents or bivouacs) and wait for the wildlife. The next day, you can enjoy an early morning walkabout followed by

breakfast at 6am.

Participants will need to bring one of the above camping options, warm clothes, sleeping bag, mat and eating utensils (plate, bowl, mug and spoon).

Prices are as follows: £12.50 per adult, £7.50 per child (under 16). The maximum group size is 6 and the price includes activities, bedtime hot chocolate, dawn breakfast and the opportunity to camp in controlled surroundings with toilet facilities and a

night watch service. The £3 compulsory car park fee payable at the park is not included. All monies go to Friends of Barnwell Country Park and are reinvested in the park.

"We believe that if the next generation feel connected to nature, they will be more inspired to help fight for its future – the future of places like Barnwell Country Park."

For further details and to book, please contact Claire Faulkner – 07951 128903 or [clairemfaulkner@me.com](mailto:clairemfaulkner@me.com)

## Genealogy jottings

It is very easy to fall into the trap that census returns were completed purely for the benefit of the family historian and then get rather put out if the information contained therein does not live up to expectations.

It was developed to analyse population numbers and thus provide a better understanding of socio-economic changes.

The first modern census was carried out in 1801 and then every 10 years from then on – with the exception of 1941, when Britain had other things to deal with. Those early censuses were just used for statistical data and were subsequently destroyed – apart from just a few. I have an 1821 census record for East Hoathly in Sussex, where my several times great grandfather was living. It does actually provide his name and age, along with other members of his family, but the fact that it has survived is pure luck! Contact the local county archive for the area that you are researching and they will tell you what exists for that county.

Make sure that you have a list of the dates handy on which the censuses were taken. If you have an ancestor who was aged 12 in

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1881, the temptation is just to subtract the 12 from 1881 and say that he was born in 1869. However, this was not necessarily the case. The 1881 census was taken on 3rd April. Therefore, your ancestor could have been born any time from 4th April 1868 to 3rd April 1869 and still be aged 12. However, sometimes the person completing the return could think, "He will be 12 later this year, so I'll put that". Not helpful, these ancestors!

So, when searching for birth records, always check a couple of years either way. Don't forget, though – the enumerator's instructions for the 1841 census was to round the age down to the nearest five years for anyone aged 15 and over, so a person aged 24 could appear as 20. Hint: if there could be children under the age of 15 in a family, search for them as the age is likely to be more accurate.

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## Editor's notes

You may have noticed the short update from Northants County Council (NCC) on the Oundle north bridge on our front page. Again, unofficially the process appears to be grinding along exceedingly slowly but a realistic timescale – to sort traffic lights, a width restriction on the bridge, re-routing heavier vehicles, plus a one-way system around the town – appears to be in the region of two years, and that's assuming funds can be found. One wonders how many local businesses which have started up or otherwise invested in the town over the past four years might have a legal case against the County Council because they did not come clean about the problem when it first came to light.

There is an opportunity for local residents to engage in the important debate about the two unitary authorities structure being imposed upon us after the failures at NCC. Undoubtedly, there are savings to be had from the centralisation of services, although this solution flies in the face of the previous Conservative government's enthusiasm for localism and the devolving of service provision to the lowest possible level. However, the real test of whatever solution we get will be its ability to manage its affairs in a business-like fashion, without repeating the traumas induced by County Council,

and with sufficient governance to ensure that the £10.25m apparently "lost" by Northampton Borough Council around the development of the town's football ground never happens again. You can get involved by visiting the ENC website at [www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/news](http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/news).

At least the Women's Tour has brought some tangible benefits to Rushden High Street, with potholes being repaired ahead of the event. Cynics have suggested that the repairs have been done only because some of the world's top female cyclists would be riding along this stretch of road but Northants County Council has said the High Street was already on its schedule for repairs and had not been fast-tracked for completion because of the high-profile event. A spokesman for the County Council said: "There were a number of roads in Rushden that were already on our schedule for inspection. We are currently running a pre-emptive repair trial where we seek to complete more whilst on site and this is taking place during June across the county including the Rushden area. The trial is being run to help make the best use of our resources and to address potholes and other road defects as quickly as possible."

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# Joint exhibition

A Joint exhibition by Irthlingborough brothers Mark and Glyn Pacan at Chichele College, Higham Ferrers will feature paintings and photography. Mark is well known internationally for his hot air balloon paintings. His love affair with hot air balloons began at the age of 14 after chasing the colourful craft across the Northamptonshire countryside. Since then he has gone on to

produce artwork for the biggest balloon fiestas in the world. After a trip to the Maasai Mara reserve in Kenya six years ago Glyn became interested in photography and on his return attended photography night classes before joining Rushden & District Photographic Society. Glyn can often be found on the Wildlife Trust's Northants reserves as a volunteer and photographer. On display will be some of Mark's

most popular images he has created during his 35-year career as well as his latest work, while Glyn is focusing on the Nene Valley scenery and its abundant wild and plant life as his main theme. Prints, posters, greetings cards and postcards will also be on sale.

At Chichele College, Higham Ferrers, Northants, 16th-24th June. Open daily 10-5pm. Admission free.



# Celebrating Kings Cliffe Community

The Kings Cliffe Parish Council has been successful in securing a grant from the Big Lottery Awards for All fund for a summer promotion of participation in the activities of the various village groups and organisations under the banner 'Celebrating Kings Cliffe Community'.

There are a good range of groups across the village organising activities for all, covering culture, sport, history and the environment.

The purpose of 'Celebrating Kings Cliffe Community' is to do exactly that: celebrate what a great village it is and to promote the great range of activities available to be sure that all residents, and also

residents in adjoining villages are aware and can come together to enjoy taking part.

Information about the range of events will appear in the different organisations' publicity both printed and electronic, including on the Kings Cliffe Community facebook page in the next few weeks. This will highlight the broad range of activities and everyone is invited to get involved.

'Celebrating Kings Cliffe Community' currently includes KC Heritage, KC Gardeners Association, KC Players, KC Endowed School, Transition KC Wildplaces, KC Active, The Club, The Church, Underground and The Memorial Hall.

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# Council celebrates a double award-winning technical achievement

At the Exemplar Awards 2018, which took place on Thursday 10th May at Edgbaston Cricket Club in Birmingham, East Northamptonshire Council was presented with a Gold Performance Award in recognition of the management of its address information database. The council were also named as best in the whole of East Midlands too.

Improving public services and overcoming the challenges of data sharing is a key focus for councils. The awards highlight best practice in local authorities using land and property and street information to tie different services from across the council together, to give a 'property level view of services'. Good data is critical in all of this. Without accurate, current and well-maintained data many of these challenges simply won't be solved.

Local councils have a statutory requirement for street naming and numbering and are the source for the millions of address records of every residence and business in the UK. Addresses are invaluable to our economy and our public services.

The Gold Performance Award for Address Data is given to authorities that have reached and maintained the very highest standard in national tests on data excellence and supply of regular updates to the national hub, which manages receipt of address data from all authorities in England and Wales.

Cllr Steven North, Leader of East Northamptonshire Councils says: "This is a great achievement for everyone involved with the project at East Northamptonshire Council and reinforces our commitment to providing services of which we can be proud."

# Drug and alcohol rehabilitation services will be there for Northampton's addicts

East Northants Community Service (ENCS), a hub of vital services for vulnerable people in Northamptonshire run by East Northants Faith Group, will receive £65,908 from Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales to support its substance addiction rehabilitation service.

Residents of Recovery House follow a six-month, 12-step programme, after which they move to a 'dry' aftercare house and return to normal life, free from the burden of life-controlling addictions. The programme's success is clear: 80% of ex-residents did not use drugs or alcohol within a year of leaving the dry house.

The grant from Lloyds Bank Foundation will fund Recovery House's Project Manager, who makes sure that participants receive all the support they need, from reconnecting with family and reducing debts to finding meaningful ways for former addicts to re-

integrate back into the community without falling back into damaging habits.

Drug addiction in Northamptonshire verges on double the national average and alcohol addiction is more prevalent too, meaning Recovery House and the other services provided by ENCS are vital to the community.

East Northants Community Service is one of five charities in the East Midlands supported in Lloyds Bank Foundation's latest funding round, which awarded £287,873 across the region, tackling issues such as domestic abuse, housing and training for those seeking employment.

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# Have your say on changes to councils in Northamptonshire

Residents, businesses and other stakeholders in Northamptonshire are invited to have their say on a re-structure of local government in the county.

The invitation follows a Best Value Report on Northamptonshire County Council (NCC), which concluded that NCC's financial, cultural and structural problems could not be solved in isolation and recommended that plans be developed for two unitary authorities.

All eight authorities in Northamptonshire have been asked by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government

to submit a proposal that meets the following criteria:

- A single countywide unitary is explicitly excluded as an option
- Each new proposed authority must have a population substantially in excess of 300,000
- The proposal must be based on existing council boundaries

Formal consultation on the draft proposal will run for six weeks until 24th July 2018. All details will be published on each council's website and in the local press.

# Wildlife news

Alongside our little garden pond we have a sign reading "FROG parking only; all others will be TOAD"; whether you like puns or not this reminds us of some reptiles which we might find in both garden and countryside. Telling them apart is a fairly common question, usually as the creatures try to get away from clumsy humans trampling around; after all, that could lose them their next insect meal.

One immediate clue is how they try to escape. Frogs have long and muscular legs, so they can leap from place to place, often unexpectedly, but toads are not as athletic and crawl slowly but purposefully to their destination; that does not mean they are weaker than frogs, and if you ever hold one – carefully, please! – their strength shows as they try to push out. That leads to a second difference: their skins are by no means alike. Frogs look, and are, slippery, quickly sliding through attempts to hold them, but toads have a warty appearance and lack the sliminess of frogs. In simple terms, frogs look wet on the outside, and toads do not.

They all need water to lay eggs (spawn) in spring, but during summer frogs look for wet places to live while toads wander off to a protected spot, and may not even look for water again until next spring; living in and out of water brings the name amphibian.

Those spots also suit slugs and snails, fine for toads in particular because they control numbers of those pests and reduce the damage which disappoints so many gardeners. So here is another animal for the list of welcome visitors; frogs probably less with their greater need for water. In coming weeks tadpoles of both frogs and toads will have grown large enough (and changed shape) to climb out of the water; I have seen two or three in the garden, different sizes, so not this year's babies. Records of toads passing 50 years of age are unusual, but any you see may be starting their breeding life (five years or more); they are not everyone's favourite animals but protection in our gardens can be rewarded by the pest control they bring with them.

By Roy Burrell



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- 100 dwellings and over
- residential development of 3ha or over if number of dwellings not known
- 1000 square metres of floor space or over
- commercial/industrial development of 1ha or over if floor area not known
- would, in the council's opinion, alter the overall character of the locality by means of scale, use or visual appearance
- would, in the council's opinion, be sensitive due to substantial demolition in a conservation area
- would, in the council's opinion, be sensitive due to development next to a listed building

For more information on "significant" planning applications, visit [www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/dcnotification](http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/dcnotification).

### Barnwell

**18/00405/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Change of use to ancillary accommodation (Retrospective) at 1 Brook Lane, Main Street Barnwell PE8 5PW

**18/01020/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Change of use of Grade II Public House garden to a children's playground at The Montagu Arms, Main Street Barnwell PE8 5PH

### Benefield

**18/01035/FUL (07/07/2018) (LB/CA)** Erection of detached dwelling with means of access from Main Street at land between Winward and 40 Main Street Upper Benefield

### Brigstock

**18/00555/FUL (07/07/2018) (LB/CA)** Proposed extension to existing garage to provide stables for private use at Rose Villa 6 Sudborough Road Brigstock NN14 3HP

**18/01073/VAR (30/06/2018) (Info)** Variation of condition 11 (passing bays) pursuant to planning application 15/01130/FUL: Conversion of redundant farm buildings to 8 No. artisan studios/workshops and 1 No. two-bedroom holiday let dated 13.08.2015 at Chase Farm Dusthill Road, Brigstock

### Duddington with Fineshade

**18/00744/FUL (07/07/2018) (LB/CA)** Conversion to an independent dwelling at Gardeners Cottage High Street Duddington PE9 3QE

**18/00964/FUL (07/07/2018) (LB/CA)** Replacement external door to porch, new window opening and replacement windows at The Royal Oak Public House And Gardeners Cottage High Street Duddington

### Easton-on-the-Hill

**18/00973/FUL (07/07/2018) (LB/CA)** Single storey side and rear extension and canopy to front elevation at 35 Church Street Easton On The Hill PE9 3LL

### Higham Ferrers

**18/00743/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Proposed porch to front of property and garden room in enclosed rear garden at 39 Larkin Gardens Higham Ferrers NN10 8PE

**18/00937/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** A front porch which will include a downstairs WC at 4 Elm Walk Higham Ferrers NN10 8HE

### Irthlingborough

**18/00685/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Plan to reinstate the bridge by installing a new bridge deck and guard rails over existing steel girders. Bridge will carry pedestrians and light vehicles at Higham Gravel Pits Northampton Road Rushden

**18/01009/OUT (07/07/2018) (Art8) (LB/CA) Outline:** Residential development of up to 49 dwellings (All matters reserved except access) at land East Of Addington Road Irthlingborough NN9 5ST

**18/01025/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Sub-division of land to the rear of 103 High Street and erection of a pair of semi-detached (2 No.) bungalows with new access from Straws Close at Former Garages rear of 103 High Street, Irthlingborough NN9 5PU

### Kings Cliffe

**18/00998/FUL (07/07/2018) (LB/CA)** Removal of front garden wall to the west of dwelling to allow for new parking space and new access to the Highway at 2 Bridge Street Kings Cliffe PE8 6XH

**18/00999/LBC (07/07/2018) (LBRegs)** Proposed removal of front garden wall to the west of dwelling to allow for new parking space at 2 Bridge Street Kings Cliffe PE8 6XH

### Lowick and Slipton

**18/00544/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Proposal to drop the kerb at the property to create access for off road parking at 32 Drayton Road Lowick Kettering NN14 3BG

**18/00845/VAR (07/07/2018) (LB/CA)** Variation of condition 4 pursuant to planning application 15/01997/FUL: Single and two storey rear extensions dated 15.12.2015

Condition Number(s): 4  
Conditions(s) Removal: Amendments required to rear aspect to allow for lift installation  
Changes to plan and rear elevations: reference to drawing numbers 13.1020/04B, 05 & 06 and replacement with drawing numbers 13.1020/04C, 05A & 06A at Sten Beren Main Street Lowick NN14 3BH

### Nassington

**18/00891/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Demolition of existing building and construction of new cricket pavilion at Cricket Pavilion, Fotheringhay Road, Nassington

### Oundle

**18/00687/FUL (07/07/2018) (LB/CA)** Erection of rear two story extension and remodelling works to external elevations at 81 South Road Oundle PE8 4BP

**18/00766/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Single storey front extension at 25 Clifton Drive Oundle PE8 4EP

**18/01000/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Conversion of detached double garage to granny annexe at 3 Oak Close Oundle

### Polebrook

**18/01054/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Two storey front and single storey rear extensions with new render finish and new window/doors including rear balcony and minor amendments to openings at Correlglen Lutton Road Polebrook PE8 5LX

### Raunds

**18/01003/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Convert garage to create a bedroom/shower room and pitched roof over new porch and existing flat roof at 24 Orwell Close Raunds NN9 6SG

**18/01040/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Two storey front and side extension at 26 De Ferneus Drive Raunds NN9 6SU

### Rushden

**18/00700/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** The proposal is to convert some derelict unkempt land into residential garden (retrospective) at 12 Bamburgh Close Rushden NN10 0TD

**18/00949/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and replace with new four bedroom detached dwelling (Application showing revised location for replacement dwelling, previously approved under

16/02384/FUL: Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and replace with new four bedroom detached dwelling dated 30.01.2017) at 165 Bedford Road Rushden NN10 0SA.

**18/00961/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Replacement of all timber framed single glazed windows to front elevation with Upvc framed double glazed windows. Replacement front/porch door (under balcony) at 155 Wellingborough Road Rushden NN10 9TB.

**18/00970/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Demolition of existing outbuilding to rear of property and erection of single storey rear extension at 26 Moor Road Rushden NN10 9SP

**18/00987/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Alterations to parking area and building accesses and a new ATM at The Viking Public House Grangeway Rushden NN10 9JE

**18/01010/FUL (07/07/2018) (LB/CA)** Erection of 4 No. dwellings at 48 High Street South Rushden NN10 0QX

### Stanwick

**18/01012/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Removal of rear conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension; erection of detached garage; alterations to windows in front dormers (revised scheme to 18/00383/FUL) at 16 Alfred Street, Stanwick NN9 6QT

### Thrapston

**18/01051/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Replacement of garage door from up-and-over white metal door to 2 side-hinged steel doors in 'Anthracite Grey' at 40 Station Road Thrapston NN14 4RW

### Thurning

**18/01047/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Replacement of detached garage at The Bungalow Main Street, Thurning

### Warmington

**18/01056/FUL (30/06/2018) (Info)** Single storey rear extension at 26 Stamford Lane Warmington

**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 16 June 2018**

Consultation deadlines will differ for each application. Please go to [www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/planningapplications](http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/planningapplications) for details.

## Let's Co-operate

Staff from the High Street Co-operative store in Higham Ferrers have been busy working in the community.

In liaison with the Town Council, the Co-op staff volunteered their time in the cemetery. They sanded down the wood and metal work on the public seats and have started to give them a new lease of life with a lick of paint. Some of the older and unattended graves in

the cemetery have been weeded and tidied.

The Town Council are grateful to Jug Hoggs, the Branch Manager, and her staff, for their time and hard work and hope they will continue with their volunteer work in the town. The Co-op are keen to help in the

community and have a membership scheme that earns rewards, not just for the customer, but also community groups.

To find out more about the membership scheme and how you can help the community call into the store and ask a member of staff about the scheme.



# Nemo goes on tour

A unique theatrical water instrument is touring Nene Valley, thanks to Nenescape, as part of a project to collect stories about the local area.

The fantastical, three-metre long creation named Nemo is making its way around the Nene Valley, giving people the chance to get inspired and find out how it came to

be made.

Nemo was built in late 2017 by the imaginative team at Festive Road in Milton Keynes, who were commissioned by Northamptonshire Music

and Performing Arts Trust (NMPAT) to create a water instrument to feature in their performances of a specially-composed piece of music called 'Nene'. Composer and former NMPAT pupil

Benjamin Till wrote the 25-minute piece after walking the length of the river from Badby to Wisbech, collecting inspiration from its sights, sounds, smells and history. Nene was performed at three concerts as part of NMPAT's Big Sing programme and Nemo accompanied more than 1,200 young musicians at concerts in the Royal Albert Hall, Dergate in Northampton and Peterborough Cathedral. This provided an impressive launch of the Nenescape Landscape Partnership Scheme, a five-year Heritage Lottery funded project to celebrate and look after the River Nene.

Nemo was played onstage at all three concerts by pupils from the Reach for the Stars group, run by NMPAT, which encourages pupils of all abilities to get involved in music-making. By operating a series of levers, cranks and handles, Nemo recreates the sounds of the river by cascading water, dripping and splashing through bucket



wheels and paddles. Hidden amongst the cogs and mechanisms are frogs, reeds and fish, worked in metal.

Thanks to their many partners, Nenescape has the great pleasure in taking Nemo on tour and helping to collect more 'voices' of people living, working and spending time in the Nene Valley. The tour will take in several locations along the river, including the Wildlife Trust's Nene Wetlands visitor centre at Rushden Lakes, Nene Park in Peterborough, Abington Park Museum in Northampton and Stanwick Lakes, where visitors will be

able to see the beautifully-worked details of Nemo for themselves.

Nenescape welcomes involvement from anyone with an interest in the wildlife, heritage and landscape of the Nene Valley, and is particularly keen to collect contributions from people with stories or memories about the river to support a digital storytelling project using the voices of 900 people. Please visit [www.900voicesofthenene.co.uk](http://www.900voicesofthenene.co.uk) to contribute a story or contact Alison Cross at [alison@nrnp.org](mailto:alison@nrnp.org) for more information.

For further information, including dates and locations of Nemo's tour, please visit the Nenescape website at [www.nenescape.org](http://www.nenescape.org) and stay up to date with social media @nenescape.

## New property sales, lettings and management agency

A new property sales, lettings and management agency has opened an office in Oundle.

Aspire covers the Oundle and Thrapston area, as well as the surrounding villages in East Northamptonshire. It employs forward thinking and progressive property experts who strive to achieve the highest standards in the most cost-effective manner, offering both exceptional value for money and total transparency in the context of their fees.

Proprietor, Emily Hannan, has nearly two decades of experience in property management across the country and decided to open the office after a few

years working from home in Barnwell, in order to provide the holistic service many of her clients want. In addition to charging sensible rates, Emily believes she is able to differentiate her business because of her attention to detail and ability to help clients in all circumstances understand how best to solve their housing concerns. As examples, the company's fees are just 0.75% (0.9% incl VAT) on sales and 7% (8.4% incl VAT) on lettings.

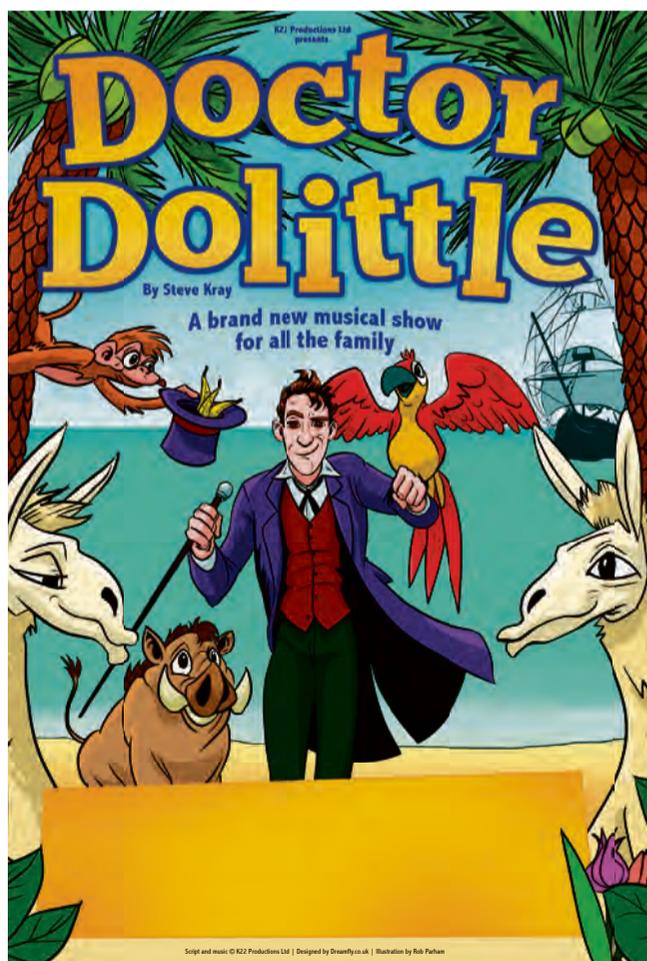
Aspire's smart new offices are located at 2 St Osyths Lane; you can find out more about their services on their website [www.aspiresalesandlettings.com](http://www.aspiresalesandlettings.com)

## Doctor Dolittle at the Castle Theatre

This summer, the whole family can be entertained by Doctor Dolittle, a very special doctor who can talk to animals, at Castle Theatre, Wellingborough. This brand new musical, which features amazing puppets and lots of audience participation, takes place on Saturday 7th July, 2.30pm.

Doctor John Dolittle is not a normal run of the mill doctor; he was once but he really did not like his patients – they could be quite difficult! Also, he discovered something amazing, fantastic and downright wonderful about himself: he had the ability to talk to and understand animals!

Doctor Dolittle stars Andy Pierce, who has recently appeared on BBC One's All Together Now as one of 'The 100' judges alongside 99 other music professionals including Geri Horner.



Tickets for this afternoon of family entertainment are priced £10 and can be purchased by calling the Box Office on 01933 270 007 or online at [www.castletheatre.co.uk](http://www.castletheatre.co.uk). Doctor Dolittle is suitable for ages 7 and over.

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# Celebrations for Kettering day nursery

**There have been celebrations at Windermere Day Nursery in Kettering as its company, Childbase Partnership, has been named 'Best in Europe'. It beat 112,000 companies in 34 countries to a prestigious European Business Award in Poland.**

**D**escribed as 'the gold standard for business excellence' and commended for its creativity, innovation, and impressive respect for employees, Childbase Partnership received the Chairman's Selection Award.

Representing the UK in the finals and collecting the award were Childbase Partnership employee owners, Dagmara Lamont, Recruitment Compliance Officer, and Jade Uko, Marketing Analyst and External Relations Officer, who said: "We are only

two of 1,800 employee owners who celebrate all our successes together and share our profits. Tonight we are all celebrating this amazing award."

Philip Forrest, Chairman of Judges, numbering over 100 for the whole competition, said: "Childbase Partnership presented a unique Employee Owned Business model in a sector dominated by many, many traditional methodologists.

"Their ethical and sustainability record, and impressive respect for their employees,

has been equally matched by their creativity and innovation resulting in an organisation rated extremely highly by independent government assessors.

"This has given them a steady business expansion matched by consistent profit performance across multiple operations right across the nation."

Mike Thompson, Founder and Chairman commented on the flurry of recent business awards: "We take great pride in the fact that each and every Childbase Partnership employee is an owner with a voice and the power to effect positive change in their company. That voice, the only one that matters in competition and at awards ceremonies, was clearly evident in the passion, knowledge and pride demonstrated by the team when talking about their company."



## 150 years of wedding dresses in Cotterstock church

**O**n Saturday 30th June and Sunday 1st July from 11am-5pm wedding gowns dating from 1870 to the present day will be on display in St Andrew's Church, Cotterstock PE8 5HD.

The 27 dresses will be presented on mannequins with veils, shoes, good luck tokens, photographs and jewellery and, amazingly, the organisers have a dress from every decade.

Visitors will receive a programme which gives more information about each dress, some of which have a sad story, like Emmie's Edwardian gown. She was married in 1908 and

her husband James was killed at the Battle of the Somme in 1916. They will be able to see Emmie's stunning satin embellished gown alongside her embroidered veil and headdress made of wax flowers and beads. Emmie was born in 1906 and married Harry at Thurning church in 1935. Martin Charles Bridal of Oundle will also be exhibiting a current dress and loaning mannequins to display the vintage gowns on.

The Church will be decorated as though a wedding is about to take place and Jo Poulter from Bespoke Buds in Peterborough will be replicating some of

the wedding bouquets from photographs too. The bouquets illustrate how fashions in bridal flowers have changed over the decades.

Nigel Hill, goldsmith and jeweller from Harpur's of Oundle will be exhibiting some beautiful, precious antique wedding jewellery including Victorian and Edwardian engagement rings. These will be displayed alongside other vintage and modern pieces designed and made by Nigel.

A video presentation charting the changing trends in bridal fashions will be playing and early entries in the church

wedding register will be on view. Original copies of Royal Wedding invitations and orders of service, previously unseen, will be on show.

It is a rare opportunity to see these beautiful things all gathered together under one roof. Admission is £5 which includes a cup of tea, coffee or squash served at the village hall where, for those who can resist everything apart from temptation, an array of delicious cakes can be purchased too. All proceeds will be shared between the upkeep of the village hall and St Andrew's Church.



## New waste, recycling and street cleaning contract to bring benefits for residents of East Northamptonshire

**N**ever before has our waste and recycling been in the news so much, from single use plastic bottles and straws to ear buds, baby wipes and coffee cups. We are now all united in our desire to do better by the environment and our oceans. So it is timely that East Northamptonshire Council has signed a new deal to better manage waste and recycling throughout the area and to help residents recycle more and waste and litter less.

The new seven-year contract to provide rubbish, recycling and street cleaning services in the district has been signed by Steven North, Leader of East Northamptonshire Council (ENC) and Paul Taylor, Group Chief Executive of FCC Environment (UK) Limited.

The new £20m contract, which will save council tax payers over £3m over the seven years, has a strong focus on high standards of customer service, and includes opportunities for the council and its new contractor FCC Environment to develop services in line with innovations emerging within the waste sector, such as the potential use of alternative fuel vehicles during the life of the contract and potentially into an extension.

Residents will continue to receive the same fortnightly recycling and refuse collections. If changes to collection days are necessary to improve efficiency, they will be communicated well in advance to avoid any confusion or inconvenience.

Trade waste will also continue to be collected in the same way and the Garden

Waste Club remains open for residents to join to recycle their green waste.

The new contract will begin when the existing one expires at the end of July 2018.

Leader of East Northamptonshire Council, Steven North, said: "We're committed to providing a reliable and convenient waste collection service which promotes recycling and represents value for money. This new contract will ensure we continue to deliver first-class waste collection and street cleaning services to our residents – who work hard to recycle as much as possible. Together, we will continue protecting our environment by sending more and more of our household waste for recycling."

Waste Services Manager, Charlotte Tompkins, added: "We will be collecting

the same refuse and recycling in the same bins. Collections days may change to accommodate all the new houses built in the district and to allow us to ensure we are still using the most fuel efficient routes. Otherwise, it's collection business as usual."

Group Chief Executive of FCC Environment Paul Taylor said: "FCC Environment is one of the UK's leading waste and recycling businesses serving the needs of some 60 local authorities. We process 1.6 million tonnes of recycling each year and generate 102 MW of green energy from the waste that cannot be recycled. We are delighted to be bringing our experience to residents of East Northamptonshire and look forward to working closely with the council to exceed the community's expectations."

**Monday 18th June**

**Nene Valley Astronomical Society Meeting**  
Chelveston Village Hall NN9 6AT  
8pm, £3 including tea/coffee and biscuit(s).  
Non-members very welcome.  
Kevin Burton 01536 790787 or kevinburton07@aol.com  
A talk by Mike Frost on his trip to see the Great American Eclipse 2017.

**Tuesday 19th June**

**Alpha Course**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
7pm-9pm  
Informal session for people interested in exploring if the Christian faith can be relevant to life today.

**Wednesday 20th June**

**Ways of Encouraging Church Tourists to Visit Churches**  
St Peter's Church, Irthlingborough NN9 5SF  
7.30pm, free admission  
Andrew Presland 01933 316927  
Open to all.

**Thursday 21st June**

**Higham Ferrers Footpath Group**  
Saffron Road car park Higham Ferrers for car sharing  
6.25pm  
01933 359237  
4.5 mile walk from Raunds.

**Tiddlers Group for 0-3 year olds**

Thrapston Baptist Church  
9.30am-11am  
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!

**Lunchtime Concert – Junior Songsters and Players**

St Peter's Church, Oundle  
1pm, free admission  
Concerts in this beautiful church setting in Oundle. Lunch is provided for £3.50.

**Friday 22nd June**

**Jazz at Sudborough**  
Sudborough Old Rectory Gardens  
7.30pm, £10 available from the Oundle Box Office. Bar available.  
Sudborough's Old Rectory is a perfect setting on a summer night for Oundle School Jazz Bands to play.

**Fusion for 7-11 year olds**

Thrapston Baptist Church  
6.30pm-8pm  
Lively and fun group with games, songs and bible based illustrations.

**Saturday 23rd June**

**The Swivel Club presents Navi: Michael Jackson tribute act**  
Rushden Town Bowls Club, Northampton Road, Rushden NN10 6AN  
Doors 7pm and tickets £20 from The Bowls Club, Rushden Graphics Alfred Street, the Barbers Shop Wharf Road Higham Ferrers or call 07738080470.  
Navi has travelled in over 57 countries with this fantastic, not to be missed show.

**Football Themed Summer Fair**

St Peter's Church, Irthlingborough  
11am-2pm  
Trips up Tower, refreshments, games, competitions, stalls, table football, bottle stall, crafts, plants, homemade cakes, raffle and so much more!

**Sunday 24th June**

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

**Summer Concert on a theme of 'The Sea'**

Great Hall, Oundle School  
5pm

All welcome, no tickets required  
Large-scale concert from Oundle School's ensembles with a nautical theme.

**Black Hairstreak Guided Walk**

Meet in Green Lane opposite entrance to reserve  
Glaphorn Cow Pastures, Benefield Glaphorn Road  
2pm, free, donations welcome.  
Dick Smith 01832 272061  
A guided walk to find black hairstreak butterflies in this reserve.

**All-Age Family Service (with Communion)**

Thrapston Baptist Church  
10.30am  
Preacher: Mat Hussain  
Parable: Talents.

**Monday 25th June**

**Annual General Meeting of East Northants Community Services/East Northants Faith Group**  
The Lounge, St Peter the Apostle Roman Catholic Church, Rushden  
7.30pm  
Andrew Presland 01933 316927  
All are welcome.

**Tuesday 26th June**

**Alpha Course**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
7pm-9pm  
Informal session for people interested in exploring if the Christian faith can be relevant to life today.

**Thursday 28th June**

**Tiddlers Group for 0-3 year olds**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
9.30am-11am  
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!

**Music for a Summer's Evening**

Boughton House, Kettering  
6.30pm for 7.30pm  
£15 including drinks. Tickets available from Stahl Box Office.  
Concert from Oundle School's ensembles and choirs in the sumptuous grounds of Boughton House.

**Friday 29th June**

**Music Theatre Competition**  
Stahl Theatre  
7.45pm  
£5 from Stahl Box Office – proceeds towards the charities being supported by the School.  
You will be the jury at this feast of song, glamour and talent.

**Fusion for 7-11 year olds**

Thrapston Baptist Church  
6.30pm-8pm  
Lively and fun group with games, songs and bible based illustrations.

**Saturday 30th June**

**Oundle Memories and Moments - A Peek into the Past**  
Oundle Library at 3pm  
Free event including refreshments – donations welcome.  
Local author Anna Fernyhough talks about her new book 'Oundle Memories and Moments'.

**Sunday 1st July**

**Morning Service**  
Thrapston Baptist Church  
10.30am  
Preacher: Mat Hussain  
Creator & Sustainer – Colossians 1:15-29.

**Higham Ferrers Footpath Group**

Saffron Road car park Higham Ferrers for car sharing  
9.05am, free admission  
01933 387991  
7.1 mile walk from Cosgrove.

**By Appointment**

**Counselling & Listening Service**  
No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle, Northants PE8 4BG  
Free service, Marilyn 07936 015965

**Housing, benefits and employment advice**

No 1 St Osyth's Lane, Oundle, Northants PE8 4BG  
01832 770010/  
office@oundlebaptist.org.uk

**Every Monday**

**Tai Chi**  
Stanwick Village Hall  
7pm-8pm, £6, Robert 07771 333 369  
Learn Tai Chi the ancient Chinese martial and health art for all adults.

**Baggy pants Yoga Class**

Masonic Hall, Wellingborough Road, Rushden  
8.30am-9.30am, £5 per class,  
07873 743256/carole.wyatt@virginmedia.com

**Yoga Classes**

Denford Village Hall  
9am-10am, £4 per session  
Anita Hackney 01832 733274

**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

**Oundle Ladies Running Group**

Oundle pool car park  
6.45pm, Jane Walker 01832 272898/  
janewalkercakes@icloud.com

**Spanish Tuition**

The Old Town Hall, Market Place, Oundle  
9am-8pm, £25 per class, 01832 776336/info@antlerlanguages.co.uk

**Every Monday from 4th June (for 6 weeks)**

**Gentle Dru Yoga**  
Stanwick Lakes Visitor Centre  
10.15-11.30am  
£45 for 6 weeks (inc parking)  
Diane.eardley.me.com/07921 855097  
Suitable for all ages and abilities.  
Great for physical, mental and emotional health and wellbeing.

**Every Monday (term time)**

**Praise and Play**  
St James' Church Thrapston  
1.30-2.45pm, 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

**1st Monday of the month**

**Oundle Wives Group**  
Methodist Church Hall, Oundle  
7.45pm  
£3 including refreshments and raffle.  
01832 272178

**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

**Finedon Irthlingborough & District Branch Royal British Legion Branch Meeting**

Finedon Bowls Club  
7.30pm, Peter Eames  
07434 328237

**1st and 3rd Monday of each month**

**Oundle Rotary**  
The Ship Inn, West Street, Oundle PE8 4EF  
6.15pm, Jane Grant 07712 933574.  
Bring your skills, experience, enthusiasm, give something back to your community.

**Every 2nd Monday**

**Thrapston & District Royal British Legion Branch Meeting**  
Thrapston Town Council Centre, 77 High Street, Thrapston  
7.30pm, 07876 716 478,  
ibyrnes@britishlegion.org.uk

**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

**3rd Monday of the month**

**Higham Ladies Group**  
Adult School, Westfield Terrace Higham Ferrers NN10 8BB  
2pm-4pm, 01933 387073  
Make some new friends and have fun. Interesting speakers. Supported by East Northamptonshire Council.

**Every Tuesday**

**Pensioners Club**  
Rushden Hall  
2pm-4pm, Secretary – David Robinson 01933 313729 or 07391 562772. New members needed.  
Speakers, bingo and whist, annual Christmas dinner. Also coach outings. Both men and women welcome

**East Northants Classic Motorcycle Club**

New Inn Public House, Wymington  
Meet around 7.30pm

**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

**Ringstead's Jolly Good Company**

Ringstead Shared Church  
10am-11am, £4  
Music & Movement for over-55s.

**Slimming World**

Oundle Rugby Club, Occupation Rd  
5.30pm and 7.30pm, Nikki 07725 617085. Weekly fee applies. Have fun, make friends and lose weight.

**1st Tuesday of every month**

**Great Companions (singles 55+)**  
Rushden Bowls Club, Northampton Road  
7-9pm, yearly membership £6  
Pat Bazeley 07931 964360

**2nd Tuesday of the month**

**50+ Adventure Club**  
For further information  
01536 505548/www.fiftyplus northantsadventureclub.org.uk

**Every Wednesday**

**Yoga classes**  
Masonic Hall, Rushden  
1pm-2.30pm, Daisy 01536 724113  
www.awakenwithyoga.co.uk

**Dog Training, Socialisation and Ringcraft**

Halefield, Woodnewton, nr Oundle  
Classes from 6.45pm, 01832 293432,  
oundledogs@aol.com,  
www.oundledogs.co.uk

**Club Night**

Apethorpe Tennis Club  
From 6pm

**Art & Craft Class**

Oundle Rural Mind, 1 Herne Park, East Road, Oundle PE8 4BZ  
Irene Issitt 01832 275020

**Jelly Babes Toddler Group**

Rushden Independent Wesleyan Church  
9.15am

**Equanimity Yoga Classes**

Oundle Rugby Club  
5.45pm and 7pm  
vicky@eqyoga.co.uk/07921238701  
Hatha Yoga Classes, suitable for all levels, all equipment provided.

**Every Wednesday (term time)**

**Community ICT Classes**  
Needham Building, Oundle School  
SciTec, Glaphorn Road, Oundle  
2.30pm-4pm, 01832 277267  
to enrol.

**660 Club (Age 60+)**

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

**1st Wednesday of the month**

**Raunds Coffee Afternoon**  
Saxon Hall, Raunds  
1.30pm-3pm, £1 entry (includes refreshments). Call 01933 622087 to reserve your seat. Come along and meet new friends over a cup of tea/coffee & entertainment.

**Home Instead**

**Companionship Café**  
M&S Café (Rushden Lakes)  
1pm-3pm (times will change during school holidays), Marie 01933 678775. No booking needed.

**2nd Wednesday of the month**

**Coffee Morning**  
Raunds Methodist Church  
10am-12noon, 01933 383378

**3rd Wednesday of the month**

**Raunds Film Afternoon**  
Saxon Hall, Raunds  
2pm, £1 includes refreshments. Call 01933 622087 to reserve your seat. We show a great film each month, watch press for details.

**British Korean Veterans**

The Old Grammarians Club  
Oxford Street, Wellingborough  
11.45am, Mary Morby 01933 312476 or e.m.m@btinternet.com

**4th Wednesday of the month**

**Rushden Pensioners Forum**  
St Peters Church Hall, Midland Road, Rushden  
2pm-4pm, Mary Morby 01933 312476 or e.m.m@btinternet.com

**Every Thursday**

**Yoga Class**  
Whitefriars Infant School, Rushden  
7pm-8pm, £5 per class  
Carole 07873743256  
Suitable for beginners.

**Drop-in Service**

Rushden Council Office, Newton Road NN10 0PT  
1pm-4pm, Amanda 07977 224574  
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**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**  
**- SECTION 14**

**THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**(PUBLIC BRIDLEWAY MU12**  
**- PARISH OF DENFORD)**

**(TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2018**

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# East Northants Snooker League

Week 5 of the ENSL Summer League, and with the leaders Windmill Warriors facing a BYE with only a five-point cushion, this was everyone's opportunity to close in on them. Whilst Warriors have remained in top spot, several teams have now moved much closer, with Windmill G now breathing down their necks just one point behind.

Coopers D were away to Windmill Underdogs looking for their first win, having suffered three consecutive losses. A win wasn't to be, but they did manage a draw which is good progress for them.

Higham SAS played Coopers Ball Bashers this week but were missing some of their star players. Tony Granfield stepped in to play Steve Ridgewell and, whilst close, Steve prevailed the 2-0 winner – a great start for the Ball Bashers. The two strongest players, Colin Buckby and Martyn Hatton, then went head to head in the final game. Martyn took the first frame with ease, but Colin took the next frame on the black.

Windmill C took on Higham Mecca this

week, which promised to be a high-score match. Marc Brett struggled to get going as he barely scored a point against Wayne Gardner in the first, but he bounced back as he took the next frame on the black. Tony Jupp played Matt Barcock. Tony won the first and looked certain to win the next as he raced to a 50-point lead, but Barcock played well, knocking in a 44 break to steal the frame and salvage something for Mecca as they lost 4-2.

Windmill G squared up with Coopers Troopers. Craig Back played well against Stuart Richardson to win the first, but Richardson fought back to win the next. Anthony Pinard took on Dean Coombes in a close game which saw them take a frame each, giving Windmill G the 4-2 win and pushing them up from 3rd to 2nd in the table.

Windmill Underdogs 3-3 Coopers D  
 Windmill G 4-2 Coopers Troopers  
 Windmill C 4-2 Higham Mecca  
 Higham SAS 2-4 Coopers Ball Bashers  
 Windmill Warriors = BYE

## Player Statistics Summer 2018 - Sponsored by Gardiner Motors Wellingborough

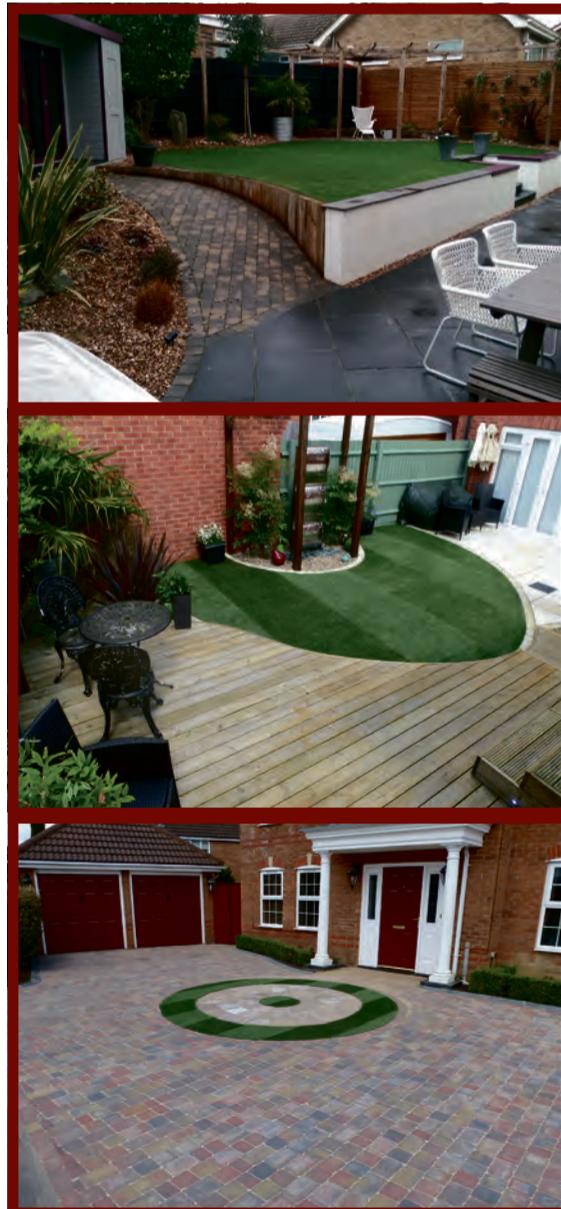
#	Player name	Team	Current H/Cap	New H/Cap	Played	Won	Lost	% Won
1	Michael Wilson	Higham SAS	30	30	2	2	0	100%
2	Paul Lewis	Windmill Warriors	12	12	4	4	0	100%
3	Lee Bunker	Coopers Ball Bashers	32	32	6	5	1	83%
4	Craig Savage	Windmill Warriors	28	28	4	3	1	75%
5	Dave McDowell	Windmill Underdogs	30	30	4	3	1	75%
6	Richard Wright	Windmill Warriors	2	2	8	6	2	75%
7	Jay Thomas	Windmill G	6	4	10	7	3	70%
8	Adam Burns	Higham SAS	18	18	6	4	2	67%
9	Darren Fenner	Higham Mecca	10	12	8	5	3	63%
10	Wayne Gardner	Higham Mecca	-12	-12	8	5	3	63%

## East Northants Snooker League - Sponsored by Expense Reduction Analysts

Position	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
1	Windmill Warriors	4	3	0	1	18
2	Windmill G	5	3	0	2	17
3	Windmill Underdogs	5	1	2	2	16
4	Coopers Ball Bashers	4	3	1	0	16
5	Higham Mecca	4	3	0	1	14
6	Windmill C	5	3	0	2	14
7	Higham SAS	5	1	0	4	12
8	Coopers Troopers	4	1	0	3	7
9	Coopers D	4	0	1	3	6



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