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Welcome to the summer edition of the Weston Turville Times.

The Parish council continues to implement and support local initiatives and projects to help vulnerable people, create a sustainable environment and improve community facilities. You can find out more about what has been done and what is to come in the Chairman's annual report, included in this issue.

As usual you will find a range of interesting articles and updated information on the Hampden Fields development and its impact on our parish. As summer approaches, the calendar is buzzing with local events and activities so do keep an eye on it and join in!

Editor

Contributions to the magazine are welcomed subject to space and the Editor's decision on suitability. The copy deadline for the Autumn issue is 28th July 2023. We reserve the right to edit all articles.

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Bin it - Don't sling it!

Firstly, a quiz - does anyone recognise these trees?

They are, of course, that new, invasive, species, arboribus canis defaecatus, or to give them their easier to pronounce English name, Dog Poo Trees.

This self-sown (or should that be self-thrown?) addition to our local flora is not, I would suggest, particularly welcome. And what causes the spread of this species? Thoughtlessness on the part of a small, but unfortunately what appears to be growing, number of inconsiderate dog walkers.



These unknown individuals are, I suspect, working in concert with another group, WTPD, aka the Weston Turville Poo Droppers. The members of this group work stealthily their dastardly deeds to do. Having scooped they do not carry, they just 'tie & drop' - wherever it suits, but not in a bin!

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Parish Council News

Annual Report from the Chairman

We have had several new councillors join us this year and we welcome them to help us build a great future for Weston Turville. An election was called for by several residents in October but sadly after 3 calls for nominations nobody came forward. Thankfully our Buckinghamshire councillor then stood at the fourth election bringing us back to the full complement of 10 councillors. I would like to thank them for their diligent work to ensure that we provide a service to our whole parish which extends beyond the village to the new developments off Aston Clinton Road across to Wendover Road and Hampden Hall.

We typically meet once a month (Third Thursday of the month) with several of us working on particular areas of expertise from Planning to health and safety and Finance and residents are welcome to attend these meetings and find out more about what we do.

The key concerns of our residents have included new housing developments and also the speed and size of vehicles using our rural roads. We work with developers where appropriate and support residents where they have issues over planning. In particular we have represented our parish on the strategic planning meetings where several new developments on Aston Clinton Road have been heard along with the Hampden Fields development and also the Woodlands development. Although these have been approved, we are working with developers to mitigate residents' concerns including plans for traffic calming and new recreation facilities through section 106 agreements. We are working to work with Buckinghamshire council in order to ensure that \$106 funds that had been earmarked for recreational facilities in the main town centre are spent in our parish.

Litter can be an issue and to help with this, a litter pick station has been installed at the Village Hall for anyone to do a "2 minute litter pick", the Parish Council also has litter picking equipment that residents can borrow to help keep their areas litter free. Residents can also join us for our next parish litter pick which is on Saturday 13th May, look out for information on our noticeboards and Facebook page.

The new Pétanque court is enjoying popularity and the newly developed play areas seem to be a big hit with the children and adults. Our new village sign is in place and I believe that this is a welcome addition to our parish. We are also working with the new housing developments in our parish to help them feel part of Weston Turville.

The Parish Council hosted a number of events last year – the jubilee fete, Christmas carols and Easter activities. All events were very well attended and the feedback positive.

Plans for the coming year include:

- Electric vehicle charging points in the village hall car park
- Replace old, worn out benches
- Installation of outdoor gym equipment
- Applying for planning permission for a café at the recreation ground

The path surface around the recreation ground did not fare well in the wet, cold months over winter and the Council will be considering options to improve this for next winter.

I would like to thank Mandi Simons who has been an asset as a councillor for a number of years and, despite stepping down during the last year, has agreed to continue the very popular Street Food nights which are held on the first Friday of the month at the village hall.

Finally I would like to thank our Clerk for her hard work over the last 12 months, working on many projects and helping to make our Parish a better place.

Cllr Martin Jarvis

Parish Council Meetings

All local residents are welcome to attend meetings of the council and its committees to observe and at the start of each meeting there is a chance for residents to raise any issues with the Council. The list of meeting dates can be found on the website or noticeboards. Meetings are held in either the Village Hall or the parish meeting room, adjacent to the hall. Please see our website for agenda details or contact the Clerk.

Contacting the Parish Council

Our Clerk works part time and can be contacted via the details below on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Contact details for individual parish councillors can be found on our website or noticeboards.

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The Weston Turville Bug Hotel



The beginning of April, the beginning of the Easter holiday, the beginning of a new construction for Weston Turville Recreation ground.

Pallets had been stored at the parish hall, the idea was hatched and the preparation began. We were going to build a bug hotel. We posted information on social media sites for numerous donations of the materials needed for the construction. We had a good response. We had bamboo sticks, and bags full of pine cones, bark and sticks from the children of the parish. A local roofing company kindly let us have our fill of broken tiles and members of the Parish council came up trumps with bricks.

THANK YOU ALL.

Why stop there? Let's make this a bigger event, let's have an Easter Egg hunt and some games too. With all the preliminaries done all we needed was a sunny day and we were not disappointed. On 4th April at 9am myself and three other volunteers set about preparing for a morning of building, searching and playing. At 10.30am we were open. We had an excellent level of interest.

The bug hotel was being built layer by layer, filling moss tubes, placing tiles, bricks and sticks strategically so that the spaces could hold the pine cones and leaves. Each layer drew another group of young people and another carefully thought out construction.

Now that one group had finished their layer what to do next, well then they had an Easter Egg hunt, with pictures of bunnies posted around the park with letters on they had to collect all the letters, unscramble them and when they got the word or phrase they could come and collect their Easter Egg. Off they went.

En route they also discovered some Easter themed games, throw the carrot into the rabbit's mouth, egg and spoon race, and bunny hop race (also known as a sack race). These were expertly marshalled by two enthusiastic teenagers of the Parish, Luan and Besian, a huge thank you for giving up your time to help.

Once completed the bug hotel stood 1.2m tall and sits behind the parish hall for all to see if it becomes home to a variety of bugs, insects and beasts thus increasing the bio diversity of the park.

Thank you to all involved in such a successful day. Hope to repeat it again next Easter.

Cllr Saryo Dawkins

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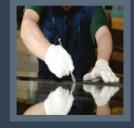
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Weston Turville Union Chapel



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The Chapel is a 'Union' Chapel because it was erected in 1839 by the then owner of the adjacent Manor Farm. The trust deed laid down that it was for the use of 'Baptists and Independants' including 'congregationalists'. The gallery was added in 1856 to cater for the ever growing congregation and a Baptistry was added in 1864. In 1881 a licence was given so marriages could take place there. In 1905 the school room was added to the rear of the Chapel which is still widely used by local groups. The Chapel is a Grade II listed building.

Services are held on Sundays at 10.30am followed by refreshments in the hall. On the first Sunday of the month a communion service is held after the regular service for those who wish to partake. We do not have a resident preacher so often have visiting speakers from adjacent churches and Chapels. The members of the chapel are friendly and welcoming to new or returning visitors.

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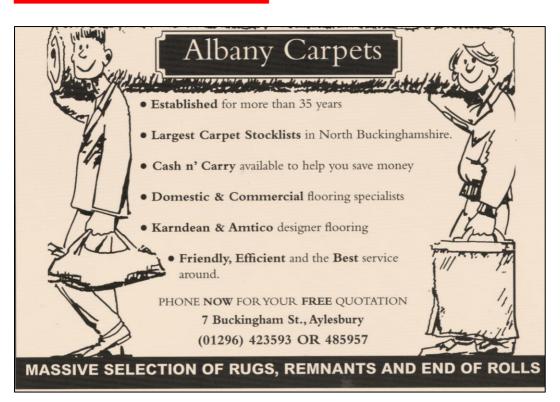


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We have a general meeting on the fourth Thursday of each month at Aylesbury Rugby Club in Weston Turville starting at 2.30pm. Here you can meet like-minded people and get the latest news on our activities. We also have a guest speaker who will be both interesting and amusing.

To learn more about us either come along to a general meeting or visit our website www.wtu3a.org.uk

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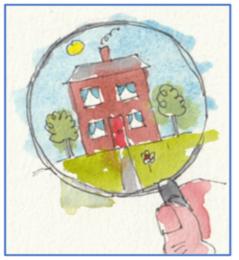




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WESTON TURVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

For information and enquiries, contact: secretary@WTHSoc.org.uk

By the time you read this article we should be experiencing some warmer weather and looking forward to a decent summer. The meetings in 2023 have been well attended with some excellent topics. Tony Irvine has arranged the programme of talks up to and including January 2024. We are sure there are topics that will be of interest, and these are shown in the table below. If you have not come to any of our meetings, please come and join us on the last Friday of each month in the Village Hall.

If you wish to join the society the fees are £5 for a family membership and £3 for a single membership and the meeting fee of £2 per member and £3 for non-members for the coming year. Doors open at 7:30pm and coffee/tea will be available.

For existing members and non-members, we can recommend that you have a look at our website, www.WTHSoc.org.uk. The site contains a great deal of information about the history of Weston Turville, copies of old postcards, links to other relevant historical sites etc.

Date for Weston Turville Historical Society Speaker Programme 2023

| Date | Speaker | Title of Talk |
|----------------------------|----------------|--|
| June 30 th 2023 | Dr Glynn White | Scenes from Weston Turville 100 years apart |
| Sept 29 th 2023 | Sophie Jones | Windsor Castle |
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| Nov 24 th 2023 | John Benjamin | Georgian Jewellry |
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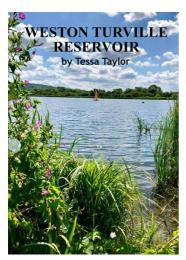
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For further information on the Society, visit www.WTHSoc.org.uk, or email: secretary@WTHSoc.org.uk. New members and visitors welcome.



WESTON TURVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

"Weston Turville Reservoir – Tessa Taylor"



In 1991, following more than a year of intensive research, Tessa Taylor self published "WESTON TURVILLE RESERVOIR - An Historical and Ecological Study". In 2006, it was updated and a second edition published.

Following the death of Tessa in 2020, it was decided to honour her memory by printing a third edition, in 88 pages in A5 format, adding colour where possible and reflecting some of the changes that have occurred in the 16 years since the 2nd Edition. We also strived to keep

some of the hand drawn, kitchen table character of the original.

The book covers the geography and history of the reservoir's inception to mitigate the loss of water to local mills caused by the construction of the Grand Junction Canal, through a period where it supplimented the water in the Wendover Arm flowing to the Canal Summit, and finally to it's use for recreation and wildlife protection.



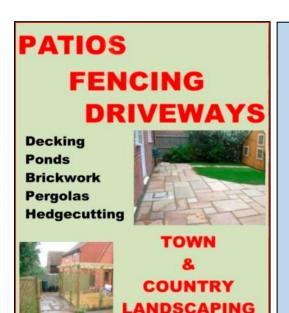


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The profits raised by the sale of this publication are being shared by BBOWT and Weston Turville Historical Society as

Tessa had instructed. Copies available at £10.00 + p&p, or collection at a Society Meeting. For further information about the Society and it's publications, visit the Society's web page

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WESTON TURVILLE VILLAGE HALL ANNUAL REPORT 2022/2023

BOOKINGS

Regular bookings remain steady, although there is some availability on Mondays and Thursdays and these slots are being advertised. All evening slots are taken with a waiting list for availability.

Weekends are kept for children's parties and other one off events and activities. There was rarely a weekend without any bookings over the last year.

Street Food resumed on Good Friday and will be held on the first Friday of the month through to October. This has been a welcome source of income for the hall.

The village hall charity has also supported the warm spaces initiative by making the hall available on Tuesday afternoons from last December. This has proved popular and will continue to the end of May.

A community Christmas carol concert was held last December, which started outside with carols round the Christmas tree and then moved inside for more carols, mince pies and hot drinks. This event will be held again in December.

FINANCES

Our total income for this period was £22,562.83 Our annual expenses were £21,174.19 These figures are subject to audit.

MAINTENANCE

There has been no large maintenance needs in 22-23, but the hall was given a fresh coat of paint in August and we have had some plumbing works carried out to the heating and cloakroom facilities.

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Cllr Cathy Terry Chair, Village Hall Committee



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St Mary the Virgin is Weston Turville's Parish Church

The current building, dating back to the 13th century, has been described as having "many styles and an attractive irregularity with things to please everyone". Its location, at the end of a leafy lane appropriately called Church Walk on the east end of the village, seems to have somehow preserved it from the passage of time and its changes. A walk around the church and its beautiful surroundings, with inspiring views to the Chilterns and a path that leads to the canal, is particularly beautiful this time of the year, when trees and flowers spring's colours blend seemingly into the stony walls at the old graveyard. Here, one can take a moment to reflect, enjoying the serenity that the site offers, listening to the songs of birds and observing the busy coming and goings of busy squirrels and insects attracted to nature's unique display.

Throughout its long history, the church underwent different periods of disrepair and restoration. During one such restoration, when the nave floor was being repaired, some pieces of ancient stone coffins were discovered. The stone coffin engraved with a Maltese cross at its head, probably dates from 1100 and a person of considerable distinction in those days being buried here. One can only imagine what those walls have witnessed over the centuries. There are many reasons to come visit St Mary the Virgin church, a "hidden" gem in our Parish waiting to be discovered.

Ernesto Martinez

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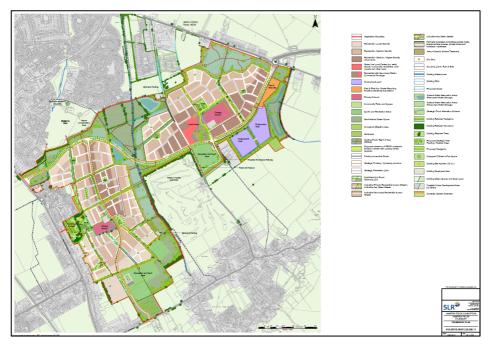
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Hampden Fields Update



As you will be aware, outline planning permission was granted for the Hampden Fields site last year. The Parish Council requested an update from the developer on the likely timeline for the development – *please note that these dates are subject to the planning process and may change.*

- Archaeological Investigation (trenching) Summer 2022 Archaeological trenching for the 1st phase now complete, the mitigation works, which are larger areas are due to commence June / July 23
- Commencement of Infrastructure the haul road from the A413 / Wendover Rd SEALR roundabout should commence Sept 2023. A41 / Woodlands roundabout in early 2024
- Reserved matters application The 1st reserved matters applications will be for the
 two haul roads (one from the A413 / SEALR roundabout, the 2nd from the Aston
 Clinton Rd), followed by a reserved matters application for the Western section of
 the SLR and then the A41 / Woodlands roundabout and Southern Link Road. These
 are currently planned to be submitted May / June 2023. Followed by reserved
 matters applications for the 1st development parcels soon after.
- Housebuilding to commence Currently looking at Sept / Oct to commence the infrastructure for the 1st housing parcel in the Western neighbourhood. Target is for the first sales area to be opened Spring 2024.
- Completion (and opening) of Southern Link Road target date September 2025
- Weston Turville Traffic Calming within 6 months of Link Road Opening.



Summer Time

Well I hope we have a good summer. When I came to England to start my training as a priest I was informed that in England 'we do not have a climate... we just have weather'.

So the days are short in winter and into spring but the advantage is the long summer evenings which I find a wonderful experience; I think the light softens.

If you go away on holiday, may it be a good experience whilst for those staying at home we enjoy lovely days and the wonderful nights.

The centuries old church here in Weston Turville will be open and welcoming, as always. If you have not been into a church for a long time or perhaps never been inside a church during a service maybe this summer could be an opportunity to come along. Everyone is welcome.

There is sometimes a perception that only the very holy or perfect can attend a service in a church. This is not the case. Some saints do worship here at St. Mary's but we are some who are saintly and some wonderful people but we are all people on a journey through life looking to and with Jesus who saves us, loves us and through the Holy Spirit tries to help us grow into the people Our Father wants us to be and knows we can become; our true selves.

When in my teens I first attended my parish church I was given a pile of books and I did not have a clue what was going on! (Some might suggest nothing has changed!!!) What is of course true is we can draw near to the One who loves us all. God knows us all by name!

Fr. David.

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<u>St Mary's Weston Turville Improving Facilities Team, SWIFT</u> St Mary's Church

We have two current issues at St Mary's. Firstly, our heating system has been out of action for most of the year and our wonderful congregation have endured the cold weather with patience and understanding. The problem has finally been traced to a leak in piping under the church floor. We are waiting for a report on alternative remedies and costings and hope to be able to make a decision at our next PCC meeting and have the work done as soon as possible. This may be disruptive for a week or so and expensive.

The second issue is with our wonderful and historic church organ. This was installed in 1890 by Forster and Andrews and is still worthy of maintenance and repair. A thorough cleaning, requiring removal of the pipes and keyboards, followed by re-tuning, has been recommended by our organ builder, after which he will install a framework to protect the pipes from further dust and grit.

Even if you are not a regular church member you may have attended, or wish to hold, weddings or funerals in the church and recognise how important this instrument is to worship in the village. If you feel you would like to make a contribution to the cost of this work please do so at the Rectory or by the methods outlined below, leaving out the word "SWIFT" from cheques and with a note that it is for the organ. If you would like further information about the organ please contact Roger or Revd Susan Fellows.

If you wish to discuss the possibility of using the Oak Room please contact Clare Chamberlain on 07596 997339.

If you are able to help, please send donations to the Rectory, Church Walk, Weston Turville, HP22 5SH or to me Roger Fellows, 65 Craigwell Avenue, Aylesbury, HP21 7AG. Cheques should be payable to "PCC Weston Turville, SWIFT". Transfers to "PCC Weston Turville SWIFT" at NatWest, 60-01-31, account 51685922 or online to www.goldengiving.com/wall/swift are also welcome. Please use gift aid to increase your donation by 25% at no additional cost to yourself, if you are a UK taxpayer.

For any other information about SWIFT or ways in which you can help or contribute please contact the clergy, or me, or Clare.

Roger Fellows, 01296 424982

Summer Fun

How many of these can you spot in Weston Turville?



Cornflowers

Yellow rattle

Red clover



Tortoiseshell Butterfly



Red Admiral Butterfly



Bumble bee





Fish



Swan



Duck



Red Kite



Moorhen



Hedgehog

Swamper word search

K S A N D A L S F M U K T Q X U T I T X H O T L K W R N V N C C A M P F I R E I A S P G P E M P N E Z P C K V D R L R C B Q P S K H A T E H N A J R M E S C M U B R L A A S Y E A N L S H E L L K J P S P A W L I C A J F C S K O E I M A C A M P I N G U F O S C B D U R O J Y X O N H L F N J L X N B D M F B O K Y L I A A T V A C A T I O N N M C Z K B E A C H T D N E G Y L R D I S B M P K A S G

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<u>June</u>

| 2 nd | 6pm Street Food Night at the Village Hall |
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| 8 th | Parish Council Planning Committee, 7pm |

15th Parish Council meeting, 7pm

30th Weston Turville Historical Society at the Village Hall

<u>July</u>

| 7 th | 6pm Street Food Night at the Village Hall |
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| 13 th | Parish Council Planning Committee, 7pm |

20th Parish Council meeting, 7pm

August

| 4" | 6pm Street Food Night at the Village Hall |
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| 10 th | Parish Council Planning Committee, 7pm |
| 14 th | Play around the Parishes, Jubilee Park 2-4pm |
| 23 rd | Play around the Parishes, Jubilee Park 10am – 12noon |
| | |

26th Live in the Park at Vale Park, Aylesbury
27th Proms in the Park at Vale Park, Aylesbury

Regular Events

- Mondays Coffee Van at Jubilee Park (behind the village hall) 1.30 – 3.30pm
- Second Saturday monthly Repair Café, St Michael's Church, Aston Clinton 9am - 12noon
- First Friday of each month

 Street Food Night at the Village Hall 6pm 9pm
- Fourth Wednesday of each month Lunch Club at the Chandos 12.30pm

Answers to wordsearch on p32

K S A N D A L S F M U K T Q
X U T I T X H O T L K W R N
V N C C A M P F I R E I A S
P G P E M P N E Z P C K V D
R L R C B Q P S K H A T E H
N A J R M E S C M U B R L A
A S Y E A N L S H E L L K J
P S P A W L I C A J F C S K
O E I M A C A M P H N G U F
O S C B D U R O J Y X O N H
L F N J L X N B D M F B O K
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Salmon and Watercress Tart

For the pastry case

- 200g plain flour, plus extra for dusting
- 100g butter, cut into small pieces, plus extra for greasing
- 1 egg yolk
- a little water

or – just buy ready made pastry, much easier + probably cheaper! If it's good enough for Mary Berry, it's good enough for me!

For the filling

- 400g salmon fillet
- a little butter or groundnut oil
- salt and black pepper
- 2 large handfuls watercress
- 4 eggs
- 400ml double cream [works with lacto free cream also]

Preheat the oven at 200C/400F/Gas 6.

For the pastry case, put the flour and butter into the bowl of a food processor. Add a pinch of salt and blitz until the mixture resembles fine breadcrumbs.

Add the egg yolk and enough water to bring the dough to a firm ball. The less water you add the better, as too much will cause your pastry case to shrink in the oven.

Pat the pastry into a flat round on a floured surface then roll out to a rough circle large enough to line the tart tin. Lightly butter the tin, dust it with a small amount of flour, shake out any surplus then lower in the circle of pastry. Push the pastry right into the corner where the rim joins the base without stretching it. Make certain there are no holes or tears. Trim the overhanging pastry and place in the fridge to chill for 20 minutes.

OR

Open the packet, roll out into the tin and line the pastry case with baking parchment and baking beans!

Bake for 15 minutes, then remove from the oven and carefully lift the beans and parchment out.

Return the pastry case to the oven for five minutes or so, until the surface is dry to the touch. Remove from the oven and set aside.

Turn the oven temperature down to 180C / 160C Fan / Gas 4.

For the filling, place the salmon in a baking dish, brush with oil or butter, season lightly with salt and pepper and bake for 15 minutes, or until the flakes part easily. Remove from the oven and leave to cool a little, then break into large pieces. Place the pieces of fish in the tart case.

Wash the watercress leaves and remove and discard the thickest of the stems. Put the still-wet watercress into a saucepan, cover tightly with a lid and place over a high heat. Cook for a couple of minutes, until the leaves wilt a little. They should keep their colour. Turn the watercress over and let it steam a further few seconds, then remove from the heat, cool under cold running water and squeeze dry.

Tuck the watercress into the tart case in between the salmon pieces. Gently whisk the eggs and cream, pour into the case and bake for 25 minutes, or until set.

Serve warm.



Chocolate and Cranberry Cake

For the cake

300g dark chocolate 300g butter 500g light muscovado sugar 6 large eggs 300g plain flour 150g dried cranberries

Method

Preheat oven to 160°C / 140° fan / Gas 3

Melt chocolate and leave to cool.

Whisk butter and sugar, add eggs one at a time so that the mixture doesn't curdle. Add the flour, melted chocolate and cranberries.

Bake for $\sim 1\%$ hours – cover with foil after 10 minutes.

To decorate – melt the chocolate and butter and leave to cool. Spoon over cake letting it dribble down the side to give a glossy finish

Many thanks to Sian Lorimer for providing these recipes

For the decoration

400g dark chocolate 150g unsalted butter



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| Fly Tipping | Buckinghamshire Council - 01296 585858 |
| Highways and Rights of Way | Transport for Bucks – 01296 395000 Or www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk/ |
| Housing and Benefits | 0300 131 6000 |
| Litter – missed bin collections, overflowing public litter bins | Buckinghamshire Council - 01296 585858 Or www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/report-a-missed-bin-collection/aylesbury-vale/ |
| Park and recreation ground | Parish Council – 01296 612838 |
| Planning matters, including enforcement | Buckinghamshire Council - 01296 585858 |
| Street furniture, eg benches, bins, bus shelters, noticeboards | Parish Council – 01296 612838 |
| Streetlights located in Hampden Hall, A413 or A41 | Transport for Bucks – 01296 395000 Or report online via www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk/ |
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