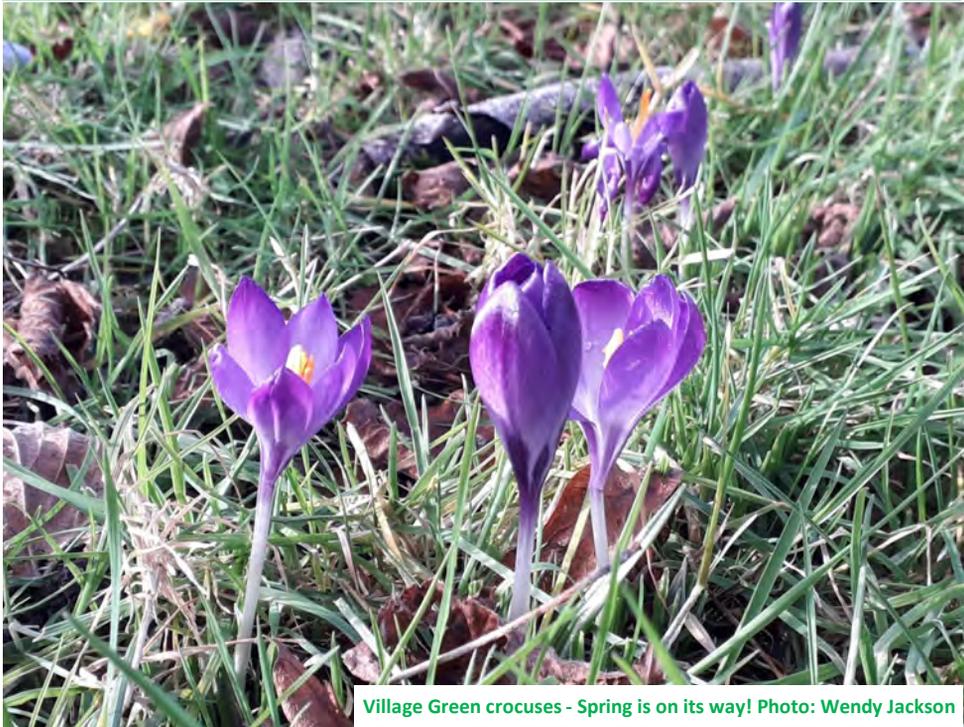


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Dunton Green Parish Council

Issue 023 Spring 2022



Village Green crocuses - Spring is on its way! Photo: Wendy Jackson

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Do you want some measures to help reduce speeding?

Have you used the station footpath for 20+ years?

Take a look pages 32 - 33

Plus read about The Queen's Green Canopy plans, local talent, an urgent request from the village hall and more!



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Working for a Better Community in Dunton Green

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Chair's Update

Welcome to our latest newsletter. As we went to press for our winter edition, I, like many others, had never heard the Greek word Omicron. It's staggering how quickly a word comes into daily usage and can affect all our lives. Let's hope by our summer edition that the announced end to Covid regulations has happened.

Thank you to all who joined our Christmas sing along and supported the light up Dunton Green campaign for Xmas. Unfortunately, some of our



CLLR. FREDA ENGLAND



planned lighting for the village green got delayed in transit.



For the first time we were able to light our hanging baskets, but our plans for more lighting will now have to be launched later this year.

I know some of you still hanker after a large tree, but our commitment as a Parish Council to making Dunton Green greener means we will persevere while our small tree grows. Meanwhile the



money that we could have spent on a single use, large tree has gone towards planting privet to fill the large gaps in the Village Green hedge.

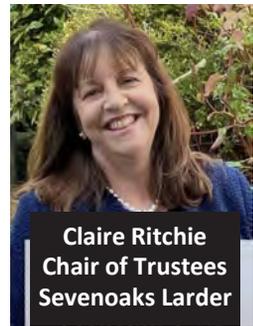
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...Chair's Update



We've also planted a dozen trees on Longford Meadow as part of our climbing Rox project and also as part of our efforts for The Queen's Green Canopy (more details on page 12) . We wondered if, in honour of the Queen's Jubilee, we should rename Longford Meadow, maybe Jubilee Meadow? We'd welcome your suggestions and opinions (see page 33). The Rox have been installed and we hope to open them by the end of February. When we hope to have also installed some additional litter bins and seating to enhance the area. We also plan to plant some more indigenous trees in Prices Wood this autumn (see page 12).

Throughout Covid, DGPC has worked with Sevenoaks Larder and we are thrilled that Claire Ritchie, Chair of Trustees, has been awarded a BEM. This was for services to the community in Sevenoaks, particularly during Covid. I know many families in the village have found this to be a lifeline over the past 2 years and the support that the volunteers provide is still very much needed.



Another charity DGPC works closely with is Sevenoaks Community First Responders who maintain our 4 Parish Council funded defibrillators. It staggers us all when this life saving equipment is damaged as it was earlier this year on the Parade. We have replaced the cabinet and wiring and hope it won't happen again.



Other examples of mindless vandalism over the past few months include catapult damage to our newest noticeboard located on London Road (between the village Hall & the Rose and Crown) and a number of bin fires at the station. We continue to work closely with the Police and ASBOs have been issued to some of the offending youths.



Cont...

....Chair's Update

I have been involved with DGPC for over 15 years, and throughout that time there have been 2 recurring themes - litter and the speed of traffic down London Road.

In our last edition, following the death of Patrick Foey, DGPC had met with KCC and got their agreement for the installation of a Speed Indicator Device (SID) Scheme to be funded by DGPC. All we had to do was consult the village to show that parishioners have concerns about speeding and wanted SIDs installed to help. I thought this was a no-brainer! However, despite a 3 page spread in our last newsletter, and postings on all our social media and the rest of the village's social media, we have only had 4 responses!! This is nowhere near enough to demonstrate support to get this potentially life saving scheme into the village. **Please take just a few minutes to email your support to clerk@duntongreenpc.org.uk.**



Litter is the other issue and although it's never ending, we are organising our first post-Covid litter pick. Hope to see you at 1030am Sunday 3rd April, at the Pavilion. We provide equipment and bags - (see page 29).

Over the next few weeks your Council Tax demands will be arriving. DGPC has, despite Covid closing the Pavilion for months on end, managed to make no increase to our share of your bill. Unfortunately, Kent County Council (KCC), Sevenoaks District Council (SDC), Kent Police and Kent Fire & Rescue Services (KFRS) will all almost certainly be increasing their shares.



On Wednesday March 30th, we will be hosting the Annual Parish Meeting at 7pm (see back page). This will be a face to face event at the Pavilion and it is your opportunity to meet representatives from SDC, KCC and Kent Police and let them know your concerns. There will also be representatives from many of the organisations who help make Dunton Green a lovely village to live in. There will be a free buffet and wine, so it would be great to meet as many parishioners as possible on the night. We look forward to seeing you there.



Freda England
Chair of Dunton Green Parish Council
www.duntongreenpc.org.uk

Contacting Kent Police

Report a crime:



To report a non urgent crime visit www.kent.police.uk/report



Talk to us on LiveChat – available 24/7: www.kent.police.uk/contact



In an emergency, if crime is in progress or life is in danger, call **999**



If you have a hearing or speech impairment, use our textphone service 18000. Or text us on 999 if you've pre-registered with the emergency SMS service.



For news and advice visit www.kent.police.uk

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www.kent.police.uk/contact

Kent Police contacts



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Sign up today or to find out more visit www.mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk

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Talk to us on LiveChat – available 24/7 www.kent.police.uk/contact

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If you have a hearing or speech impairment, use our textphone service 18000. Or text us on 999 if you've pre-registered with the emergency SMS service.

www.kent.police.uk   

VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS & LOCAL LISTINGS

Taking place in DUNTON GREEN PAVILION, Recreation Ground, London Road

{Bookings: bookings@duntongreenpc.org.uk 07305 814694}

Age UK Lunch Club	1st Wednesday each month, 01732 454108
Age UK Pop In Café	2nd Wednesday each month, 01732 454108
Pilates (Bryony Tilley)	07973 345 321
Streetdance	duntongreenstreetdance@gmail.com
Taekwondo (Oaks Martial Arts)	01732 759988: info@oaksmartialarts.com

Taking place in DUNTON GREEN RECREATION GROUND, London Road

Easy Netball	01732 227000; communities@sevenoaks.gov.uk
Community Basketball	Kent Panthers - just turn up Mondays 5.30pm
Mini Tennis	Text Keir 07593 820 295 to book a place
Street Cricket	Text Keir 07593 820 295 to book a place 07803 050 431
Backyard Bootcamp	enquiries@backyardbootcamps.co.uk

DUNTON GREEN VENUES (Other)

Taking place in Donnington Hall, Barretts Road

{Bookings: Mrs J Field 01732 462429; www.donningtonhall.co.uk}

Dance Academy of Sevenoaks	Emily Teale 07840 109 052
Darenth Table Tennis Club	David & Janet Field 01732 462429
Gauge One Model Railway Assoc	Jeff Brazier 01732 454890
Hartbeeps	Jamie Blackburn 07795 103 197
Little Learners	Helen Bakie 07889 825 727
National Kick Boxing & Karate Assoc	Hilary King 07796 858 194
Sevenoaks Table Tennis League	Janet Field 01732 462429
Thursday Badminton	Olwen Bond 01732 865938
Tuesday Badminton	Gillian John 01883 722948

Taking place in Village Hall, London Road

{Bookings: Mrs A Rodwell 01732 469610; www.dgvillagehall.co.uk}

Coffee Morning	3rd Thursday of each month, 10.30am
DG School of Ballroom Dancing	David & Sandra Coppen, 07808 540 315
Holy Communion	1st, 2nd & 4th Thursdays (see St Mary's info)

Taking place in Dunton Green Primary School, London Road

{Bookings: School Office 01732 462221; office@dunton-green.kent.sch.uk}

Kuk Sool Won Sevenoaks	07963 338 544; www.kswsevenoaks.com
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PLEASE DO LET US KNOW IF WE CAN UPDATE THIS LIST WITH THE DETAILS OF OTHER ACTIVITIES AND ORGANISATIONS IN THE VILLAGE

VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS & LOCAL LISTINGS

OTHER Organisations and activities

Bessels Green Baptist Church	01732 454921; info@bgbc.co.uk
St Mary's Church Riverhead & DG	01732 455736; stmaryriverhead@gmail.com
Citizens Advice Bureau (Sevenoaks)	01732 440488; info@sevenoaks.cab.org.uk
Dial-A-Ride (Compaid)	01892 832447
Dunton Green Primary School	01732 462221 office@dunton-green.kent.sch.uk
Gymboree	07827 910 978; sevenoaks@gymboree-uk.com
Kent County Council	03000 41 41 41; www.kent.gov.uk
Kent Fire & Rescue	01622 692121; 999 emergency; www.kent.fire-uk.org
Kent Police	101; 999 emergencies; www.kent.police.uk
Kent Sheds	www.shedsevenoaks.weebly.com
Sevenoaks District Council	01732 227000; information@sevenoaks.gov.uk
Sevenoaks District Council	01732 227000; communities@sevenoaks.gov.uk
Sevenoaks Volunteer Transport Group	01732 458931; www.sevenoaksvolunteertransport.com

Dunton Green Pavilion
RECREATION GROUND,
LONDON ROAD

Dunton Green Village Hall
LONDON ROAD



Donnington Hall BARRETTS ROAD



Celebrating Local Talent – Layla Pinkett

As part of our new series supporting local creative people, I'm pleased to introduce a local writer. Actually, many of you will know Layla already, and you've certainly seen her around: Layla Pinkett is the post lady for most parts of Dunton Green. She's a dark horse!

Layla is a keen writer, specialising in Dystopian/Post-apocalyptic/military sci-fi stories. Some only a few hundred words long, and some full books! Not for the faint hearted, the books follow the adventures of Corporal Catherine Hyde in a post-apocalyptic Britain filled with danger and terror!

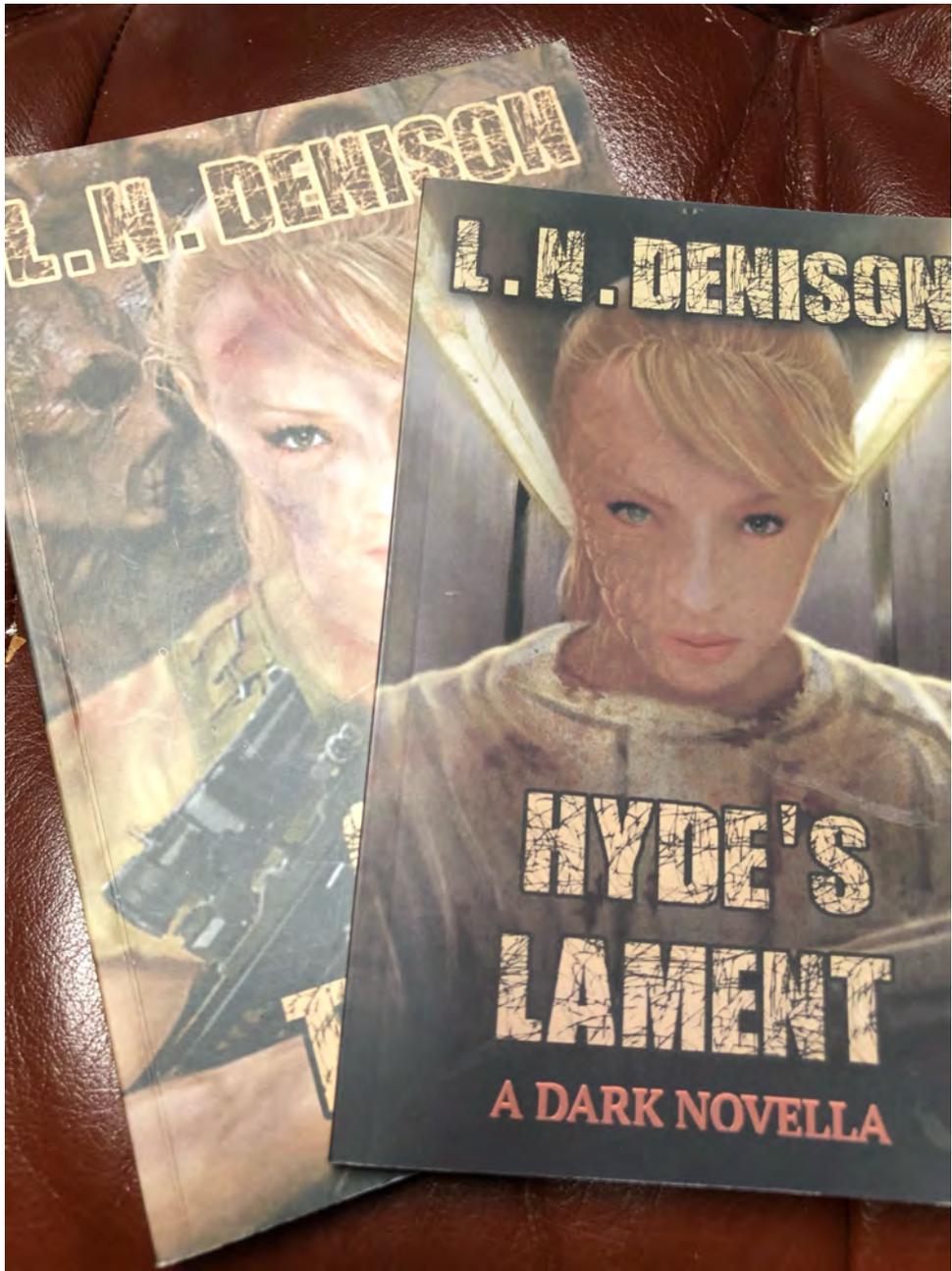
The few dark novels Layla has written are under the pseudonym L.N. Denison and can be found on Amazon. She has some new stories that she is working on currently, and these should be ready by next year, time permitting: "Kami and the boy who fell to Earth" and "L.I.D.S", so watch this space.

Layla publishes her work independently. Being an independent author can be hard work as she has to do everything off her own back: marketing, editing and publishing with very little reward, but she still persists.

When she's not working, or writing, Layla enjoys reading and socialising, and spending quality time with her husband and her St Bernard.

With many thanks to Layla, who spoke with Andy Lapham

If you are a local writer, dancer, musician, actor, magician, singer, craftsperson, painter, sculptor or other type of performer/ creator, please get in contact and let us champion your work.



One of L.N. Denison's novellas - why not give it a read?!



The Queen's Green Canopy (QGC) is a tree planting initiative created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022. Everyone across the UK is being invited to plant trees from October 2021, when the tree planting season begins, through to the end of the Jubilee year in 2022.

The Queen's Green Canopy will create a network of individual trees, avenues, copses and whole woodlands in honour of The Queen's service and the legacy she has built.

This will create a green legacy of its own, with every tree planted bringing benefits for people, wildlife and climate, now and for the future.

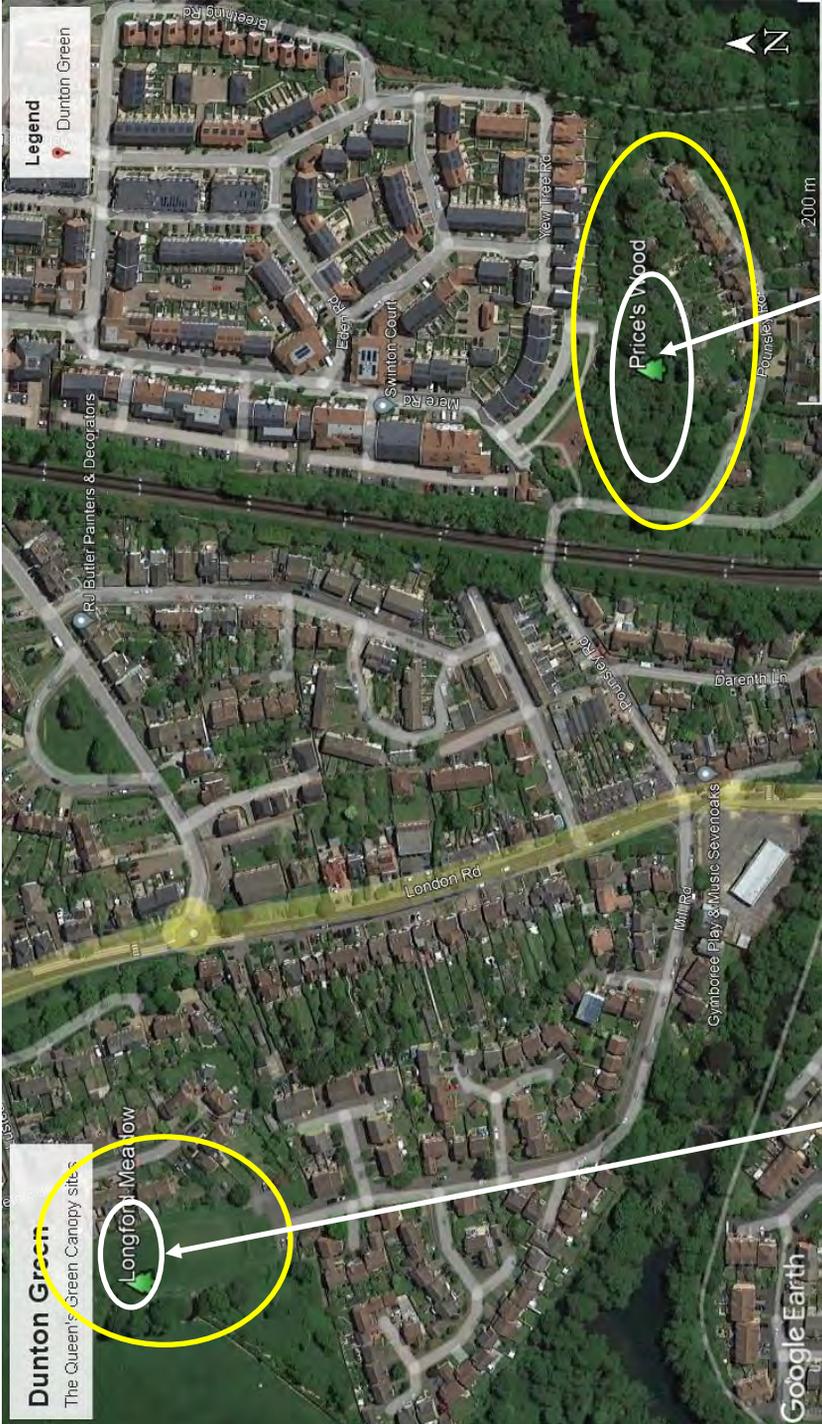
Dunton Green Parish Council has two planting initiatives under The Queen's Green Canopy banner. **The first is a new copse of twelve trees on Longford Meadow.** The trees have already been planted and are incorporated into our 'Climbing Rox' Project. The climbing equipment is in, as is a new solar powered light for that area. New seating, a picnic table and litter bins will also be installed in March, and these will be nestled inside that newly planted copse area. All we ask is that everyone uses the space responsibly - PLEASE put your litter in the bins, clean up after your dogs (*there is too much dog poo on Longford Meadow and there is no excuse for not cleaning it up*), don't be a noise nuisance - but mostly we just ask you to relax and ENJOY the recreational space that we are so privileged to have in the village.

The second initiative is native species planting in Price's Wood. The Parish Council will be working with Sevenoaks District Council and our contractors to scope out the project and make sure that we select some authentic native species to really enhance Price's Wood, creating another green legacy for the village. This planting will take place from October 2022 when we are once again in the tree planting season.

The aim of the project is for everyone to be involved. If you would like more information about how you can do that (either as an individual or as a group), please see

<https://queensgreencanopy.org/> or <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities/queens-green-canopy/>





Dunton Green
The Queen's Green Canopy sites

Legend
Dunton Green

Longford Meadow has a new copse of trees to bring colour, shade and interest to the Climbing Rox area and to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee

Price's Wood will see new native trees planted in autumn 2022 to mark The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

PARISH COUNCIL News Highlights...

- ◆ We are finally looking forward to seeing the installation of three new benches around the village, together with two picnic tables (purchase of which has been funded through the Welcome Back Fund). The work should be completed in March, assuming that there are no further delays in their delivery timings. We will be dedicating two of the benches as 'chat' benches.
- ◆ Many community orientated activities have now been reinstated or are about to be - take a look in this newsletter at what we have going on.
- ◆ Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Annual Christmas Singalong. Hampered a little by the Covid restrictions in place at the time, but hopefully we'll be back to a 'normal' event this year?
- ◆ Climbing Rox Project - Longford Meadow: The new play equipment was installed before Christmas and has been settling into its surroundings. A tree planting scheme has been completed (see the article on pages 12-13), seating and extra litter bins will be installed during March and the whole site will then be properly opened up for use and enjoyment.
- ◆ Additional CCTV is being installed at the recreation ground for the welfare of everyone using the facilities there.
- ◆ As ever, the Parish Council continues to work with the Police and the Community Safety Unit to try to deter antisocial behaviour in our village. Why not come along to the Annual Parish Meeting this year (details on the back page) and take the opportunity to have a chat with them?



DUNTON GREEN
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SPRING IS HEADING OUR WAY!!

*Spring is upon us - crocuses
at the village green and the
Mill Road open space*



*And daffodils bringing that touch
of sunny spring colour to the
village - lovely!!*



*Such beautiful
snowdrops at the
Rose Garden*



Out and About - 'What Katie Saw' Information, Gossip and News from Kate, our roving correspondent



The two containers on the corner of Station Approach have finally gone. They seem to have been there for years!!



Another resident, Hayley, was also very pleased to see the containers go:
Very happy to see the 2 metal containers on the corner of Station Road and Station Approach have finally gone! It only took one phone call asking if they could be collected if not serving an important purpose.... and 2 months later, voila! 😊 They were such an eyesore en route to the station and Ryewood. Once the grass recovers it will look a great deal better on that corner.

Great to hear live music once again at the reopening of the Rose and Crown.



The local foxes seem to get tamer. This one was strolling along the school fence early one evening.



This month's famous face in Dunton Green was Arthur Smith who appeared at the Social Club's comedy night.

DGPC Comment: If you see anyone famous in the village, do send us a photo!



I always meant to go to the Italian restaurant at Donnington Manor Hotel.
Looks like I've missed the chance!
Guess I will have to try The Chartwell instead...



DANGER UXB!

Reports of an unexploded World War 2 bombs in someone's garden thankfully turned out to be a false alarm.

Out and About - 'What Katie Saw' Information, Gossip and News from Kate, our roving correspondent



Loved The Miner's Christmas stag.

He looked particularly good lit up at night!!

The poppies looked good on the front of the pub for Remembrance.



Looks like someone thought it would be a good idea to use the City AM papers as kindling for a fire at the station.

Really pleased to see that the newspaper stands have now gone - unfortunately all they seem to do is create is even more litter!



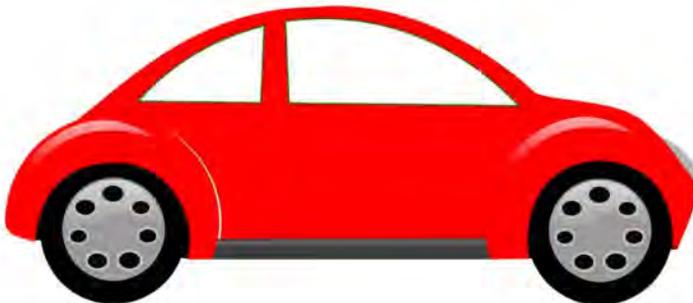
VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

If you enjoy driving and are interested in helping fellow residents who are in need of transport to medical appointments, then why not join **SEVENOAKS VOLUNTEER TRANSPORT GROUP?**



You will be able to use your own car, choose the amount of time you give and be reimbursed your fuel expenses - and meet some interesting people!

To learn more, visit our website
www.sevenoaksvolunteertransport.com or
ring the co-ordinator on **01732 458931** between 9am and noon
Monday to Friday



DGPC is proud to support SVTG and all its efforts to help residents in Dunton Green

FROM THE ARCHIVES

DUNTON GREEN 100 YEARS AGO...

by Cllr. Graham Hersey

Lovers' Walk

On page 19 of the book 'Dunton Green: The Past In Pictures' by Ian Bayley and Lesley Edmeads (both former Parish Councillors with strong associations to the village), there is a picture of a group of girls with a pram.



With thanks to Ian Bayley & Lesley Edmeads

The location of the picture is the carriage drive, just to the north of where the motorway now cuts through the village, which leads to Broughton House.

They are at the northern end of a long lost path known as 'Lovers' Walk' that ran from the Station footpath up to the carriage drive. It ran through what was known as 'Home Wood', part of which still exists between the field and the M26.

Before the motorway was built, the wood was much larger and ran all the way to where the girls are shown.

The photograph was possibly taken on a Sunday afternoon as the girls seem to have on their best clothes (their 'Sunday Best') and Sunday afternoon was a popular time for young people to go walking and meet with friends. There was very little else to do in 1900!!

The book, which is a pictorial history of the village, is still available via the Parish Council (or Amazon).

FROM THE ARCHIVES

A Dunton Green 'Might Have Been'

by Cllr. Graham Hersey

For many years the Marley Tile Company owned a large area of land in Dunton Green and Chipstead and, over time, excavated great quantities of sand and gravel for their business. The excavations are how Chipstead Lake was created.

In the 1980s they applied for permission to extend the lake to the north, up to the line of the present M26. This was refused and in the late 80s they announced that the current deposits of gravel were exhausted and the factory would close.

There was much speculation as to what would happen to the undeveloped land and in 1992 a plan was put forward for a golf course which would have occupied all of the land from Dunton Green to Chipstead, from the north edge of the lake up to the motorway. This would have been a full 18 hole golf course with an extensive clubhouse and driving range.



The application was turned down on several grounds. One of the main problems was that the entrance was to be on Chevening Road and this was deemed inadequate for the amount of traffic that was likely to use the course. If the course had been built, it may well have gone the way of the Broke Hill Golf Course and we could be faced with the prospect of a similar massive development as the one proposed there (although the latest there is that the Developer's appeal has recently been dismissed...).

There are all sorts of activities going on in Dunton Green and the following pages list ones that the Parish Council either fully fund or actively support.

The very popular (FREE!) basketball sessions run by Kent Panthers will be returning to Dunton Green around Easter. Confirmed dates will be available via the Parish Council's website events page . Check www.duntongreenpc.org.uk for further details.

FREE WEEKLY BASKETBALL CLUB

**EVERY MONDAY 5.30PM - 6.30PM @
DUNTON GREEN**

**MUGA (MULTI USE GAMES AREA)
RECREATION GROUND
LONDON ROAD
DUNTON GREEN
KENT
TN13 2UR**

AGES 11-14

Ryan Richards

KENT PANTHERS

Club founded by NBA draft pick Ryan Richards

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Dunton Green Mini Tennis sessions

Mini Tennis will return on TUESDAYS in April!

Full details of dates, times and contact details will soon be available on the Dunton Green Parish Council website

www.duntongreenpc.org.uk

The sessions will be fully funded once again by the Parish Council so if you would like your child to have a go please do sign up with Keir (details via the website)

Let's Lunch



Join us at the **Dunton Green Lunch Club** on the first Wednesday of each month (except August)

11.45am to 2pm

At Dunton Green Pavilion, Recreation Ground, off London Road, TN13 2UR

To book transport please call Judith

07836 525 938

For more information, please see
www.ageuk.org.uk or
www.duntongreenpc.org.uk

Sevenoaks & Tonbridge
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Would you, or some that you know, like to attend the Dunton Green Lunch Club every month?

Are you not going because you can't get transport?

Call Judith on 07836 525 938

Dunton Green Lunch Club is a great place to meet friends, make new ones, enjoy a hearty lunch and have a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon!

Dunton Green Parish Council has provided funding to Age UK so that arrangements can be made for Dunton Green residents to be brought to the Pavilion every month. All you need to do is contact Judith!



DATES FOR 2022

Wednesdays 6th April, 4th May, 1st June (Jubilee Special)
6th July, 7th September, 5th October
2nd November, 7th December (Christmas Special)

STREET DANCE @ DUNTON GREEN PAVILLION

Age group 8-16

**Every Wednesday
(term time)
4.30-5.30pm
£3.50 a session**

**Contact:
duntongreenstreetdance@gmail.com**

Dunton Green Project

Easy Netball

Everyone is welcome. Minimum age 14

£2.00 pay
as you go

Thursday 7pm to 8pm

MUGA, near the Pavilion, Recreation
Ground, Dunton Green, TN13 2UR

**WE ARE
BACK!**



For more information, please call 01732 227000 or
email communities@sevenoaks.gov.uk



SESSIONS RUN WEATHER PERMITTING - JOIN YULIA FOR FUN SESSIONS EVERY WEEK



Pop Up Sue is Back in Dunton Green !

Dunton Green Pavilion, Recreation Ground, London Road, TN13 2UR

Join Sue every month (2nd Wednesday)
for the Pop In Café!

Dates for the diary:

13th April

11th May

8th June

13th June

1.30pm - 3.30pm

Improve your mobility, strength & balance

Meet others, in a friendly, covid-safe, class with a qualified
instructor and a cup of tea/coffee



PROUD TO SUPPORT AGE UK

For more information, call Sue 07867 648 667
or email
suelarken@ageuksevenoaksandtonbridge.org.uk

Age UK Sevenoaks & Tonbridge registered charity number 1088213. 05/18

DUNTON GREEN
LITTER PICK

Sunday 3rd APRIL
2022

10.30am

Meet at Dunton Green
Pavilion

Recreation Ground
Dunton Green

Litter picks and bags
provided

ONE BAG BIG DIFFERENCE

#GBSpringClean



Join the Great British Spring Clean
25th March - 10th April 2022



In partnership with





SATURDAY FREIGHTER GUIDANCE

The Freighter cannot accept **white goods**, washing machines, dishwashers, fridges, freezers, cookers, cast iron boilers or baths, long metal poles, building materials, manure, large parts of engines or vehicles or hazardous waste

Hazardous waste now includes items like fluorescent tubes, televisions & computer monitors, batteries, oil tins and filters, paint and paint tins and chemical containers. These items cannot be accepted on the Saturday Freighter service and must be taken to your nearest Household Waste Recycling Centre.

Compostable garden waste cannot be accepted



FREIGHTER REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE



DATES FOR THE DIARY

THE NEW BI-MONTHLY COLLECTIONS
12th March 2022
14th May 2022*
9th July 2022

LUSTED ROAD 11.45AM TO 12.15PM
 MILL ROAD 12.30PM TO 1.00PM

*** PLEASE NOTE EARLIER STOP TIMES OF 8.30am - 9.00am & 9.15am - 9.45am FOR DATES IN RED**

PLEASE BRING ALONG YOUR EXCESS REFUSE AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS ADDITIONAL SERVICE

NON-RECYCLABLE REFUSE (EXCLUDING METAL)

SERVICE FULLY FUNDED BY DUNTON GREEN PARISH COUNCIL
 ARRANGED WITH ASSISTANCE FROM SEVENOAKS DISTRICT COUNCIL



The Sevenoaks Larder Dunton Green Pop Up runs from Dunton Green Pavilion (Recreation Ground, London Road) on Tuesday mornings. If you would like to apply contact Sevenoaks Larder.

DGPC is proud to support the work of Sevenoaks Larder in helping families in our community.

How to apply?



Visit our website and fill out our simple application form!



Hope Church,
The Mill Lane Centre, Mill Lane,
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Longford Meadow - renaming?

We have two areas of open space/recreational land which are linked to Mill Road. With the planting of a new area of trees as part of The Queen's Green Canopy we wondered whether we should rename

Longford Meadow to Jubilee Meadow, Jubilee Grounds, or similar? To keep an historical link to Longford, the smaller open space (which is closer to where the old Longford Mill once was) could be named Longford Copse or Longford Spinney?

We would very much like to hear your views on this! Please

contact the Clerk (clerk@duntongreenpc.org.uk / 01732 462966).



Litter Pick

As part of The Great British Spring Clean, DGPC has arranged a litter pick (see page 29 for details). Many of you express concern about the amount of litter we see in the village. Whilst we all need to educate people that litter bins are provided and we want them used, we do hope to see as many of you as possible on 3rd April, helping to tidy our village!

Annual Parish Meeting (APM) and Parish Reception

We are really pleased that the APM is returning to a face to face format for 2022. Please come along - it is your chance to speak to parish, district and county councillors, to the Police and to other organisations who will be coming along. There will a buffet reception and refreshments available. More details are on the back page of this newsletter. We hope to see you there!

DUNTON GREEN VILLAGE HALL

URGENT PLEA FOR VOLUNTEERS



The Village Hall has been a key village venue in Dunton Green since it was built in 1851. It was originally the village's school but has been the community's village hall for the majority of its existence.

The Management Committee that runs it is made up of volunteers but they urgently need more help to run the venue - without people stepping forward the venue could be lost.

Do you have some spare time you could offer? Could you be part of a village team that ensures that the hall is available for the community? Do you have fundraising expertise or ideas? Do you have some DIY or maintenance skills that might be useful? Could you help with the accounts, or bookings? There are so many ways you could potentially help out!

For more information, please contact Andrea Rodwell

By phone: 07889 965 063

(please leave a message so Andrea can get back to you)

Or by email: duntongreenvillagehall@gmail.com

THANK YOU

COPY DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Any items or articles for possible inclusion in the next issue of this magazine must be forwarded to Dunton Green Parish Council, Parish Council Office, Dunton Green Pavilion, Recreation Ground, Dunton Green, Kent TN13 2UR

1st May 2022

Let us share news about the village & your organisations with all residents in Dunton Green

Please forward articles & photos:

clerk@duntongreenpc.org.uk

We have received some great photos and information from residents and we would love to be able to share more in future newsletters!

DUNTON GREEN PAVILION

Recreation Ground, London Road, Dunton Green TN13 2UR



Dunton Green Pavilion is a fantastic community facility owned and managed by Dunton Green Parish Council.

The Pavilion is located in the Recreation Ground in Dunton Green and offers excellent facilities for community activities, commercial organisations and private hire.

Please see the Parish Council's website for more details about the venue, including pricing.

bookings@duntongreenpc.org.uk / 07305 814694



PARISH COUNCIL EVENTS : DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday Mar 8th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday Mar 12th 2022 - Saturday Freighter (see page 30)

**Wednesday Mar 30th 2022 - Annual Parish Meeting/Parish Reception
7.00pm Pavilion (see back page)**

Sunday Apr 3rd 2022 - Litter pick 10.30am Pavilion (see page 29)

Tuesday Apr 12th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Tuesday May 10th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday May 14th 2022 - Saturday Freighter (see page 30)

Tuesday Jun 14th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday Jul 9th 2022 - Saturday Freighter (see page 30)

Tuesday Jul 12th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Tuesday Sep 13th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday Sep TBC 2022 - Saturday Freighter Date TBC

Saturday Sep 24th 2022 - Annual Fireworks Display (timings TBC)

Tuesday Oct 11th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Tuesday Nov 8th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday Nov TBC 2022 - Saturday Freighter Date TBC

**Sunday Nov 13th 2022 - Annual Service of Remembrance 10.45am War
Memorial**

Tuesday Dec 13th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Dec 2022 - Christmas Singalong (date TBC)



Visit www.duntongreenpc.org.uk and sign up to Email Alerts to keep up to date and informed about all the latest news, meetings and events information as it is published. Meeting agendas are published in the week prior to the meeting and are available on the website.

If you have events that you would like publicised please contact the Clerk and we can consider publishing your activities on our Parish Council website events listing page - we're keen to let everyone know just what is on in Duntongreen and it starts with you!



www.duntongreenpc.org.uk

The Parish Council's website provides information on all sorts of activities and news in the village.

Please check the website regularly for page updates and **sign up for Email Alerts** for things like events, news and planning.
Contact us by email if you have community events and activities that you would like to advertise.

SIGN UP TO STAY INFORMED!

The Parish Council is also on Facebook and Twitter!



Dunton Green Parish Council
Please follow us / give us a like!



@PcDunton Dunton Green PC Clerk

DUNTON GREEN NEWS

All back copies of Dunton Green News can be found on the Parish Council's website - www.duntongreenpc.org.uk - on the **DUNTON GREEN NEWS** tab.

If you could help us deliver newsletters in your road / area please contact the Parish Council - the more volunteers we have the better!
Thank you.

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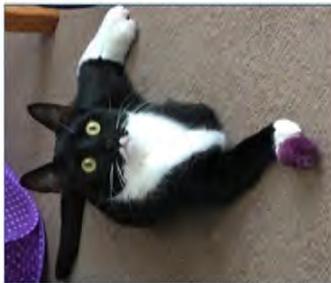
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ALL OUR YESTERDAYS

Following on from our last edition, we showcase developments in the village during 2014.

By 2014 the first residents and ducks of Ryewood had moved into Campion Square and Dunton Green got its first ever fountains!



The first play area was built on the estate.



It was also full steam ahead in the recreation ground for the Pavilion. Unfortunately, the January weather was dreadful, and construction was delayed as the foundations turned into a very muddy pond.



However, by July the exterior of the Pavilion was up and the new facility was definitely taking shape.

But our poor Clerk was having to run the Parish Council from home and from 2 portacabins kindly donated by the MOD at Fort Halstead.



By October the first Ryewood bus stop appeared in the space behind the show home that was originally earmarked by Berkeley Homes for a medical centre...



We'll share more about Dunton Green and 2015 in the summer edition.



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Could this be you?!!

If you are interested in joining us at DGPC please contact the Clerk (details on page 2)

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Arrange a street party for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

This year, the Queen will celebrate her Platinum Jubilee after 70 years of service. You can apply to close a road free of charge for up to one day from the 2 to 5 June 2022 to hold a street party to celebrate.

Event requirements

Your Platinum Jubilee street party event must:

- be organised for residents and neighbours only
- not be publicised or advertised to the wider public
- be on a residential road (for example a cul-de-sac or where traffic is not able to access another road from the event road) where only resident traffic will be affected
- ensure access is still possible by emergency service vehicles
- ensure disabled drivers can still access disabled parking bays
- not be on a road which needs to be used to access shops or other businesses
- not be on a road which provides access to a public car park (other than a residents only car park)
- not involve any commercial activity within the road closure area
- not charge for entry to the event
- not damage the road surface
- not disrupt local residents with music or other noise.

You must:

- speak to residents who will be affected by the road closure to make sure they haven't got any objections
- make sure all rubbish is cleared up
- make sure that signs are clearly visible to all road users.

Road closure information

The road closure will be valid for up to one day only and will only be effective when signs are in place. As part of your application, we will supply a single 'Road Closed' sign for closures of no-through roads, and two signs for closures of any through roads. Details will be emailed to you on approval and will be by prior appointment.

Application fees will be waived for local resident street party applications only.

You can find further information, risk assessments and insurance information on [The Street Party Site](#).

If you want to attach lightweight bunting or flags to street lights, [contact the street lighting team](#). The permit application fee will be waived for Platinum Jubilee events only.

If you are arranging larger-scale events where strategic routes on our road network need to be closed, visit our [apply to close a road](#) page and contact the relevant streetworks team. We may not be able to support all road closure applications.

The deadline for applications is **31 March 2022**. Any applications received after this date will not be processed.

Applications can be submitted online – www.kent.gov.uk (search for *arrange a street party*)

DUNTON GREEN ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AND PARISH RECEPTION

An opportunity to have your say on matters relating to Dunton Green

Wednesday 30th March 2022

19:00 - Start of Meeting 19:30 - Parish Reception: Exhibitors & Meet Councillors

Agenda: Annual Reports * Grants to Organisations * KALC Community Award * Parish SID Scheme * Station Footpath Registration

Dunton Green Pavilion, Recreation Ground, London Road, Dunton Green TN13 2UR

Please submit any questions you would like to ask the Parish Council by Wednesday 23rd March to clerk@duntongreenpc.org.uk



ALL RESIDENTS ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND

PLEASE JOIN US FOR BUFFET REFRESHMENTS AND A CHANCE TO TALK TO COUNCILLORS AND POLICE