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**Copy Date  
for June**

*(the Summer 2024) edition:*  
**Sunday 12th May**



#### WOBURN SANDS COMMUNITY MARKET DATES

A Community Market is held every month on the  
**2nd Saturday from 10:00-14:00** around the Institute  
(Woburn Sands Library) and Memorial Green.

This is a market for locally produced food and crafts  
and is run by volunteers and some councillors.

More information at: [hello@woburnsandsmarket.co.uk](mailto:hello@woburnsandsmarket.co.uk)

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#### Reporting Issues to *Milton Keynes Council*

Issues that need to be reported to Milton Keynes Council can be  
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roads/potholes etc.



[www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/pay-report-apply/report-it](http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/pay-report-apply/report-it)

#### Community Action MK

Hello, My name is Aimee and I work for Community action MK  
([www.communityactionmk.org](http://www.communityactionmk.org)) and my role is to engage  
with the new communities in Milton Keynes. As Eagle Farm  
South and Glebe Farm are some of the newest communities in  
Milton Keynes it is a main area of focus for the organisation. As a  
result, you will likely see more of me around in the community.  
I will be attending community coffee mornings at the schools  
and am able to help support local residents with advice and  
signposting.

If you have any questions about life in the community, from  
public transport to local support groups or advice about starting  
your own community group we can help!

Pop down and see us at Eagle Farm or Glebe Farm and let  
us know if you have any queries or thoughts about life in  
your community please do get in contact with us [info@communityactionmk.org](mailto:info@communityactionmk.org)  
communityactionmk.org or come and see me in the community.





## LATEST NEWS:

### Old Wavendon, Eagle Farm South & Glebe Farm in Wavendon

## UPDATE ON PLANNED ALLOTMENTS WAVENDON:

### Eagle Farm

There will be 22 allotments over four sites, **six** on site one, **five** on site 2, **seven** on site 3 and **four** on site 4.

The first **six** on site 1 have been completed by the Developer and require some modifications by Milton Keynes City Council, Landscaping Department before Wavendon Parish Council are able to take ownership and management of this site.

The **five** on site 2 and the **seven** on site 3 are nearly completed by the Developer but will require Milton Keynes City Council Landscaping Department to make sure that the soil quality and finish is to a high standard so that both sites can be handed over to Wavendon Parish Council

Legal work is currently in hand by Solicitors for the Developer and Wavendon Parish Council to enable the Parish Council to take ownership of these sites.

A realistic target is August 2024 for these to be ready for Wavendon Parish Council to start the process of hiring these out to residents.

The four on site 4 will not be ready for 12 to 18 months.

In total there will be **22 allotment plots** available in Eagle Farm and currently there are **35 residents** to date that have expressed an interest in hiring an allotment.

*The policy of Wavendon Parish Council is that residents will be offered plots that live in Eagle Farm as there is limited parking space at each site. The Parish Council have a list and these will be offered to residents in date of application first.*

### Glebe Farm

In total there will be **29 allotment plots** available in Glebe Farm and currently there are **39 residents** to date that have expressed an interest in hiring an allotment.

These allotments will not be ready for hand over to the Parish Council until the earliest in September 2024.

*The policy of Wavendon Parish Council is that residents will be offered plots that live in Glebe Farm as there is limited parking space at this site. The Parish Council have a list and these will be offered to residents in date of application first.*

**The Parish Council are hopeful that more detailed information can be provided in the next edition of the newsletter.**



## Why a Country Park around Wavendon House, let's look at the history?

**Wavendon House, as it became known, derives from a house known as the Grange, that in turn had been a manor of the medieval Woburn Abbey.**

During the C18 and C19 it was owned by a succession of financiers, including a member of the Hoare family, who also owned Stourhead, and who managed Wavendon as a small country estate. Placed on the Greensand ridge, with its combination of good farmland and acidic soil, which lent itself to hunting estates, and in reach of London, Wavendon was well-placed to aspire to the social life of nearby Woburn Abbey, with which its owners had business connections, and the cluster of other eminent country houses on the Greensand Ridge.



From the later C17 Wavendon was owned by the Selby family, who made successive improvements to the house and landscape. The house was partly rebuilt in the late C17 by James Selby and added to in about 1703 by his son, who in the course of his lifetime, dying in 1772, undertook improvements to the grounds, creating 'handsome gardens', a lake, fishponds and canals, and planting orchards and avenues of trees.

The estate was improved most significantly between 1768 and 1772 with the works by Richard Woods (1715-1793). There are no surviving plans, but accounts record that Woods created two lakes, the sum suggesting he paid occasional visits to the site. The lakes, to the north and south of the house, are linked by a canal crossed by two bridges and a small cascade. While it has been suggested that the walled garden was built at this time, and it was certainly present by

1815, it cannot be securely attributed to Woods, and the bricks correspond in size with those in the later C18 southern canted bays of the house.

While he is less well-known, Woods was a contemporary of Lancelot 'Capability' Brown (1716-1783). Both were surveyors and landscape improvers and experts in hydrology and drainage, but Woods' landscapes tend to be on a smaller, more intricate scale, creating landscapes where the distinction between the pleasure ground and park in the usual later C18 sense was blurred. Because of their scale, they appear to allow a closer visual relationship between the principal mansion, its service buildings and walled gardens than the later C18 trend for separation that Brown in particular advocated. Woods is known to have worked on some fifty schemes, the majority in a belt from Dorset to Essex, where he lived from 1768, and with a cluster of early commissions in Yorkshire. Commissions ranged from small interventions at large sites such as a small pleasure ground and cascade at Audley End, Essex in 1780 (registered Grade I, National Heritage List for England (NHLE) 1000312), to complete schemes such as Cannon Hall, North Yorkshire, 1760-1765, (registered Grade II, NHLE 1001159), Cusworth Hall, South Yorkshire, 1761-1755 (registered Grade II, NHLE 100412) which have similarities with Wavendon in their scale and use of water. Wivenhoe Park, Essex, 1765 and 1776-1780 (registered Grade II, NHLE 1000371) provides a particularly well-documented example of his remodelling of an existing deer park with a string of lakes, although subsequently altered. He created an ambitious scheme for the Earl of Arundell at Wardour Castle, Wiltshire between 1764 and 1771, regarded as his most prestigious commission (registered Grade II\*, NHLE 1000507), but it was never completed.

In keeping with his landscapes, his garden buildings tended to reflect the Gothic, Chinoiserie and classically informed tastes of the mid- rather than later C18, but he also created walled gardens, their irrigation systems and pumps, and 'was pre-eminent among the improvers in his use of flowers within the designed landscape' (Cowell, 2009, p 17). He was interested in exotic and ornamental trees, and particularly conifers, planting in small clumps and narrow belts rather than defining a park by belts of perimeter planting. Woods was not a leader of fashion nor influential, but he was clearly sought after and admired for his specific skills,



and his employers ranged from the wealthy Earl of Arundell to the comfortably-off newly landed gentry at their smaller estates. There is some added interest that Woods, who was brought up a Catholic, worked for both Catholic and Protestant employers, with much of his work achieved before the Catholic Relief Bill of 1778.

In 1798 the estate was acquired by Henry Hoare, who enlarged the house, and reversed its aspect, changing its relationship with the designed landscape. Thus, the pedimented, north-facing, front elevation of the C18 house became the rear elevation of Hoare's house, to which a central canted bay was later added. The

south front became the main entrance front, with an added portico, facing Woods' southern lake and park. The house was extended to the west, its canted bay matched by a similar bay to the east (Buildings of England, 1994, p 713-4). However, the principal rooms and circulation spaces in the core of the house appear to be mid-C18 in character, rather than of about 1800.

The historic service buildings, now converted to residential use, stand immediately to the east of the house.

The 1815 Ordnance Survey map, the earliest detailed record of the site, shows the house at the centre of the distinctive wheel of two lakes and woodland to

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the east, and to the west a large walled garden laid out with concentric paths and beds rather than with a quadrilateral grid, and trees, probably an orchard, to the north-west of it. The house was approached by tree-lined drives from the north, south and south-west crossing to the north of the house, past the walled garden, as well as serving the south front of the house.

The estate is shown as parkland studded with occasional trees, distinct from the enclosed fields beyond. By 1841 (Wavendon Tithe Map) the south front of the house was approached from the east, through the stable yard, and the southern drive had become a path across the gardens. During the C19 the outer ends of the lakes were gradually framed by increasing planting, with a belt extending south from the southern lake. Maps also show a sequence of more transitory paths and beds near the house, including a path through the belt of trees to the north-east of the walled garden, while a path replaced the drive past the northern front of the house. The northern drive is consistently lined by a row of trees on its eastern side, and by intermittent trees to the west.

The outer park formerly included part of the area now managed as golf course, and the field currently under rough pasture between Park Farm and the walled garden and orchard. There are permeable boundaries and hedges and open views between these and the pleasure grounds. Within the golf course there are specimen trees including a line of conifers. There is a further early C19 lodge at 2 Lower End Road (listed Grade II, NHLE 1213156) but later C19 OS maps show it as separate from the estate.

The house was owned by the Hoare family from 1798 until 1918, when it was sold to a Mr Fairweather, by that time with an estate of 1150 acres, and having since 1912 been leased to an American, Francis Bond.

While the walled garden gates were probably installed after the First World War, it is likely that the pear alley dates from the later 1800s or early 1900s, at a time when food production in the walled garden appeared to be at its height and included a vinery and a peach house.

Wavendon was used as an outstation of Bletchley Park during the Second World War, both in providing residential accommodation for many of the WRNS force who worked there, and in housing number of the Bombes, the decoding/computing machines that were an essential part of Bletchley Park's work.

In 1961 the house and its ancillary buildings were converted for use as a residential special school, the main house was extended and new buildings were constructed in the vicinity. All have since been converted to domestic use and some further residential buildings and garages have been added within the grounds. The principal rooms and circulation spaces in the house appear to be largely intact, and the grounds, which have not been subdivided, retain much of their historic character and scale.



## DROP IN FOR COFFEE AND A CHAT



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**FIT FOR LIFE!**



## Children's Mental Health Week

**Children at St Mary's Wavendon embraced this year's theme of 'My Voice Matters' to empower young people to use their voices, share what matters to them, and encourage those around them to hear their voices.**

It is recognised nationally that 1 in 6 children have a diagnosable mental health issue, so it's really important to help each other out when we can, and to find ways to take care of our minds. One very simple but powerful way to connect with others is through kindness." <https://schoolofkindness.org/childrens-mental-health-week-2024>

We invited all of our pupils and staff to dress to express themselves on Friday 9 February 2024 to mark Children's Mental Health Week. Some dressed head-to-toe in their favourite colour; others an outfit that represents the job they want to do when they are older such as nurses, fire-fighters or palaeontologist; their favourite sport or a hobby that they have. It was great to learn more about their special qualities, interests, talents and beliefs.

Kindness has also been shown in the fundraising for charities – Children in Need; Food Bank; Women's Aid and Save the Children. With food parcels, Christmas presents and over £300 raised so far this year. We are so proud of our St Mary's Community for their generosity!



# Wavendon

## Belles WI

We began the new year with a very interesting talk by Felicia Jones on Health and Wellbeing. This month we heard Evan Willison tell us his tales from the auction room some of which were very funny indeed.

Our meeting in March is our Annual General Meeting and Helen Peters is also coming to tell us all about medical detection dogs. Our Book, Walking and Theatre Groups are up and running and ladies have signed up for a Craft Group, hopefully to begin next month.

The new WI Learning Hub has been launched and gives ladies access to many courses on technology, craft and business and on Friday 12th April there is a Literary Lunch in partnership with an independent book shop.

The Investigation and Discovery Day in Aylesbury in March has some amazing speakers: the Aquarium Curator and Living Collections Manager at the Horniman Museum; an insect molecular biologist who is speaking on how to better use of pesticides through links with partners in agronomy; the Head of Design Integrity at Lockheed Martin UK before becoming a Visiting Professor and the founder and Executive Director of 'Connected by Data' an initiative she says aims to put community at the heart of data narratives and policies and is the co-creator of the open-data board game Datapolis.

Our future monthly meetings include a Cooking Demonstration, Magic and Mentalism and talks on Amazon Adventures and Ancestors in the Closet. A warm welcome awaits you at 7.30pm on the second Thursday of each month. So Wavendon Belles WI is definitely not all Jam and Jerusalem so please come and say hello!





## From the Parish

Milton Keynes City Council has released its series of growth options that might be included in its new local plan, MK Local Plan:2050. It estimates it will need to designate land for an additional 65,000 dwellings during that time period, of which 35,000 will have to be found on sites not yet identified.

The council has long listed a dozen location across MK including what it calls the Southern Options which are land options in and around Wavendon, Woburn Sands and the Brickhills.

There will be a full consultation in the late summer / early autumn during which residents will have the opportunity to respond to these proposals in detail.

Growth Option Name	Category	Estimated Capacity homes (rounded)	Development Type(s)	Recommended in Strategy for 2050	Early considerations
Land east of Newport Road, Woburn Sands & Wavendon	City expansion	1,900 – 3,750	Residential-led	Y	1. Very complex landownership – deliverability? 2. May need to be planned cross-boundary 3. Landscape work still to report – potentially sensitive area
Land east of Newport Road, Woburn Sands and Wavendon reduced (reduced to accommodate country park proposal) City expansion	City expansion	1,300 – 2,600	Residential-led	Y	Very complex landownership - deliverability? May need to be planned cross-boundary Landscape work still to report – potentially sensitive area
SEMK southern extensions	City expansion	580	Residential-led	Y	Piecemeal separated additions to a comprehensively planned site – integration with SEMK vis a vis buffers and lower density in SEMK Landscape likely to be sensitive (Landscape work still to report)
Land south of Bow Brickhill	City expansion	1,850 – 2,500	Residential-led Employment allocation	Y	Landscape likely to be sensitive (Landscape work still to report) Impact of EWR?
Levante Gate, land south of A5 McDonalds Roundabout	City expansion	450 – 600	Residential-led Employment allocation	Y	Landscape likely to be sensitive (Landscape work still to report) Impact of EWR?
Land south of Bow Brickhill & Levante Gate, land south of A5 McDonalds Roundabout COMBINED	City expansion	2,300 – 3,100		Y	Landscape likely to be sensitive (Landscape work still to report) Impact of EWR?
Rural Villages	Rural	Little Brickhill 2 sites 85-265 @ 30dph (net)	Residential	N	

### How much new housing does MKCC feel it needs?

- Planning for 63k to match Strategy for 2050 and provide a buffer – needed to ensure a sound plan
- Current supply of c.30k homes
- MKCC maintains that this means it will need to allocate c. 35k homes in the New City Plan
- **Total for the coming plan period, 65,000 dwellings**

*The Marston Vale train service finally returned to the line in February with the offer on the poster below. The offer lasts for three months*

Enjoy

# £1 TRAIN TICKETS

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Limited time offer. T&Cs apply - please check website for details.

The timetable can be found here in case you need a reminder

<https://www.londonnorthwesternrailway.co.uk/media/2967/download?inline>

The press release associated with the return of the service can be found at.

*London North Western Railway: Full timetable to resume on Marston Vale Line as £1 tickets launched | West Midlands Trains (mynewsdesk.com)*



## IN BRIEF

### Walton Road

The Highways team at MK City Council commissioned a survey to look at residents' concerns about this road being used as a "rat run" to access V11 Tongwell Street at peak times, and vice versa. The findings of a one-week survey have been released.

The report states there is quite clearly an issue with 'rat running' through Wavendon. The Highways team will now be looking at measures to tackle this problem, and we will be in contact soon outlining some possible solutions for further discussion with residents.

### 450 Bus Service – Message from the MD of Britannia Buses

Hello

*"I have been in regular talks with Councillors David Hopkins and Tracey Bailey, both of whom have worked together, across party lines for the benefit of local residents and I would like to thank them both for their help and support. They are indeed a credit to both Woburn Sands and the City of Milton Keynes.*

*A quick summary: The 450 was effectively an extension to route 89 in south Northamptonshire, utilising the same bus and Driver in between 89 journeys, but the 89 has never recovered since the Corona-era days of lockdown and its losses- for it has never made a profit in the four years we have operated it- have become too high for this small fleet to absorb. The 450 on the other hand breaks even on account of the low operating costs of just one journey; however, there are few signs at present that the 450 could be extended to an all-day service on its own as it cannot exist without the 89. As a result, the company reluctantly decided to issue its intent to cancel both services. However, Councillors Hopkins and Bailey were very keen to see if MK City Council could step in and assist in retaining these two routes and as a result I am due to meet Council Officers on Wednesday this week. I would like to add that company policy is that all bus services should be commercially self-funding and not be a drain on taxpayer funds and to that extent, help sought was a short-term 'kickstart' fund to help turn this service from the minor timetable it is now into a self-sustaining all day, six day per week service.*

*My colleagues and I, thanks to advice from Councillors Bailey and Hopkins as well as Councillors in West Northamptonshire, have worked out a way to operate a full day service and make it commercially viable in*

*the medium term- that is to say, entirely funded by ticket sales and passes. In an ideal World it would be a candidate for short-term funding from either or both MKCC or WNC; however, there are so many pressures on both Councils- especially from the large PLC fleets which will always find a reason to use and waste such funding, that I feel that we need to be realistic and manage expectations.*

*However, even without any Council assistance, the plan to make the service better is still perfectly viable, but it is out of scope of what the company can offer just yet. With that in mind, rather than cancel the two services entirely, my colleagues and I have worked out that with some minor changes to the 89 and retaining the 450 as is, that we can continue to offer this service until such time that we can again look at expanding it. It should be noted that this is our intended plan but due to potential reasons outside of our control, we cannot guarantee this.*

*I would like to thank Councillors Bailey and Hopkins for their work in liaising with MK City Council and to Woburn Sands Town Council for their advice and guidance and most of all to our passengers for their patience. I know they have been waiting for news of a more comprehensive service and I am sorry to disappoint them; my team and I particularly like this route- it is a lovely town with some of the nicest people you could ever hope to meet".*

*Kindest regards*

*Derek S. Taylor - Managing Director*

### H10 Bletcham Way Extension - Phase 1 Update

MKCC (Milton Keynes City Councils) wish to proceed with the construction of the H10 Bletcham Way Extension to cater for future developments. The detailed design is being carried out by consultant with MKCC Major Projects managing the works which will be carried out by our approved Service Contractor.

The works started on 02 Jan 2024 and should be by completed by end of April 2024, weather permitting.

The project has been divided into 2 phases:

Phase 1 – Construction of a Temporary access road to permit early works to start on the development and facilitate the construction of the main road under Phase 2.

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### Works will include:

- Removing some trees / foliage
- Installing Bat Boxes
- Reconstructing parts of Gregories Drive and Byrd Crescent
- Ground Investigation works.
- Construction of a temporary road

Phase 2 – Construction of the main Eastern extension of H10 grid road which includes a new bridge over Byrd Crescent and a new enlarged roundabout.

- Details of the full H10 Works, programme, road closures/diversions etc. will be published nearer the date of the works.

To view the full project details, visit the 'Major Projects' section at [www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/highways](http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/highways).

### Update on Highways Issues in Wavendon

#### • Walton Road and Stockwell Lane

The Highways team at MK City Council commissioned a survey to look at Walton Road residents' concerns about this road being used as a "rat run" to access V11 Tongwell Street at peak times, and vice versa. The findings of a one-week survey have now been published.

As the report states there is quite clearly an issue with 'rat running' through Wavendon. The Highways team will now be looking at measures to tackle this problem, and it will be in contact with the Parish Council in the near future outlining some possible solutions for further discussion with residents.

#### • Newport Road

MK City Council will begin the design and consultation for this scheme in Spring 2024 for 30mph limit proposal with possible traffic calming features and pedestrian crossing improvements – which is likely to be (growth funded) tariff-funded, although MKCC can cover it from its traffic management programme for 24/25 should that not be possible.

#### • Cross End & Lower End Road and Cranfield Road

MKCC will carry out the works for the above schemes at the same time as the scheme for Newport Road. Works will be planned for Spring 2024 - these will include Cross End – Left in & Left out, Lower End Road 30mph extension, SID installation and overall 40mph speed limit.

#### • Cranfield Road

Partial 40mph limit (liaison with Central Beds Council required), 50mph proposal elsewhere and Speed Indicating Devices SID installation (maybe installed in March / April 2024).

### John Lewis driver training select notorious bend in Wavendon for 'training video'.

John Lewis has selected a notoriously challenging and narrow double bend in Wavendon village as the site of its latest driver training video. A John Lewis van was seen in February being filmed by a camera crew as it tackled the bend on several occasions (interacting with an open back 'pick up', also part of the training scenario.)



It appears the narrow bend offers a suitable and quite extreme training opportunity having no footpath and limited passing space. The narrow double bend on the Walton Road has been the centre of controversy for many years and is increasingly being used as a rat run by traffic accessing south MK from Cranfield and Woburn Sands.

MK Council has recently undertaken a detailed CCTV centred traffic count and intends bringing forward a detailed road safety calming scheme or a series of calming options for local consultation.

Cllr David Hopkins, Chairman of Wavendon Parish Council commented 'the fact that this part of the village has been identified by a major logistics operator such as John Lewis further emphasises the need for the city council to bring forward a road safety scheme as soon as possible to take the burden of this heavy traffic away from the very rural route'.

#### Cllr David Hopkins

*Chairman – Wavendon Parish Council*



## THE BEST IN COMMUNITY GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL.... ON YOUR DOOR STEP!

Wavendon is the fastest growing area in one of the UK's fastest growing cities. That brings with it huge challenges and opportunities for community cohesion and integration. Community grassroots football is one of the most important activities enabling all ages, abilities and social backgrounds to come together and thrive.

So it's a huge benefit to have the oldest and largest grassroots football club in MK and West Bedfordshire based here in our community. The stats speak for themselves:-

- Over 580 boys and girls of all abilities playing for approaching 45 teams (5 years of age through to adult as well as "Goalability" pan-disability sessions).
- Watched and supported by around 1,000 parents.
- Along with family and friends, a regular audience of some 7,000 adults living mainly in South East Milton Keynes and West Bedfordshire.

Non profit-making and 100% volunteer run, Woburn & Wavendon F.C. is a 3-star England Football Accredited Club. This accreditation is the highest that can be awarded by the Football Association, and means the Club is among the country's best. Proven to be well run, sustainable and placing child protection, quality coaching and safety as paramount, you can feel confident that the Club is a great choice for players, volunteers, parents and carers alike. A true testimony to WWFC's success is that new generations of many former players keep coming back to join.

Indeed, you can be assured that the Club is also hugely respected within the football world too. "WWFC is without doubt a shining example for grassroots football clubs everywhere" – Luke Harman, FA Partnerships Manager.

Most of all, The Lions & Lionesses are ALL ABOUT HAVING FUN. The Club aims to help all players develop their full footballing potential, make friends and enjoy loads of smiles along the way. So whether you're a player, coach, volunteer, relative or sponsor, why not find out more.

**You can visit the Club website: [ww-fc.co.uk](http://ww-fc.co.uk) or email:- [joinus@ww-fc.co.uk](mailto:joinus@ww-fc.co.uk)**







## Marston Vale Line News

### Resumption of Marston Vale Line Services

A full Marston Vale Line timetable will resume on Monday 19th February 2024 - an hourly service Monday – Saturday & Bank Holidays. Please see <https://www.marstonvalecommunityrail.org.uk/full-timetable-to-resume-on-19th-february-2024>

The Rail Replacement Bus service will be withdrawn on 19th February. Rail Replacement Buses will continue to cover any cancelled train services.

Please visit <https://www.marstonvalecommunityrail.org.uk/#times> to download the timetable.

Alternatively copies are available from Bletchley Station, local libraries and Ridgmont Station Heritage Centre or contact Stephen for a copy to be sent to you.

Please report any issues with Rail Replacement Buses to London Northwestern Railway via <https://www.londonnorthwesternrailway.co.uk/contact-us/customer-relations>

A special ticket offer will be launched on 19th February to celebrate the resumption of the full service. A single journey between any two Marston Vale Line stations will cost just £1 for adults and 50p for children. This offers a discount of up to 90% on the usual fare. The offer is valid for 3 months.

Please purchase rail tickets from the conductor on the train by cash or card. Tickets can also be purchased from any staffed rail station by cash or card or the Ticket Vending Machine (TVM) at each Marston Vale Line station (card only). Tickets purchased online can be collected at any staffed station or any TVM.

Refunds for delayed journeys of 15 minutes or more can be claimed from the London Northwestern Railway Delay Repay Scheme - <https://www.londonnorthwesternrailway.co.uk/about-us/delay-repay>

### Ridgmont Station Heritage Centre

The Heritage Centre & Tea Room are open Wednesday to Saturday 10:00 – 4:00 in February & March. Please visit <https://ridgmontheritage.org.uk>.

A special Mothering Sunday Afternoon Tea is available on 10th March. Call 01525 287120 to book. The Heritage Centre & Tea Room will be open on Easter Sunday (31st March).

**One first floor office is available to let on competitive terms at the Heritage Centre. Viewing by appointment. Download the specifications from <https://ridgmontheritage.org.uk>**

Meeting room space for up to 15 people is also available. The delegate rate of £15 per head includes refillable tea/coffee and a sandwich platter lunch plus use of a projector and screen. Wi-fi available. Please contact Stephen for further details.

For further information on any aspect of Marston Vale CRP or the Marston Vale Line please contact Stephen Sleight, MVCRP Officer, on 01234 832645, e-mail [stephens@bedsrcc.org.uk](mailto:stephens@bedsrcc.org.uk).

Visit our new website:  
[www.marstonvalecommunityrail.org.uk](http://www.marstonvalecommunityrail.org.uk)

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# EASTER 2024



We warmly welcome you to St Mary's Church: for worship, for friendship, and for those times when you need some local know-how or a little extra support. Our friendly, loving church offers a helping hand to you and all who pass through south-east Milton Keynes on their life's path.

Look online for details of our C13<sup>th</sup> building and for more about our regular activities, news of special events, and links to further support and local resources, viewable via the church website:

<https://www.stmaryswavendon.co.uk>

For more information, or for any questions you may have, **Revd Matt Trendall** will gladly help

[matt.trendall.mk@gmail.com](mailto:matt.trendall.mk@gmail.com)

01908 582839

Facebook: [St Mary's Church Wavendon Village](#)



## Worship at St Mary's

Our Simple Sunday Service at 9.30 is a chance to enjoy meeting in church. A pre-recorded version (to watch at any time) keeps you in touch from home. Details of links on website.

## Children's Church

Our services are suitable for all. For younger visitors, we offer optional age-appropriate craft activities, for 1<sup>st</sup> (Family Communion Service) and 2<sup>nd</sup> (Simple Sunday Service) Sundays

## Online Art Exhibition

Enjoy creative writing & artwork from members of St Mary's and other local churches, curated online. With a special theme that changes every few weeks, why not submit your own work via the website link?

Our gallery has so far shown work celebrating holidays, the life of Queen Elizabeth II, the seasons, and Creation. View our current show now, with the theme of 'Water' and look out for the next!

## Virtual Choir

Our group of Zoom singers who get together online. To join, contact Revd Matt, who'll pass on your details.

## Daily Inspiration

Online nuggets of hope and encouragement, helping to refresh you each day!

## Prayer group: Revive!

Meet in church at 9.15 on Mondays to catch up on pastoral needs and pray for the earthly challenges we all face.

## Groups for everyone:

**Adults:** Bible Study led by a local host  
**Youth:** 'Relax Teens' for ages 12 to 18  
**Children:** 'Zoom Kids' for ages 5 to 11  
Details on website - or for more help ask **Revd Matt:** 01908 582839  
[matt.trendall.mk@gmail.com](mailto:matt.trendall.mk@gmail.com)

## Mothering Sunday

March 10<sup>th</sup>

9.30am

Led by  
**Bishop Steven of Oxford**  
Everyone is very welcome  
for this celebration  
of mothers  
and all those  
who care for us  
(Posies will be offered)

## Easter Services

### Palm Sunday

Sunday 24th March: 9.30 am

### Maundy Thursday Communion

Thursday 28th March: 8 pm

### Good Friday Meditation

Friday 29th March: 10am

### Easter Sunday Celebration

Sunday 31st March: 9.30 am

*For confidential support in prayer over any concern, whether urgent or ongoing, contact our dedicated prayer team at any time: [prayerchain.wavendon@gmail.com](mailto:prayerchain.wavendon@gmail.com)*

## A WARM WEEKLY WELCOME TO ALL

Drop-in venues hosted by our team of churches are open each week

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### Morning

9.30 - 11.30

**'Renew' Wellbeing Cafe**  
Kents Hill Community Centre  
Frithwood Crescent  
MK7 6HQ

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### Afternoon Tea

2.00 - 4.00

**Milton Keynes Village Hall**  
Milton Keynes Village  
MK10 9AF

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### Wednesday

8.45 - 10.30

Every week in school term

### Community Coffee Morning

Local residents are warmly invited to

**St Mary's Wavendon CofE School**

Wafandun Lane Eagle Farm MK17 7AA

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### Thursday

10.00 - 12.00

### Coffee Morning

**St Mary's Church**  
Wavendon MK17 8LY

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### Morning Drop-In

9.00 - 12.00

**Warm Welcome Cafe**  
**Broughton Pavilion**  
Broughton MK10 9NJ

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## St Mary's Church Wavendon

### Palm Sunday

24th March

9.30 am

*A Simple Sunday Service  
with distribution of  
palm crosses*

### Maundy Thursday

28th March

8 pm

*Holy Communion  
A quiet commemoration  
of The Last Supper*

### Good Friday Meditation

29th March

10 am

*Reflection upon The Cross  
with readings  
prayers & music*

### Easter Sunday Celebration

31st March

9.30 am

*Family Communion  
celebrating  
the new life of Christ*

## Easter Services 2024

### WAVENDON LANGUAGE CAFE for adults

*Learn English the friendly way ~ in the community*

**Free Lessons** Thursday mornings & Saturday mornings

Please contact **Revd Matt Trendall** for further details

Tel: 01908 582839 Email: matt.trendall.mk@gmail.com

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## QUIZ NIGHT

THIRD TUESDAY EVERY MONTH

**7.30pm**

**March 19th April 16th**  
**May 21st June 18th**

Bring your own snacks & drinks  
Everyone's welcome - just turn up!

Bring a team of friends  
or join others in a team of six  
£2 per person on door

**Make friends - Have fun!**

Details of additional events such as

Prayer Walks  
Courses

Confirmations

Social Evenings

Special Campaigns

appear on  
our website:  
search for

**stmaryswavendon**

Find extra info at <https://www.stmaryswavendon.co.uk>

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