

# The Village Green



Aylesbury Vale Green Party  
Covering Haddenham, Long Crendon,  
Stone and surrounding villages  
Autumn 2018



David Lyons: Haddenham parish  
councillor and local campaigner

## Green Lane opening is a bonus for Haddenham

Sunday 21st September saw the **opening of the Green Lane in Haddenham**. A muddy, overgrown footpath has been transformed into a cycle route that is used by children, mobility scooters, runners, wheelchair users and walkers.

Haddenham Parish Council and Haddenham Safe Walking and Cycling Group worked together on this project.

There have been some objectors but **Green Party parish councillor David Lyons** says: "I was proud to be part of the opening of the Green Lane community path in Haddenham in September – a great facility.

"Whilst it has lost its abandoned, overgrown appearance and looks a bit barren this autumn, it will soon get back to a natural appearance next year."



David Lyons: took part in the opening  
of the Green Lane community path

## Greenway routes

Following the opening of the Waddesdon Greenway in September 2018, allowing local walkers and cyclists to travel from Aylesbury Vale Parkway to Waddesdon while avoiding the busy A41, charity Greenways and Cyclerooutes Ltd is planning another nine greenways in the Vale.

One will connect Stone to Thame via Upton, Dinton and Haddenham. Eventually a much-needed network of safe, accessible paths could extend from Steeple Claydon to Thame and Wendover.



Waddesdon Greenway

## Greener living

On Sunday 30th September we hosted the **Greener Living Autumn Fair** at Haddenham Village Hall.

The event celebrates local businesses and organisations that sell/promote recycling, upcycling, fair trade, organic, locally sourced or other green products and services.

The event was well attended and enjoyed by all.

If you would like to find out more about having a stall at our fair in 2019, please contact **info@aylesburyvale.greenparty.org.uk**.

## Party's co-leader to visit Stone

What does the Green Party stand for? On **Wednesday 7th November at 7.30pm** Jonathan Bartley, a co-leader of the party, will be at Stone Village Hall to talk and answer your questions – from Brexit to climate change, fracking, airport expansion, and HS2.

The event is free and refreshments will be provided. Everyone is welcome. Come and hear what Jonathan has to say.



Jonathan Bartley: Green Party  
co-leader will visit Stone to meet locals

Aylesbury Vale Green Party – working hard all year round



# East-West Expressway decision – Winslow hit



Now it is known that the chosen corridor for the east-west expressway between Milton Keynes and Oxford will be the central area of Aylesbury Vale around Winslow then crossing to Oxford to either the north or south.

The Government has decided to leave Otmoor alone but there are many nature reserves along the central corridor too. **Parish councillor David Lyons** says: "It is a

relief for the villages along the A418 between Aylesbury and Thame that our countryside will not be blighted by a motorway and we will be spared the pollution it will bring.

"However, residents of Winslow and surrounds face years of disruption starting with a sham consultation about where the road will go. Wherever it is located, we will fight this unnecessary new road."

## Managing HS2 disruption

HS2 is being built, despite many local objections. If HS2 is coming then it is important that some of the negative effects are mitigated.

If you work for a firm in retail or tourism within 5km of the construction area for HS2 and think it will disrupt your business, then visit the Visit Buckinghamshire Business Advisory Service online at: <https://tinyurl.com/y8cnu2t3>.



HS2: advisory service may be able to help businesses mitigate effects

## Irresponsible pension fund



Bucks County Council invests in fossil fuels

Buckinghamshire County Council's pension fund has invested a large amount of money in fracking firms.

**Parish councillor David Lyons** says

this is irresponsible at a time when we must reduce our carbon emissions,

not burn more fossil fuel.

Other councils and bodies are currently divesting from fossil fuels. Examples include Islington Borough Council and New York City.

"The pensioners I know don't want their pensions at the expense of future generations," says David. He is asking Buckinghamshire County Council pensioners to write to the pension fund and ask them to stop investing in fracking firms.

## Electric cars too expensive?

Firms in Buckinghamshire are eligible for Low Carbon Workspaces grants to reduce the cost of new and second-hand electric vehicles. This is in addition to other available grants.

You can also get grants for other energy-efficiency schemes in your business. Find out more online at: <https://tinyurl.com/ydffc9a>.



## Get to know your neighbours

Bucks County Council is encouraging people to get to know their neighbours by setting up street associations. **David Lyons** thinks anything that helps people connect is good. For details, visit <https://tinyurl.com/y9uqxj3k>.

## Contact Aylesbury Vale Green Party



Got a problem or want to get in touch with your Green Party parish councillor for Haddenham **David Lyons**? Please call **01844 296174** or email [info@aylesburyvale.greenparty.org.uk](mailto:info@aylesburyvale.greenparty.org.uk).

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