

The Village Green



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



David Lyons: Haddenham parish
councillor and local campaigner

Technology helps catch speeding drivers in Haddenham

Speeding cars in Haddenham can now be caught by the Sentinel Speed Watch Camera manned by volunteers. A recent check on vehicles leaving Haddenham via Pegasus Way showed 81 travelling faster than 35mph during a brief period. The camera will mean the community can take action to prevent speeding.

David Lyons says a 20mph speed limit in residential areas would reduce danger from speeding cars and improve residents' quality of life in narrow and congested village streets. "The parish council wants to erect a permanent vehicle-activated sign on **Stanbridge Road**, a particular speeding hotspot, but is awaiting a response from Transport for Bucks for a utilities search."



David Lyons at the crossroads of Stanbridge Road and Woodways, Haddenham

Green Party Co-leader visits Stone and Haddenham



Jonathan Bartley with David Lyons
outside Tickety Brew, Haddenham

David Lyons invited Green Party co-leader **Jonathan Bartley** to visit Haddenham and Stone and meet local residents in November. Jonathan had a bike tour around Haddenham and enjoyed refreshments at the Tickety Brew café.

After an interview on BBC Three Counties Radio, he gave a talk in Stone Village Hall, where he spoke passionately about the housing and environmental crises and answered questions from local residents.

Tackling parking problems in the county

A parking enforcement pilot project is being rolled out by Bucks County Council. It hopes to provide some local areas with parking civil enforcement officers who can issue tickets, the money from which will go back into parking management. They will educate people about antisocial parking behaviour near pavements, verges, junctions and schools. Local areas included in the project will be able to identify priority areas for enforcement. **Councillor David Lyons** says: "Parish councils are awaiting more information on this positive step to reduce dangerous and annoying parking; it is a long-standing problem and set to increase."



Weekday parking problems
at Sheerstock, Haddenham

Aylesbury Vale Green Party – working hard all year round

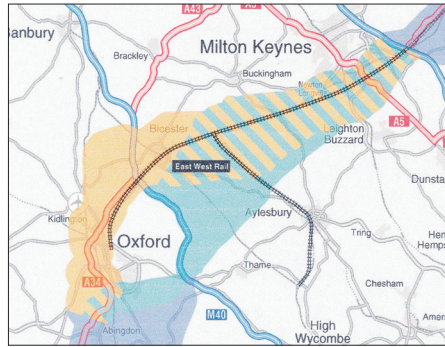


Promoted by Mary Hunt on behalf of David Lyons and Aylesbury Vale Green Party, all at 58 Beamish Way, Winslow MK18 3EU.

Oxford-to-Cambridge expressway: latest news

Highways England has now published its proposed timetable for the expressway, with the public consultation starting in autumn 2019. Construction is expected to start in 2025.

Two proposed corridors have been identified – one going from Milton Keynes to Bicester and around the west of Oxford, the other down to the south of Oxford. Both corridors could be a significant risk to important nature reserves in the **Bernwood Forest** area. The *Oxford Mail* made



a Freedom of Information request for all the possible routes within the corridors to be published, but this was refused by Highways England.

David Lyons supports the newly formed **Buckinghamshire Expressway Action Group** (www.beag.org.uk), which is campaigning in our area against any expressway. David says: "We stand with our neighbours along the proposed corridor of destruction and disruption to oppose this wasteful and polluting vanity project."

Local government election news

The elections planned for Aylesbury Vale District Council in May 2019 have now been deferred.

Councillors will remain in post until the elections for the new unitary authority in 2020.

A **by-election is expected in Haddenham and Stone** in the New Year following the recent death of a sitting councillor.

Extra funding for Thame-to-Haddenham cycleway

Aylesbury Vale Green Party welcomes the news that Oxfordshire County Council now has funding for the construction of a cycle path between Haddenham and Thame. The precise route is yet to be decided.

David Lyons is pleased that Oxfordshire is coming up with the goods. He has long campaigned for this cycleway, which will help to alleviate problems on the A418 and means cyclists will not have to negotiate the notorious Scots Grove junction.



Thame High Street

Thinking about investing in solar panels?

Solar panels are on average cheaper than mains electricity in the UK – 11.7p/kWh compared with 14.4p/kWh for mains electricity. This is based on the installation cost divided by 20 years of production.

Usually solar panels add about £5,000 to the value of your house when you sell. The government will also give you an average of 6.48p/kWh FIT (Feed-in Tariff) payments if you install them before the end of March 2019, making an effective price of 5.22p/kWh. You will also be helping reduce your carbon footprint.



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