ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL OPEN GARDENS EVENT!

Council Members
Mr Ian Pickering – Chairman.
Ms Alexia Ballance, Mr Brian Clarke, Mr David Forbes, Mr Paul Harbottle, Mrs Pauline Hawley, Mr Barrie Plasom, Mrs Georgina Teague, Mrs Lynne Wallace.
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The Council meets in the upstairs room of the Village Hall on the first Monday of every month at 7.30.
There is an Open Forum prior to the start of the full Council meeting for residents to present their views to the Council. Anyone who would have difficulty with the stairs, please contact the Parish Clerk in advance so that arrangements can be made to meet downstairs.

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CHAIRMAN’S REPORT.
Ian Pickering.

TRAFFIC NEWS.

I attended a meeting recently with our neighbouring councils from Wavendon and Woburn Sands at which highways officers from Milton Keynes and Central Beds councils gave an update on the major roadworks underway and planned along the A421 from the Kingston roundabout to Junction 13 of the M1.

The improvements to the Kingston roundabout are expected to be complete by late September. Central Government has allocated funds to dual the remaining section of the A421 in Central Beds but before they are released the new carriageway has to be designed, a business case made for the project and the means for acquiring for any additional land needed established either through negotiation or compulsory purchase. It is hoped that this work will be successfully completed before the end of next year when funding for the scheme should be confirmed.

Dualling of the final section of the A421 should bring some relief from the ever increasing volume of traffic using Aspley Guise as a rat run between Junction 13 and Milton Keynes. In the meantime we have continued to press Central Beds to find ways of managing the ongoing traffic problems in the village and to secure funding for the works from Milton Keynes council. We hope that Central Beds will come up with plans for this in the very near future.

YOUR NEW PARISH COUNCIL.

The local elections for the Parish Council in May were uncontested with only four candidates nominated for the twelve seats available. This resulted from several of our previous councillors deciding not to stand for another term. Our thanks are due to all of them for their service to the Parish Council - Bob Brown, John Bunker, Alexis Heyward-Old, Sally Mathew-Jones, Andrew Saxby and Peter Sinnott.

Immediately after the election we, therefore, had fewer than the legal minimum of five councillors for a properly constituted council but we have since been able to co-opt five new councillors onto the council - Alexia Ballance, Brian Clarke, David Forbes, Georgina Teague and Lynne Wallace. Further details of our new councillors are on the next page.

There remain, therefore, three vacancies on the Parish Council so if you are interested in becoming a parish councillor please contact our parish clerk Mrs Sue Bottoms.
NEW COUNCILLORS INTRODUCE THEMSELVES.

SUE BOTTOMS.
I am Clerk to the Parish Council. My role is to carry out the administrative work of the Parish Council. I am also Clerk to Brickhill (in Bedford), Milton Ernest, Willington, Sundon and Woburn.

LYNNE WALLACE.
We moved as a family to Dawnedge Lodge in Woburn Lane 16 years ago. I am a keen gardener and have opened the garden for the village and other charities for the last 12 years. I enjoy living in the village and would like to be of some help if possible.

BRIAN CLARKE.
I have lived in the village all of my life and see my role on Council as a simple one; to give something back to the community and to ensure that we remain a community. As a raw new recruit (following in the family tradition, my Mother and Wife having 'been here before me') I am sure I will not always get it right but I will do my best to do my best.

GINA TEAGUE.
I have lived in Aspley Guise since August 2010 with my husband Derek and 3 children. I am a baker and cake decorator and a Parent Governor at Aspley Guise Lower School.

ALEXIA BALLANCE.
I’ve joined the Parish Council because I’m keen to get more involved in this lovely village. I have a strong interest in the world around me, including architecture, social history and nature and will be one of the two liaisons between the Council and the Parish Paths Partnership.

DAVID FORBES.
I have lived in Aspley Guise for 8 years and for 14 years before that in Woburn Sands. Since 1992 I have run a software company producing tax software for accountants and individuals. I have recently taken up running again to take part in a charity run next April and represent the Parish Council on the Sports Trust committee.
A NEW BENCH IN RECOGNITION OF MR BOB BROWN’S 50 YEARS SERVICE TO THE VILLAGE.

At the annual parish meeting in May Mr Bob Brown was presented with a bench donated by the Aspley Guise Charitable Foundation, the Village Hall and the Parish Council, in recognition of his over 50 years’ service to the village. The bench will shortly be installed at the War Memorial on Bedford Road.

COMMUNITY NEWS.
Pauline Hawley.

THANK YOU.
To Joan and Alan Neale who continue to maintain the tubs throughout the summer. Thanks also to Judith and Mike Dickins who continue to maintain the War Memorial in Bedford Road.
Thanks also to Alan Neale for varnishing the two Memorial Benches on Bedford Road and outside Moore Place Hotel.
A big thank you to all the people that deliver the newsletters. We have lost a couple of our deliverers so, if you would like to help, please let Pauline Hawley know on 01908 584471.

NEW TUBS.
Two new tubs have been installed and planted up. One is by the new noticeboard at the Weathercock Lane crossroads. The other is Mount Pleasant side of the bus shelter.

NEW NOTICE BOARDS.
There are now two new noticeboards at Woodside gate and the Weathercock Lane crossroads.
Can all posters, please, use these notice boards rather than any nearby fences?

DR IAN OUTRAM.

It is with great sadness that we have to report the recent death of Dr Ian Outram. Ian had been a long standing member of the parish council until he retired from the council last year and also gave great service as a member of P3, the Aspley Guise Sport Trust committee and as a school governor. His contribution to the life of the village will be greatly missed. Our thoughts are with all his family and friends at this difficult time.
VILLAGE HALL NEWS.
Gill Cockle.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL OPEN GARDENS EVENT!
The beautiful weather on Sunday 19 July helped to make this one of our best ever Open Gardens events. We had 10 very different gardens open around the village and over 340 visitors came from as far away as Basingstoke, Barnet, Luton and Winslow to see them. Overall, with ticket sales in the Square and refreshments and plant sales in the village hall, the event raised over £2000 for much needed Village Hall funds. So the Hall Management Committee would just like to thank all the gardeners who worked very hard to make their gardens look so beautiful as well as all the volunteers working in the Square and the Village Hall.
The funds raised will go towards ongoing maintenance at the Hall including improvements to the kitchen and the Upstairs Room which is being turned into a meeting room with presentation facilities for use by local businesses and other organisations.
If you are interested in opening your garden at our 2016 events, please contact Anne Papworth on 01908 583307.

JUMBLE SALE.
The Autumn Jumble Sale is on Saturday 17th October at 2.00pm.
Set up is from 10.00am - 11.30am for anyone wanting to bring jumble. Or you can bring it to the Village Hall on w/c 12 October.

200 CLUB.
The Hall Management Committee is interested in organising a 200 Club to raise much needed funds for ongoing projects at the hall.
If you would be interested please contact Pauline Hawley on 01908 584471 for further details.

WOBURN SANDS BOWLS CLUB OFFICIAL OPENING.
Les Pearce.

On the 14th June the new Bowls Club facilities at Common Lane Aspley Guise were officially opened. Around 80 members attended this special event with guest of honour Philip Menday. They were joined by Ian Pickering Aspley Guise Parish Council Chairman, Ian Macleod Woburn Sands Town Mayor, the Ladies and Men’s Buckinghamshire Bowls Association Presidents and representatives from our Sponsors.

Members and guests were greeted with a glass of champagne and canapés on arrival. The welcoming address and official toast was given by club Chairman Mick Payne. The club and its facilities were officially opened by Philip who cut the ribbon and unveiled the commemorative plaques.

Christine Norwood, club treasurer said; The day had been a great success and that the event was the start of a new era for our club and its members.
In the afternoon after a buffet lunch, club members enjoyed a pleasurable game of bowls. A photo of the opening ceremony can be found on the back page.

**ASPLEY GUISE (EVENING) WI NEWS.**

Chris Murphy – President.

The past few months have been a time of celebration. First for the 50th Anniversary of the formation of Aspley Guise Evening WI when we enjoyed a splendid dinner in the sunshine at South Lodge, Wavendon. Members have also celebrated the centenary of the National Federation of Women’s Institutes by enjoying events such as the live screening in Bedford of the Centenary AGM at the Albert Hall, which the Queen and other members of the Royal Family attended. One lucky member also went to the WI Garden Party at Buckingham Palace and others went to events in the county when the NFWI baton which went all over the country came through Bedfordshire.

We receive and pass on information from the Bedfordshire and the National WI (NFWI) and from time to time attend County and National meetings and outings.

Guests and potential members are welcome at our meetings. If you would like to visit us we meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 8.00pm at Aspley Guise Village Hall, Spinney Lane, Aspley Guise, MK17 8JT

Forthcoming meetings include:

- 13th August 2015: Arctic Dog Sledding by Neil Pepper.
- 10th September 2015: The Role of a Health Visitor by Helen Grantley
- 8th October 2015: Poet in Action by Mark Neill.
- 12 November 2015: Waitrose in the Community and much more by Jo Orr and Sally Keen.

For any information please contact

**ASPLEY GUISE P3 GROUP.**

Howard Murphy (Chairman)

**WORK UNDERTAKEN BY P3 WORKING PARTIES IN LAST 3 MONTHS.**

**APRIL**

- Surveyed the Boughton End to the M1 section of the Greensands Ridge Walk, painting 2 waymark posts.
- Collected and installed 2 Notice Boards for the Woodside Entrance and the Weathercock Lane/Woodside junction.
- Surveyed the kissing gate at the top of the Common. (Reported as needing attention). Peter Smith was welcomed as a new member to the work party.
MAY
- Strimmed and cleared Footpath 7 (Spinney Lane) by Lower School.
- Repaired the kissing gate at the top of the Common and tightened the Notice Board tensioners.
- Strimmed and cleared Footpath 22 adjacent Shepherds Cottage and around the Gypsy Lane Entrance to Footpath 18.
- Adrian was welcomed as a new member to the work party.

JUNE
- Strimmed and cleared Footpath 10 behind Denbigh House and the top and bottom of the Jitty.
- Strimmed and cleared around the gate at the Aspley Lane entrance to Footpath 23
- Cleared a fallen branch from the top of Mermaid steps.
- Strimmed and cleared the section of Footpath 5 from the Common to the Golf Course
- On 29th June evening we met Pete Jones and over 30 scouts plus leaders on the Common and they did an excellent job of tidying around the base of the trees from the Common entrance to the pavilion, whilst we distributed leaflets for the forthcoming Summer Walk.

JULY
- Strimmed and cleared from Aspley Lane, along Footpath 18 behind the Water Works.

NEXT SCHEDULED WORKING PARTIES
- Thursday, 23rd July 2015 (9.15am to 12.00 noon)
- Thursday, 6th August 2015 (9.15am to 12.00 noon)
- Thursday 20th August 2015 (9.15am to 12.00 noon)
- Thursday, 27th August 2015 (9.15am to 12.00 noon)
- Monday, 14th September 2015 (9.15am to 12.00 noon)

Anyone interested in joining us or to report any work that needs action please contact Howard Murphy on 01908 582208

P3 SUMMER WALK.
At 10.30(ish) on July 18th 15 walkers and 1 dog set off from The Square in bright sunshine to walk to Ridgmont Station Tea Rooms. About an hour and a quarter and two and a half miles later everyone arrived safely after some interesting trips through fields of rape.

We were welcomed by the Tea Room ladies with pots of tea and coffee and plates of sandwiches that we had ordered before we set off.

After an excellent lunch, and visits to the Heritage Centre and the museum, 9 of us set off to walk back to Aspley. 2 others elected to drive home and 4 more caught the train back. The route we walked and some photos can be found on the last couple of pages.
HELPING HANDS IN ASPLEY GUISE.
Victoria Thomas.

Helping Hands in Aspley Guise is a small but very busy organisation helping residents who live in our village with a variety of little jobs. We have a dedicated mobile phone line and a lovely team of volunteers who have all been DBS checked.

The past few months have been very busy for Helping Hands in Aspley Guise.

Lin Vorley stepped down as Chair and I have the daunting task of taking over from her. Lin was not only the driving force behind (and in front) of starting up this amazing organisation but in establishing where Helping Hands is today within our community.

We had a very successful Open Day at the Village Hall in April. This enabled us to introduce our services to more people in the village and we have subsequently welcomed a couple of new volunteers to our team.

Thank you to all those who gave so generously to our £1 Table whether it be in the buying or the donating of goods!

Naturally we at Helping Hands are very aware of safety and security involving our clients and volunteers especially when dealing with potential bogus callers. Central Bedfordshire Council’s Trading Standards team is co-ordinating a new initiative which could enable you to become a Nominated Neighbour. This would offer a means of cracking down on rogue traders and cold callers and help those who are anxious about opening their front door to strangers, a safer way of dealing with the problem. For further information please contact: volunteer@action-centralbeds.org.uk or telephone 01525 850559.

If you would like more information on how Helping Hands could help you, or indeed about becoming a volunteer and joining our team please call us on 079 234 900 01.
We look forward to hearing from you.

1ST ASPLEY GUISE RAINBOWS.
Jennie Kinns.

Congratulations to all the 1st Aspley Guise Rainbows who made their ‘Rainbow Promise’ this term. The girls have also really enjoyed taking part in a range of badge related activities including learning about the uniqueness of fingerprints, playing games, cooking and finding out about their local area.

The unit started in April this year, led by two volunteers with a combined wealth of Guiding and teaching experience and we are overwhelmed with the enthusiasm and commitment that the girls have shown. If you are interested in joining Rainbows please register on the Girlguiding website.
PICK UP AFTER YOUR POOCH.

The following article is reprinted from the Summer 2013 Newsletter because there appears to be an increasing number of instances of people not clearing up after their pooch.

A good example is the footpath from the Lower School to Gypsy Lane. There are bins at each end of the path but you still find instances of dog fouling.

Central Bedfordshire Council are asking dog owners to be responsible and bag and bin their dogs’ waste to keep the area clean and healthy.

Not only is dog mess a nasty business, it also poses serious health risks. It can carry roundworm - containing the parasite Toxocara canis which can cause blindness, epilepsy, asthma and infections. So it’s vital to reduce dog fouling to protect others and particularly children.

Keep Britain Tidy's latest report (2010) suggested that the UK dog population was estimated to be 8 million, with dogs producing approximately 1,000 tonnes of excrement each day.

Failing to clean up after your dog when in a public space is an offence and you could face a £75 Fixed Penalty Notice or a court imposed fine of up to £1,000. The Council is stepping up its efforts to tackle the problem and Dog Wardens are actively patrolling the area and can issue on-the-spot fines to owners for dog-fouling offences.

Councillor Brian Spurr, Executive Member for Sustainable Communities, said: "Dog fouling is anti-social behaviour which we take extremely seriously. We know that it is a matter of concern to lots of local residents too because they have been letting us know. Unfortunately the problem lies with a selfish minority of people who don’t take the legal responsibility of dog ownership seriously enough.

"We’re working hard to ensure that Central Bedfordshire continues to be a great place to live and work and have upped the Dog Warden patrols and made sure that there are around 625 easy to find dog waste bins around the area. We would encourage anyone who witnesses an incident of dog fouling to report it immediately by emailing Customer Services or by calling 0300 300 8302."

So if you’re walking your dog please take a doggy bag, pick up after and use the dog waste bins provided. Remember you can also use the normal litter bins if there are none nearby, or alternatively bag it and bin it at home - there are no excuses!

To report a dog fouling incident or to suggest a location for a dog waste bin please email customer services on or visit the Council's website for further details. You can also call 0300 300 8302.
TOWNLANDS UPDATE.
Fran Fry.

The Greensand Trust will arrange for the wildflower meadow cut this month thankfully using something which will mean we don’t have to “rake off” the meadow to prevent nutrients increasing in the soil. Then we will over sow with yellow rattler seeds which will have a negative effect the grasses which are doing too well at the expense of the wildflowers.

It is planned to empty and clean the bird boxes in November as usual. These have been well used year after year and we hope we have the same good result this year. See PC web site for news of the date.

Sadly, someone has blocked the Townland’s ditch with pruning’s from his/her hedge. There is a perfectly good council operated green bag scheme or pruning’s can be taken to the tip for disposal. We would remind residents in the area that the ditch at Townlands protects Trunk Furlong properties from flooding and the Parish Council clears this of summer vegetation every year to ensure it is kept clear.

FLY TIPPING.

Fly tipping is a serious criminal offence, which carries a fine of up to £20,000 (unlimited if indicted to the Crown Court), or imprisonment. It is important to realise that it is also an offence to knowingly allow your waste to be fly tipped.

It is often associated with dumping waste from vehicles. In this case the person controlling the use of the vehicle can also be prosecuted, which means that it is possible for a prosecution to occur when only the vehicle, not the driver, is identifiable.

If you are employing a tradesman to work on your home, it is your responsibility to make sure that they (or the skip company) are Registered Waste Carriers. They should give you a waste transfer note for your waste, which details what the waste is and where and when it is removed from your premises.

- If you discover fly tipped waste after the tippers have left, please follow these simple dos and don’ts:
  - Do not touch the waste: fly tipped waste can be dangerous - it may contain syringes, broken glass, asbestos, toxic chemicals or other hazardous substances.
  - Visually inspect the waste: try to determine what the waste consists of and how much there is.
  - Take note of its exact location and whether it is in or near water.
  - Do not disturb the site: there may be evidence that could help identify the culprits and lead to their prosecution.

If you see someone fly tipping, please make a note of:

- The day, date and time you saw the fly tipping
• How many people were fly tipping and what they looked like
• Any vehicles involved - the make, colour and registration number
• What was tipped
• How much was tipped

To report fly tipping contact Central Bedfordshire Council, Customer Services by emailing customers@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk or telephoning 0300 300 8302 include as much detail as possible.

GARDEN BONFIRES: THE RULES.
(Taken from the Gov.UK website.)
There are no laws against having a bonfire, but there are laws for the nuisance they can cause.

BURNING DOMESTIC WASTE.
You can’t get rid of household waste if it will cause pollution or harm people’s health. This includes burning it.
You can get rid of household or garden waste by composting or recycling it. Contact your local council to find out how to dispose of garden waste and about recycling in your area.

DANGER TO TRAFFIC BY SMOKE.
You could be fined if you light a fire and you allow the smoke to drift across the road and become a danger to traffic.

COMPLAIN ABOUT A NEIGHBOUR’S BONFIRE.
Your council can issue an ‘abatement notice’ if a neighbour’s bonfire is causing a nuisance. A bonfire must happen frequently to be considered a nuisance.
Your neighbour can be fined up to £5,000 if they don’t stick to the notice.

NEWS FROM THE MARSTON VALE LINE - YOUR LOCAL RAILWAY!

RECORD PASSENGER NUMBERS!
There was a rise of 34,473 journeys in 2014/15 (13.3%) to an impressive 293,196. This exceeds the record for the London Midland franchise set in 2013/14!
‘FIXING THE LINKS’ AT BLETCHLEY.
Milton Keynes Council is working with a range of partners, including MVCRP, on the Fixing the Links project following the publication of a study last year. The focus is two-fold:

- Creating a high quality station gateway
- Improving the quality of pedestrian and cycle links between Bletchley station and the town centre

Schemes under consideration include a ‘golden feet’ trail (similar to that in Bedford between the railway station and bus station) improved lighting under Brunel bridge and replacement of the steps at the end of the path to and from the station with a ramped access.

Works are scheduled to start in October. Watch this space!

RIDGMONT STATION TEA ROOMS.
Open every day except Mondays.
Local takeaway service – Telephone 01525 287120 or 07861 732 850 for pre orders.

EXHIBITIONS AT RIDGMONT STATION HERITAGE CENTRE.
There are currently two exhibitions in the Restored Booking Office:

- Career of Jack Turner, last Station Master
- A-Z Guide Bedford and Milton Keynes Waterway

There will also be a special one-day Brickworks Exhibition on Saturday 1st August from 10:00 – 4:00. Andrew Mortlock, London Brick Archivist, will be displaying some of his extensive collection of items.

Heritage Centre opens Tuesday – Saturday 10:00 – 4:00 until 31st October and 11:00 – 3:00 in November. Free entry!

Offers of help would be very welcome for the following:

- volunteers for the Heritage Centre
- exhibits, either on a loan or donation basis; we are particularly interested in old photos of Ridgmont Station and the surrounding area

Great Discounts for Rail Passengers this Summer!

- 10% off at the Forest Centre Lakeside Café!
  MVCRP’s popular discount on tea, coffee and cake is running again. Just show your valid rail ticket to Stewartby or Millbrook. Offer valid until 30th September.
- 2 for 1 entry for rail passengers at Bletchley Park!
  For further information call 01908 640404 or visit www.bletchleypark.org.uk
- Rail River Ride - 15% off on the John Bunyan Boat in Bedford! Offer valid on Thursdays for passengers with GroupSave tickets until 31st October. For further information call 01946 817456 or visit www.johnbunyanboat.org

You can break your journey between Bedford and Bletchley or vice versa at no extra cost.
For further information on any aspect of MVCRP please visit our award winning website [www.marstonvalecommunityrail.org.uk](http://www.marstonvalecommunityrail.org.uk)

Contact Stephen Sleight on 01234 832645 or e-mail stephens@bedsrc.org.uk.

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**GIRLS TAKE THE FOOTBALLING HONOURS.**

Steve Ayre.

Wavendon Gate School together with Walnut Trees’ Power League are hosts to developing the footballing skills of youngsters playing for one of the areas’ largest and oldest football clubs. Woburn & Wavendon FC have a long established boys section... ‘The Lions’ and equally prominent girls section... ‘The Lionesses’. With footballers starting from 6 years of age up to adult, the emphasis is all about developing footballing potential, friendships and having loads of fun.

Many of the girls who started their footballing journey in our parish have had unparalleled success this season. In particular, the Under 16 Lionesses have won 24 out of 25 games to secure the Beds & Herts League title, the Beds County Cup, and the League Cup. Scoring 143 times and letting in just 17 goals, the Club entered two Under 16 teams in the League Futsal competition and took the top two places!

A photo showing the Under 16’s with their trophies can be found on the back page.

If you are interested in finding out more about football with either the Lionesses or the Lions, please visit the Club’s website: - [ww-fc.co.uk](http://www.ww-fc.co.uk)

**THE WOBURN FESTIVAL 2015.**

**SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER.**

We are looking for teams of 6 to test their strength in the Tug of War. You will be pulling for the Woburn Abbey Cup and the Woburn Village Shield. The rules are simple:

- Teams need to have 6 members and will be split into two groups.
- Pulls are best of three, the choice of first end being decided by a toss of a coin.
- The team that pulls the rope 4 metres off the centre line will be the winner.
- Cautions will be given for; locking the rope, deliberately sitting on the ground, any swearing or ungentlemanly conduct whilst in competition!!

A handy hint.....It’s not all about being big and strong, tactics come into play too. If the opposition looks big and strong, it’s a game of endurance, so being small and cussed can be just as good!

To enter a team call 01525 290631 or visit [www.woburnfestival.uk](http://www.woburnfestival.uk)
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Thursdays. DEGA-Age Support Group. Second Thursdays: W.I. 
Chris Murphy – tel: 01908 582208
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WOBURN SANDS and DISTRICT SOCIETY. Contact: Fran Fry - Email: fran.fry@wsds.org.uk

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P3 SUMMER WALK 2015 TO RIDGMONT STATION TEA ROOMS.

(2.5 miles or just over 4km in about an hour and a half.)

Start in The Square. Carefully cross Bedford Road and walk up Woburn Lane. Take the first turning on the left and walk down Spinney Lane (FP7) to Aspley Guise Lower School. At a waymark post at the corner of the field turn right and follow the path (FP8) along the field edge, Over to the right you will see The Clumps and, in the far distance, you can just see the old and new churches at Woburn.

At the end of the path leave the field and turn left into Gypsy Lane. At the road junction, carefully cross Horsepool Lane to a kissing gate directly opposite. Go through the gate and follow the path at first between hedges and then a hedge and a fence with an open field to the right. At the end of this field there is a path on the left and another straight ahead through a gate. This walk, however, turns right through a gate and follows the hedgerow on the left. At the end of the hedge turn left through a kissing gate. After about 30 metres, pass through another gate to enter woodland with a hedge on the left. Continue ahead, ignoring a signposted path to the right, to eventually reach another kissing gate. Go through the gate and enter Crow Lane with houses and cottages on the left.

At the end of Crow Lane, carefully cross School Lane, to enter farmland to the right of a bench. The path goes round the back of a large tree and follows the hedgerow on the left to a yellow topped waymark post. From here the path bears slight left on a clear path through the next two fields following the waymark posts. At the end of the second field the path enters another field with a hedgerow on the left. Towards the end of this field there are large factory buildings on the left. Continue through the middle of the next field to a gate by a waymark post. Go through the gate and walk through this field to another gate on the left. Go through and, very carefully, cross the railway lines to pass under the M1.

The path now heads towards a flight of steps over a large pipe. Once the steps have been negotiated the path passes through another gate and then bears right and heads towards the station buildings on the other side of the railway track. The path passes the Tea Rooms car park on the left as far as the road. Here turn right, cross the track again to reach the Tea Rooms where excellent refreshments, The Heritage Centre and a small museum can be found.

The Autumn Newsletter is due by the end of October. If you would like to contribute please email either sue.x999@btinternet.com or razza66@btinternet.com.
OUT AND ABOUT IN YOUR VILLAGE.

**The Bowls Club Official Opening.**
The ribbon is cut by Philip Menday with club President Bryan Perry in attendance and members and guests looking on.

**The Summer Walk**
all ready to set off.

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had lunch waiting at The Tea Rooms.

**The current W.I. President with the four previous Presidents.**

Another photo from the Open Gardens.

**The highly successful Woburn and Wavendon FC U16 Lionesses**
with 3 of the 4 trophies they won.