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**Parish
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**Aley Green Pepperstock
Slip End Woodside**

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EDITOR'S NOTES



As I am writing this it is very cloudy and threatening to rain, at least the weather has become more like the British weather we are used to. It has been a strange year with three heatwaves with the possibility of a fourth predicted. There were days when the temperature exceeded where I used to live in Crete.

The Good Neighbour Scheme is holding its Autumn Tea Party on Wednesday 28th, (See opposite page).

On pages 12, 13 and 14 our local councillor Vicky Malone has provided an update on what will be happening around the Slip End Area.

The Slip End Social Club celebrates its 90th anniversary on Sunday the 4th. Celebrations start at noon. (See page 16 for details).

The Good Neighbour Scheme is still looking for volunteer drivers, so if you have a few spare hours please contact the scheme.

The Parish News is also looking for a volunteer distributor to cover Pepsel End Lane and part of Halfmoon Lane, **but not** Brickhill. (See page 31 for details).

We still have Halloween to look forward to with Christmas creeping up, with the annual visit of Santa and his Elves.

I hope you have a good month, Matt is the editor for November and I will see you in December.

Finally don't forget British Summer time ends on Sunday 28th so you can have an extra hour in bed that day.



The Good Neighbour
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Parish Council Update



Fly Tipping

We are still seeing significant fly tipping in the Parish particularly Pepperstock and Woodside.

Ward Councillor Vicky Malone, continues to urge residents to report flying tipping on **FIX MY STREET** and send the details to her as she is working with the environmental teams. Please can you email your reports to vicky.malone@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk The Parish council is looking into getting some signage in key fly tipping areas regarding penalties of fly tipping.

Crawley Playground

The Council have been speaking to contractors with regards to some groundwork in the childrens' playground area. Some ground areas have worn down and the tarmac pathways are in need of some attention. When a company is in place to undertake the work, the Council will give an update of when work is commencing and there will have to be a short closures of the playground during this time for health and safety reasons.

Policing / Crime Stats

The Crime Statistics for the parish have dropped during August / September. Please continue to report any suspicious behaviour or activity either seen or recorded on ring door bells.

Highways

There has been a great deal of frustration over several road closures and road works over the last couple of months in Slip End and Caddington. This will continue for a while with planned work as follows:

Woodside Avenue / Markyate Road – Triangular Island

A road closure was being planned for around 21 September to allow the works to be carried out. The reason for this timing is that two road closures cannot take place in such quick succession in the same area. Therefore, as soon as the works at Mancroft Road are completed, the works at the triangular island should follow shortly afterwards.

Church Road / Newlands Road – Patching Works

A road closure has now been applied for to allow patching works to be carried out at the junction of Church Road and Newlands Road. The work is on the current programme of works, and as soon as confirmation is received we will update residents.

Newlands Road / London Road – New Junction Layout

There is another closure of Newlands Road with the following schedule:

Four weeks - a one way closure, you will be able to go onto London Road but not onto Newlands Road from London Road.

Seven Weeks - a full closure of this junction

Two weeks - overnight works

This was planned from the beginning of September but another emergency closure in Caddington delayed the works but is now in force.

Half Moon Lane / London Road – Road Sweeping

A road sweeper has been requested to attend to the junction of Half Moon Lane and London Road. A significant amount of detritus on the road which could be dangerous to cars and motorcyclists. There were discussions about traffic lights at this junction but it was felt it would cause a large tail back on London Road.

Slip End Superstore – Path and Bollards

The works to the path and bollards outside Slip End Superstore have been referred back to the Traffic Management Team.

A new design is needed to prevent vehicles from mounting the pavement and repeatedly damaging the bollards. An update will be given when we receive it.

Road closures are booked through a central network, so dates are subject to availability and coordination. Ward Councillor Malone will give updates on social media and the Council will update everyone in the next edition of the Parish News and via the Parish website. As always we ask that any concerns over cracked pavements or highways issues please report on **FIX MY STREET**.





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We are delighted to have the opportunity to share a little of school life with our village community. Through these articles, we hope to give you a glimpse into what some of the younger members of our village are getting up to day to day, both in school and beyond. Our children have so many wonderful enrichment opportunities, experiences and activities, and they love being able to share these with others and, of course, see themselves featured here! Many of our pupils contribute directly by writing parts of the articles and interviewing other children and members of our school community to find out their views and experiences. We hope you enjoy finding out a little more about the school, the learning and the things that make it such a special place.



It has been a wonderful start to the new school year, and we have been delighted to welcome our new pupils, parents and members of staff to our school family. It has been lovely to see everyone settling into their new routines, getting to know one another, making new friends and enjoying their learning. We are proud to see our children embracing each new opportunity with enthusiasm and kindness, whilst following our school values of **Belong, Believe, Achieve**. These values are at the heart of everything we do and help us to create a community where every child feels valued, supported and encouraged to achieve their very best.

We are also very excited about our new sensory and inclusion rooms, providing children with carefully designed spaces where they can have some specialised time and access resources that support their individual needs. These spaces are an important addition to our school and will help us to ensure that every child has the opportunity to feel comfortable, included and ready to learn. We thank our amazing PTA who helped raise the funds needed for this new resource. Alongside this, some of our classes have welcomed some very tiny “*I can’t see them!*” stick insects as class pets. The children have loved trying to find them and will be learning about their lives and

development. We are also very fortunate to have such lovely school grounds, which provide opportunities for children to spend time outdoors, notice the changing seasons and simply enjoy being connected with nature.



Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for such a warm welcome and for your patience as I begin my new role as Head of School. The lovely smiles, friendly greetings and kind words I receive each day go further than you can possibly imagine and are genuinely appreciated. I am very much looking forward to getting to know our children, families and wider community even more as the year progresses, and I hope to become involved in many of our village and community events along the way. If you are considering our school for your child, please do get in touch with our school office — we would be delighted to arrange a visit and show you around our wonderful school.



Miss Ellie Field

Head of School

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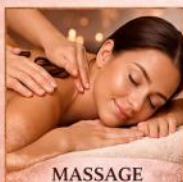
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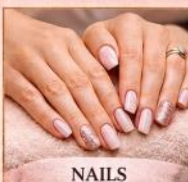
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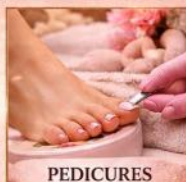
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Dates for October 2026

Our Harvest Family Service aimed at all ages (adults and children alike) will be held on the first Sunday of October. We celebrate the Harvest of all crops and produce. Hopefully there will be a good selection of produce from the allotments to decorate the church. Donations of tins and other food & hygiene products suitable for the Foodbank will also be welcome, which we can add to our usual items collected for them.



We also have a **Harvest Take Time on Friday 9th October at 2:30pm** - Harvest themed music and words followed by light refreshments and a charity collection for "All We Can" (a Methodist relief and development fund).

Our coffee evening in October will be for Keech Hospice - a charity close to the hearts of many of our friends and community.

Sat 3rd 10am Prayer Breakfast led by Liz Higgins

Sun 4th 10:30am Harvest Family Service **-all ages are welcome!** (Rev Doreen Koffie-Williams) Sunday School will join with the all age worship.

Tues 6th 10:00 - 12:00 Cakes & Company Time for a chat! Join us for tea & coffee, cakes and some good company

Fri 9th 2:30pm Harvest Take Time with light refreshments for "All We Can"

Sun 11th 10:30am Morning Service (Peter Baker) Holy Communion

Sun 18th 10:30am Morning Service (John Enejo) and Sunday School

Mon 19th 2pm Ecumenical Fellowship led by Jo Prowse

Sun 25th 10:30am Morning Service (Local Arrangement)

Wed 28th 7:30pm Coffee Evening in aid of Keech Hospice Care

Sun 1st Nov 10:30am Morning Service (Rev Doreen Koffie-Williams) Holy Communion and Sunday School

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PLANNING

Planning applications submitted within the Parish since August 2026

Application CB/02540/FULL **Submitted 26th August 2026**
75 Markyate Road, Slip End, LU1 4BU. Demolition of dwelling and two outbuildings. Erection of a 4 bedroom replacement dwelling with rear first floor balcony and rear roof solar panels.

Decision: Not Yet Decided

Application CB/02632/FULL **Submitted 25th August 2026**
305 Manor Road, Woodside, LU1 4DN. Part two storey front extension, installation of roof windows to front elevation

Decision: Not Yet Decided

For further information on applications visit
www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk >planning applications. If you wish to comment on an application email: planning@centralbedford.gov.uk

THOUGHTS FOR THE MONTH

No matter how hard the month is,
You can always start again.

Buddha

Whether you think you can or think you can't, you're right.

Henry Ford

Report from Councillor Vicky Malone.

I wanted to give residents an update on some of the ongoing highways, environmental and flooding issues across the area.

Newlands Road / London Road – Signalled Junction

The long-awaited works at the Newlands Road and London Road junction are finally getting underway after a lot of chasing.

The road closure had to be lifted due to a burst water main in Caddington, but it was reinstated on **14 September 2026**.

The current programme is:

- **4 weeks of a directional closure** – vehicles will be able to exit Newlands Road onto London Road but will not be able to return via the same route.
- **7 weeks of a total road closure.**
- **2 weeks of night-time closures** for resurfacing.

I appreciate that this is a lengthy programme and that the closures will cause disruption, but these are works that have been needed for some time and I am pleased to see them finally getting underway.

Manor Road / Woodside Road – Yellow Lines

The new yellow lines at the bottom of Manor Road, at the junction with Woodside Road, have now been installed.

The restrictions cannot be enforced just yet, as the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) still needs to be formally sealed and the Notice of Making published.

The current timetable is:

- **15 September** – TRO expected to be sealed.
- **23 September** – Notice of Making expected to be published in the *Luton and Dunstable Gazette*.
- **30 September** – New parking restrictions expected to come into force and enforcement to begin.

I will keep residents updated if there are any changes to these dates.

Woodside Road – Fly-Tipping

I have been regularly checking Woodside Road over the last few

weeks and am pleased to say that the area has remained clear.

I have also asked the Environmental Team about installing signs warning that fly-tipping is prohibited and that CCTV may be in operation, both on Woodside Road and Half Moon Lane.

The Environmental Team has confirmed that the Parish Council would be welcome to arrange and install suitable signage. Hopefully, clear signage will help keep these areas clear and discourage anyone from dumping rubbish.

Mancroft Road / Markyate Road – Triangular Island

A road closure is currently being planned to allow the works to the triangular island to take place.

The timing is linked to the ongoing works in the area, as two road closures cannot take place in such quick succession. The plan is for these works to follow shortly after the Mancroft Road works are completed.

I will provide further information once the dates are confirmed.

Half Moon Lane / London Road – Road Sweeping

I have requested a road sweeper for the junction of Half Moon Lane and London Road, where there is currently a significant amount of debris on the road.

This could be particularly dangerous for motorcyclists, especially with the increased traffic using the road at the moment.

I have also been liaising with a resident who asked whether temporary traffic lights could be introduced on Half Moon Lane during rush hour while Newlands Road is closed.

After discussions with Streetworks, it was felt that this could potentially cause long tailbacks onto London Road, so unfortunately this is not considered a suitable option.

Slip End Superstore – Path and Bollards

The works to the path and bollards outside Slip End Superstore have been referred back to the Traffic Management Team. **PTO**

I will provide another update once I have further information about the revised design and proposed works.

Grove Road – Flood Attenuation Works

A few months ago, I invited the managers of Airparks, Ben Brown and the Highways Drainage Officer to a meeting to discuss the flooding at Grove Road.

It was a successful meeting and I am pleased to say that the flood attenuation project at Grove Road is progressing.

Airparks and Ben have now signed the legal agreement needed for the works to proceed at Airparks and in the field, and the necessary planning permission is currently being applied for.

The hope is that the attenuation pond in Ben's field can be dug out within the next few weeks.

The excavation may also expose the existing drain, which could provide useful information and help with the ongoing work Highways need to carry out to address the flooding problems in the area.

Church Road / Newlands Road – Patching Works

A road closure has now been applied for to allow patching works to take place at the junction of Church Road and Newlands Road.

The closure is currently planned for **8–10 December**, covering the section from Newlands Road through to the motorway bridge.

The works have to wait until Newlands Road has reopened, which is why these dates have been scheduled later in the year.

I will continue to keep residents updated on these projects as further information becomes available.

If I can help with any Central Bedfordshire Council issues, please contact me by email at **Vicky.malone@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk**.

Cllr Vicky Malone



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A FREE public screening of

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The screening is part of a growing UK-wide programme of events designed to help ensure that both the public and decision-makers are clearly and honestly informed about the climate and nature crisis - and what it may mean for communities across the country.

In November 2025, more than 1,200 MPs, peers and leaders from business, culture, faith, sport and the media gathered at Westminster Central Hall for the National Emergency Briefing - a landmark event bringing together leading experts to assess the UK's exposure to climate and nature risks. The briefing, introduced by Chris Packham CBE, set out the implications of climate and nature breakdown for food security, public health, infrastructure, the economy and national security, alongside evidence-based actions that could reduce these risks.

This national event has now been adapted into a **50-minute public film, *The People's Emergency Briefing***. It brings together leading scientists to present a clear picture of the challenges ahead, while creating space for local communities to consider what these issues

may mean in their local area, and how they can support their MP to call for stronger action.

Following the film, attendees will be invited to take part in a structured discussion, designed to support open, constructive respectful conversation about the issues raised and what they may mean locally.



Chris Packham said

“I’d encourage people everywhere to attend a screening of The People’s Emergency Briefing. It creates exactly the kind of honest local conversation we now urgently need, both about what these changes mean where we live, and about what we can do together to address them.”

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Gardening Notes *by Russell Sprout*

Time now to get the garden sorted for the winter so you are ready for next season. Remove all annuals before they become too bedraggled. Most hardy perennials should be planted this month unless the soil is very wet in which case wait for a dry spell, or the soil will compact where trodden on. Cut Dahlias down to about six inches above ground level as soon as the frost blackens the leaves, then dig them up using a fork and try not to damage the tubers, dry in a frost free shed for about a week and plant in shallow trays with just enough peat or ash to cover the tubers and keep slightly damp, shoots will appear next spring. Sweet peas can be sown direct into the ground now or in pots from the middle of the month in a cold greenhouse, plant tulips and Hyacinths this month and into November. Tulips planted earlier may be damaged by frost and may suffer tulip fire disease. Plant border Carnations and Pinks, space border Carnations about 15 – 18 inches apart and Pinks 12 inches apart.

Chrysanthemums can either be left in the ground to over-winter but do not cut the tops down until spring, or lift the stools, cut the tops down and plant them at the same depth they were growing at in a cold frame or greenhouse and take cuttings in the spring but do remember to label them before lifting. Gladioli do not fare well if left in the ground to over-winter so lift them about the second week of the month and dry them off thoroughly then cut the stem just above the corm, the roots can be removed as soon as they are dry. Store them in a frost free environment and replant in the spring.

If you have a pond you should be thinking about preparing it for the winter by drastically thinning out underwater oxygenating plants and remove old water lily leaves. This will avoid the presence of a great deal of decaying vegetation on the base of the pond when the water is iced over, and will minimize the formation of toxic gases and prevent a shortage of oxygen. If the water looks dark green or blackish, drain off half the volume and replace with fresh water.

Cut out the canes that carried this year's fruit from Blackberries and Loganberries and summer fruiting Raspberries and tie in the new shoots to a wire or frame. Complete the planting of strawberries this month for fruiting next year and clear all rubbish from established beds. Towards the end of the month plant all types of hardy deciduous trees and shrubs but not in frosty weather or strong winds.

Russell Sprout

St. Andrew's Church - Dates for October

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Services held at St Andrew's:

Sunday 4th October 10.30am – Informal Communion

Wednesday 7th October 7.30pm – Evening Prayer

Friday 9th October 7.30pm - Free public screening of 50 minute climate change film “People’s Emergency Briefing” followed by a facilitated discussion.

Sunday 11th October 10.30am – Morning Praise

Sunday 18th October 10.30am – Holy Communion

Sunday 25th October 10.30am – Morning Praise



Little Stars starts at 10.30am each Wednesday. Sessions will run on 7th and 14th October, but we will be taking a break for half-term on 21st and 28th October, returning on 4th November. The kettle goes on at 10am - turn up whenever suits your little one's routine.

Mary and Martha Day at St Andrews Church.

On Saturday September 12th a group of the Church family met to clean the inside of the church and tidy up the gardens, memorials and graveyard, known as our Mary and Martha Day. The Gospel of John (11) teaches us that neither style is bad. People need both prayer and service. Mary and Martha are sisters whose interactions with Jesus teaches Christians how to balance active service with spiritual devotion. Martha welcomes Jesus into her home and gets busy preparing food and doing chores. Mary sits quietly at the feet of Jesus to listen to his teaching. Martha complains to Jesus that Mary is not helping her work. Jesus answers that Martha is worried about too many things and Mary has chosen what is best because listening to him is essential.

We were able to clean, Hoover, dust and sort out the children's corner, the Family room, the Vestry, Kitchen etc inside the church. Whilst outside, trim unwanted weeds etc around the church gardens, remove all the dead flowers and weeds by the memorials and graves and get rid of nasty brambles. Sweep and clean the church entrance. There were also two short services of praise during the morning. Many thanks to all those who came and helped, including Leigh, Diane, Julie, Sue Briggs, Sue Lyons, Richard and Marion plus Susan Wiltshire. The church is now looking much cleaner and tidier, inside and out.

We are still grateful for the Community Pay-back Scheme who have made such a difference to our churchyard. The group that come to the Church have worked hard at the front and back of the churchyard, where there are a lot of very old graves unattended and have also cleared many weeds etc. They continue to come to the churchyard every few weeks to help improve the grounds. A big thankyou to our Church Warden Tony Smith who organised everything and our Councillor Vicky Malone who suggested it.

By Sue Briggs

Pictures on next page.





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"Move your money to a safe account."



"Buy gift cards or transfer money."



"Click this link now."

AT THE DOOR?



They may say:
"I'm from the council / water company / roofing company."
"There's a problem with your roof tiles / drain / driveway."
"It needs urgent attention today."

Don't be rushed.
Don't let them in.
Always check first.

YOUR SAFE RESPONSE...



I will not be rushed.



I will call back using a number I trust.



I will speak to someone I trust.



I will not move money because someone told me to.



I will not share codes, passwords or bank details.



At the door, I will close it, check who they are, and contact the company myself.



I will end the call or message if I feel pressured.

S

STOP

Don't rush. Pause.

Fraudsters create urgency to stop you thinking. A genuine organisation, company or trusted person will not force you to act immediately.



A

ASK

Question it.

- Why must this happen now?
- Why are they asking me to keep it secret?
- Why can't I call them back using a number I know?



F

FEAR CHECK

Fraudsters use fear, worry or emotion.

They may pretend to be helpful, friendly or caring. They might offer a deal or threaten a loss.

Feeling pressured is a warning sign, not a reason to act.



E

END CONTACT

Step away.

Put the phone down. Close the message. Don't click links. If someone is at your door, keep it closed. You are not being rude. You are protecting yourself.



R

RING SOMEONE TRUSTED

Get a second opinion.

Call a family member, friend, neighbour, bank or the company directly using an official number you already have (not one they give you). Your bank's number is on the back of your card or on their official website.



No real bank, police officer, government department or trusted company will ever:

- ✗ ask you to secretly move money
- ✗ ask for your passwords or PINs
- ✗ tell you to keep a payment or problem hidden



IF SOMETHING DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT - STOP AND THINK SAFER.



Share this with someone you care about.

Hi everyone, I hope you have been enjoying the lovely summer that we have had this year. I thought I would give you an update about a couple of our meetings that we had over the summer.

July, we had a visit from a Driving Instructor. His talk was called Hell on Wheels ! He was so funny, telling us small snippets of conversations that he had with his students. It was very good and he also did a mock driving lesson with one of our ladies being the learner driver. Again it was great entertainment. As we are of a certain age and had passed our driving tests a long time ago he gave us a quick update on the Highway Code which was really helpful.

August, we had someone from Trading Standards talking to us about Cyber Crime. We decided to open this meeting to non members as it was a very useful talk and we felt that it would be nice to share with the residents of Caddington. The word soon got around and we had a good turn out. The Trading Standards Officer spoke about bogus phone calls, whats app messages and what you needed to do if you thought that your bank account had been hacked. It was a good talk and lovely to see lots of new faces.

If any of the ladies that attended the Cyber talk would like to join us, you would be very welcome and you know where we meet and what time.

Thank you for reading my little chat and don't forget we are meeting on the 1st Monday of the month at 2pm at the Caddington Sports and Social club. Our next meeting is our Annual Birthday Party and we are having a fish and chip lunch. If you did decide to join us, please could you email me as we need to know numbers for the food order.
Bye for now Angela Viola.

violaa54@yahoo.co.uk

You can also ring me for a chat or Carol Jones.
Angela 07751412832
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St Andrew's Woodside Community Coffee Morning



Saturday 31st October 2026

**10.00 am to noon
at St Andrew's Church**

This month we have a **Shoebox** theme, getting ready for the big shoebox weekend of 14th/15th November.

You can pick up a leaflet about what to put in a box, and/or collect a flat-pack shoebox to fill. We will also have wool on offer for anyone wishing to knit for our shoebox appeal.

Plus a tombola

**Or just come for tea, coffee, cake and good company
Drop in at any time. All welcome.**

Contact Julie on 07841482119 if transport is a problem.



Anyone for Tennis????



Slip End Tennis Club was formed in 1987 and is affiliated to the Beds Lawn Tennis Association. The Club has two hard courts, with floodlights at Slip End Playing Fields, Church Road, Slip End.

It is a small friendly club with approx. 80 members. Current annual costs for new members are:-

Adult £40 Family £70. Junior £17.50 (Up to age 16)

Club members have priority in the use of courts, except when either matches are to be played or coaching taking place.

Club night is on **Monday evenings from 7pm** and **Sunday mornings from 10am**, to which all members are welcome.

Coaching is provided by our LTA coach, Sally Parry.

Members £7 and Non-Members £8 per session.

Adults. Tuesdays 12 -1pm & 6.30 - 7.30pm and Fridays 12 -1pm.

Ladies and private coaching is also available.

Give Sally a call (07979 433688)

Enquiries about the club can be made by telephone or e-mail to:

- Karen Humphreys Membership Secretary (07963 073322)
- Sarah Williams Secretary (07771 557622)
- Peter Smith Chairman (07913 46816)
- Sally Parry Coach (07979 433688)
- slipendtennis@gmail.com



CRIME REPORT



Parish Crime Statistics
August 2026



<u>Slip End</u>	Number
Offence	
Possession of other Weapons (j10-11 of M1)	1
Public Fear Alarm or Distress	1
Stalking	1

<u>Woodside</u>	
Offence	<u>None</u>

<u>Pepperstock</u>	
Offence	None

<u>Aley Green</u>	
Offence	None

Grand Total for Slip End	3
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<u>Caddington Parish</u>	
Offence	
Sexual	1
Criminal Damage to Vehicle	1
Theft or Unauthorised taking of a Motor Vehicle	1
Harrassment	1
Race or Religious Aggravated Public Fear	1
Threat Intent to Commit Criminal Damage	1
Assault Without Injury	1
Grand Total for Caddington	7



Diary - If you would like your events included, please contact the Editor

What's going on in 2026

Weekly	Chatty Club every Wednesday @ The Plough, 2pm - 4pm
Fortnightly	Caddington Gardening Club, Coffee mornings at the Allotment Hut off Folly Lane Caddington. Every other Tuesday and Sunday

October

Sun 4th	Slip End Social Club 90th Anniversary. From noon.
Fri 9th	The Peoples Emergency Briefing, St Andrew's Church. 7.30pm
Sun 25th	British Summer Time Ends. (Clocks go back 1 hour).
Wed 28th	GNS Autumn Tea Party. Slip End Village Hall. 2.30 - 4.30
Sat 31st	St Andrew's Coffee Morning 10.00 - 12.00

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Bin Collections - October

Black - 9th, 23rd

Orange (Recycling) - 2nd, 16th, 30th

Green (Garden) - 2nd, 16th, 30th

Food Waste bin - Every Friday



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Aley Green Methodist Church.

Minister:

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