

# Parish News

September 2026



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Delivered to the whole of the Parish

Aley Green

Slip End

Pepperstock

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## EDITOR'S NOTES

After what has been an exceptionally hot and dry summer, hopefully you've managed to enjoy plenty of sunshine - although I suspect our gardens are now collectively shouting "bring on the rain!"

There are two pages this month I'd particularly like to highlight. First, page 10, where Slip End Social Club is preparing to celebrate a remarkable milestone. On 4th October the Club turns 90, having first opened its doors in 1936. Nine decades of friendships, celebrations, entertainment and countless memories is quite an achievement.

The Club has changed enormously over those years, as has the village itself, but it remains somewhere local for people to meet, socialise and feel part of a community. Whether you're a current member, a former member or simply have memories of the Club, celebrations begin at midday on Sunday 4th October - come along and help us mark 90 years.

I'd also encourage you not to flick past page 18. On Saturday 19th September, Woodside Farm hosts Brother 2 Brother, a free men's mental health event centred around conversation, support and wellbeing.

This one means something to me personally. As a man who has experienced mental health problems myself, at a time when talking about them - particularly as a man - wasn't nearly as socially acceptable as it is today. The expectation was often simply to get on with it.

Thankfully, that conversation is changing, but there are still men who find saying "I'm not okay" incredibly difficult. Events like this matter because sometimes the hardest part is simply starting that first conversation.

Elsewhere, there's plenty more to discover, including school and church news, local history, gardening advice, community events and our autumn wordsearch.

Have a great month and John will be back with you in October!

## Soup and a Sandwich Announcement

Following a recent review of our operations, we regret to announce that Soup and a Sandwich will not be returning in October 2026.

Whilst we're sad to say goodbye to this much-loved event, we're excited to focus on our quarterly Tea Parties instead.

Keep an eye out for our upcoming adverts and join us for plenty of tea, treats, and good conversation throughout the year.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank You from the GNS Volunteers

# 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](mailto:vicky.malone@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk)

## Highways

As always, we urge any residents that see any potential hazards on the highways to report it to **FIX MY STREET**. If you do not receive a response of action being taken then please send the reference number to the clerk who will chase this. [clerk@slipendparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@slipendparishcouncil.gov.uk).

## Gardening

Our gardening contractor has been working hard to keep areas of the parish tidy even during the very hot weather that we have had. We are still asking residents to be mindful about parking on grass verges as they are getting damaged and when the weather turns we will have lots of mud and CBC will have to repair the verges at tax payers cost.

## Summer Planting

The company who installed the hanging baskets and troughs have had a hard time this year keeping the flowers in the troughs alive. A lot of them died so they came and replaced them for us. The hanging baskets are blooming.

## Slip End Playing Fields

Due to the extreme weather we are having all regular users have ceased their activities on the field until September. This is due to the ground being scorched and dangerous for activities. The field needs time to grow and repair to resume activities in September.

## Footpaths

The Clerk has been in contact with our contact at CBC about keeping the footpaths clear. If you see any really, overgrown footpaths please report on FIX MY STREET and it will be investigated. Footpath 4, which runs from Woodside to Slip End was extremely overgrown and action was taken swiftly after we reported it as residents were having to walk through the adjacent field to pass.

## Policing / Crime Stats

The Crime Statistics appear much higher in the Parish but this is over two months due to no magazine in August. Please continue to report any suspicious behaviour or activity either seen or recorded on ring door bells.

## Horrific Robbery on Elderly Resident

The Clerk put an item on social media about the horrific robbery on an elderly resident in the parish at the bus Stop in Grove Road, Woodside. We ask that all residents be vigilant if approached by individuals in a car asking for directions. If you notice anything suspicious, please take details/ description of occupants and report it. Please take care of yourself and each other. The Parish Council and all residents would like to send our best wishes to the resident' concerned.

**Dangerous Junction** - Markyate Road / Mancroft Road Junction by Woodside Animal Park. Cllr. Malone has informed the Council that this junction has been scheduled for repair and was given a 28 day notice of works to commence. This was in July. The Clerk will monitor this.

**Newlands Road / Church Street Junction** – Cllr. Malone was informed that there are plans for substantial patching, and resetting of the gully frames on Church Road on the junction. The contractor is being chased for a date for the works to commence. We will give an update when received.



We finished off last year with a term full of trips and visits organised by our staff so this article is a reflection of that time. Our Year 6 Junior Journalists (Frances, Isla and Willow) collected quotes from the pupils about their adventures!

Our youngest pupils in EYFS enjoyed a beach day where they role played a holiday from start to finish – including travel!

*"I loved the aeroplane and I got to be a pilot for the day!"* - Jayden.

*"I liked splashing in the pool!"* - Autumn.



Year 1 and 2 had an exciting trip to Stockwood Park where they took part in a free workshop linked to car design and manufacture as part of the Vauxhall Exhibition that was held there.

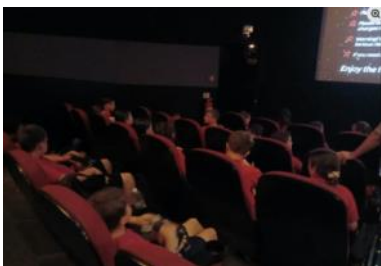
*"We enjoyed playing at the park and having lunch all together on the grass. The museum and the workshop were fun and we got to see chickens. We loved playing with our friends"* - Class 1 and 2

Year 3 and 4 went further afield and spent the day at Wicksteed Park. This is always a great trip as the children love going on the rides with their friends. The same can be said with our trip to Gulliver's Land for our Year 5 pupils. The water rides were the biggest attraction in the heat. Two long but very fun days!

*"I loved the log flume"* - Darcie

*"I liked all of it, it was fun"* Blair

*"There were lots of adults and they came on the rides with us!"* - Arianna



Our wonderful year 6s were treated to an end of term treat to the cinema to see Toy Story 5 followed by bowling at the Galaxy in Luton. The film ended with a round of applause from the children who completely understood the important message that was at the heart of the film. The end of their time at Slip End draws to an end and we wish them all the best as their

next chapter begins. They had an amazing send-off from all of our pupils.

*“It was fun and we created lots of memories with our friends” - Florence and Scarlett*

It was also a term where the children were able to display their sporting prowess at our annual Sports day. The children enjoyed running, throwing and carrying out a range of skills in front of their parents. We were also proud of our Federated Choir who were invited to sing a couple of songs at the ‘School Bangers’ event at St Andrews Church. A fun celebration of those songs that many of us sang in our childhood.



**As the end of the academic year drew to a close, Mr Young had a final closing comment:**

*“I would like to take a moment to reflect on what a privilege it has been to serve as Head of School at Slip End Village School. Our children, families and staff make this a truly special community, and I am incredibly grateful for the support and kindness I have received throughout my time here. As I move on to new challenges, I leave knowing that the school is in very capable hands of Miss Field and I know that she will continue to lead the school with enthusiasm, care and a commitment to ensure every child can thrive”*

**Mr Andrew Young**

Head of School

Slip End Village School

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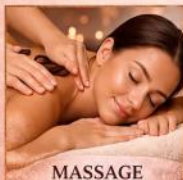
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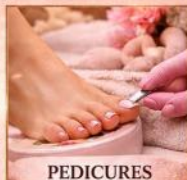
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### Dates for September 2026

Our new Minister (Rev Doreen Koffie-Williams), who will also hold the post of Circuit Superintendent, is joining us from the start of September. We look forward to welcoming her! Her first service with us is on the first Sunday of the month.

Hopefully all those who have been on holidays and making the most of the Summer weather will have now returned refreshed.

We have a few future dates. A Harvest Family Service aimed at all ages (adults and children alike) will be held on the first Sunday of October. Unfortunately the hot weather has affected the growing of crops, fruit and vegetables but we should still celebrate what has grown. We also have a **Harvest Take Time on Friday 9th October**. Harvest themed words and music followed by light refreshments and a charity collection. More details to follow in the next issue.

Since the last update we have raised funds for several charities, including approximately £200 for Action for Children. We have also said goodbye to our previous Minister, Rev. Claudia Lupi, who is moving to a Circuit in London. We wish her well with her new challenges.

**Tues 1st 10:00—12:00** Cakes & Company

**Sat 5th 10am** Prayer Breakfast led by Liz Higgins

**Sun 6th 10:30am** Morning Service (Rev Doreen Koffie-Williams) Holy Communion and Sunday School

**Also Sun 6th 6pm** Circuit Welcome Service for Rev Doreen Koffie-Williams at The Square, Dunstable

**Sun 13th 10:30am** Morning Service (Michael Adams)

**Sun 20th 10:30am** Morning Service (Geoff Best) and Sunday School

**Mon 21st 2pm** Ecumenical Fellowship led by Jo Prowse

**Sun 27th** No service at Aley Green 4pm Ecumenical Harvest Service at Caddington Baptist Church

**Wed 30th 7:30pm** Coffee Evening in aid of Water Aid

**Sun 4th Oct 10:30am** Harvest Family Service (all are welcome!) (Rev Doreen Koffie-Williams)

We look forward to welcoming you to our Church!

*God Bless, From all at Aley Green*





## **Celebrating 90 Years of Community Established 4th October 1936**

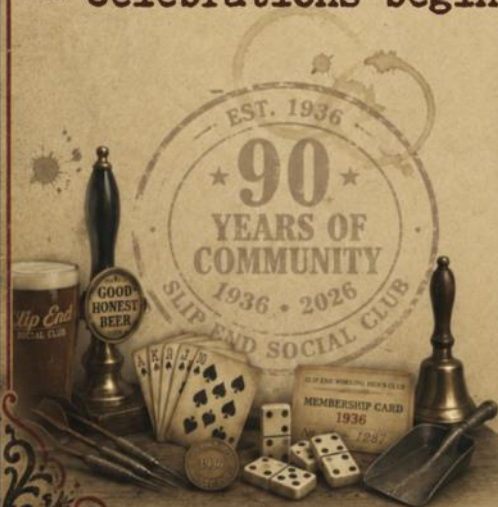
For ninety years, our Club has been at the heart of the village - a place where friendships have been made, memories created, and generations have come together.

Join us as we celebrate this incredible milestone!

- Sunday 4th October 2026**
- Celebrations begin from 12:00 noon**

Whether you've been a member for decades, have recently joined, or are simply curious to discover what makes our Club so special, we'd love you to celebrate with us.

Raise a glass and help us celebrate 90 wonderful years of community.





# ALL ABOUT

## PLANNING

### Planning applications submitted within the Parish since June 2026

#### **Application CB/26/01917/PIP** **Submitted 21<sup>st</sup> June 2026**

Land at Mancroft Road adjacent to Fourways,, Aley Green LU1 4DG.  
Permission in principal. Erection of bungalow.

**Decision:** Not Yet Decided

#### **Application CB/26/01986/FULLL** **Submitted 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2026**

7 Elaine Gardens, Woodside LU1 4DL  
Erection of single storey front extension with roof lights.

**Decision:** Not Yet Decided

#### **Application CB(26/02171/GPDE.** **Submitted 9<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

80 Markyate Road, Slip End LU1 4BX  
Prior notification of Householder extension. Erection of single storey rear extension 5m beyond the rear wall of the original dwelling maximum height 3.50m x 2.40m to eaves

**Decision:** Not Yet Decided

#### **Application CB/26/02273/LDCP.** **Submitted 18<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

44 Front Street, Slip End, LU1 4BS  
Lawful Development Certificate to replace rear flat roof with pitched roof including roof light

**Decision:** Not Yet Decided

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>view planning applications. If you wish to comment on an application  
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## St Andrew's Church Latest community project Finished - July 2026

Another inspirational project by Tony Smith and Linda Lane. Our talented church warden Tony drew the dove and surroundings and Linda was on hand with wallpaper cuttings, card, scissors and glue to help and guide everyone who wanted to get involved. From the very young to the older members of our congregation, and then completed by Linda adding some lovely flowers to the corners of the picture. It is now installed on the wall for all to see and another reminder of what can be achieved together,



Julie takes a turn—its harder than you think! Its beginning to take shape.



Sue Lyons and Sue Scott decide to have a turn and choose their colours carefully.

The start of the picture and 3 year old Stanley wants to get involved. Tony and Linda on hand to help.

It's amazing just what can be achieved with a little patience and with Linda on hand to help with colours and where to go next. We start to see the changes and how its coming together.

Tammy and Peter King are next to join in—such a lot of coverings to choose from though and ensure its coming together nicely. Finally our latest creation is completed and Linda adds the finishing touches with some lovely flowers in the corners.



Then comes Easter and the Dove is displayed for everyone to see how it looks now and how much more needs filling in. Over half way now and looking great. Well done everyone who has added their choice to the picture and got involved.



Another lovely way of showing what can be achieved by our Church family. Do come along and see it for yourself.  
By Sue Briggs

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### WORDS TO FIND

AUTUMN  
HARVEST  
EQUINOX  
VIRGO  
LIBRA

CONKERS  
FOLIAGE  
CHESTNUT  
SYCAMORE  
ACORN

# Village History - Did you know?

There used to be another pub on Front Street, other than the Rising Sun? Number 37 and 37a were once a beerhouse called the **Shepherd's Crook**, tracing back to at least 1861. Over the decades it passed through a string of owners and licensees - from Sarah Godfrey of Potters Bar and her tenant Samuel Abrahams in the 1860s, through Mrs Timberlake and licensee Percival Wise in 1891, to Luton brewers J. W. Green Limited by 1903.

In 1915, with licensee Robert Robinson also moonlighting for the Luton Gas Company, magistrates decided not to renew the licence - and the pub's days were done.

What happened next is where it gets interesting. A 1925 survey found the old pub building had been split into the two separate homes we know today, numbers 37 and 37a, now containing eight bedrooms between them instead of the original three. Number 37 was owned and lived in by B. Dyer, while 37a was rented out to a tenant named A. Rolt. So next time you pass those two houses, spare a thought for the beerhouse that once stood there - quietly divided up and hidden in plain sight.



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ENTRY

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VENUE

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**(WHAT 3 WORDS: them.reward.sand)**

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**Mandy Eves**

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## Gardening Notes *by Russell Sprout*

Well we can't moan that we didn't get a summer this year, although the temperatures were a bit too much at times and the lack of rain has been a problem, but as summer fades into autumn and the days start to shorten early morning frosts are likely towards the end of the month, so beware.

If you have grown large type dahlias or chrysanthemums it would be a good idea to stake them to stop the wind breaking them and if cutting for the vase do it when the blooms are well opened. If you intend to take cuttings from the root stock of chrysanthemums it is a good idea to label them whilst you can tell what colours they are, or like me you will forget and have to go for pot luck next year! Gladioli corms should be left in the ground to mature until next month, although the tops may turn brown.

Keep dead-heading roses, cuttings can be taken now, about 12" long, remove all the thorns and trim top and bottom leaving just the upper pair of leaves and insert into the soil so that the lowest leaf is just above the soil, these will take about a year to root and be ready to transplant. As annuals start to fade remove them so that spring bedding plants can be planted towards the end of the month, such as wallflowers, polyanthus, forget-me-nots and sweet williams. Bulbs such as daffodils, hyacinths, tulips and crocuses can also be planted at the same time.

New growth on climbers should be tied in to stop them from getting damaged by the wind, but make ties loose enough to allow for the thickening of the stems as they develop. Towards the end of the month alpine can be replanted and this month is a good time to make a rockery. Make sure it is free draining and will not become too wet, as the plants will rot, so make sure there is plenty of rubble as a base and finer rubble as a top layer. Clip hedges of any new growth for the last time and remove any weeds and burn or compost them. You can plant a new hedge from mid-September to mid-October.

Remove any shading from greenhouses as the plants will require more light and the sun starts to lose its fierce heat. Apples and pears can be stored if you cannot use them all right now, but make sure the stalk is attached to the fruit (otherwise they will not store well) and the fruit has no blemishes. Wrap them individually in paper and place in a cool, dark, dry place such as a shed, but watch out for mice or they will eat them before you do! Check once a week for any that need discarding or using. Harvest soft fruit as it ripens and when they have finished fruiting cut out all the old wood and tie in the new shoots. Spring cabbages can be planted out towards the end of the month, plant close together in the rows and as they get going in the spring pull every other one out and use as leaf greens and leave the others to mature and heart up.

That's all until next month, keep safe and well everyone.

Russel Sprout

## St. Andrew's Church - Dates for September

If you prefer to join the service virtually via Zoom then you can join using the following numbers **878 5926 2657** and passcode **664663**, or via this link

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87859262657?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87859262657?pwd=dTdad291VDk2anA5aGtmdnFCN3kzQT09)  
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### Services held at St Andrew's:

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 7.30pm** – Evening Prayer

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 10.30am** – Informal Communion

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 10.30am** – Morning Praise

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September 10.30am** – Holy Communion

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September 10.30am** – Morning Praise / Harvest Service



  
**Little Stars**



Little Stars starts at 10.30am each Wednesday. Sessions will resume after the Summer Holidays on 9th September and continue on 16th, 23rd and 30th September. The kettle goes on at 10am – turn up whenever suits your little one's routine.

## A Message from St Andrew's - Restoring Eden

Fierce heatwaves, droughts, raging wildfires and poor harvests; it's easy to feel overwhelmed by the growing impacts of global warming now hitting us here in the UK. Recent studies show that we are one of the most nature depleted countries in the world, due to habitat loss caused by changes in farming methods, urban spread and the paving over of gardens and green spaces.

Yet, in her inspiring book 'One Garden Against the World', Kate Bradbury describes how the UK's around 30 million gardens – as well as allotments and other green spaces – have huge potential for restoring nature and helping to combat climate change. They can absorb water, slow down wind, create shade, absorb pollution, store carbon, help reduce temperatures, provide food and homes for wildlife and link other ecosystems.

We can help by, e.g., growing plants to provide food, shelter & pollen for wildlife, providing water, creating a pond, providing nesting boxes for birds, hotels for bugs & bees and homes for hedgehogs. Even growing plants to support wildlife on a balcony or windowsill can make a big difference.



The Wildlife Trust website has a wealth of resources for this:  
**[wildlifetrusts.org/gardening](http://wildlifetrusts.org/gardening)**

The Genesis account of creation describes how the very first responsibility which God entrusted to Adam – and by implication to all humanity - was to work and take care of' the garden of Eden. This is reflected in the 5<sup>th</sup> mark of mission of the Anglican church: 'To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and transform the life of the world.' Doing our best to make our own gardens a haven for nature is an important way of fulfilling this mission, and can also help us to reconnect with the natural world & with our creator God. So let's not lock them under paving and plastic grass, but instead make them little patches of Eden!

**STOP PRESS** look out for details in next month's Parish News for our screening of The People's Emergency Briefing film on 9th October.

Blessings

Sylvia Harland (St Andrew's Climate Justice Group)

## GNS Summer Tea Party

On afternoon of 22<sup>nd</sup> July the Good Neighbours Scheme held their summer tea party. There was a good turnout with over 40 people attending.



We started with hot tea and coffee or cold fruit squash drinks with homemade cakes or scones, as well as strawberries and cream. This was followed by games of bingo, two for 1 line and two for a full house, ably called my Mick Plummer, followed by a raffle.



Finally I would like to thank the nine volunteers who baked and helped with the serving of the tea, coffee and cold drinks.

# St Andrew's Church Community Coffee

*By Sue Briggs*

On Saturday July 25th we held another Community Coffee morning. Leigh and Lorna were on duty and there was a great selection of cakes, scones etc to enjoy. Lorna and Leigh did a very good job, well done to them both - and for their enjoyable cooking skills too.

We had a nice number of visitors but always room for plenty more so if you're not busy on **Saturday 26th September** please come along, from 10am to 12pm.

This will be a special fund raiser in aid of shoeboxes. with plenty to eat, and buy. Also a special stall for you. See you there.



## Be a Local Hero – Join Our Good Neighbour Scheme!

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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](mailto:slipendtennis@gmail.com)



## Slip End

| Offence                          | No. |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| Criminal Damage to Motor Vehicle | 2   |
| Theft from a Motor Vehicle       | 1   |
| Assault without Injury           | 1   |
| Other Theft                      | 1   |
| Dangerous Driving                | 1   |
| Harassment                       | 1   |
| Public Fear, Alarm or Distress   | 1   |

## Woodside

| Offence                       | No. |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Criminal Damage - Residential | 1   |
| Robbery of Personal Property  | 1   |

## Caddington

| Offence                                         | No. | Offence                                   | No. |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------------|-----|
| Criminal Damage to Vehicle                      | 2   | Harassment                                | 3   |
| Assault with Injury                             | 5   | Theft from Person                         | 1   |
| Cruelty or Neglect                              | 1   | Sexual                                    | 2   |
| Possession of Firearms                          | 1   | Blackmail                                 | 1   |
| Possession of Other Weapons                     | 2   | Public Fear Alarm or Distress             | 1   |
| Assault without Injury                          | 6   | State or Public Order                     | 1   |
| Theft or Unauthorised Taking of a Motor Vehicle | 1   | Threats to Kill                           | 1   |
| Cruelty or Neglect                              | 1   | Assault with Intent to Cause Serious Harm | 1   |
| Other Theft                                     | 2   | Stalking                                  | 2   |
|                                                 |     | Arson not Endangering Life                | 1   |

## Aley Green and Pepperstock - None

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

## What's going on in 2026

|                    |                                                                                                                           |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Weekly</b>      | Chatty Club every Wednesday @ The Plough, 1pm - 3pm                                                                       |
| <b>Fortnightly</b> | Caddington Gardening Club, Coffee mornings at the Allotment Hut off Folly Lane Caddington. Every other Tuesday and Sunday |

## September

|                 |                                                           |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sat 19th</b> | Brother 2 Brother, Woodside Farm, 9am - 2pm (see page 18) |
| <b>Sat 26th</b> | Community Coffee Morning, St Andrew's 10am - 12pm         |
| <b>Sat 26th</b> | Bingo Bongo, Music Bingo, Slip End Social Club, 8pm       |

## October

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| <b>Sun 4th</b> | 90th Anniversary Celebrations, Slip End Social Club, from 12pm |
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## November

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| <b>Sat 28th</b> | Christmas Lights Switch On & Craft Fair at Slip End Village Hall. |
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## December

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| <b>10th &amp; 11th</b> | Santa Claus visit to Slip End Parish |
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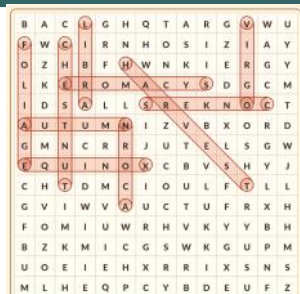
## Bin Collections - September

**Black** - 11th, 25th

**Orange (Recycling)** - 4th, 18th

**Green (Garden)** - 4th, 18th

**Food Waste bin** - Every Friday



## COMMUNITY AND SERVICES

|                                         |                                              |                        |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Services:-</b>                       | <b>Good Neighbour Scheme:</b> 07513 37 24 15 |                        |
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| <b>Doctor</b>                           | Caddington Surgery 725673                    |                        |
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| <b>Pharmacy</b>                         | Medigreen, Caddington 457800                 |                        |
| <b>Schools:</b>                         | <b>Slip End Village School</b> 720152        | <b>Manshead</b> 679400 |
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| <b>St Andrew's Church:</b>                                             | 260303 - Jean Anderson                                                         | 01582 737036                                                                         |
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| <b>Aley Green Methodist Church.</b>                                    | <b>Tennis</b> Peter Smith 733253                                               | <b>Book Club</b> (contact via Parish News)                                           |
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