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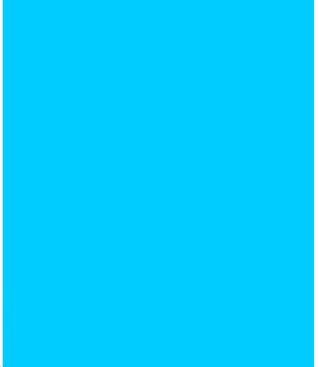


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Calvert Green Community Association

# Spring Newsletter 2015



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CGCA—welcome from the Chairman

Welcome to the CGCA newsletter. Calvert Green always looks great in the Spring, with lots of activity on our green spaces and playgrounds.

In the last couple of months Caterpillars and Youth Club have been well supported. We also had a visit from 'Play around the Parishes' - we would like to thank the Parish Council for sharing the costs. In addition we held a very enjoyable Quiz Night hosted by Adrian and Pete and a family Social and Bingo evening -thank you Helen.

Easter Saturday saw much activity when Steeple Claydon Church group helped us with activities alongside our Easter Egg hunt - thank you's are due to Jane and Nick in particular, along with many that helped on the day.

Finally, please keep a note of the dates of other events Karen and Stef have planned because lots of hard work goes on in the background, and we hope and believe you will find something to your taste. In particular, Friday 1st May @ 7pm combines Youth Club, a Family Social Evening, and 'The Big Tidy Up' where everyone is invited to help keep Calvert Green to be litter free and have a chance to catch up with neighbours. The hall and bar will be open until 10pm - see you then?

John Hopkins—CGCA Chairman



## Calvert Green Community Information

Information from your Parish Council, Community groups and more



## Events

What is happening when

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## **Refuse collection dates**

### **Waste**

13th & 27th May; 10th &  
24th June; 8th & 22nd July

### **Recycling**

6th, 20th May; 3rd & 17th  
June; 1st, 15th & 29th July

### **Garden**

11th & 25th May; 8th &  
22nd June; 6th & 20th July

## **Mobile Library dates**

Thursdays

**15.30-16.30pm**

**14th May**

**11th June**

**9th July**

**6th August**

**3rd September**

**Village Hall Car Park**



## **CGCA 300 Club Winners**

**£50 prize to a local resident every month!**

**February. J Henstock. Brickhill Way**

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**April. J Gaskin. Cotswolds Way**

**£12 subscription for the full year.**

**If you would like to join or have any questions please  
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## **CALVERT GREEN NHW**

### **NHW CO-ORDINATOR NEEDED FOR CALVERT GREEN**

Karen McMahon will be moving away from Calvert Green at the beginning of August and so a new Co-Ordinator will be needed. Please could anyone wishing to volunteer contact Karen for details – there is hardly any work involved as it is all automated now, you are a merely a point of contact. However, without a Co-Ordinator, the scheme will have to close.

### **ALL CURRENT AND NEW MEMBERS PLEASE REGISTER ON THE NEW THAMES VALLEY ALERT SYSTEM**

To sign up for the scheme (old and new members) and receive a discount on your home insurance, please go to the link and complete your details and register to join the Calvert Green scheme under The Neighbourhood & Home Watch Network (England & Wales) via the link: <https://www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk> You can also sign up for alerts here too under Thames Valley Alert, and will be notified of any incidents in the area.

### **YOUR COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER**

Our PCSO is Sam Calvert. You can contact her on 101 or by email at [Samantha.Calvert@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Samantha.Calvert@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk)

**CONTACT DETAILS KAREN: Email – [kcmahon372@gmail.com](mailto:kcmahon372@gmail.com) or  
Tel: 01296 730724**

## Classes & Groups in the Village Hall

### Monday

- 10am Caterpillars Toddler Group
- 7pm Circuit Training

### Tuesday

- 7.30pm Step by Step dance (Every 2nd Tuesday)
- 7.30pm Women's Institute (Every 3rd Tuesday)

### Wednesday

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### Thursday

- 10am Musical Minis
- 7pm Circuit Training
- 8pm Tap Dancing

### Friday

- 9.15am Jumping Jims soft play
- 7pm Youth Club (fortnightly)

### Sunday

- 10.30am Karate



Feel free to turn up to  
any class to find out  
what it's all about!

**To Book the Calvert Green Village Hall**

**visit the CGCA website**

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**The Calendar will detail the hall availability  
plus full details and cost**

# Calvert Green Caterpillars Baby & Toddle Group (Ages 0 to 4)

Calvert Green Village Hall

- ▶ Tea, coffee, biscuits
- ▶ Toddle snack and drinks
- ▶ First session free
- ▶ £1.50 for first child (£2.00 total for family)
- ▶ Everyone welcome to this friendly group

**Every Monday 10am to 11.30am (term time)**

13<sup>th</sup> April – Spring Snail Craft - Health Visitor

20<sup>th</sup> April – St Georges Day

27<sup>th</sup> April – Toilet Roll flowers

4<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday

11<sup>th</sup> May – Butterfly Craft - Health Visitor

18<sup>th</sup> May – Design your own beach bag

25<sup>th</sup> May – Half Term & Bank Holiday

1 June – Kites - Health Visitor

8 June – Summer Berry Trifle making

15 June – Fathers Day Footprint Collage

22 June – Decorate an ice cream cone

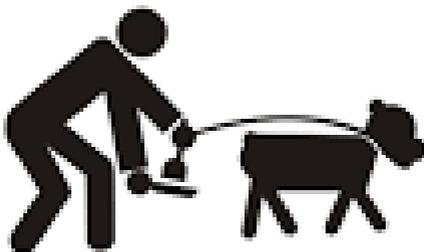
29 June – Jellyfish Making

6<sup>th</sup> July – Fruit Necklace - Health Visitor

13<sup>th</sup> July – Eid – Henna Handprints

20<sup>th</sup> July – Sunshine Handprints (End of Term)

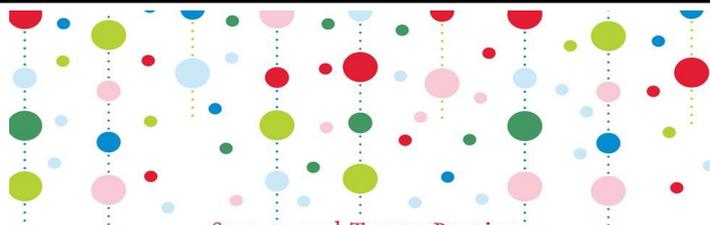




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# Calvert Green Youth Club

YC Subs £1.50 Members, Guest £2.50

Members can bring one non-member to the club

YC will be held fortnightly (subject to hall availability)

7pm—9pm 8-15 year olds



17 April—YC Bingo,

1 May—The Big Tidy Up & Social Night ,

15 May—Premier Sports, 5 June—Movie Night,

19 June—Summer Party Planning,

3 July—Family sports evening with Premier Sports

17 July—Water bombs & games on the green

Remember, if you can help in running the club, even just one session a month, please get in touch via

[thecgca@gmail.com](mailto:thecgca@gmail.com)



## MUSICAL MINIS IN CALVERT GREEN

Musical Minis, a pre-school fun time music group for babies and toddlers (birth – 4 years) runs sessions in Calvert Green

**ON: THURSDAY MORNINGS (2 SESSIONS: 9.45AM -10.45AM)**

**AT: CALVERT GREEN VILLAGE HALL**

Each structured session encourages cognitive, physical and emotional development through the use of music, instruments and stories in a relaxed, informal group setting. It concentrates on rhythm, song, sound and movement to encourage early communication, promoting confident, sociable and creative children. The programme encompasses many



of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Development in a fun and enjoyable way. Recommended by health professionals as a great aid to babies development.

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# **Calvert Green Parish Council newsletter update**

## **Your Parish Council:**

Chairman – Cllr Brian Pethick

Vice Chairman – Cllr Phil Gaskin

Councillors – Cllr Sarah Smith, Cllr Marie Swan, Cllr Carl Blakeley, vacancy x 2

Parish Clerk – Karen McMahon – email address: [parishclerkcalvertgreen@gmail.com](mailto:parishclerkcalvertgreen@gmail.com)

Website – calvertgreenparish.co.uk

## **2015 Meetings will be at 8 pm in the Hall:**

Tuesday 28th April

Tuesday 26th May

Tuesday 7th July

Tuesday 1st September

Tuesday 3rd November

## **Update from the Chairman – Cllr Brian Pethick**

The Parish Councillors continue to pursue the many issues currently affecting our community, including the HS2 opposition, Broadband, Fund raising, Hall extension, Planning Issues, open spaces and infrastructure.

## **Community Hall extension:**

As discussed, previously the P.C. has been awarded £200K through the New Homes Bonus grant, but this grant is dependent upon the P.C. obtaining a further grant from WREN. The P.C. are completing the exhaustive paperwork to this end. Unfortunately, the decision by WREN will not be taken until July this year. Inevitably this will delay any construction work, but will not preclude the engagement of a provisional designer and the necessary pre contract activities.

## **Planning:**

The Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting on the 18th March, to discuss the planning application for extension to and erection of new dwellings at Dunsty Hill Farm was well attended by residents. Following a presentation by the Architect, Dominic Kramer the application was discussed. The decision taken by the P.C in agreement with the residents attending is to support the application with comments regarding future development.

## **Connecting Footpaths between the Villages:**

The Sustained efforts by Cllr. Sarah Smith have resulted in a grant from Bucks.C.C towards a feasibility study of £5000.

## **Neighbourhood Plan:**

This is an essential document which must be produced by the P.C. in conjunction with the community, which is submitted to ensure the future of the village, especially in relation to future development, services and facilities. The P.C. does not have the resources to produce this document alone. We require the assistance from residents. If you are in a position to offer help with this, please contact our Parish Clerk for more information.

## **Your Parish Council needs you:**

The P.C. has two vacancies for Councillors who will be vital to the continuing workload the PC has. The P.C. elections will shortly be taking place and any additional candidates would be very welcome.

As the term of this P.C. approaches its close, I wish to express my sincere thanks for the extraordinary efforts and contributions that have been made by Marie, Sarah, Phil and Carl during their term and for the superb service given to the Councillors and the Community of our Parish Clerk Karen McMahon.

## **Update from the Vice-Chairman - Cllr Phil Gaskin**

### **HS2:**

It is now almost certain that the HS2 Select Committee will not visit our area until after the General Election, and our own petition hearing is likely to be June or later. HS2 has finally suggested that they intend meeting with us in May to discuss our petition although no date has yet been set.

John Bercow visited Calvert Green in February and we were able to show him the areas of impact to our community. John is extremely supportive of our petition and his own petition includes a lot of content supporting mitigation for our area.

An Additional Provision (AP) was released by HS2 last August which had minimal affect to us. We have now been advised of another AP which is likely to result in more land take for railway operations in our parish – probably for the FCC siding operation. HS2 has considered moving the landfill siding operation around a mile further south (near to the incinerator). They concluded that it will be more complex, more expensive and has ecology concerns. Consequently they want to move it closer to Calvert Green as they originally proposed. FCC Environment (landfill operator), Bucks County Council, Aylesbury Vale DC, John Bercow and other local parishes also support our case to move the siding operation away from Calvert. FCC has done analysis which indicates moving the siding and unloading facility closer to Calvert Green will cost them around £70,000 pa in additional fuel and time when ideally they want it near the incinerator.

## **HS2 update continued:**

At a recent Calvert Area Master Plan workshop, we were advised of the likely impact of HS2 construction traffic for 15 – 20 years. This will include road closures and significant delays. Along with many other parish councils, we are now pushing HS2 to use the new landfill access road from the A41 and then use the route of the railway line for construction traffic and remove all construction traffic from local roads. This will still cause significant impact to Calvert Green though.

## **Landfill Operations:**

Brackley Lane is now awaiting white lines to change the Cotswolds Way priority following the closure of HGV access. Once this is in place, the road will be fully adopted. Occasional HGVs are arriving on Brackley Lane but are being turned around and sent back to the A41. Most old HGV signs have now been removed with the last (Tingewick bypass) awaiting a panel to be replaced. It was also requested that new signs be installed on the new access roundabout on A41.

The landfill operation should be mostly hidden for the next 6-9 months as the current filling is in a valley. Spoil rail deliveries are down to 2 per day (weekdays) and 1 per day on Saturdays. This will increase to a maximum of 3 per day after Easter. There is also a waste train between in the weekday afternoons and occasionally on Saturday mornings.

Landfill operations will cease for Good Friday and Easter Monday although the site will be operational on Easter Saturday.

FCC has planted around 1000 of 2000 new trees which should be visible from the village green. These will be maintained by FCC for several years,

The Environment Agency (EA) is now attending less frequently due to high standards at the landfill site. There have also been many fewer odour complaints in the last year.

FCC also confirmed that one of their contractors had been using explosive bird scarers which is against its policy. This should not happen again.

FCC is preparing a planning application that will result in a shallower contours and a lower overall height for the landfill. This is due to reducing waste input due to recycling.

The building work just inside the Brackley Lane access is for a substation to power the incinerator operation. This work is almost complete and will not create any impact during operation.

## **Broadband:**

Aylesbury Vale District Council has backed a plan to commit up to £1.5 million of funding towards the provision of additional superfast broadband in the district. It's hoped that funds from AVDC can help unlock match funding of £2.56 million from the government as part of the next phase of the project.

Unfortunately at this stage, we aren't on the roll-out list, but our concerns are known by AVDC. We recently wrote to John Bercow for support on this too.

The broadband survey statistics have been extremely useful because we were able to prove that statistics in use by various parties are grossly inaccurate for Calvert Green. The fact we had such good quality, recent statistics has helped us with our cause, so thanks again for everyone who took the time to respond.

We are also investigating self-funded fibre roll-out and other fibre options, such as Gigaclear. See below with regards Gigaclear.

At the HS2 Calvert Area Master Plan workshop, Calvert Green was identified as an area desperately in need of faster broadband, something that is also being pursued through the HS2 mitigation route. The good news is that Calvert Green broadband provision is being discussed regularly and is now well recognised at District and County Council level.

Gigaclear, (an independent fibre broadband supplier), have been approached to see if they would be willing to provide superfast broadband, (50mb/s up and download minimum), to Calvert Green in the future. Their marketing director confirmed that they did indeed have plans to come to the Grendon Underwood area in the next 12 months and would consider extending their coverage to include Calvert Green if it could be demonstrated that there was sufficient demand to make it commercially viable. This would require a commitment of approximately 30% or 120 of the homes in our community and the Parish Council will be looking at the best way to see if there is enough support to make this a viable solution." However, in the meantime if anyone is interested they can go to [www.gigaclear.com](http://www.gigaclear.com) where they can click on the 'Get Gigaclear' button to register their interest and find out more information. The sooner we can get enough signatures the better.

CGCA Social Evening with



**Friday 12th June**

From 7:30pm @ Village Hall

All welcome, CGCA Bar  
and an opportunity to socialise with  
friends and neighbours

## **AVDC Play Around the Parishes & Sports**



**Wednesday 12th August**

2pm—4pm @ Village Hall

Free entry and activities

Funded by the CGCA and CGPC

## Future CGCA Events for your diary



Party at the Park—Saturday 11 July

Family Fun Run/Jog/Walk— Sunday 14  
June

Rugby World Cup on the Big Screen—tbc

More Social Evenings, Karaoke , Bingo,  
Race Night etc. —tbc

Christmas Shopping Event—tbc

Halloween YC Disco

YC Christmas Disco and activities

Youth Club Movie night

Fireworks plus more.....

Any suggestions please e-mail

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# Caring for your Community



## And Social Evening

Help and Support the Youth Club on

**Friday 1 May from 7pm @ the Village Hall**

All help with litter picking around the village particularly the basketball court, playgrounds, village hall car park, greens as well as clearing the gullies/verges, or cleaning the village signs and bus shelter etc. would be very much appreciated (gloves and bin bags provided)

Following the tidy there is the opportunity to celebrate a job well done as the CGCA bar & tuck shop will be open for all to enjoy a community social evening.

# Calvert Green

## 5K Family Fun Run/Jog/Walk



Get training for **Sunday 14th June**  
Pets (on a lead welcome). The route and  
further details to follow.

## Date For The Diary!



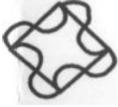
## Calvert Green Summer Party

**Saturday 11th July**

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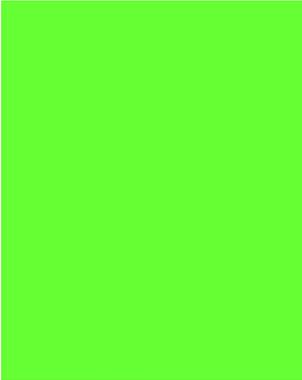
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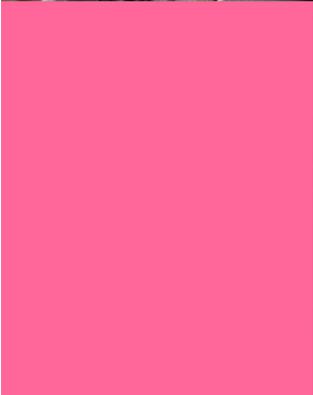


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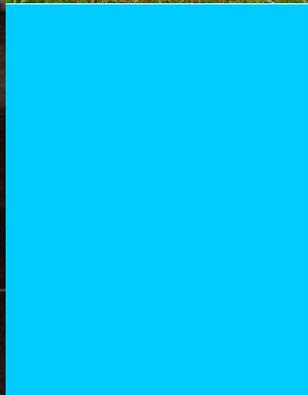
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