

A message of thanks...

Sophie Louise Ford

26th September 2006 – 24th February 2012



Karen, Isabelle and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the whole of the community for the overwhelming support we have received since the tragic events of the 24th February.

All of the cards, flowers and heartfelt messages have really confirmed what a great community we live in and just how much Sophie has touched everyone's lives.

Sophie's memory will live on in Calvert Green and whilst she may not be here to share things with us she will be "Forever in our Hearts"

*"Even the smallest of feet have the power to leave
everlasting footprints on our hearts"*

Calvert Green Newsletter Spring 2012



Calvert Green Community Association

Registered Charity No: 1104354



CGCA Welcome

Welcome to the Spring edition of the CGCA Newsletter

Hello to One and All,

Well Spring is springing and the evenings are drawing out; this for me is the time of year when we come out from hibernation and start thinking about blowing away those cobwebs.

Certainly the young people who participate in C.H.Y.N.A., our Youth Club, turned out to start spring cleaning the village. Thanks to those who made the effort and who came back with sacks of rubbish. Well done!

The Schools Out night in February was very successful despite numbers not being great. Those who attended had a lively evening enjoying a school supper and loads of liquid refreshment though not necessarily the type of refreshments taken at school!!

It has been necessary to postpone the Race Night scheduled for 17th March. This is due to the fact that, as many of you will know, Karen who organises our events has, along with her husband Pete and daughter Isabelle suffered a great loss. Our love and support go to them all at this difficult time. We will, in the fullness of time re-schedule this event and will of course keep you posted.

Hopefully in April there will be the opportunity for all of you to pop in to the hall to meet with us and the Parish Council and all other organisations involved with our community to discuss anything to do with living at Calvert Green. At the moment we are finalising details for this event but will email those on the distribution list, advertise on our notice boards and generally spread the word. All will be welcome to drop in for a cup of tea on a Saturday to be arranged and to bring any ideas you may have for improving where we live.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Kathy Moore, Chairman

- Hedgehogs like to swim. If you have a pond make sure there is a slope that they can use
- Link your garden, leave a hole in fences and walls for hedgehogs to get around
- Don't be tempted to take a hedgehog from the wild as it may have a nest of young, who would then starve.
- Visit the **Hedgehog Street** website for more ideas, games and resources to help our hedgehogs. www.hedgehogstreet.org/
- If you find a hedgehog that is definitely injured you can take it to St Tiggywinkle's wildlife hospital near Thame. www.sttiggywinkles.org.uk/
- Sign the e-petition asking the Government to protect our hedgehogs, at <http://epetitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/13085>



Help our Hedgehogs

The hedgehog is one of our most loved and familiar wild animals. But numbers have fallen by about 20% in recent years and the trend is not good. Hedgehogs are disappearing.



Hedgehogs like to live in hedgerows, but with farms relying on larger fields, and use of pesticides, to produce crops, there are fewer hedges and less food for the hogs. Many hedgehogs live in villages and towns but here too the trend for tidy gardens has left them with fewer places to live and forage. The hedgehog is a gardener's friend as it loves to eat slugs, so we should welcome them into our gardens.

Hedgehogs have been around since before sabre-toothed tigers and woolly mammoths, and we are lucky in Calvert Green to have a local hedgehog population. Here are some ways we can all help:

- Leave a corner of your garden wild to offer shelter and natural food
- Avoid using pesticides and slug pellets if you can
- Provide a shallow dish of water and food such as chopped peanuts or pet food.
- Check before mowing or strimming, many hogs get badly injured or killed this way
- Always check for hedgehogs before lighting a bonfire or shovelling your compost heap
- Check your garden waste before throwing it in the skip, hedgehogs can nuzzle into a bag and sleep among grass clippings

Saturday 19th May
Calvert Green Community Centre
8pm - Late



Join in the fun of a social evening.
Boys v Girls teams! (not compulsory) (Max 6 per team)

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Usual CGCA Bar

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Easter



Saturday 7th April

Crafts, Cakes and a Cracking Egg Hunt!

Calvert Green Community Hall

3pm - 4.30pm

Everyone welcome, admission free.

For further information: Rev'd. David Hiscock ☎01869 277297 Rev'd. Angela Mann ☎01296 771100
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Parish Council News

WRG Incinerator

The planning process for the EFW incinerator continues. At a meeting on 14 Feb the Bucks County Council Development and Control Committee deferred the decision to grant permission for the incinerator until the Autumn after the Bucks Minerals & Waste Core Strategy has been finalised. However, after an objection by WRG, and after seeking legal advice, it seems that this might have been an unlawful decision! A quick rethink resulted in a new consultation being arranged to take place 17,19 & 20 Apr.

The PC objected to a request for the landfill to operate on the Jubilee bank holiday Tuesday 5th June but this was rejected as it was felt that there would be too much of a build up of rubbish if it were closed over both bank holidays. On a (slightly) more positive note it will only be open between 9 am and 4 pm and only to domestic waste.

HS2

I'm sure most of you were as disappointed as I was that the government approved the HS2 project despite the overwhelming percentage of people who responded to the consultation objecting to it and the massive amount of evidence against it. The battle is not over however, and there are meetings taking place over the next few weeks with HS2, the 51M group and Bucks CC. We will have a representative there and will report any news at the Community Meeting in April.

Salt Bins

AVDC delivered the salt to the majority of the bins at the 11th hour and it was good to see that they were put to good use by the community. We are still working on getting the final bin filled just in case we get a late deposit, but the AVDC department responsible don't seem to see it as a priority at the moment.

Future Council Meetings

All residents are welcome and are encouraged to ask questions or raise any concerns they have in the Open Forum at the end of the formal meeting. If you are unable to attend but *do* wish to raise something with the Council, please contact the Parish Clerk no less than 5 working days before the next Council Meeting.

Parish Council Web pages

Follow the link at www.calvertgreen.com

Carl Blakeley, Chairman

Calvert Green Parish Council

Councillor	Responsibilities
Carl Blakeley (Chairman)	Parish Council Parish Plan
Brian Pethick (Vice Chairman)	Bucks CC / AVDC Liaison WRG Liaison Junior Parish Council
Chris Craighead	HS2 Transport Infrastructure / Roads Footpaths & Verges
Gavin Massie	Hall Environment / Open Spaces
Graeham Bowles	Hall Extension Developer Liaison

Council Meetings

Council meetings are held at the Community Hall approximately every 6 weeks at the start time of 8.00 pm. Below are the provisional meeting dates for the next 3 months, for any updates, please visit the website.

Tuesday 27th Mar 2012

Annual Parish / Community Meeting, Saturday 28th April

AGM, Thursday 10th May

Normal Meeting, Tuesday 26th June

All matters are discussed at the Parish Council meetings and subsequently updated on the website. If you require further information please contact the Parish Clerk on 01280 814739 or email at parishclerk@calvertgreen.com

HELP!! – Calvert Green Village Plan

The parish plan was finally published in June 2011. It is a snapshot of the aspirations the community of Calvert Green.

To view the plan please visit:-

<http://www.bucksinfo.net/calvert-green-parish-council/calvert-green-parish-plan-2011>

These great ideas can only become a reality with the input and assistance of willing volunteers who can contribute their time and energy to making them happen.

Unfortunately, as things stand, there are very few people involved, therefore if you feel you have the time and energy required in order to make a significant difference to the community you live in please contact either the CGCA or the Parish Clerk for further information.

A small group has already been formed in order to focus on the

Re-development of the Village Hall and we will be meeting again shortly (date to be advised). If you are interested in joining this group please contact Karen Ford on 733286 or events@calvertgreen.com.

The following groups urgently need volunteers to lead activity in the following areas:

- Improving the Environment
- Village Amenities and Facilities
- Allotment Association

The CGCA can be contacted via thecgca@gmail.com or contact the Parish Clerk at parishclerk@calvertgreen.com



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- £8 per hour for residents of Calvert green & Calvert
- £12 per hour for non-residents
- £4 per hour for setting up and clearing away

All hire charges include use of the kitchen, kitchen utensils, crockery, glassware & all kitchen appliances. Heating is also included.

The price for an average 3 hour children's birthday party is £20.

Should you wish to hire the hall, please contact Jenny at bookings@calvertgreen.com

If the hall is not available, or does not meet your requirements, please contact others in the local area.

Marsh Gibbon (01296 770014)

<http://www.bucksinfo.net/mgvh/hiring-rates/>

Charndon (07923 527475)

<http://www.charndon.com/community/community.html>

Steeple Claydon (01296 730171)

<http://www.bucksinfo.net/steeple-claydon-parish-council/village-hall/terms-and-conditions-of-hire/>



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CGCA Calendar

April

Saturday 7th April—Easter Egg Hunt & Crafts

May & June

Saturday 19th May—Music Quiz

Tuesday June 5th Diamond Jubilee (No formal arrangements are being organised)

June 11th, 15th & 18th—Euro 2012 England Games

(we will look where possible to show the games at the hall with a bar)

July & August

Sunday 15th July—Summer Fayre

AVDC Summer Play around the Parishes (TBC)

September & October

Ceilidh/Barn Dance (September date TBC)

Thursday 11th October—CGCA AGM

Saturday 27th October—Family Halloween Disco

Wednesday 31st October—Trick or Treat around the village

Theatre in the Village (October date TBC)

November & December

Sunday 4th November—Calvert Green Fireworks Display

Saturday 15th December—Children's Christmas Party

Monday 17th December - Rotary Santa Float

Christingle & Carols—(Date TBC)

31st December—Calvert Green NYE party

Some events may be subject to change—For info contact events@calvertgreen.com

Calvert Green Community Association			
Chairman & 300 Club	Kathy Moore	730292	chair@calvertgreen.com 300club@calvertgreen.com
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Events	Karen Ford	733286	events@calvertgreen.com
Hall Bookings	Jenny Blakeley	733584	bookings@calvertgreen.com
Newsletter	Jenny Blakeley	733584	newsletter@calvertgreen.com

Posts available

If you have enjoyed any of the events laid on by the CGCA you probably have some indication of the need to have people committed to making it happen. We really need others to step in and help keep the CGCA strong, even if you can only give a few hours of your time, it would be put to good use!

Please contact any member of the CGCA if you are interested



MUSICAL MINIS EASTER PARADE



And how can any Easter event be complete without an Easter Bunny? Each child will be visited by the Easter bunny and receive an Easter egg!

'Make and Wear an Easter Bonnet Competition'. 3 prizes will be given out at each event for the best made Easter bonnets at the end of the Easter parade!

All Events will run from 10.00am – 12.00pm.



Bodicote: Thursday 12 April 2012
Calvert Green: Friday 13 April 2012
Bicester: Saturday: 14 April 2012
Woodstock: Sunday 15 April 2012

Cost: £8.00 per child (to include entertainment, a visit by the Easter bunny, an Easter egg, Competition Entry and refreshments and snacks for each child). Hot cross buns and hot drinks will be available for purchase by the adults.

All places must be pre-paid prior to the event.

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Summer Fayre Tombolas

Donations for the Tombolas
required please

If you have any spare bottles of alcohol (full of course!), unwanted Birthday or Christmas gifts/toiletry sets etc, we would welcome all donations for this year's Summer Fayre.

Kathy Moore and her family will again be running the 'David Barnes' tombola in memory of her late Father and in addition we are also looking to run both a bottle and a children's tombola.

All donations will be gratefully received by any member of the CGCA committee.

Thank You



SAVE THE DATE!

Calvert Green Summer Fayre will be held on
Sunday 15th July 2012

Any enquiries to Karen Ford via events@calvertgreen.com

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- To report odours coming from the Landfill - ring the Environment Agency on **0800 807060** - they are obliged to investigate all complaints. The more calls they get, the better.
 - To report a faulty lamp post ring the number on the lamp post (there's a sticker on every one) and quote the number given for that post. Response rate is usually very good.
 - For rubbish collection and re-cycling dates see www.calvertgreen.com



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March: H Wara (Cotswolds Way)

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If you have any questions and want to join in, give Kathy a ring on 730292 or email 300club@calvertgreen.com

Calvert Green Community Association
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Attention All Dog Owners!

There's no subtle way to put this
PLEASE PICK UP YOUR DOG'S POO

There's an increasing amount appearing on the green and in the flower meadow. The warmer months and lighter nights are upon us and more and more children are out to play.

Please visit the link below to find out about Toxocariasis

<http://www.keepbritaintidy.org/KeyIssues/DogFouling/Default.aspx>

Please be a considerate dog owner and scoop their poop!



Calvert Green W.I.
7.30pm @ The Village Hall
3rd Tuesday of Every Month

Forget what you think you know about the WI!

Calvert Green WI is a group of local women of all ages, and from all walks of life. We meet at 7.30pm on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The visitor's fee is £3, including refreshments. Check the website for details at www.bucksinfo.net/calvertgreenwi

April 17th: The work of Toybox Charity

Learn about how Toybox help street children in South America.
<http://gifts.toybox.org.uk/>

May 15th: Resolutions and a visit from Women's Aid (and collection) <http://www.womensaid.org.uk/>

June 19th: Queen Elizabeth—Gloriana

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Calvert Green Neighbourhood Watch

Are you already a member or would like to become a member?

Karen McMahon the Co-ordinator for Calvert Green would like to update her records and ensure she has an up to date list of members' contact details. Karen will then be able to ensure the contact details are still correct for the street Co-ordinators, and appoint new ones if necessary.

To ensure you are still on the register or give your contact details so you can be added to the register.

Please contact her on

kmcmahon372@gmail.com or call on 01296 730724

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Calvert Green Village Hall

Timetable of Adult's Events 2012

EVENT	DAY	TIME	CONTACT
Circuit Training & Boxercise	Monday	7.00 – 8.00pm	Andy 07950 893172
Body Conditioning	Monday	8.00 – 9.00pm	Pip 07791 624786
Step by Step	2 nd Tuesday of month	7.30 – 9.30pm	Jean 01296 730936
Women's Institute	3 rd Tuesday of month	7.30 – 9.30pm	Claire 01296 733219
Zumba	Wednesday	8.15 – 9.15pm	Kirsty 07725 537002
OSTMA Karate	Thursday	6.30 – 7.30pm	Lee 07790 607037
Karate	Sunday	10.30 – Midday	Kath 07878 483639

Visit www.calvertgreen.com for
more information on classes

Calvert Green Village Hall

Timetable of Children's Events 2012

EVENT	DAY	TIME	CONTACT
L'il Dragons Karate <i>Ages 4-5</i>	Monday	4.00 – 4.30pm	Lee 07790 607037
OSTMA Karate <i>Beginners & Intermediate</i>	Monday & Thursday	From 4.30pm	Lee 07790 607037
Caterpillars <i>Mother & Toddler Group Ages 0-4</i>	Monday	10.00 – 11.30am	Kate 01296 730143
Gymboree <i>Tumble time for tiny tots</i>	Wednesday	1.15–2pm 18mth+ 2.15-3pm 6wk-6mth 3.15-4pm 6-18mth	Laura 01908 679548
CHYNA <i>Calvert's Happy Youths No Adults</i> <i>Ages 8 -15</i>	Wednesday	6.30 – 8.00pm Fortnightly	Trudy 07827 977819
Musical Minis <i>Learning through music. Ages 0-4</i>	Thursday	9.45 – 11.45am	Leena 01296 738652