



Quainton Village Society

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"Caring about the village"

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Dear QVS supporter,

Newsletter 2018/3

The Chairman's Newsletter – by which I try to bring you up to date with some of the actions and activities of QVS since I last wrote to you.

In my last newsletter I wrote that 2018 *"has started with a lot of good news both for Quainton and for QVS"* and it is very good to be able to report that your committee has been very busy on your behalf so that the trend continues!

Membership

Membership has been rising fast! I reported in April that, for the first time that anyone can recall, membership of QVS had exceeded 170 people who are *Caring about the Village*. We are now aiming at the magic number of 200 and are currently at 194 plus 3 life members! Not quite there yet, but when we get there we will not be stopping at 200!

2018/9 Village Directory

The whole village has now received the new Village Directory and I would like, once again, to thank the Directory sub-committee for the many hours of work that they put in. I would also like to thank our advertisers - and a particular thank you is due to the stalwarts who delivered the new directory with Quainton News.

As well as providing valuable local information, we have raised £1152.17 to be split 60/40 between QVS and Quainton Parish Church.

Kingsbridge Garden visit

On 14 June 2018, we made a second visit to Serena and Tom Aldous' very beautiful and inspiring 6 acre garden at Kingsbridge Farm. The visit was well attended and was made in partnership with Quainton's Garden Society.

If you were unable to join us, I can safely say that, not only did you miss a delightful afternoon hosted by Serena and wandering in an incredibly inspiring
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garden, but you also missed one of the finest cream teas, with delicious homemade cakes as well, that we have ever enjoyed!

Tring Park Mansion House

On 16 July, we very much enjoyed a private visit to Tring Park Mansion where we were treated to a tour of the house and gardens by the incredibly well informed Mike Hutchinson, the Mansion's historian.

Tring Park was built to a design of Sir Christopher Wren in 1685 and was visited several times by Charles II. It is now a School for the Performing Arts.

This was a fascinating visit from a historical perspective but also gave us a chance to see behind the scenes of the theatre school.

Future Events

QVS - AGM and talk about Liberty of London

Please, may I ask you to make every effort to ensure that you join us for your Society's **AGM and Social Evening** which will take place on 16 October 2018 in Quanton Memorial Hall, starting at 7.30 pm.

We are delighted that Will Philips has agreed to talk to us about Liberty of London. This will be a fascinating illustrated talk about a Buckinghamshire man who 'made good' in London - please see the poster attached to my email.

Wine and refreshments will be available from the start of the evening and your Treasurer and Membership Secretary will be available in the Hall from 7pm, both to give you the opportunity to renew your membership and to welcome and accept new membership applications. There is a membership form at the end of this letter, which can either be sent to Peter or brought with you. Please may I remind you that only paid-up members can vote at the AGM.

Planning

- 1) Orchard Farm - is a site of some 12 acres just beyond the entrance to Ladymead Farm and immediately to the south of the Blackgrove Road (the road which extends from the Strand eastwards to the cross-roads). The previous owner had already sold off approximately one third of the site for equestrian use and has now sold the rest of the site. This is after having constructed an 88m long access track across this ancient ridge

and furrow land and erected two large, skeletal, portal frames across the views of a part of Quainton which has been designated as an Area of Attractive Landscape!

It would appear that Permitted Development rules have been ignored and we trust that enforcement will be effective.

Update – we still await a response on the Permitted Development issues from Philip Dales, AVDC enforcement. However, the Parish Council have had a visit from Mr. Aldridge, the new owner of what has now been re-named Heritage Farm Park, and they await a site visit with Mr. Aldridge when, hopefully his intentions for the site will become clearer.

2) North End Nursery – Two proposals for the development of this site have now been withdrawn and replaced with a 6 house linear development proposal, which appears acceptable,

3) Trail Flatt farm – An appeal against AVDC's enforcement notice is currently in progress.

4) Swan and Castle site – The application to build two new houses beside the Swan and Castle has now been approved and permission has also been granted for the change of use of the Swan and Castle building itself to a dwelling house. However, the permission contains a condition that the new houses are not to be occupied until the approved work has been completed on the Swan and Castle.

5) Land behind 151 Station Road – The application to build 80 houses on this site was refused, and so has a subsequent proposal to reduce the number of houses to 40.

However, an appeal has now been actioned against the latter refusal. QVS objected to both applications and will confirm our objections to the Inspector.

If this appeal is successful, Quainton could be faced with a Backland Development which would result in a mini-settlement being built at the southern end of the village placing further strain on our already stretched local resources and services. Please, would you make any comments or objections, which you may have about this proposal, known to the Inspector by accessing :-

<https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/>

online, inserting the case number 3207382 into the field labeled 'Search for a case' and clicking on the tab 'Make representation'.

6) Ladymead Farm – A further application for conversion of a farm building to residential use has been approved. Approval for the further development of the industrial units has also been approved.

7) Land between Seechfield and 62 Station Road – A decision is still awaited on the application to erect 13 houses on this site.

8) Brudenell House – amended plans in respect of repairs, alterations and conversion of the Coach House to residential use are not being proceeded with.

9) 24 Caultley Close extension approved, 16 Church Street New Dormer is awaiting a decision, while 3 Church Street extension has been approved.

10) Harpers Ground Doddershall, new farm house –amended plans approved

11) Mill Hill Quainton – an application has been made for the erection of a wrought iron brazier to provide a beacon on the hill to the north of the village.

12) Grange Farm development – an application has been submitted for the erection of a new detached three bedroom dwelling at Grange Farm Shipton Lee, Quainton

Finally, if renewing your membership, and thereby continuing to support your Village Society, has slipped your mind, you will find a renewal form at the end of this email. As ever, our grateful thanks go to Peter Taylor-Lane, your honorary membership secretary, for his valuable work in keeping the membership of your society together.

We look forward to your company at your AGM and to your continuing support.

Yours sincerely

Martin Jacobs



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IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN OR RENEW PLEASE COMPLETE

New Membership/Membership Renewal 2018-2019 (Delete as necessary)

Please complete this form and send it with your cheque or cash to:

**Peter Taylor-Lane,
Honorary Membership Secretary,
The Old Chapel, 48 Lower Street, Quinton, Aylesbury HP22 4BJ**

Telephone: 01296 658273 email: pertertaylorlane@gmail.com

Please make your cheque payable to the Quinton Village Society

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Telephone: _____

email: _____

**Annual membership fees:
Joint £5/Solo £3/Senior £1 minimum**

Amount enclosed: £ _____

(Office use) Date received: _____ / _____ / _____

Membership Number(s) _____ / _____