

Dear Parishioners,

At church recently, we reflected upon the insights of an artist, H.P. Parker.



First he saw a butterfly passing briefly from flower to flower, spending a moment upon each without getting any benefit from them. Next he saw a botanist with a large notebook in hand. The botanist studied each flower carefully and made long notes in his book. After hours of writing, what he had learnt stayed in the notebook and quickly passed out of his thoughts. Then came a humble bee. When the bee landed on a flower, it left full of pollen and nectar. It flew from the hive empty but would return full.

When it comes to learning from the Bible, some people are like butterflies, flitting quickly from one verse or one sermon to another. They remain unchanged because they don't dwell on what they have heard. Others are like botanists. They study the words extensively but never come to love the Saviour or thirst to apply his words to their life. But still others are like the little bee. They drink deeply from the Bible, reading, reflecting upon it alone and with others, finding strength and fulfilment along the way.

As we read in the Psalms, 'How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!'

Why not take time this Lent to go deeper into the Scriptures? You are welcome to take a free copy of the devotional book, 'In Quietness and Trust,' from the church porch. You are also warmly welcome to our 9.30am and 11am Sunday services at All Saints – with the combined Easter Sunday service being at 10am.

Please see also inside this magazine for details of our Lent and Easter events.

With warm greetings,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paddy" followed by a period. The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

All Saints Church, Danehill with Chelwood Gate March 2026

More information on services can be found at www.allsaintsdanehill.org.uk.

Sunday 1st March

9.30am
11am

Traditional Morning Prayer (All Saints)
All Age Service (All Saints)

Sunday 8th March

9.30am
11am

Holy Communion (All Saints)
Informal Service (All Saints)

Sunday 15th March

9.30am
11am

Mothering Sunday

Holy Communion (All Saints)
Informal Service (All Saints)

Sunday 22nd March

9.30am
11am

Holy Communion (All Saints)
Informal Communion (All Saints)

Sunday 29th March

9.30am
11am

Palm Sunday

Holy Communion (All Saints)
Informal Service (All Saints)

Thursday 2nd April

7pm

Maundy Thursday

Passover Food and Holy Communion
(Chelwood Gate)

Friday 3rd April

11am

Good Friday

Easter Reflective Service with music (All Saints)

Sunday 5th April

8.30am
11am

Easter Day

Traditional Holy Communion (Chelwood Gate)
Combined Easter Service (All Saints)

Special collections over Easter for ChildAid



At All Saints

Baptism

Gregory Kieran Samuel Wade

Funeral

Michael David Titmuss

Community & Social

Pastoral Care

We offer home visits, telephone calls, a warm welcome and companionship, prayer time, Youth groups, Home groups and all of the activities below.

Shelagh Gilliam: 790803



**Monday, 16th March, 12:30pm,
Chelwood Gate Church.**

Lunch, good company and a thought on a Christian theme. Lifts available.!

All Welcome, RSVP Gabriela or Paddy: 790269

Foodbank

There is a foodbank collection point for East Grinstead Foodbank at All Saints Church Danehill.



Ashdown Café



Ashdown Café

Friday 13th March. Come to Danehill Memorial Hall. From 10am to noon, delicious cakes, biscuits, coffee or tea.

All Welcome

Magazines are distributed to all households free of charge. If you would like to donate to help with costs please text 70085 with the message GIVERn, where n is the number of pounds (eg GIVER5), or a cash payment in the church collection box. You can also pay cash or cheque to 'Danehill PCC' via the Chelwood Gate Church letter box or at the Vicarage. A magazine costs around £1 to produce. Ten magazines are issued annually.

NOAH'S ARK

Singing, snacks, stories & craft activities for toddlers.
Monday, 9am -11:30am at All Saints | £3 per family.

2, 9,16, 23 March

Sunday 11am Informal Service

We have action songs, children's instruments, activities and creche, children's microphone at the front, tea and coffee



Homeless Help

During March we are collecting specific items for the charity 'Turning Tides' who care for homeless people in Sussex. Requested are new or clean single bedding, single duvets, pillows, bath towels and hand towels. Please leave these items in the church porch - thank you.

Organ Appeal



We are looking to raise £8 500 for re-conditioning work on the church organ. Your gift towards the maintenance of this beautiful, worship instrument is appreciated. We are grateful to those who have contributed £1 700 towards this total so far. Donations can be made via cheque or bank transfer to Danehill PCC, sort code: 30-96-26, account number 82113760, reference 'organ appeal'.

Special Lent And Easter Events

All Saints Danehill with Chelwood Gate

Mondays 2nd, 9th and 23rd March

Lent Lunches at Danehill Vicarage, 12:30pm. We consider the Gospel of Matthew and its meaning for our lives today.

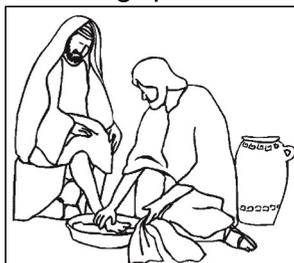
Sunday 15th March: Mothering Sunday

Services at All Saints at 9:30am and 11am with a small gift of appreciation for mothers and for those with mothering qualities.

Thursday 2nd April: Maundy Thursday

7pm Passover Food and Holy Communion, Chelwood Gate Church

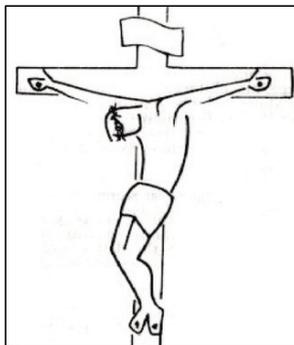
We explore the links between Passover and the Last Supper.



Friday 3rd April: Good Friday

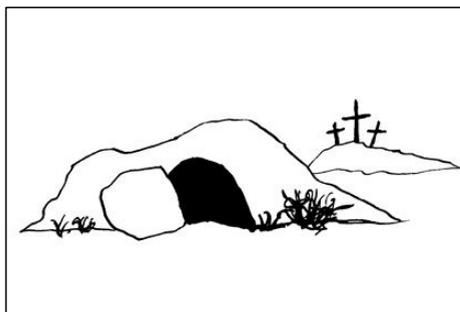
11am Good Friday Reflective Service at All Saints Danehill

A service of prayers, poems, readings and worship



Sunday 5th April: Easter Sunday

8.30am Traditional Holy Communion, Chelwood Gate





Adventure Zone Presents...



a holiday club in Jonah

A 2 Day holiday club for school years R-6

With games, crafts, bible stories and more!

Where: All Saints, Danehill, Church Lane, RH17 7EY

When: 31st March - 1st April

Times: 9am-12.30pm

Cost: £20 per child

To Book:

Use the QR code or go to
www.ticketsource.co.uk/all-saints-church-danehill



Round And About In The Parish

Amongst recent political turmoil, Iran has been in the news recently and readers will recall the country used to be called Persia. This article concerns Professor Ann Katharine Swynford Lambton and her associations with Persia and Chelwood Gate.

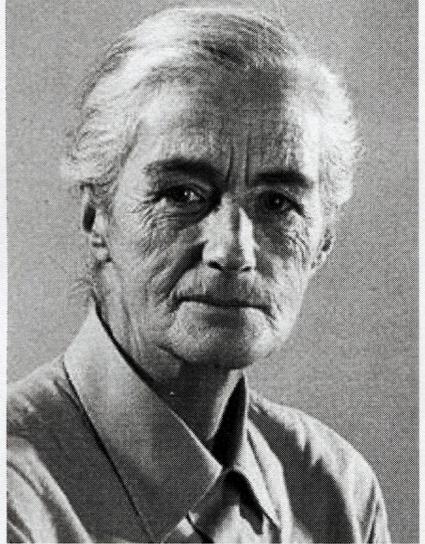
Born on 8th February 1912 Ann Lambton, called Nancy by her family was the second of four children. Her father was a famous racehorse trainer and her middle name, Swynford, was after her father's 1910 St Leger winner. She was the granddaughter of the Second Earl of Durham and niece of Viscount Cecil [of Chelwood Gate].

Although she was not sent away to schools as her brothers had been, she attended a day school in Newmarket and learned French and German. She was encouraged to take an interest in oriental travel seriously. She set about obtaining qualifications for admission to the School of Oriental Studies. She did a one year certificate course in Persian in 1930. A second year in Persian followed. She later enrolled at Kings College London studying Latin, and German.

Once she had graduated, Nancy moved to live with her aunt and uncle, Lord Robert Cecil and his wife, who were the antithesis of her own parents. The Cecils had no children and Nancy, in time, began to fill that void and, an increasingly important figure in her life was Lady Eleanor Lambton, her paternal aunt, who was married to Lord Robert Cecil.

Lord Robert Cecil was brought up at Hatfield, the third son of the Prime Minister Lord Salisbury and politics were in his bloodstream. The course of his career had been quite unconventional moving between parties and a variety of important offices.

Now in his sixties, he was too much of a maverick to be allied to any party and much of his time and energy was devoted to the work of the League of Nations, of which he had been an early supporter. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his work.



Prof Lambton would deliver her papers to Iranian audiences in their own language



Early photo of Lady Cecil

Nancy registered to read for a degree in Persian, which she obtained in 1935, and she also studied Arabic being awarded a PhD in 1939. Later that year she was in Iran again when the second world war broke out. She was appointed press attaché at the British Legation and became a valued member of the team. She taught several generations of diplomatic officers preparing for posts in Iran and Afghanistan.



For six years throughout the whole of the war apart from one short leave, Nancy played a central role in the official British presence in Iran. At first it had not been easy. Some of her relatives wanted her to return, though not Robert Cecil. He wrote that all his life he had campaigned for women to be in the Foreign Service and now she had achieved this entirely by herself, the first woman appointed to a post abroad. Nancy justified it with typical matter-of-fact common sense.

Nancy received many honours, OBE 1942, Fellow of the British Academy and Hon Fellow of New Hall Cambridge. The Lambeth Cross of St Augustine was presented to her in 2004 in recognition of her life, distinguished service and commitment to Christianity and the Church of England.

The late Margaret Lucas told me she remembered Nancy cycling around Chelwood Gate and Danehill. Nancy retired in 1979 and died in 2008.

My thanks to Priscilla Thomas and the late Mary Benson.

Jill Rolfe

Round And About In The Parish an Update

In last month's magazine I wrote about the Sheffield Park Root Show and a prize winner with the splendid name of Captain Firebrace. I couldn't trace anything about him. I had spent quite a long time scouring all the records I could.

A former long-standing resident of Danehill who now lives in Devon reads the Parish Magazine on-line and did some research on my behalf.

Much to my astonishment, he said he could trace him quite easily, but even armed with more information, I had a lot of trouble.



Captain Firebrace lived at Danehurst during 1913 and part of 1914 and he would have rented the property, as it was then owned by the Hardy family.

A description of the property from 1911 valuation reveals it had 12 bedrooms on the top floor, with a further 8 bedrooms on the first floor. The house was heated throughout with hot water radiators so at that time it must have been luxurious.

This photo is probably from around 1915 or so, and shows Leonora Messel with her daughter Phoebe in the grounds, and there would have been little change in the appearance of the house during the short space between 1911 and 1915. My thanks to Ian Etherton.

Jill Rolfe



Danehill Parish Historical Society



Tuesday, March 24th: Irene and Alan Marriott and accompanist will be bringing a selection of glass plate photos to be shown by **Magic Lantern**. Their accompanist will be providing music from the Scan Tester collection.

Doors open at 7:15pm for 7:30pm start at Danehill Memorial Hall
RH17 7HS. Refreshments available.

Skies Above

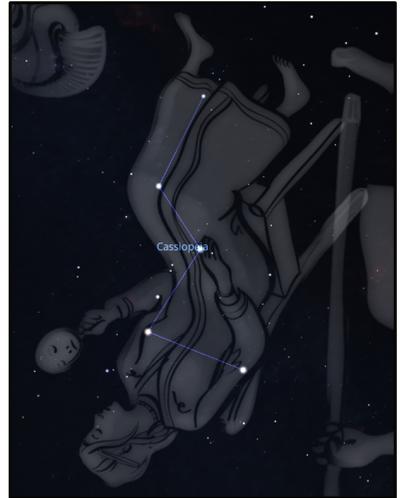
Cassiopeia

by Wren Martin



You may know this constellation as the 'W'. Five prominent stars in a zigzag pattern circle Polaris, the North Star, every night in the Northern Hemisphere. In fact, this asterism is the most visible part of the constellation Cassiopeia, the queen of the sky.

Cassiopeia is a circumpolar constellation, meaning that it is visible year-round from the UK, never setting below the horizon. It is also bright enough to be seen even in suburban areas. With Polaris as the fixed point in the centre, Cassiopeia appears to circle the pole opposite the constellation Ursa Major, or the 'Plough'. Due to this rotation, for much of the night the asterism will appear on its side or upside down, looking more like an 'M' than a 'W'. It is one of the easiest constellations to notice this star movement, and it ties into the mythology that gives the constellation its name.



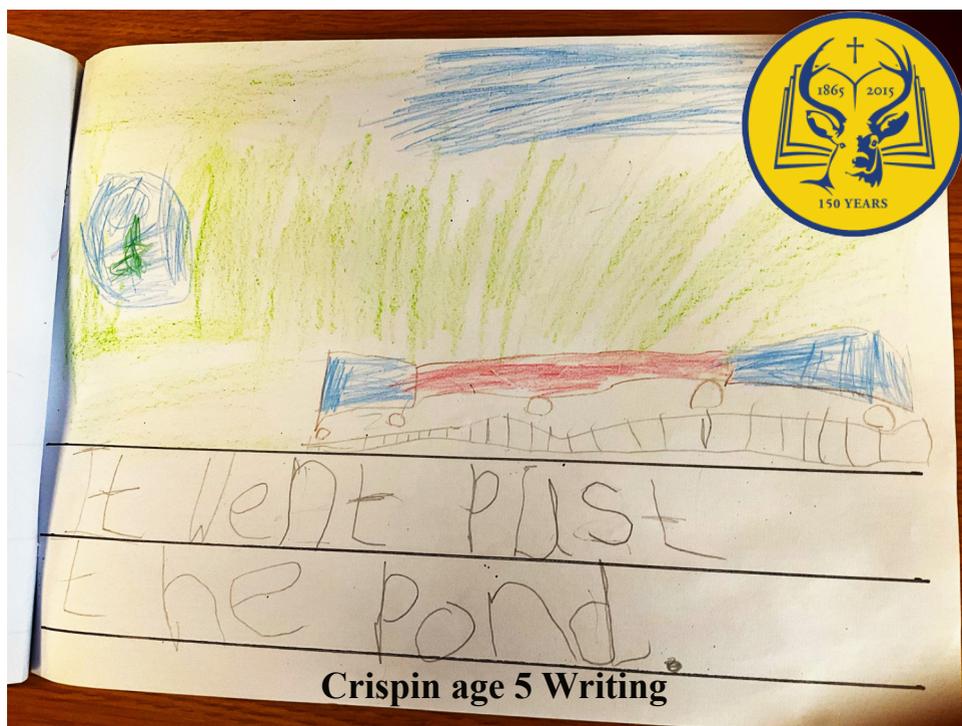
Cassiopeia - Sterllarium

In Greek mythology, Cassiopeia was queen of Aethiopia. Beautiful and proud, it is said that she boasted that her beauty (or in some stories, the beauty of her daughter Andromeda) was greater than even that of the sea nymphs. This angered Poseidon, who decreed that Andromeda be tied to a rock by the sea and sacrificed to the sea monster Cetus the Whale. Cassiopeia herself was cast into the sky as punishment. While Andromeda was rescued by the hero Perseus, Cassiopeia remains amongst the stars, clinging to her throne as it tips upside down on its journey through the skies.

The five bright stars of the 'W' are named Caph, Schedar, Navi, Ruchbah, and Segin. The name Schedar derives from the Arabic word *şadr*, which means 'breast' or 'chest', as this star is said to be positioned at the chest of the queen. It is the brightest star in the constellation, a red giant star 228 light-years away and thought to be around 100 to 200 million years old.

Despite being around four times bigger and 794 times brighter than our own sun, Schedar is actually a cooler star. This is because red giants are stars at the end of their lives. Compared to our sun, which has a lifespan of ~10 billion years, Schedar has four times the mass and has a much shorter lifespan, only ~300 million years. In these death stages, the star swells to many times its original size before contracting down again into a white dwarf and eventually burning out completely into a cold, tiny black dwarf that no longer radiates any energy. It is a fate that awaits our own sun, but thankfully not for another 5 billion years!

Find all the Skies Above articles, along with links to sources and further reading at <https://skiesabove.substack.com/>



Bucklers Reel Live Reminder
The Club Danehill
Sat 7th March, 20:45 - 23:00
Tickets £5, Members free



A Badger's Brave New World

by Kerry Williams

Communications Officer: Conservation

The Badger is a UK icon. Our largest predator, this monochrome mustelid is a star of the classics; Wind in the Willows, Beatrix Potter, and a certain well-known charity's logo. Often misunderstood, they are also loved by many, and some would argue there's not much better than a Badger, except perhaps, a Badger cub.

Deep in the sett, the Badger burrow, cosy chambers are lined with vegetation collected by the females. Cubs are born around February, but tiny stripey noses don't peek out for 12 weeks, when they emerge in spring. It's a big new world to explore, and stranger than it once was.

Their ancestors would have trundled about acres of ancient woodland; towering veterans and thick, sheltered understorey. Ventures into wildlife-rich farmland would have been commonplace for plentiful omnivorous feasts of insects, fruits, and juicy worms slurped from thick, fertile soil. Without trying, children may have spotted these Badgers for real, on summer evenings humming with biodiversity.



Badger in the Bluebells © C Tomlinson

For these new cubs, it's a different story, where invertebrates are often scarce, soil hard, and movement restricted. Seasons have shifted, weather is more erratic, and precious habitats rarer. It's a story where thousands of their kin come to undignified ends on our busy roads, pesticides kill off much of the food, and the future of the family sett is unsure.



Badgers © Darin Smith

But the former isn't a fable, it's a reminder.

It is possible that these cubs, tumbling unexpectedly out of woodland boundaries, might not be met with hot, confusing concrete, but buzzing wildflower road verges; a heads up for the danger ahead. They might cross these

risky highways via green wildlife bridges. They could travel with confidence through well-connected gardens and urban green spaces, staying safe along dense hedgerows and taking respite in deliberately dark nocturnal pockets.

They might once again take advantage of a bulging buffet, in our unmown and pesticide-free parks and lawns, in deep field-side buffer strips and in reinvigorated sickly-sweet native Bluebell woodland. We could better appreciate and understand Badger behaviour and needs, engage and connect communities, and inspire a younger generation. Their habitats could be fiercely protected, and their setts saved.

It sounds idyllic, but it doesn't have to be fiction - it's achievable and in reach. We can reset our expectations, recreate those lost habitats, and rewrite the story for our Badgers.

The Arts Society, Ashdown Forest Lecture

"The Very Model of an English Entertainment"

the Savoy Operas of W.S.Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan

Lecturer - Roger Askew

2pm at Crowborough Community Centre Visitors £8

Lift share, contact Lesley Boase 01825 740233

Gala Concert to Celebrate the Restoration of Fletching's 1880 Pipe Organ

Friday 20th March at 7.30pm in Fletching Church TN22 3SR

Tickets are available from 15th February via the project

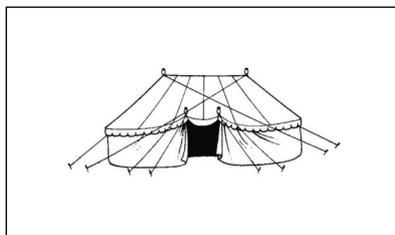
website www.fletchingorgan.org

Adults £15; students £5



Chelwood Gate and Danehill Village Market

Saturday 21 March 10-2pm



We are very much looking forward to seeing you all at the first village market of 2026. There will be a wide range of stallholders selling a variety of delicious produce, all locally sourced and others selling interesting and unusual gifts. The café will no doubt be in great demand selling hot rolls as well as tea and coffee.

Adults are encouraged to try their luck at the Tombola stall. Any unwanted gifts you might have are always welcome to put towards the Tombola and can be dropped off at the village hall on Friday 20th between 4pm and

5pm. A special feature of this market will be an Easter Egg Hunt for the children, so children do make sure you bring your parents along.

Help Urgently Needed

We are looking for people to join the committee of Danehill and Chelwood Gate Village Market. There are just 4 meetings a year and we are looking for new and fresh ideas on how to increase the footfall and awareness of the market. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact me on 01825 740441 or email bowescrick@hotmail.com



Ashdown WI

Was it 1917 or 2026?

Ashdown WI dressed up as the ladies who first held a WI meeting in Danehill on the 10th May 1917. Our afternoon tea consisted of WW1 ration food. The menu was boiled fruit cake, gingerbread, ration scones, jam tarts, and trench sandwiches! No coffee but a cup of tea using loose tea leaves and a tea strainer was served to the members. We learnt about the history of this time with Jill Rolfes brilliant, illustrated talk. It was a really enjoyable afternoon.

The meeting next month is also about history but this time it will be about the Lewes Workhouse. The meeting will be on Tuesday 10th March, 7.30pm at Chelwood Gate Village Hall.

Our winter afternoon meetings have finished and from now on the WI meetings will be on Tuesday evening 7:30 - 9:30pm. Hope to see you there.

Yvonne Smith



St Peter's Church Chailey, Saturday,

14th March, 10am-1pm.

chaileycrc@gmail.com

Making Tax Digital

“Making Tax Digital” is coming to income tax. Over the next three years, this will encompass a growing number of self-employed people and landlords who will have to change how they keep records and how often they report their figures to HMRC.

In case you missed the fanfare, beginning in April 2026 individuals receiving more than £50,000 from self-employment and property must submit a report to HMRC each quarter. We are told that many people have been asking for this. I wait with anticipation for the opportunity to meet these mythical people... This is just the start. From April 2027, the pool of quarterly reporters will expand as the threshold falls to £30,000 annual turnover. Note: these thresholds are turnover, i.e. gross income before expenses, not profit.

Those falling within the system must keep digital records using HMRC-compatible software and send summary updates every three months, plus an end of year declaration. The tax is the same, just the reporting changes.

In principle preparing for the reporting is quite straightforward. Simply subscribe to your preferred choice of accounting software (common options include *Xero*, *QuickBooks* and *FreeAgent*) and start keeping your accounts in there. These software packages can link directly with your bank account to make the reporting process simpler and more accurate.

For those migrating from spreadsheet or paper-based approaches there will be some of learning to do, plus the new software subscription cost of around £20 / month.

What happens if you are late? Late submissions are dealt with under a points scheme. In rough terms, you get 1 point for each late submission. Collect 4 points and you get a fine. Bring yourself up to date – and stay there – and the points begin to evaporate.

If you work with an accountant, you may find some assistance there to get you setup and happily reporting. There is also a wealth of videos from *Xero* and the other software providers to help you get started – have a look on YouTube.

So catch your breath, have a play with the software...and good luck!

Roger Lyon rlcomputersolutions.co.uk

Uckfield Art Group Exhibition, save the date May 10th



**Update from your Local
District Councillor:**
Cllr. Christina Coleman
Dear Neighbour,



I hope that you are well and enjoying the first signs of spring. I get very excited when I see the first spears of the bluebells poking out of the ground. This update is not quite so exciting, but it is nevertheless very important. In it, I am focusing solely on the Local Plan.

I would like to again thank all of you for engaging in the last Local Plan consultation, back in March 2024. Your comments made a significant difference, regardless of whether or not the government - and therefore local planning officers - are listening. Your comments have given me and my fellow Green Party Councillors a strong steer, to act on your behalf and we are fighting.

Since the last consultation, there was a change of government (July 2024) and subsequent changes to the National Planning Policy Framework (December 2024). The main impact of the change is that the housing “mandatory targets” have gone up again. The housing targets are determined by the “standard method” - an illogical formula that states how many houses planning authority should deliver. Back in 2013, Wealden was expected to build 450 houses a year. By the end of the Conservative Government, this had increased to 1,200. The latest standard method has increased our target further to 1,457 houses every year. In my opinion, this figure is unachievable, unsustainable and unacceptable.

The best way to reduce this number is to get a Local Plan to pass Examination in Public. The latest draft Local Plan evidences why Wealden can only meet around 60% of this target. If we can get this passed at Examination, this reduced figure will become our new target and we will be able to reduce the amount of speculative and inappropriate development in Wealden.

This is where your response to the latest draft Local Plan comes in. The consultation is focussed on just the sections of the Local Plan that have changed since the last consultation, including new sites that have been proposed for development. We need evidence from the community to justify a reduced target and why some of the proposed sites are unacceptable.

For those of you who are familiar with the Lewes Local Plan, which has Green, Amber and Red sites, ours is similar and has Allocations, Options and sites that have been discounted. Allocations are likely to go into the final draft Local Plan

that will be submitted for Examination. We are aiming to submit the final draft for Examination by December this year, so we do not have much time.

When I was running for election, I promised to do everything within my power to stop inappropriate development of green field sites, with a particular focus on the Ashdown Business Park Expansion and Owlsbury. I cannot say too much, but at the beginning of this year, when the officers first presented us with the draft Local Plan, both sites were included as full Allocations. After many hours of debate and discussion, ABPE is now included only as an Option. The draft now includes two scenarios for Owlsbury, one in which it is an Allocation and, one where it appears as an option. If you want to know more about how to object to these sites, you can go to <https://sabreowl.com/>.

The consultation starts Friday 6th February and runs for 6 weeks until 5pm on Friday 20th March, 2026. Details about how to make comments are as follows:

In Person, Local, Exhibition Venues, 2026:

- Uckfield Civic Centre: 10am - 4pm, Saturday 14th February
- Maresfield Village Hall: 2pm - 8pm, Tuesday 24th February
- Crowborough Town Council Offices: 2pm - 8pm, Monday 2nd March
- The Stables Hall, Frant: 2pm - 8pm, Thursday 12th March

During the period for making representations, the Plan will be available for viewing on the Council's website through the Local Plan webpage at <https://www.wealden.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy/new-local-plan/>

Making and submitting representations:

Wealden District Council strongly encourages representations to be submitted online by submitting through the consultation portal. The portal can be accessed through the Council's Local Plan webpage. Alternatively, comments will also be accepted on the prescribed Comment Form via email.

The Comment Form is available from the Council's website as set out above, or by emailing planningpolicy@wealden.gov.uk or by telephoning **01892 602008**

Comments will also be accepted by post to the following address:

Planning Policy Team, WDC Offices, Vicarage Lane, Hailsham, BN27 2AX

As ever, if you have any other questions, problems, or concerns, please do reach out to me and I will do my best to help.

Cllr. Christina Coleman Green Party District Councillor for Danehill and Fletching
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Local Update - February 2026

Roy Galley

Unremitting Rain

Everyone is fed up with the constant rain. The roads are in a dreadful state and often the potholes are covered with water so they are more hazardous than usual.

The Highways team are inundated with problems and working hard to solve them. At the time of writing, their priority is helping people whose homes are flooded. My inbox is full of new instances of potholes, flooding and deteriorating surfaces. We will do our best to solve as many issues as possible.

I accept that we have underinvested in roads for a long time, but climate change is very real and is apparently advancing much more quickly than expected by scientists. In my view we should be changing the focus of the climate change debate. I've been sceptical for some time that increases in CO₂ emissions, which account for 0.04% of the atmosphere, are the only or main cause of the change. What seems abundantly clear is that the UK, generating perhaps 1% of the world's emissions, cannot impact the change while China, India and The United States do little. There is no point in bankrupting our economy with the highest electricity prices in the world whilst other countries thrive.

We should change our focus to building resilience by improving drainage systems and bolstering flood defences with sensible measures to collect more rainwater.

The Wealden Local Plan

A new Plan is going out for consultation and it is a disaster for our villages. When first elected as a councillor in 2007, my priority was to protect the rural nature and environment of our village communities. In the Planning strategy I submitted in 2013, the aim was to build 450 houses per year and prevent any development within 7 kilometres of the Forest. The courts overturned this in 2015, although developers were required to pay contributions for environmental improvements. Now the government insists on a target of over 1500 houses per year. I fear, if implemented, we will become one large suburban mass.

The Wealden Plan includes the large Owlsbury scheme of 1500 homes near Little Horsted. It may be only an option, but it is there in the Plan. If it is there it gains momentum and will be difficult to stop. I accept that we need homes which local

people can afford but this should not be achieved by concreting over our precious green space.

In my view, The Plan should have concentrated building near the A22/A27 junction with better transport links, infrastructure and more job opportunities.

Devolution There is an update on the government's proposals for devolution. This is about creating a Mayor for Sussex. It is not the same as Local Government Reorganisation, in which the County, District and Borough councils will be abolished and replaced by unitary authorities. We do not yet know the shape of this. The government currently says that it will make an announcement on this in March.

Devolution was originally based on a Sussex Mayor being elected in 2026. The establishment, then, of this new unitary authority which would take over strategic tasks and several of the County Council responsibilities.

The government has now delayed Mayoral elections until 2028, against Conservative party wishes. We were ready to fight this election in May 2026 and had started campaigning. Despite this delay, the government has insisted on the setting up of what is called a Combined County Authority. This will lay the foundations for the Mayoralty and, after it is established in March, will gradually taken on the powers eventually to be held by The Mayor. In this period from 2026 to 2028, this new body will probably consist of two representatives from each of West Sussex, East Sussex and Brighton and Hove.

Roy Galley

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Magazine Fact check: Britain's emissions are relatively low because we have outsourced most of our manufacturing. China installed 310GW of renewable energy infrastructure in 2025 (UK 4GW). It is the view of the United Nations IPCC that carbon dioxide's ability to trap large amounts of radiation, even at very low concentration, is the main driver of global warming. Coal use in India and China fell slightly in 2025, but both countries continue to be major users of coal, the worst fuel for emissions, which all makes for a complex picture

Next Magazine

Deadline for the next issue is Tuesday 17th March.

Copy to parishmagazine@allsaintsdanehill.org.uk, the Vicarage or The Drum, Box's Lane via the cat flap.

Advertising to Rob May at advertiser@allsaintsdanehill.org.uk

Report of the Danehill Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 4th February 2026 at Chelwood Gate Hall 7:30pm

To receive reports from District and County Councillors.

County Report – Cllr Galley’s report was provided verbally and he spoke about road works and road safety works requested at Pippingford. He reported that there was some possible South East Water compensation for the recent outage. He also reported on the transition process in the local government reorganization and the early introduction of a shadow council

District Report – Cllr Coleman reported that CEO of South East Water will attend the Scrutiny and Performance Committee meeting and welcomed any questions. She provided an update on the Crowborough Camp. She also provided a brief update on the current status of the local plan and provided some detail on the major proposals including Owlsbury. She agreed to help chase up the application to the Community Lead

Infrastructure Fund (CLIF) fund as the Clerk had not received any update since submission despite chasing. She reported on the issues with the Heaven Farm application and her concerns.

Finally she has approved the £500.00 award to the school.

Parish Council Meeting.

Correspondence.

- (i) List – The request for a fun run was approved for June.
- (ii) Grant requests – The Council resolved to pay £350 to Wealden CAB. The Clerk was asked to get more information from the Scouts over parish membership.

To receive an update on CLIF grant.

This item was dealt with under the item of Cllr Coleman’s report. The Clerk and Cllr Coleman would chase WDC.

To consider lighting options for Danehill.

The Council resolved to progress with the project with RJS Electrics and Barcombe Landscapes.

Councillor Reports.

Cllr Martin reported on activities at Danehill Memorial Hall

Items for Reporting or Inclusion in Future Agendas.

Speed indicator devices.

Emergency Plan.

Annual Parish Meeting.

Next meeting : 4th March 2026