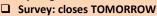
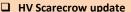
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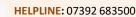






Hughenden Newsletter





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The Hughenden Street Association vision:

For community life in Hughenden Parish to become better connected, supportive/supported, stronger and friendlier so that all residents are involved in it to the level they desire. This means working to create safer and connected communities encouraging residents to identify the needs of their neighbours to help them engage in the community. The Association has a key role to play in helping develop links to existing facilities whilst also working to support community groups to reach out to as many residents as possible.

So much has been achieved by the Street Association with more still to do together. Take a look: http://bit.ly/2Skst40

Scam Champion: Watch out for these scams

Covid19 Crisis Grants and gas bill email scams

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Spotlight on.... parking

According to the Chartered Trading Standards Institute text messages are being sent claiming that 'crisis grants of £1,500 are now available for individuals who need support during the Covid19 pandemic'. The message then links to a bogus government website which requests the payment details (AKA bank account) of the recipients. This then allows the fraudsters to steal from the account.

The Institute also recently highlighted another scam. This time it is about bogus gas bills being emailed out. A bogus bill that looks like it is from British Gas states that the householder failed to pay a recent bill and if this is not rectified within 2 days then an additional cost of £140 will be levied to cover the company's 'reasonable costs'. A potential home visit is then mentioned for which a charge of £540 will be made. Thereafter there is the threat that the company will 'obtain a court warrant' and a further fine of £750.

Please **DO NOT** respond to either scam.

If you think you have been scammed do get in touch with the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) by emailing:

report@phishing.gov.uk

Hughenden Parish Council have produced a leaflet to raise awareness of vehicle owners of the potential impact for them of inappropriate parking.

Using data provided by Buckinghamshire Council only 6%(180) of households in Hughenden do not have a car. The average across England is 26%.

Neighbourhood Action Group (HNAG), a

partnership of Thames Valley Police,

Parking on pavements is an ever-present issue not only in Hughenden but across the UK. **Hughenden**

Neighbourhood Watch, the Street Association and

Drilling down a little more we find that almost 30% (965) of household have one car, 44% (1,420) have two cars, 14% (460) have three cars and almost 7%(225) have four+. This of course is not the full picture as we need to include 'visitors' who might be on the school run, dropping off at the football club, parking to take part in an exercise class at the village hall or school and, of course, family and friends dropping by (socially distancing as appropriate).

If you were advised to shield or decided to self-isolate we would like you to help us plan the future priorities of Hughenden Street Association. Here is the link: https://bit.ly/3e3ReeB
The survey will be open until midnight on Friday 14th August 2020 –

TOMORROW! . Any queries please contact the Editor – see below for contact details.

Please only complete the survey ONCE – the surgery are supporting this initiative which is fantastic!

Life in Hughenden Valley Scarecrow competition – update

Deadline to register as a participant: 21st August Eventbrite link: https://bit.ly/3k9pt8v

Following the trail – a great way to see your village and the fabulous displays. Here's how you can join in:

£3 donation and register on Eventbrite: https://bit.ly/3gqzl6c

What can residents do?

Leading by example and ensuring considerate parking whether at home or out and about in the Parish.

What is HNAG doing?

The Group has created a leaflet that can be placed on the windscreen of cars parked inappropriately. The leaflet seeks to remind vehicle owners of their responsibilities – whether resident or visitor. A downloadable version is available on the Hughenden Street Association Facebook page.

Contact the Editor – feedback/suggestions most welcome! Email: <u>hughendenstreetassociation@gmail.com</u> or by phone: 07808

Follow the link: https://bit.ly/2PNqQfg

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Looking forward to hearing from you. Hilda Stearn







