

DENHAM TODAY



MARCH 2006

Achievements during 2005/06

Denham Parish Council

In Denham Today it is now customary to review the activities of the Parish Council for the last year and also to look at wider issues affecting the parish.

The year has seen much activity in relation to the new licensing law, as all the premises selling alcohol have had to apply for new licences. We have tried to reflect views of local residents as the District Council has considered the applications and now we need to monitor the effect in the case of those premises where the hours have changed. Please let us know of any specific concerns should they arise.

We have continued our programme of replacement/new bus shelters and endeavour to keep all the street lights working. In addition we have installed lighting along The Pyghtle footpath joining Denham Village to Denham Station, which many residents requested in the parish appraisal consultation process.

We have welcomed and supported the initiative to set up a Senior Youth Group based at the Denham Cricket Club as well as continuing to support the Junior Youth Club at Tilehouse School. In these activities and many others including Scouts and Guides we recognise the efforts of the individuals who volunteer to help keep these organisations going. More help is always welcome!

The District Council has now produced a Welcome Pack for new residents and this is being distributed via the Parish Council Office. Many issues are becoming ever more complicated and the information contained in the pack can be a great help. One instance is refuse collection where the need to recycle more waste rather than send it to landfill means that we now have four types of waste collected. It will be worthwhile once we all get into the new habit.

Major planning applications have been submitted recently in relation to mineral extraction at two sites in Denham (Denham Park Farm and New Denham). We are monitoring the progress of these applications and trying to ensure the minimum disruption for Denham residents.

In conclusion I should like to thank my predecessor as Chairman, Councillor Roger Reed, for his contribution to the work of the Parish Council.

Glenys Price, Chairman

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Policing in South Bucks

THAMES VALLEY

POLICE



The whole of South Bucks District is now a single Local Police Area within the Thames Valley Police Area and it is hoped that this will bring benefits. At present we have one Area Beat Officer and one Community Support Officer allocated to Denham, but there are vacancies which we trust will be filled shortly.

Planning

It is now possible to view planning applications via the Internet. On-line public access for planning allows you to view all publicly available details of planning applications being considered by your local planning authority, South Bucks District Council, as well as some planning history. You can

- View details of planning applications submitted to SBDC which are continuously updated as they are received and registered.
- Search for planning applications by a variety of criteria such as address, date, type, status, parish.
- Monitor and track the progress of an application and submit comments about the application during the appropriate stage of the process.
- View properties and applications by reference to a map.
- View some planning history and details of some historic applications as they are made available.

How can I access this information? Go to the South Bucks website at www.southbucks.gov.uk

Together with other Parish and Town Councils, your Parish Council is a statutory consultee for all planning applications in Denham submitted to the local planning authority, South Bucks District Council. As a consultee, the Parish Council may only comment on an application, and has no power to take decisions on any planning matter. Your Parish Council discharges this responsibility by delegated powers to the Planning Committee, which meets every three weeks. There are constraints on the type of development permitted, both from Government in the form of planning policy guidance, the District Local Plan, the County Structure and Minerals Plans. Areas such as Denham are under increasing pressure for higher density development which would be completely inappropriate in our semi-rural community, particularly within Green Belt, and we shall continue to try and protect Denham from these excesses. The threat from Central Railway has diminished but we shall remain vigilant to ensure resistance to any other environmentally unacceptable projects.

Some developments are deemed acceptable by Government, and local planning authorities have been advised accordingly. Mobile telephone communications masts below 15 metres in height fall into this category.

The Parish Council Planning Committee welcomes the views of residents, and finds it helpful to be copied in on any written comments made to the District Council.

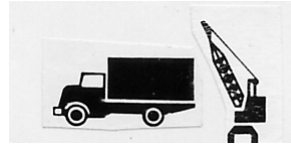
Review of Denham Conservation Areas

At the end of 2005, South Bucks District Council undertook a review of conservation areas. This review proposed a number of changes to the Denham Conservation Area and included moving the boundaries of some locations to ensure that, as far as possible, only properties of special historic or architectural interest were included thus increasing the planning controls on unlisted properties. A public display of the proposals was held at the Parish Office during the early part of December 2005, where local residents affected by the changes were able to talk to the South Bucks District Council Conservation and Design Officer.

The existing conservation area includes the land and listed buildings between the bridges in Village Road plus the boundary wall of Denham Place along Village Road up to the A412. The extended area will include the fields up to Ashmead Lane, Blackburn Cottages, part of Bacons Mead, the Methodist Church in Cheapside Lane and Denham Place from Village Road to the A412 including boundary walls.

In addition, Uxbridge Lock and its environs have been designated as a conservation area, which will provide additional protection against inappropriate development.

If you require any further information on the above, and what living in a conservation area means to you, please telephone South Bucks District Council on 01895 837200.



Gravel Sites

Denham Parish Council and South Bucks District Council cannot make decisions on applications for gravel or minerals extraction. They make their views known to Bucks County Council which is the relevant planning authority.

At present there is one gravel pit operating in Denham Parish. This is at Lea North beside the A40. The material is transported mainly by barge and the area will be restored to lakes. There are about 3 years working life left.

An application has been made to extract gravel from 84 acres at Denham Park Farm which is at the northern end of the parish. It is proposed that 1.7 million tonnes of the gravel will be extracted and 1.3 million cubic metres of inert waste will be bought in to fill the hole. This is proposed to happen over a 20 year period. It is also proposed that a new junction incorporating the northern end of Tilehouse Lane will be created onto the A412. From this junction a new haul road, running parallel to the existing bridle way and footpath, would cross the Shire Lane and connect with the site at Denham Park Farm.

The third site identified by Bucks County Council in the Replacement Mineral Local Plan is at New Denham, south west of the residential area. The site covers 142 acres and has a potential yield of 3.36 million tonnes. Access would be via a new roundabout on the A412 at the Willetts Lane junction. A planning application has very recently been submitted.

TRADITIONS



Denham Village Fayre

Although this annual Fayre is organised by St Mary's Church, it is a major event in Parish life. It takes place in Denham Village and will be on Monday 29 May 2006 from 10 am to 4 pm. It is a great event and fun for all the family. If you have time to help set up the many stalls on the day; help on a stall (even if it is just for a short while); would even like to run a stall; or help clean up, please contact Sharon Williams on 01895 832553.

History of Denham Village Green

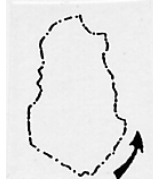
People who travel through Denham Village by car or on foot, look at the Village Green in the centre of the village with its white fencing, seats and beautiful trees, and conclude that this area is similar to other village greens throughout the country. However, according to records, in the 1920s and possibly earlier, five families lived their lives in cottages on the green known as 'Island Cottages' and brought up children, each cottage having a small garden. Their names were Dean, Fryer, Morris, Kedge and Carter. Some of the descendants are living in Denham today. At that time the rental for these cottages appeared to be 3 old shillings (15p) per week which was probably a lot of money then – the landlord would net £39.13.0 (£39.65) per annum but would be liable for the rates.

The cottages were only demolished in the early 1950s and in 1952 the land was purchased by the Reverend Herbert Ward, in memory of his mother and 'for the enjoyment of the people of Denham who visit it'. Had he not done this, the land could have been built on. The sister of Herbert Ward, Lady Vansittart, who owned Denham Place, became a Trustee of the Village Green and when she sold Denham Place and moved away in 1974, two other trustees were appointed. One was Mr Jay Ashbrook who lived in Wrango, in Village Road, and the other Mr Hugh Stewart of Cheapside Lane. With the help of a group called 'The Friends of the Village Green' and through the generosity of local people and the parish council, they were able to maintain the Green.

The garage that remains on the green is claimed by some local sources to have been used as a mortuary in war time.

In 1992, on the advice of the Open Spaces Society, the Trustees applied for and won charitable status for the Green when it was celebrating its 40th anniversary.

Following the death of Mr Jay Ashbrook in 2002, Mr Hugh Stewart decided he would retire as Trustee. Denham Parish Council was asked and agreed to undertake the responsibility of the guardianship of this very precious piece of land. Mr Ted Howard who had looked after the Green for many years under the former Trustees agreed to continue, thus the years roll by and the Green continues to give joy to residents, walkers, and any fortunate passers by who happen upon it.



Beating the Bounds

Following tradition, we Beat the Bounds of the parish (or at least part of them) every year. This ancient tradition which dates back hundreds of years happens every Rogation Sunday (five weeks after Easter Sunday). In 2005 we traced the part of the boundary by the River Colne in the north east of Denham including the River Colne and Broadwater Lake in Harefield.

This yearly tradition is open to all people, especially families and children, and in 2006 we will be walking part of the western boundary south of Tatling End including Gladwins Wood on Sunday 21st May starting at 2.00pm at the Play Area car park off Hollybush Lane. Refreshments will be provided on our return. This will mark the confirmation on 1st April of the long awaited parish review which re-unites all of Tatling End in the parish of Denham after a gap of 72 years.



OPEN SPACES

The Open Spaces Committee manages recreation grounds, play areas, amenity areas, Village Green, allotments, notice boards, youth activity and dog waste bins. The committee consists of up to eight parish councillors who meet every two months. A budget is agreed with this committee at the beginning of the financial year. For the coming year 2006/07 the Open Spaces budget is £25,000, the same as last year, and the committee is responsible for the correct use of these funds. During the course of the year councillors will voluntarily monitor areas including the playgrounds, and make strategic plans for the coming years to recommend to main council. In 2006 we are increasing the frequency of grass cutting.

Play Areas

Alderbourne Play Area located at the bottom of Lindsey Road in Denham Village. This is aimed at younger children. The site has a slide, a spring based rocking horse, two infant swings and two full size swings. There is also an adjacent playing field with a full sized football pitch and goal posts.

Tatling End Play Area can be found behind the Skylark Road houses off Hollybush Lane. Besides a large grass area with picnic tables, there are toddler and junior swings and a slide, as well as plans for new equipment to replace the worn out climbing frame.

Knighton Way Play Area is just off the Oxford Road going into Uxbridge. There is direct access from Knighton Way Lane. As well as a football pitch with goals and a basketball goal practice area, there is a play area consisting of fort-style climbing unit, swings and a spinner, all installed in 2004.

Denham Green Play Area is a small enclosed tarmac area mainly aimed at toddlers. This area has swings, a springer and painted games on the floor. It is accessed via a side entrance off Denham Green Lane directly behind the first block of flats as you enter Denham Green Lane from the North Orbital Road.

Higher Denham play area is managed by the Community Association who recently refurbished it and has excellent facilities. The Parish Council provides some financial support.

Sport and Recreation Areas

There are also areas for sport and recreation at the Denham Green Open Space (off The Pyghtle) and the Way and Tillard Recreation Ground in Cheapside Lane, home of the Denham Cricket Club and Denham Bowls Club.

Youth Activities

In addition to the contribution we make to the junior youth club at Tilehouse School, we have helped fund the start up of a local senior youth club (ages 12-18 years), which is held every Thursday night at Denham Cricket Club in Cheapside Lane, Denham Village. If you are interested in joining or would like to find out more please contact Bill Nicholas on 01895 834527. Any volunteers would be welcomed along with new members.



Allotments

Do you have green fingers and would like extra growing space? The Parish Council has an excellent allotment site in New Denham with several good plots still vacant. The rent is a modest £12 per plot per year. If you are interested contact Paul Graham, the Clerk, on 01895 834709.

Denham Parish Council held its annual awards ceremony in September 2005 by the presentation of the Powell Cup for the Best Kept Allotment. This is open to all allotment holders at the New Denham allotments and competition is keen. The winner was Daniel Riley from Iver Heath, who is the youngest winner to date. His grandfather Giovanni Mule, took second place jointly with Paolino Maniscalco, and Commended status was given to Les and Brenda Hollingsworth, Anita Allen and Antonio Cucchiara.

ENVIRONMENT

Ragwort

South Buckinghamshire is experiencing a problem with Ragwort. This is a wild flower with golden yellow daisy like flowers which grow to approximately 3 feet; it is found on verges, waste ground and pasture and is extremely poisonous to livestock, especially horses. In law there is a duty by Buckinghamshire County Council, the local Highways Authority, to clear this weed from highway land. However, it would appear that the County Council is not controlling ragwort and the problem is getting worse. We would encourage anyone who sees this weed to report it to the landowner. The DEFRA website www.defra.gov.uk has good advice on eradicating it.

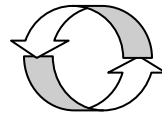
Fly tipping

While County Council initiatives have reduced the number of incidents it is still important for residents to be vigilant and assist by reporting incidents when they occur. The District Council deals with verges and laybys (and can be contacted on **01895 837362**), while the County Council deals with highways (contact **0845 230 2882**). The Environment Agency and the County Council will prosecute offenders, so if you witness tipping please note as much detail as you can, including the vehicle details and time of the incident. However, individual landowners must deal with tipping on private land except where hazardous waste is involved, in which case the District Council may be requested to deal with it.

Any builder, gardener or person offering to remove waste from your premises should have a waste transfer licence and should freely show you this if requested. Asking to see the licence, and refusing the services of anyone failing to produce it will help reduce the amount of fly-tipping that occurs.

Tree Warden Scheme

Any resident interested in the informal monitoring of trees in their local area is welcome to join the small but enthusiastic band of Denham tree wardens. The County Council provides useful information, and in turn the wardens keep the Parish Council in touch with how trees are faring, and maybe even promote tree planting schemes. Contact Paul Graham, the Clerk, on 01895 834709.



Refuse, Recycling and Composting

South Bucks District Council are trialling the collection of green kitchen/garden waste and parts of Denham are included in this. Those residents involved now have green and black wheelie bins for kitchen/garden and residual waste respectively. The outcome of the trials should be known this summer.

To recycle large and other items not suitable for the weekly collections, visit the Bucks County Council tip at Langley Park Road, Iver, or Candlemas Lane, Beaconsfield. Mini recycling sites are at Denham Station, Wyatts Covert or in Gerrards Cross (Packhorse Road car park).

Composting is being encouraged by providing compost bins at reduced prices. These come in three sizes and more information can be obtained from the District Council by calling 01895 837362 or on-line at www.recylenow.com/compost. Compost bins can be ordered direct from Blackwall on 0845 0770760.

Energy Efficiency

Gas and electricity prices have risen again. The good news is that you can save up to £250 on your annual gas and electricity bills by adopting a range of energy saving measures. Grants and discounts are available for insulation measures, which can have real benefits, since you lose 40% of the heat you pay for through uninsulated lofts and walls. Call the MK, Bucks & East Berks Energy Efficiency Advice Centre on 0800 512012 for free, expert, impartial advice on this and other ways to save energy.

TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS



Speed Limits

Due to the extended consultation process and the lack of resources, the county wide review of speed limits has yet to be implemented. The Parish Council hoped that the lower limits would be in place by now but the latest schedule leads to implementation by Autumn 2006.

Footpaths & Byways

The Parish Council has volunteers who walk the network of local paths and report any problems with signage or obstructions twice a year. If any one would like to volunteer to help please contact the Clerk on 01895 834709. The new Tilehouse Lane footway that connects with the popular Higher Denham to Denham Green path was completed in November 2005. The funding was gained via a Buckinghamshire County Council local delegated budget scheme where Denham Parish Council put schemes forward alongside other parishes in South Buckinghamshire.

Bus Shelters

Two further bus shelters were built in 2005 at Tatling End and New Denham, and the Station Parade shelter modified. This now completes the replacement scheme except for Higher Denham where a suitable site needs to be agreed. The Parish Council will now look at new sites that were requested in the Appraisal Update and consider these in future years.

New Schemes

One of the main priorities reflected in the Parish Appraisal update was the lighting of The Pyghtle footpath which runs between Denham Village and the railway station. We have successfully obtained financial help from South Bucks District Council and Thames Valley Police but are still awaiting answers from other businesses. The lights have now been installed. An area in Higher Denham has been highlighted as a possible site for two extra lights in 2006/07. One example was the proposed scheme to light the unlit section of the A413. Denham Parish Council was very much in favour of this but Buckinghamshire County Council did not proceed due to lack of funds. The alternative choice, which is now in place, is the installation of intelligent cats-eyes, which are similar to those on motorways.

INFORMATION POINT



Mobile Library Service

The reduced timetable introduced by the County Council last year is as follows.

Thursday	1045-1115	Denham Village Infant School, Cheapside Lane
	1135-1155	The Green, Willow Ave, Willowbank (fortnightly)
	1140-1240	Denham Garden Village, Denham Grn (fortnightly)
	1120-1135	Penn Drive, Denham Green (fortnightly)
Saturday	0930-1130	Morten Gardens/Station Parade, Denham Green



Train services

Frequent train services run from Denham and Denham Golf Club stations to London Marylebone, Ruislip, Gerrards Cross, Beaconsfield, High Wycombe, Banbury, Birmingham and Aylesbury.

Further train information can be obtained from Chiltern Railways, phone 08456 005165, or the National Train Information Bureau, phone 08457 484950. For rail, bus and coach travel in Buckinghamshire phone 0870 608 2608. Chiltern Railways maintain an internet site at www.chilternrailways.co.uk

Bus Routes



Route 181 County Rider, linking Denham with Uxbridge three times every day except Sunday.

Route 182 County Rider runs from all parts of the parish (except New Denham) to Slough and Windsor via Iver Heath and Village every Saturday.

The buses can be hailed anywhere safe along the route, are wheelchair accessible and have special areas for shopping trolleys and pushchairs.

Route 305 (Uxbridge - Gerrards Cross - Chalfonts - Beaconsfield)
Runs through New Denham, along A40 past Tatling End.
Service operates Monday to Saturday from 09:00 to 18:40 (about every 2 hours).

Route 331 (Uxbridge - Harefield - Ruislip)
Runs through New Denham, along A412 to Denham Green.
Service operates at 20 minute intervals between 06:00 and 23:30 except on Sunday when it operates at 30 minute intervals between 07:30 and 23:30.

Route 605 (Denham – Gerrards Cross – Chalfont St Peter, Community College)
Runs one return journey, **term time only**, Monday to Friday.
Departs New Denham at 8:23 and returns from the Community College at 15:55.

Route 724 (Heathrow Airport - Hillingdon Hospital - Uxbridge - Denham - Harlow)
Runs through New Denham, along A412 past Denham Green.
Service operates at hourly intervals between about 06:00 and 21:00, except on Sunday when it operates at two hourly intervals between about 09:00 and 19:00.


Route A40 (Heathrow - Uxbridge - Denham - GX - Beaconsfield - High Wycombe)
Service operates at hourly intervals between about 07:00 and 18:00.
NEW SERVICE. Stops on the A40 at Cheapside Lane and Tatling End.

Route R21 (Uxbridge - Rickmansworth - Mount Vernon)
Runs through New Denham, along A412 past Denham Green.
Service operates 5 times a day Monday to Saturday.

Route C1 (Uxbridge to Newland Park via Chalfont Common)
Runs **term time only**, between about 08:00 and 19:30 on Monday to Friday only.

Copies of local bus and train timetables are available from the Parish Council office (01895 834709) or visit the Council's website at www.denhampc.co.uk

Sports and Other Activities in Denham

For more information please contact the appropriate Centre or person. Where you see the  symbol, check the link on the Parish Council's website.

Air Training Corps	Denham Aerodrome (Mondays/Thursdays)	07989 343219
Art	New Denham Comm Centre (Tues/Wed/Thur)	020-8894 9577
Badminton	New Denham Community Centre (Tues/Fri)	01895 258004
"	Denham Village Memorial Hall (Wednesday)	01923 770442
Beaver Scouts	Denham Green Scout Hut	01895 832505
Bellringers	St Mary's Church (Monday evening practice)	01895 833820
Bingo	New Denham Community Centre (Tues)	01895 257593
Bowls	Denham Bowls Club, Denham Way	01895 832346
Brass Band	Tilehouse School (Mon/Thurs 8-10pm)	07850 731568
Brownies	Denham Village Memorial Hall (Tues 5.30pm)	01895 237089
"	St Mark's Hall, Denham Green (Mon 4.30-6pm)	01895 835762
Countryside	Colne Valley Park Visitors Centre	01895 833375
Cricket	Denham Cricket Club, Cheapside Lane 	01895 834527
Dancing: Square	New Denham Community Centre (Thurs)	01895 233306
" Tap	Denham Village Memorial Hall (Tues)	01895 832319
" Pink Academy	New Denham Community Centre	07956 571685
Denham Wives	St Mark's Hall, Denham Green	01895 833820
Football	Denham Utd Ladies FC : New Denham	01895 812800
"	Colne Valley Colts FC : Chalfont St Peter	01895 859651
"	Harefield Utd Youth FC. Boys & Girls	01753 643778
Friends St Francis	New Denham Community Centre (Monday)	01895 233098
Guides/Brownies	St Mark's Hall, Denham Green	01895 237498
History	History of Denham Society (Pam Reed)	01895 833989
Karate	Denham Village Memorial Hall (Mon/Thurs)	01923 774244
Ladies Social Club	New Denham Community Centre (Tues)	01895 259658
Lazers Church Youth	St Mary's Church, Village Road	01895 832333
Morris Dancing	Denham Village Memorial Hall (Thurs 9pm)	07958 546083
Pilates exercise	St Marks Hall, Denham Green (Mon/Wed/Fri am)	01895 833360
Pudding Club	Denham Village Memorial	01895 834929
Cub Scouts	Scout Hut, off Denham Green Close	01895 832505
Senior Citizens	Denham Village Memorial Hall (Thurs)	01895 833047
" "	New Denham Community Centre (Mon)	01895 233098
" "	Alex. Korda House/Ranston Close Social Club	01895 834581
" "	Red Cross Day Centre, Nightingale Way	01895 834489
Slimming World	New Denham Community Centre (Tues)	01895 234865
Sunday School	St Mary's Church, Village Road	01895 624483
Table Tennis (juniors)	Denham Village Memorial Hall (Tues 5.30pm)	01895 835292
" " (adults)	Denham Village Memorial Hall (Tues 7.30pm)	01895 835292
Tae Kwon Do	Tilehouse School (Tues/Thurs)	07932 058059
Women's Institute	St Mark's Hall, Denham Green	01895 832076
Youth Club (8-11)	Tilehouse School, Denham Green (Wed)	01895 833075
Youth Club (11-19)	Denham Cricket Club Cheapside Lane (Thurs)	01895 834527

Playgroups and Pre-Schools

Jack & Jill, Denham Village Memorial Hall (Fariba Kanani)	01895 833469
Mother & Toddler Group, Higher Denham Community Association Hall (Mary Rints) Mondays	01895 833256
Tilehouse Nursery, Nightingale Way (Sandra Mooney)	07775 710583

Mother and Toddler Group

Tweenies, St Mary's, Village Road : Tuesday am (Christine Driscoll)	01895 832825
Tiddlywinks, St Mark's, Denham Green : Thurs (Wendy Mytom)	01895 833716

Schools

Denham Village Infant School (age 5-7), Cheapside Lane	☑ 01895 832768
Tilehouse Combined School (age 5-11), Nightingale Way	☑ 01895 833369
Secondary schools - contact Bucks County Council	☑ 01296 395000

Luncheon Clubs for the Elderly

Madeline Paton Luncheon Club, held at Red Cross Centre, Nightingale Way, Denham Green (Chantal Jackson)	01895 833374
Higher Denham Community Hall, Lower Road (Joan Rusieki)	01895 833387
New Denham Community Centre, Oxford Road (Joyce Tearall)	01895 258205

Assistance for the Elderly

Age Concern Denham (Chairman : Christopher Wright)	01753 883618
Crossroads (help for carers of elderly and other people)	01494 670457
Handyvan scheme (fitting safety & security products for elderly)	☑ 01255 473999
Staywarm (heating and energy advice for elderly)	☑ 0800 1694694
Southern Buckinghamshire Safer Home Scheme	0800 5870465

Get out and About

For the over-50s involving gentle activity and a social ½ hour with refreshments. Monday lunchtimes at Evreham Centre, Iver. Wednesday is at various locations - free transport provided (not for Monday) Cost is £2.50. Emma Talbot, South Bucks District Council on 01895 837200.

Buckinghamshire Adult Learning

For information, advice or to find out what's available locally, including learning, voluntary work, training courses, advice on CVs and qualifications, careers etc, ring 0845 045 40 40. ■

Transport

Dial-a-Ride scheme	Bookings 01494 766123 :	Office 01494 766032
Bucks CARSHARE scheme		01628 810010
DVLA Road Tax Enforcement confidential hotline		0800 032 5202

Churches

St Mary's C of E Church, Village Road, Denham Village	☑ 01895 832771
The Holy Name RC Church, Old Mill Road, Denham Village	☑ 01753 886581
Methodist Church, Cheapside Lane, Denham Village	☑ 01753 884193
Interdenominational Church, Oxford Road, Tatling End	01753 883392
The Anoopam Mission (Hindu), The Lea, Western Avenue	☑ 01895 832709
St Francis Chapel, New Denham Community Centre, Oxford Road	01895 258205

Contact numbers for Halls

Denham Village Memorial Hall, Village Road	01753 650114
New Denham Community Association Hall, Oxford Road	01895 252967
Higher Denham Community Association Hall, Lower Road	01895 833256
St Mark's Hall, Green Tiles Lane, Denham Green	01895 832299

The Parish Council can supply a fact sheet detailing these and other halls in Denham.

Other Centres in South Bucks District

Beacon Centre, Holtspur Way, Beaconsfield	☑ 01494 677764
Evreham Sports Centre, Swallow Street, Iver Heath	☑ 01753 672610
Evreham Adult Education Centre, Swallow Street, Iver Heath	☑ 01753 650035
Gerrards Cross Memorial Centre, East Common, Gerrards Cross	01753 883759

Police

24 hour non-emergency centre	08458 505505
Tatling End Police Station	01753 881920
Neighbourhood Watch Team for South Bucks & Amersham	☑ 01494 736641
Crimestoppers	0800 555 111

Neighbourhood Watch Initial contacts are as follows

Tony Lisi (Denham co-ordinator)	Tatling End	01753 885561
Mark Tolland	Bakers Wood	☑ 01895 833216
Ford Turay	Priory Close	01895 835929
Alan Watson	Willowbank	01895 238820
Joan Rusiecki	Higher Denham	01895 832434
Peter Watson	Wyatts Covert	01895 834839

Social Services

Day Care, Home Carers (Bucks County Council)	01296 395000
Meals on Wheels (C M Fresh Foods Ltd)	01296 339708
Database for Children with Disabilities	01296 382356
Cruse Bereavement Care - advice and information	01494 722515

Registrar for Births, Deaths and Marriages

Births and Deaths (01494 475200). Marriages (01494 475205). Full time office at High Wycombe. Part-time offices in Beaconsfield, Amersham and Chesham. Please phone for appointment.

Health

Doctors' Surgeries: Drs Chatrath & Assaf, Tilehouse Way	01895 832012
Dr Lees, Ashcroft Drive	01895 831377
Dr Abey, Trewarden Avenue, Iver Heath	01753 651422
Patient Advice & Liaison Service	0800 3285640

Dental Surgeries: Ashcroft Surgery, Ashcroft Drive	01895 833350
Denham Green Practice, Penn Drive	01895 832238

Hospitals:

Amersham	01494 434411	Bishopswood	01923 835814
Chalfonts	01753 883821	Harefield	01895 823737
Heatherwood	01344 623333	High Wycombe	01494 526161
Hillingdon	01895 239877	Mount Vernon	01923 826111
Watford	01923 244366	Wexham Park	01753 633000
Upton Hospital, Slough (Walk-in Centre) :			01753 635505

NHS Direct (general helpline)	0845 4647
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Veterinary Clinic : Medivet, 20 Penn Drive	01895 834717
RSPCA: Irene Hansford, Field View, Broken Gate Lane, Denham	01895 833417

Housing Associations

London & Quadrant Beacon Trust (main provider in South Bucks)	01753 606707
Paradigm Housing Association (Foxmoor Court etc)	01895 830991
Anchor Trust, Bradford (Courtney House)	01274 381600

For general enquiries contact the Health and Housing Department at South Bucks District Council on 01895 837200.

Citizens Advice Bureau

A local branch offering a range of confidential help is now at the Denham Medical Centre on Thursdays 1.30pm to 4.30pm. Phone 01895 832012 for appointment.

Denham Village Car Boot Sale



If you are a local resident directly affected by this activity, the Parish Council is happy to give advice about who to approach, but a telephone call from you to the appropriate body would be more effective. If you are troubled by dust from the cars, noise from the vendors etc, your line of complaint is to **ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH** at the District Council on **01895 837200**. Alternatively if you are aware of illegal trading such as pirate videos and DVDs, then a call to **TRADING STANDARDS** at Bucks County Council on **01296 383212** is the route to take. Issues with highway obstruction and parking should be directed to the County Council on **0845 230 2882**.

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If there are any errors or omissions in the above, please contact the Parish Council Office on 01895 834709.

The responsibilities of your Councils

PARISH:

Street lighting (side roads), allotments, some small areas of common land, play areas and recreation grounds, certain open spaces, bus shelters.

Clerk: Mr Paul Graham
Council Office, Village Hall, Village Road, Denham UB9 5BN
Open: Tues, Thurs, Fri 9am-2pm
Phone/fax/answerphone : 01895 834709
e-mail: clerk@denhampc.co.uk
website: www.denhampc.co.uk

DISTRICT: ■ 01895 837200

Planning applications, alcohol and public entertainment licences, building control, aspects of transportation, environmental health (including pollution, smoky diesels, noise etc), refuse collection, litter and recycling, some environmental improvements, leisure and sports facilities, by-laws, housing, home improvement grants, off street parking, emergency planning, collecting Council Tax, electoral registration etc.

COUNTY: ■ 01296 395000

Street lighting (main roads), gypsies, schools, minerals applications, roads, rights-of-way, libraries, fire stations, social services, Country Parks, archives etc.

Local problems with pavements, hedges, road repairs, snow clearance, grass cutting etc should be taken up with the Highways Area Manager's Office at Amersham on 0845 230 2882.

Parish Council Meetings

Members of the public are welcome to observe any of the meetings of the Council or its committees. A Public Session is held at the start of each Parish Council meeting at which members of the public may speak.

All committees generally meet at 8pm in the Council Office. Members of the public are advised to contact the Clerk on 01895 834709 during office hours of 9am to 2pm on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays to confirm that Committee meetings have not been postponed, or to obtain a copy of the agenda. **Dates for all meetings are listed on the Parish Council's website www.denhampc.co.uk or on our notice boards.**

Parish Council

These are usually at 7.45pm on the second Monday in each month in the Parish Council Office, Denham Village Hall. There is no August meeting.

Planning Committee

The Parish Council is consulted by the District and County Councils on many planning matters. These include minerals issues, alcohol and public entertainment licensing etc. In particular, all South Bucks District Council planning applications are commented on, and input in writing from the public is welcome. Details of all planning applications in Denham are posted on all seven parish notice boards. See also the article on page 2.

Lighting & Highways Committee

This committee looks after street lighting on side roads, bus shelters and public seats. It also has a role in monitoring the County Council responsibilities of highways, footways, bridleways and other rights of way.

The parish maintains 237 lights and arranges repairs when they are damaged. Requests for additional lights are reviewed annually in consultation with the residents. However we generally find about equal numbers in favour of, or against additional lights. Concerns about light pollution have become an issue and we await further developments from central government on this.

Open Spaces Committee

Its remit includes all the public open spaces, recreation grounds and play areas. It also manages allotments and notice boards. See also the articles on page 5.

Finance Committee

As well as dealing with all financial and staff matters, this committee manages the Parish Council office and grants to outside bodies.

The Parish Council Budget



The majority of householders just look at the amount they have to pay each month on Council Tax and do not look too closely at the breakdown of the figures. The breakdown is on a separate leaflet with the Council Tax demand.

The largest percentages of the Council Tax, in descending order, are levied by Buckinghamshire County Council, Thames Valley Police, South Bucks District Council and the Fire Services. These figures are after an element of Central Government grant. The parish precept is a very small percentage and is raised solely from the householders in the parish.

There are 12 parishes in South Bucks District. Figures relating to 2005/06, based on Band D, show that the largest parish precept is 3.8p. Denham is in the bottom quarter of parish precepts and your contribution is 2.3p in every £ and is way below the average of 2.8p.

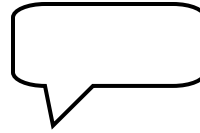
The Parish Council consist of 15 unpaid councillors who all have an input into the precept levied. There is a lot of debate and like your family budget, difficult choices have to be made. All the councillors live in Denham and pay Council Tax like all householders.

An approximate breakdown for the coming 2006/07 budget is:-

Staff salary costs	29,000
Council Office rent, rates, heating etc	5,000
Routine office expenses	5,500
Election expenses	500
Insurance	5,500
Subscriptions and Donations	400
Grants to outside bodies	1,100
Lighting and Highways	24,000
Open Spaces and recreation areas	25,000
Youth provision	2,500
CCTV (Denham Green)	2,000
Newsletter "Denham Today"	1,000
Less income from rents, sales interest	<u>13,500</u>
NET EXPENDITURE	<u>88,500</u>

The net expenditure, lower than last year's, will be further reduced to £81,968 because of past savings and will be raised as a precept and collected from you, the residents of Denham, by South Bucks District Council as part of your Council Tax Bill.

Annual Parish Meeting



This takes place every year and provides an opportunity for any resident to come and raise issues that concern them. The meeting place varies each year and for 2006 will take place at Tatling End, taking advantage of the facilities provided at the District Council Offices at Capswood. The meeting will be on Wednesday, 3rd May, at 8.00 pm.

South Bucks District Councillors (for Denham)

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Mr Dennis Hartwell	See next page
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