

DUNTON GREEN NEWS

Dunton Green Parish Council

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School Summer Fayre Balloons

Take a look at our latest edition - articles, advice, information, and lots more!



Dunton Green Parish Council
Working for a Better Community in Dunton Green

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Chair's Update

Welcome to our latest newsletter.

As we go to print, we've got a hosepipe ban and a drought! Dunton Green isn't looking very green, although our hanging baskets



bring a welcome splash of colour to the parched landscape.



CLLR. FREDA ENGLAND

Throughout the village the ground has cracked and footpaths are looking a bit worse for wear.

Having met with them recently, KCC Highways will be repairing the footpath by the school and the underpass before terms starts.



And having been advised for many years that the streetlights at either end of the underpass were sufficient, and the internal lights were not needed, there are now new lights inside the underpass. This should ensure a well lit route for everyone to use to safely cross London Road.

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....Chair's Update

Meanwhile, DGPC has extended the footpath area at the entrance to the MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) which gets very muddy in the winter, using a bonded permanent mulch. The Parish Council has also fitted some more CCTV to cover the MUGA and tennis court, and are now able to provide the police with clear images of acts of vandalism and anti-social behaviour, so that appropriate action can and will be taken. It is proving to be very helpful already!



Works are starting on the old Vauxhall site where McCarthy and Stone are building 37 flats for older residents. We are already in discussion with them to expand our popular lunches and Pop in Café with AgeUK.



Over the years the Parish Council has installed, maintained and, when necessary, repaired



four publicly accessible defibrillators (PADs) throughout the village, working with the support of Sevenoaks Community First Responders. In July this year the PAD on the parade was used whilst an anxious family waited for an ambulance. Thankfully a full recovery was made. We hope that the PADs are never needed but it is gratifying to know that they are there to provide a potential lifeline if needed.

I wonder if you can help?

There are a few issues that DGPC would appreciate help with. If we all do a little bit it can make a big difference to DG for us all.

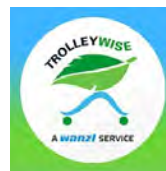
Litter There are bins throughout the village and most people use them for wrappers and drinks bottles (as intended) but they are not for household refuse or bags of rubbish. Leaving bags next to bins is fly tipping. Please put them outside your house on bin day.



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....Chair's Update

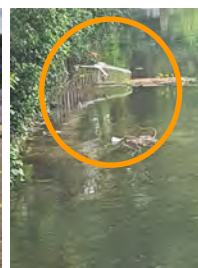
Trolleys They appear in the strangest of places but unless they are reported all they do is wander around the village. Please report to **Trolleywise**. You can download an app for your phone which will enable you to do this or you can try emailing them via trolleywise@wanzi.co.uk. To help, you will need an



accurate description of the location, and preferably use a **what3words** location (www.what3words for more information or download the app) if the location is hard to describe.



Trolleys all around the village!



Antisocial behaviour (ASB) Rather than putting the details on social media, please report to the police. Nothing will get done if it's on Facebook. It will at least get logged if it is reported; A pattern of reports helps the police target their response. You can call 101 or report online via www.kent.police.uk which is quick and effective. See pages 15 and 41 for more contact details for the Police.

Events. We have our popular Fireworks coming up in September (see back page) and we could really use some help setting up in the morning and running the event in the evening. If you have spare time on Saturday 24th September to assist, can you please let our Clerk have your details (clerk@duntongreenpc.org.uk or leave a message on 01732 462966).

Enjoy the autumn colours.

Freda England

Chair of Duntong Green Parish Council
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www.duntongreenpc.org.uk



DUNTON GREEN
PARISH COUNCIL

**TERM
TIME**

THE GATHERING

Community Cafe

FREE Coffee and Cake!
Toys for Pre-Schoolers
All Welcome!



Tuesdays 9-11am
Dunton Green Pavilion
Recreation Ground
TN13 2UR

Check www.duntongreenpc.org.uk for dates



SATURDAY FREIGHTER GUIDANCE

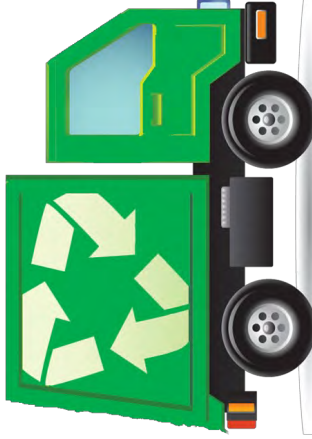
The Freighter cannot accept **white goods**, washing machines, dishwashers, fridges, freezers, cookers, cast iron boilers or baths, long metal poles, building materials, manure, large parts of engines or vehicles or hazardous waste.

Hazardous waste now includes items like fluorescent tubes, televisions & computer monitors, batteries, oil tins and filters, paint and paint tins and chemical containers. These items cannot be accepted on the Saturday Freighter service and must be taken to your nearest Household Waste Recycling Centre.

Compostable garden waste cannot be accepted



FREIGHTER REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE



DATES FOR THE DIARY

THE NEW BI-MONTHLY COLLECTIONS

17th September 2022
19th November 2022

LUSTED ROAD 11.45AM TO 12.15PM
MILL ROAD 12.30PM TO 1.00PM

PLEASE BRING ALONG YOUR EXCESS REFUSE AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS ADDITIONAL SERVICE
NON-RECYCLABLE REFUSE (EXCLUDING METAL)

VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS & LOCAL LISTINGS

Taking place in DUNTON GREEN PAVILION, Recreation Ground, London Road
{Bookings: bookings@duntongreenpc.org.uk 07305 814694}

Age UK Lunch Club	1st Wednesday each month, 01732 454108
Age UK Pop In Café	2nd Wednesday each month, 01732 454108
Pilates (Bryony Tilley)	07973 345 321
Taekwondo (Oaks Martial Arts)	01732 759988: info@oaksmartialarts.com

Taking place in DUNTON GREEN RECREATION GROUND, London Road

Easy Netball	01732 227000; communities@sevenoaks.gov.uk
Community Basketball	Kent Panthers - just turn up Mondays 5.30pm
Mini Tennis	Text Keir 07815 039497 to book a place 07803 050 431
Backyard Bootcamp	enquiries@backyardbootcamps.co.uk

DUNTON GREEN VENUES (Other)

Taking place in Donnington Hall, Barretts Road

{Bookings: Mrs J Field 01732 462429; www.donningtonhall.co.uk}

Dance Academy of Sevenoaks	Emily Teale 07840 109 052
Darenth Table Tennis Club	David & Janet Field 01732 462429
Gauge One Model Railway Assoc	Jeff Brazier 01732 454890
Hartbeeps	Jamie Blackburn 07795 103 197
Little Learners	Helen Bakie 07889 825 727
National Kick Boxing & Karate Assoc	Hilary King 07796 858 194
Sevenoaks Table Tennis League	Janet Field 01732 462429

Taking place in Village Hall, London Road

{Bookings: Mrs A Rodwell 01732 469610}

Coffee Morning	3rd Thursday of each month, 10.30am
DG School of Ballroom Dancing	David & Sandra Coppen, 07808 540 315
Holy Communion	1st, 2nd & 4th Thursdays (see St Mary's info)

Taking place in Dunton Green Primary School, London Road

{Bookings: School Office 01732 462221; office@dunton-green.kent.sch.uk}

Kuk Sool Won Sevenoaks	07963 338 544; www.kswsevenoaks.com
Bujinkan Sevenoaks Dojo	bujinkansevenoaksdojo.org 16+ Thurs eve

**PLEASE DO LET US KNOW IF WE CAN UPDATE THIS LIST WITH THE
DETAILS OF OTHER ACTIVITIES AND ORGANISATIONS IN THE VILLAGE**

VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS & LOCAL LISTINGS

OTHER Organisations and activities

Bessels Green Baptist Church	01732 454921; info@bgbc.co.uk
St Mary's Church Riverhead & DG	01732 669454; stmaryriverhead@gmail.com
Citizens Advice Bureau (Sevenoaks)	01732 440488; info@sevenoaks.cab.org.uk
Dial-A-Ride (Compaid)	01892 832447
Dunton Green Primary School	01732 462221 office@dunton-green.kent.sch.uk
Gymboree	07827 910 978; sevenoaks@gymboree-uk.com
Kent County Council	03000 41 41 41; www.kent.gov.uk
Kent Fire & Rescue	01622 692121; 999 emergency; www.kent.fire-uk.org
Kent Police	101; 999 emergencies; www.kent.police.uk
Kent Sheds	www.shedsevenoaks.weebly.com
Sevenoaks District Council	01732 227000; information@sevenoaks.gov.uk
Sevenoaks District Council	01732 227000; communities@sevenoaks.gov.uk
Sevenoaks Volunteer Transport Group	01732 458931; www.sevenoaksvolunteertransport.com

Dunton Green Pavilion & Outside Space
RECREATION GROUND, LONDON ROAD
07305 814694
bookings@duntongreenpc.org.uk



Dunton Green Village Hall
LONDON ROAD
01732 469610



**AFTER THE PANDEMIC THERE IS
CAPACITY AT ALL OF THESE
VENUES - IF YOU HAVE A GROUP,
CLASSES OR NEED A PARTY VENUE
PLEASE GET IN TOUCH**

Donnington Hall BARRETT'S ROAD
01732 462429



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022

The village looked fabulous and many of you enjoyed super celebrations with friends and neighbours!





Update from Dunton Green Primary School



It has been lovely to have a whole school year, with no closures due to lockdown. It is a great time of year to look back on everything our school community has achieved during the year and as always we are proud of each and every one of our children and staff for their hard work.

As we experience the heat of the Summer, it is strange to look back on the events of the Autumn which we were able to celebrate or take part in, such as the Halloween pumpkin competition, presenting a wreath on behalf of the school at the village Remembrance Service, as well as all the Christmas events such as carol singing and the Nativity play.

School trips have returned this year and the children have been able to experience visits to Colchester Zoo, Hastings Sealife Centre, Leeds Castle, The London Eye and the Year 6 annual Residential Trip to Norfolk. The choir were able to attend the Young Voices event at the O2 and our dancers took part in the annual community event Love2Dance at the Stag Theatre and the school once again were able to mark World Book Day by dressing up as important characters from British History.



You may have passed the school in June and noticed the red, white & blue balloons and flag when we celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a day filled with tea parties, corgi hunting, crown making and the Queen even joined us!! The PTA kindly funded commemorative medals that were presented to all children, to mark this special event.



The long awaited refurbishment of our Key Stage 2 side of the building was finally finished and the classrooms are looking modern and functional with the added benefit of new furniture. Both the PTA and the Parish Council kindly donated funds to sponsor a classroom, for which we are truly grateful. School budgets continue to be stretched and without the fundraising and kind donations of parents, the local community and businesses, we would not be able to do anything extra.

Mrs Stead, one of our Teaching partners organised a sponsored Colour Run which not only was great fun but raised money to create a fantastic VIP Room for the children to experience.



Our next big fundraising drive will be to replace our Breakfast and After School Club building, which will also hold specialist teaching classes and be used for community involvement. If you know of any businesses who might like to sponsor this or if you would like to get involved, please contact the school.

We'd also be grateful if you could *Help us win £1000 for our school library* by nominating our school [WIN £1,000/€1,000 to help your school rebuild their library \(nationalbooktokens.com\)](https://www.nationalbooktokens.com)

In the last few weeks, we have celebrated some sports success when Dunton Green won District Sports (an athletics competition run by the Sevenoaks school partnership) - all of the local schools are involved and are split into: small, medium and large primary schools - based on numbers in KS2. Dunton Green won the competition in our category (medium schools) for the second year in a row!

Hopefully you were able to join us at our school Summer Fair on July 3rd. The PTA did a fabulous job and raised lots of money. It was lovely to see the school full of children and parents enjoying themselves.



As we wave goodbye to our Year 6 children as they head to Secondary School, we look forward to the new academic year when we will be welcoming a full Reception Class to the school, as well as some children moving into the area and joining us from other schools. We were oversubscribed this year and have a waiting list for Reception places. We do have limited spaces in some year groups, so please consider Dunton Green Primary if you are looking for a school for your child. Open day dates will be released on our website www.dunton-green.kent.sch.uk in the Autumn.

If you would like to keep up to date with the school activities throughout the year then please follow us on Twitter @DGPrimary.

ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR (ASB) IN DUNTON GREEN

What is antisocial behaviour?

There are three main categories for antisocial behaviour, depending on how many people are affected:



- * Personal antisocial behaviour is when a person targets a specific individual or group.
- * Nuisance antisocial behaviour is when a person causes trouble, annoyance or suffering to a community.
- * Environmental antisocial behaviour is when a person's actions affect the wider environment, such as public spaces or buildings.

Parish Council staff have spent a lot of time this summer cleaning up litter, broken glass, gas canisters, all to make the recreation ground and other areas nicer for everyone to enjoy. They have done this voluntarily but it is not what they are employed to do and they draw the line at collecting dog poo...

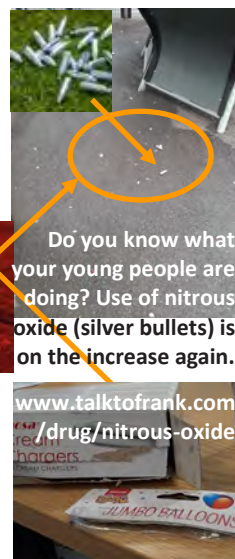
When you see ASB, please report to agencies that might be able do something. The local police are extremely limited in number (our own PCSO has some TWELVE villages to cover and is not available 24/7, 7 days a week – there are now only 5 PCSOs for the entire District). They have to prioritise calls. The PCSOs are often called away to assist Police colleagues and Dunton Green is, in fact, well served given the geography that they have to cover. But we know that residents are frustrated - perhaps you can make contact with the Kent Police & Crime Commissioner to let them know of your concerns?

To contact the Police call 101, or 999 if the crime is in progress. Report online using the reporting tool via www.kent.police.uk/.

Or you can report by email to community.safety@sevenoaks.gov.uk . This is not an official means of reporting crime and is not an alternative to formally reporting to the Police but it will keep them informed of local issues.

Always give as much information as possible: precise locations, dates and times, photos or CCTV if possible. We do know that those residents who provide detailed information are often the ones who see a more positive outcome.

We really would very much appreciate the community's help in reporting things through official channels. Unfortunately, social media often seems to be the first port of call for many.



Out and About - 'What Katie Saw' Information,
Gossip and News from Kate, our roving correspondent



This jolly chap is guarding Lusted Road!



A small hole which turned out to be a sink hole in Lennard Road!



Roses at the Rose Garden - so beautiful.



Fire engines on Ryewood.



Well done DGPS!! What next - Songs of Praise or Britain's Got Talent??!!



The tables in Longford Meadow are great - ideal for a picnic, and the longer grass creates a natural barrier to the football area.



Seems a while ago but the Jubilee bunting looked great on the Village Green

Out and About - 'What Katie Saw' Information, Gossip and News from Kate, our roving correspondent



Recreation ground
flower baskets looking
absolutely
fabulous!!

Looking good at the shopping
parade too!



Fantastic to see a
new defibrillator
at the station.
Dunton Green is
fortunate to have
so many that are
easy to access.



Not so great to see so
much fly tipping around
the village?

Parish Council Assets

Some of you may not be aware of all the areas of the village that the Parish Council owns and maintains for the benefit of the community:

- ◇ Recreation Ground (including all of the play equipment, courts, car park)
- ◇ Dunton Green Pavilion
- ◇ Village Green (including flagpole)
- ◇ Hanging Baskets (shopping parade, village green, recreation ground)
- ◇ Price's Wood (including the Bike Trail)
- ◇ Planters (railings at the south of the village, village green)
- ◇ Longford Meadow
- ◇ Longford Spinney (on Mill Road)
- ◇ The Crescent (on Station Road)
- ◇ Two small grassed areas on Station Road
- ◇ Parish Council noticeboards
- ◇ Benches and seating around the village
- ◇ Street lighting (not London Road or Ryewood, includes the rec to station footpath)
- ◇ Most of the litter bins and dog waste bins around the village (excluding Ryewood)
- ◇ Timber bus shelter on London Road opposite the shopping parade
- ◇ Rose Garden planting (DGPC does not own that land)
- ◇ War Memorial
- ◇ Four Public Access Defibrillators (Pavilion, Village Hall, Shopping Parade and Ryewood by the Gym)



If you see any damage to any of these assets, please do let us know as soon as possible so that we can take steps to make any required repairs.

Contact details on page 2.

Dunton Green Project

Easy Netball

Everyone is welcome. Minimum age 14

Thursday 7pm to 8pm

MUGA, near the Pavilion, Recreation Ground, Dunton Green, TN13 2UR

£2.00 pay as you go



For more information, please call 01732 227000 or email communities@sevenoaks.gov.uk



POP UP CAFE in Dunton Green

Dunton Green Pavilion, Recreation Ground, London Road, TN13 2UR

JOIN SUE!

Wednesdays at 1.30pm until 3.30pm

**Classes are on the SECOND
Wednesday of every month!**

September 14th, October 12th, November 9th, December 14th

Improve your mobility, strength & balance
Meet others, in a friendly, covid-safe, class with a qualified instructor and a cup of tea/coffee



For more information, call **Sue 07867 648 667**
or email
sue.larkin@ageuksevenoaksandtonbridge.org.uk

Age UK Sevenoaks & Tonbridge registered charity number 1086211/05/18

Check www.duntongreenpc.org.uk for updates

PARISH COUNCIL News Highlights...

◆ Sadly, we have seen the withdrawal of the Sevenoaks Larder satellite from Dunton Green. All clients are still being served by the team of



volunteers and if anyone is finding themselves in need of their support please do get in touch with them: www.sevenoakslarder.co.uk



◆ The extremely hot and prolonged dry weather this summer has seen some of our planting (particularly the new privet in the hedge on London Road and new trees in Longford Meadow) really struggle. A water bowser has been purchased to assist our grounds maintenance team. Watering is now more effective (no hosepipes but better than small watering cans).



◆ CCTV has been used to successfully identify youths committing ASB and they have had Police visits.

◆ After a recent meeting with the Kent Highways team, there are new areas of work earmarked for completion, such as some areas of pavement on London Road.



◆ Some improvements have already been made in the village, including to the junction by the Rose & Crown.



PARISH COUNCIL News Highlights...

- ◆ Progressing the Speed Indicator Scheme is proving more complicated than anticipated. Some of the suggested locations for posts have been ruled out as they fall within 40mph zones where SIDs are not permitted and there are concerns about other suggested sites because of the limitations of sightlines. We continue to work with KCC to develop a scheme that will assist us with trying to make the roads in Dunton Green safer for all and will update you as we make progress.



- ◆ Horses are not permitted on any Parish Council land and we have put up notices indicating this. Unfortunately, people persist with bringing them onto Parish Council land (and other areas in the village). Whilst not dangerous like dog faeces, we don't appreciate horse/pony manure being left in public places where children play.

- ◆ Like residents, village venues will be affected by the cost of living crisis and the increased costs of utility bills. The Parish Council will review budgets very carefully this autumn, aiming to ensure that its part of your Council Tax bills next year does not increase, if possible.

- ◆ Bus services: in response to the announcement of cuts, the Parish Council wrote to KCC, SDC and Laura Trott MP in full support of concerned parents and guardians. We received this note of thanks from a resident who contacted us: *Please pass on all our thanks for this tremendous letter and the action the Parish Council have taken so far. This is just what we need and heart-warming to read.* At the time of going to press, some progress was being made reinstating services.



FROM THE ARCHIVES

DUNTON GREEN 100 YEARS AGO...

by Cllr. Graham Hersey

The Dunton Green Fete Committee



This is a photograph of the Fete Committee of 1927, posing for the camera for posterity. The annual Fete was a major event back then, a highlight of the village year.

In 1927 the committee had good reason to be proud for in 1926 they had held the “Great Fete” which had raised the money to build Donnington Hall.

This event was filmed and has been made available on the Internet by the Sevenoaks Society. It is well worth searching out and viewing. A DVD is available from The Sevenoaks Society: <https://www.sevenoakssociety.co.uk/publications/films> and the fete footage can also be viewed online via this link: <https://screenarchive.brighton.ac.uk/detail/866/>

Sadly, only one person in the photo is identified and that is the man seated at the extreme right and bearing a faint resemblance to the late King Edward VII. He was Mr Edward Meyerstein who lived at Morants Court in the Village.

He was a generous benefactor to the Village and to Sevenoaks. Indeed, he paid for the old swimming pool in the town, which was located where the District Council offices are now.

He also, reportedly, thought that the village would be prettier if the cottages were thatched and he even offered to pay for the work. The villagers however thought differently, as thatched cottages had a habit of catching fire on a regular basis in those days!

A Dunton Green Character

This remarkable photograph is of a character, known as "Spiff" Nash.

He had a yard in Kingswood Road in the 1920's where he operated as a "dealer", buying and selling all manner of articles, mostly scrap.

In those days most villages would have had such a character, scraping a bare living.

The yard was later occupied by the Hocking Family as a scrap yard and was then re-developed as housing and is now known as Careys Field.





would you, or someone that you know, like to attend the Dunton Green Lunch Club every month?

Are you not going because you can't get transport?

Call Judith on 07836 525 938

Dunton Green Lunch Club is a great place to meet friends, make new ones, enjoy a hearty lunch and have a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon!

Dunton Green Parish Council has provided funding to Age UK so that arrangements can be made for Dunton Green residents to be brought to the Pavilion every month. All you need to do is contact Judith!



DATES FOR 2022

Wednesdays:

1st June (Jubilee Special), 6th July,

7th September, 5th October

2nd November, 7th December (Christmas Special)

Let's Lunch



Join us at the **Dunton Green Lunch Club** on the first Wednesday of each month (except August)

11.45am to 2pm

At Dunton Green Pavilion, Recreation Ground, off London Road, TN13 2UR

To book transport please call Judith
07836 525 938

For more information, please see
www.ageuk.org.uk or
www.duntongreenpc.org.uk



DUNTON GREEN VILLAGE HALL

London Road, Dunton Green, Sevenoaks TN13 2TE



Dunton Green Village Hall is now under a new committee!

Plenty of booking spaces are available for any and all activities from singing groups to coffee mornings, art exhibits to parent/toddler groups, fitness classes to language learning.

The Hall can also be hired for birthday parties, team-building meetings and other private events.

Pricing starts from just £15 per hour.

For more information, please email duntongreenvillagehall@gmail.com or call 07790 627393



Find us on Facebook!
Search for Dunton Green Village Hall.

Check www.duntongreenpc.org.uk for dates and info



DUNTON GREEN BASKETBALL SESSIONS

LOCATION AND TIME
Every Monday

5.30pm-6.30pm
Cost: FREE

VENUE
DUNTON GREEN
MUGA (MULTI USE GAMES AREA)
RECREATION GROUND
LONDON ROAD
TN13 2UR

Ultra-Runners!

On Saturday 6th of August, about 6pm, I wandered along a bit of the North Downs Way, enjoying the warm evening sunshine. I noticed a little pink banner hanging off a tree. Then another. And then one with some arrows under it, pointing towards Otford. Odd, I thought.

Then I was passed by a series of runners, all dusty and hot looking, with little backpacks of water, food and clothing. They were Ultra Runners, following the trail of little pink banners, for a race of just over 100 miles!

Now, I've run a bit: a few 10 milers, lots of 5 mile +/- courses in my youth. 10 miles is hard, it's a long way. But to multiply that distance by 10? Not for me!



The event I'd stumbled into was the Centurion Running NDW100.

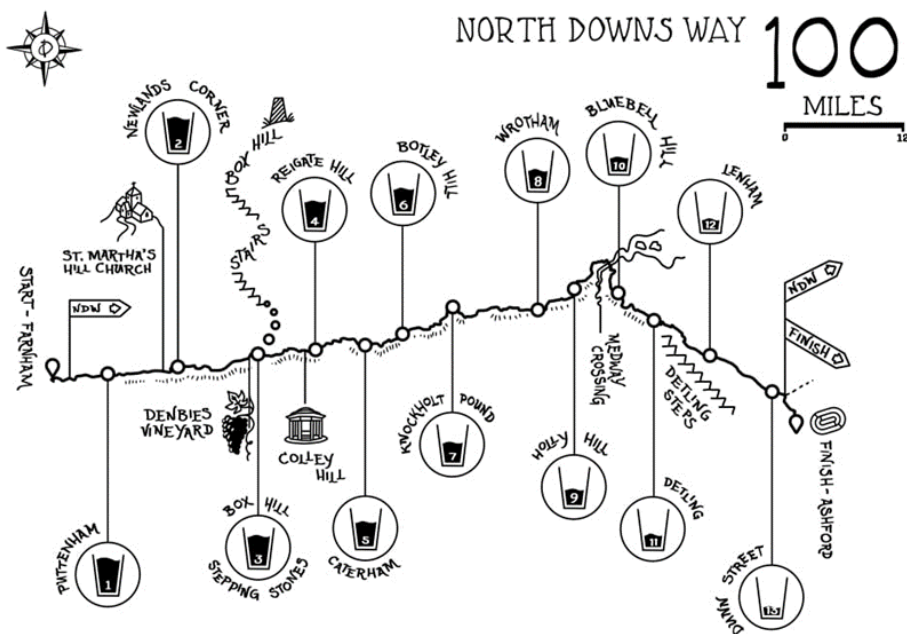
According to their website:

"THE NDW100 IS A 100 MILE CONTINUOUS TRAIL RUN ALONG THE NORTH DOWNS WAY. THE COURSE TRAVELS FROM FARNHAM IN THE SURREY HILLS TO ASHFORD IN KENT. TOTAL CLIMB OF 10,000 FEET.

The race begins in Farnham at the Western end of the North Downs. The course works its way through some of the best of the English countryside before traveling through the small village of Puttenham and on to Guildford. It

then continues on to Ranmore Common before the steepest climb of the race up to the top of Box Hill. The trail then drops down the other side and back up to Reigate Hill, on through Merstham to Oxted and a further 8 miles to Knockholt Pound and the 50-mile point at the outermost edge of Greater London. The course then travels on through Wrotham and Holly Hill before crossing the Medway Bridge.

The final 25 miles see runners travel Southeast towards Dover running the majority on trails, paying brief visits to the villages of Detling, Hollingbourne, Harrietsham and Charing before dropping down into Ashford and the finish at the Julie Rose Stadium.”



The race is 20% road and 80% trail, and I'd met them about halfway through. The temperature was in the high 20's °C, and I have to say, the runners I saw were not looking anywhere near as knackered as they should have been after 50 miles!

Runners have to finish within 30 hours, and over 200 hardy souls started, and according to the Centurion Running website, 144 people finished, with Mark Lynch finishing quickest in 16 hours, 52 minutes and 59 seconds. That's an incredible achievement!

The NDW100 was first run in 2011. The course records were set by Mark Darbyshire (M) in a time of 15:18:41 in 2019 and by Debbie Martin-Consani (F) in a time of 18:34:54 in 2016! Absolutely amazing!!



To even enter the race, you have to have completed a minimum of a 50-mile distance race within 15hrs, and the organisers police this strictly, for the runners' own safety.



Runners are required to carry specific kit, including survival blanket, water, waterproof jacket, headtorches and a mobile phone.

At least 13 Aid Stations along the way provide food, drinks and medical assistance. I have a feeling I would need all of that and more!

If you think this kind of thing is something you might like to try, check out <https://www.centurionrunning.com/> for more information, and start training hard!

Cllr. Andy Lapham

PARISH COUNCIL EVENTS : DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday Sep 13th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday Sep 17th 2022 - Saturday Freighter (see page 7)

Saturday Sep 24th 2022 - Annual Fireworks Display (see back page)

Tuesday Oct 11th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Tuesday Nov 8th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Sunday Nov 13th 2022 - Service of Remembrance 10.45am War Memorial

Saturday Nov 19th 2022 - Saturday Freighter (see page 7)

Tuesday Dec 13th 2022 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Dec 2022 - Christmas Singalong (date TBC)

Tuesday Jan 10th 2023 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday Jan TBC 2023 - Saturday Freighter Date TBC

Tuesday Feb 14th 2023 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Tuesday Mar 14th 2023 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Saturday Mar TBC 2023 - Saturday Freighter Date TBC

Wednesday Mar TBC 2023 - Annual Parish Meeting / Parish Reception Date TBC

Tuesday Apr 11th 2023 - Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Pavilion

Visit www.duntongreenpc.org.uk & sign up to Email Alerts to keep up to date/informed about all the latest news, meetings and events information as it is published. Meeting agendas are published in the week prior to the meeting and are available on the website.



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Price's Wood - Bike Trail



The high quality of entries meant that a runners up prize was awarded to Lizzie Smith for this design. Great work, Lizzie!



Before the end of the summer term, a poster competition was held at the school with the aim of helping to promote the Bike Trail at Price's Wood. There were so many fantastic entries that the judges (Mrs. Boanas, the school's headteacher and Peter Ashlee, one of the Friends of Price's Wood volunteers), had a really difficult task.

The winning entry was this super design by Sasha Cernikova .

Well done, Sasha! What a fabulous poster!





A few years ago together with a group of volunteers and the Parish Council, with support from the District Council, we built a small local bike trail. The trail is tucked away in Price's Wood just off Pounsley Road.

Lots of families with young children found the trail a welcome distraction during the lock down. The trail follows a meandering line with gentle bumps and flowing corners. It is an ideal way to introduce local young people to mountain biking for free and without having to drive anywhere. These days more than ever I feel young people need accessible ways to keep active, fit and develop new skills and healthy interests.

Ollie Ireland

Livebiking



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Please enjoy the bike trail at Price's Wood
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Or post to Dunton Green Parish Council, Parish Council Office, Dunton Green Pavilion, Recreation Ground, Dunton Green, Kent TN13 2UR

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, RIVERHEAD WITH DUNTON GREEN
COFFEE MORNING

1st Saturday of the month (1st Oct, 5th Nov, 1st Dec)
9.30am to 11.30am

CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR
REFRESHMENTS AND PRAYERS
DO COME AND JOIN US



DUNTON GREEN PAVILION

Recreation Ground, London Road, Dunton Green TN13 2UR



Dunton Green Pavilion is a fantastic community facility owned and managed by Dunton Green Parish Council

The Pavilion is located in the Recreation Ground in Dunton Green and offers excellent facilities for community activities, commercial organisations and private hire. - PLENTY OF AVAILABILITY CURRENTLY

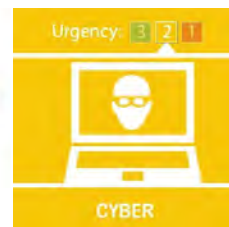
Please see the Parish Council's website (www.duntongreenpc.org.uk) for more details about the venue, including pricing

Contact: bookings@duntongreenpc.org.uk / 07305 814694



REPORTING SCAMS

Did you know that if you receive a suspicious text you can forward it to 7726 free of charge?



Or, if you receive a suspicious e-mail, you can forward it to report@phishing.gov.uk



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These are sites operated by Action Fraud UK

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If you find broken glass anywhere, you can call Sevenoaks District Council on 01732 227000 or email information@sevenoaks.gov.uk and ask

for it to be cleared. Their Direct Services team are usually very swift to attend.



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Could this be you?!!

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Happy to Chat Benches

The Parish Council has allocated much of its seating in the village as Happy to Chat Benches. The objective is to encourage the community to come together and to chat with each other. This will help those who feel isolated and reduce loneliness in the village.



Strike up a conversation with someone - it might do you the world of good or may mean the world to that other person.



A new bench at Longford Meadow.



This is the bench dedicated to Patrick Foey at Ryewood. It has also been adopted as a Happy to Chat Bench in his memory; he was well known through the village as a friendly face and for making use of the benches.



And another new bench at The Recreation Ground.



There are benches located throughout the village, meaning that you can take a stroll around Dunton Green whilst having plenty of opportunities to sit and rest. From the Rose Garden to the recreation ground, to the village green, to London Road (opposite Milton Road), to Longford Meadow, to Mill Road and in Ryewood: why not explore your surroundings?

If you don't want to chat, there are also plenty of benches where you can just sit and quietly contemplate or simply watch the world go by.



Dunton Green Parish Council
presents the

Annual Fireworks Display

6.30PM ENTERTAINMENT STARTS
SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER
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