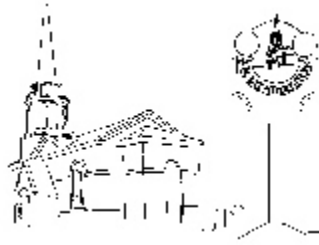


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# Parish News

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## COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

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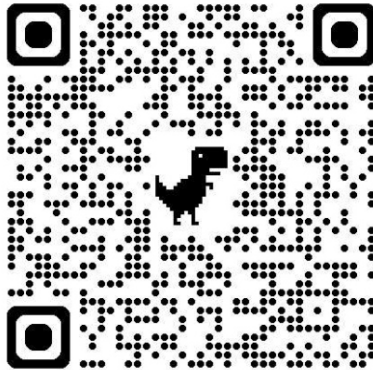
# Great Houghton Parish Council

## GREAT HOUGHTON COMMUNITY SURVEY

**Have your say** – please complete the village wellbeing survey online at:

<https://forms.gle/QHZjPBiuMzn7sYK47>

or use the QR code below.



**Your views will help shape future activities, facilities and support in the village. It takes just 10 minutes to complete.**

If you prefer to complete the paper survey, you can pop it into the book swap telephone box - look for the blue folder, post it into the post box in the village hall or give it to one of the parish councillors.

We will also have spare surveys and a return folder on the bar in the village hall. You don't have to live in Great Houghton to complete it.

Thank you for your help

## **PARISH COUNCIL: CHAIR'S REPORT – JUNE AND JULY 2026**

I am writing this just before the Bank Holiday weekend and half terms for local schools. I hear that the weather may be sunny which makes a change from the cold and rain that this year's May has brought. It would be a welcome relief to be able to spend time outside.

### **Wellbeing Survey**

A Community Survey on wellbeing, activities and village life addressed to residents is enclosed with this edition of the Parish News. The survey feeds into our proposed Wellbeing Plan. It gives village organisations a better idea of not only current use of groups and services, but what you would like to see available. The survey can be carried out on paper or online using a QR code. Please make sure you complete and return it.

### **Beware of Scams/Police Pack being distributed**

We are being made aware of an increasing number of scams targeting Northampton residents. Please make sure you take care to avoid these. We have also been given packs by the police which contain useful information and contact numbers. These should be delivered to every house in the village shortly.

### **Booking the Village Hall**

The village hall can be booked for events including private parties, children's parties, wedding receptions and other social functions and for use by groups or for meetings. Bookings can be made by emailing [info@greathoughtonhall.co.uk](mailto:info@greathoughtonhall.co.uk). Please make use of this great community asset.

### **Community Speed Watch**

We know that cars speeding through the village is a concern for residents. If you are happy to help out with Community Speed Watch (only an hour is allowed per session so it will not take up much of your time), please contact our Clerk at [clerk@greathoughton-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@greathoughton-pc.gov.uk)

## Considerate Parking

Please could we ask that residents and visitors park considerately in the village – including parking in a place which is safe and visible to other road users. Where you park on the other side of the road from a house or houses, please also take into account whether the resident/s are able to exit their driveway easily and safely.

## General

If you have any issues you wish to raise with us, please contact any councillor or our Clerk at [clerk@greathoughton-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@greathoughton-pc.gov.uk) Alternatively, we hold our meeting on the third Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall and you're welcome to come and speak to us in person.

## Sarah Williams

### How to Report Road or Street Problems

If you have access to the internet this can be done online at [www.fixmystreet.northamptonshire.gov.uk/](http://www.fixmystreet.northamptonshire.gov.uk/)

Enter a Northamptonshire postcode, street name and area, or to check an existing report number:

e.g. 'NN1 1NS' or 'Bridge Street' or click on

Use my current location, box to enter details of the problem.

Please enter a single problem per enquiry.

*Issues reported via the online system may not be reviewed to for up to 5 working days.*

**If you consider that the defect you are informing us of is an emergency please do not log it on this system. Instead call 0300 126 7000 Mon to Fri (9am to 5pm) for West Northamptonshire Council or 0300 126 3000 for North Northamptonshire Council. Ring 01604 651074, out of hours, for issues relating to both West Northamptonshire Council and North Northamptonshire Council.**

My thanks and appreciation to Alison Wright for her glorious front cover photos celebrating the humble Poppy! Clockwise, top left Cherry Tree Lane, Playing Field in the ashes of bonfire, field poppies off Glebe Lane and finally those 'phoenix poppies' on the Playing Field. Editor.

## Northamptonshire Police Contact Details & Numbers

<b>Emergency</b>	Crime in Progress	<b>999</b>
<b>Non Emergency</b>	Report at <b>northants.police.uk</b> or <b>101</b>	
<b>Crime Stoppers</b>	Remain anonymous	<b>0800 555 111</b>
<b>Northamptonshire Police Switchboard</b>		<b>03000 111 222</b>
<b>Dedicated Watch Line</b>		<b>01604 432436</b>
<b>Local Police</b>	<a href="mailto:neighbourhoodteamnorthampton@northants.pnn.police.uk">neighbourhoodteamnorthampton@northants.pnn.police.uk</a>	
P.C.S.O	Becky Evans	<b>07976 021 135</b>
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<b>Lower High St. &amp; Rectory Close</b>	<b>VACANT</b>	
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<b>Willow Crescent</b> Email: lindabillingham79@gmail.com	<b>Linda Billingham</b> 35 Willow Crescent NN4 7AP	<b>01604 875125</b> <b>07742 324154</b>
<b>Willow Lane</b> Email: jo.jo.thom57@btinternet.com	<b>Joanne Thomason</b> 22 Willow Lane NN4 7AW	<b>01604 769980</b> <b>07413 630051</b>
<b>Upper High Street (White Hart to The Green)</b> Email: hcaroline981@gmail.com	<b>Caroline Humphrey</b> 48 High Street, NN4 7AF	<b>07500 230420</b>
<b>The Green</b> Email: kbarker@gmx.com	<b>Keith Barker</b> 28 The Green NN4 7AL	<b>07419 834758</b>
<b>Paget Close &amp; Glebe Lane</b> Email: claire_tulloch@yahoo.co.uk	<b>Claire Tulloch</b> 7 Paget Close, NN4 7EF	<b>07808 124625</b>
<b>Keats Close &amp; Lime Farm Way</b> Email: john.adams20166@gmail.com	<b>John Adams</b> 23 Lime Farm Way NN4 7AQ	<b>07552 939616</b>
<b>Wymersley Close</b> Email: b.zajac@talktalk.net	<b>Sylvia Zajac</b> 2 Wymersley Close NN4 7PT	<b>01604 760503</b> <b>07597 968804</b>

Neighbourhood Watch messages are headed Northampton Talking.

***Cliff Bebbington***

## WHAT'S ON...

## IN JUNE AND JULY 2026

### JUNE 2026

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>

**WI 'My Life and Times as a Film Extra' by John Kinory** at Great Houghton Village Hall from 7:30pm.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>

**Great Houghton Growers**, from 7pm to 9pm at Great Houghton Village Hall.

Friday 12<sup>th</sup>

**WI Community Coffee Morning** from 10:30am to 12 noon at Great Houghton Village Hall.

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>

**Sheppard Singers - Midsummer Concert** from 7:30pm at St Mary's Church, Great Houghton.

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>

**Houghton's and Brafield History Society - The Great Fire of Northampton 1675 with Ruth Thomas** at Little Houghton Village Hall at 7:30pm.

Saturday & Sunday  
27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

**Great Houghton Art Group Present AN ART EXHIBITION** at Piddington Church (NN7 2ER) from 10am to 4:30pm on both days. **This is part of the Open Gardens weekend event, in Hackleton, Piddington and Horton.**

### JULY 2026

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Great Houghton Growers**, from 7pm to 9pm at Great Houghton Village Hall.

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>

**WI 'From Ration to Fashion' a talk by Patricia Heed** at Great Houghton Village Hall from 7:30pm.

Friday 10<sup>th</sup>

**WI Community Coffee Morning** from 10:30am to 12 noon at Great Houghton Village Hall.

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Houghton's and Brafield History Society - Jadzia's War with Izabela Frydrych** at Little Houghton Village Hall at 7:30pm



*The Houghtons & Brafield*  
HISTORY SOCIETY

**24<sup>th</sup> June - The Great Fire of Northampton 1675 - Ruth Thomas**

We missed out on the anniversary of the great fire of Northampton in 1675, but one year on, Ruth Thomas makes a welcome return to the Society to give us an account of the disaster and the rebuilding of the town thereafter. Ruth is a well-known speaker and historian on local matters. The last time she came, she spoke on Northampton Castle, and as I recall, she ran out of time, such is her depth of knowledge.

**22<sup>nd</sup> July - Jadzia's War - Izabela Frydrych**

The end of hostilities in 1945, did not mark the return of peace to the people of Europe, but for many thousands, saw huge movements of population as borders were redrawn as the Iron Curtain came down dividing East from West. This is one child's story with a twist at the end.

Non-Members are always welcome; we will be pleased to see you.

Richard Deacon  
Chairman

01604 890275

**The Houghtons and Brafield History Society meet on the Fourth Wednesday  
in the month at 7:30pm at Little Houghton Village Hall**

## GREAT HOUGHTON VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELD

REGULAR ACTIVITIES – these occur WEEKLY unless indicated

<b>Art Group</b> Thursdays	1:30pm to 4:30pm	At the village Hall - For all abilities - please contact Sarah Kelly on 01604 661266 or just pop in for a chat on a Thursday afternoon.
<b>Community Coffee Morning</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday each month	<b>Monthly</b> 10:30am to Midday	At the village hall run by the WI - ALL WELCOME
<b>Cricket (Summer Season only)</b> Wednesday Evening Practice Saturdays If you are interested in joining Great Houghton Cricket Club, please email Ben Mousley (1st team captain) <a href="mailto:benmousley@hotmail.co.uk">benmousley@hotmail.co.uk</a> *Contact Rob Hart robert.hart3@sky.com on 07979 598074 for Dynamos Cricket	5:30pm to 6:30pm 11am to 7:30pm	Dynamos Cricket for boys & girls from 8-11 yrs old *
<b>Great Houghton Growers</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday each month	<b>Monthly</b> 7pm to 9pm	At the village hall –keen gardeners with any level of gardening experience or skills are welcome. Contact <a href="mailto:mandyroberson22@gmail.com">mandyroberson22@gmail.com</a> 07737 522522 or <a href="mailto:nikkimay@btinternet.com">nikkimay@btinternet.com</a> 07734 806032 for more information.
<b>GH Playing Field Association</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday each month	<b>Monthly Meetings</b> 8:00pm to 10pm	At the Village Hall
<b>GH Parish Council</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month	<b>Monthly Meetings</b> 7:30pm to 10pm	At the Village Hall

<b>SCA Junior Football</b> Tuesdays Saturday	5:30pm to 7pm 9:00am to Midday	Training at Weston Favell Academy astro turf pitches in the winter months email: <a href="mailto:info@sportingclubaspire.com">info@sportingclubaspire.com</a> or contact SCA via Facebook Messenger
<b>Short Mat Bowls</b> Mondays Tuesdays	7pm to 9pm 10am to Midday	At the village hall contact John Sullivan 01604 763556 or Tony Gammage 07885 135202
<b>Social Hiit 'Fresh Air' Session</b> Wednesdays Saturdays	7:30pm to 8:30pm 8:15am to 9:15am	See Facebook page - fitness life styled coach 07464 595067
<b>Tennis Court</b> <i>including Pickleball</i>		If you are interested in joining the Tennis Club and playing tennis Contact Nicky Wates 07711 065944 For more Information contact Shane Welch on 07904 064499 or email <a href="mailto:dinkydonkpickleball@gmail.com">dinkydonkpickleball@gmail.com</a>
<b>Women's Institute (WI)</b> 1st Tuesday of the month	<b>Monthly Meetings</b> 7:30pm to 9:30pm	At the village hall see the notice boards for WI programme details. If you would like more information or wish to tell us that you would like to visit, then please email: <a href="mailto:howardkay@btinternet.com">howardkay@btinternet.com</a>

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## Help Needed

On Christmas Eve this year there will be a Holy Communion Service at 11:30pm in St Mary's Church, Great Houghton.

I have not been able to book an organist for this service and am asking if there is anyone in the village who would be happy to come to the service to play either the electric church organ or the piano for the carols and hymns.

There is payment for this activity, if anyone is willing to do this.

Please contact **Sarah Kelly** by email at [e.kelly90@yahoo.com](mailto:e.kelly90@yahoo.com) .



### Little Houghton CE Primary School

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01604 890788 [www.lhcep.co.uk](http://www.lhcep.co.uk)

Headteacher: Mrs Carolyn Fairbrother.  
[head@lt-houghton.northants-ecl.gov.uk](mailto:head@lt-houghton.northants-ecl.gov.uk)



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For Information Contact;

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Tony Gammage on [07885 135202](tel:07885135202) or [a.gammage@sky.com](mailto:a.gammage@sky.com)



Dear friends,

A heartfelt thanks for the wonderful send - off you gave me on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April, which I am still reflecting on. Reverend Kris gave a fabulous sermon based on my favourite readings, which were all read in excellently, as were the intercessions.

The church was beautiful as always and still full of the Easter flowers, the buffet was brilliant and everything was exactly as I wished for; even my friend Judy surprising me by driving from Derbyshire at the crack of dawn to get there.

Thank you also for the magnificent gift to spend as I wish, and all the many other gifts and cards, and of course your love which was tangible, I was overwhelmed!

I could go on indefinitely, but I'll end by saying, I will never forget April 12<sup>th</sup> 2026, I will never forget my time served in the Benefice and its villages and I will never forget any of you, you will always hold a very special place in my heart.

With my love and prayers and every blessing.

Reverend Irene



# SHEPPARD SINGERS



## Midsummer Concert

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

7:30pm

**St Mary's Church**

**High St, Gt Houghton NN4 7AF**

Music by Tallis, Taverner, Byrd, Morley, Rossini, Sullivan, Poulenc,  
Rutter, Ticheli and more.

Free admission; retiring collection in aid of church funds.

**Information: 01604 764608**



We are Great Houghton WI, a group of women from local parishes who meet monthly to enjoy a varied programme of talks and social events. **We always welcome visitors and your first two visits are free....so why not come along?**

**Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**, when we will receive a talk by John Kinory who will tell us about 'My Life and Times as a Film Extra' with photos that depict life on a film set and 'shots' captured from films & dramas together with many anecdotes about interesting filming locations, meeting the stars, how one is treated by *Production*, and the great satisfaction of being part of an incredibly complex production in which dozens of people all contribute to the final film/drama.

**Our July meeting will be on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>**, when Patricia Heed will give a talk about 'From Ration to Fashion' that looks at the social history of fashion, with scaled models in costumes of the period, where we see how history affected fashion and fashion affected history.

**If you like us, and would like to join, we will tell you about our annual subscription.** This not only joins you to our group but also gives you access to many free courses and a wealth of information through the 'VIA New Learning' on [www.thewi.org.uk](http://www.thewi.org.uk), and there are also loads of County Events that you can join in with, too.

#### **Highlights from our recent meetings:**

**In April**, we listened to the motivational speaker and poet, Abbi Jinks on the "The Brave Art of Getting it Wrong" where her overriding message was to 'seize the day' and achieve your dreams.

**Our May meeting was our Resolutions Evening**, where we guided our representative to represent our views at national conference in June on the following resolutions:

The resolution called for accessible, clean, free public toilets which are fundamental to inclusion and wellbeing, especially for women, older people, disabled individuals, parents and carers; and to support local authorities and civil society in reversing the closure trend and ensuring dignity for all. And the resolution that calls for support of homelessness charities and urges all levels of government to take action to reduce women's homelessness, reduce the number of women at risk of homelessness, and improve the quality of temporary accommodation.

**We meet at 7.30pm on the first Tuesday of the month at Great Houghton village hall and you would be most welcome to join us.**

*If you would like more information or wish to tell us that you would like to visit, then please email: [hramsden560@gmail.com](mailto:hramsden560@gmail.com)*



## **COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNINGS**

**Great Houghton Village Hall**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June & Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

Everyone is welcome.

Enjoy a tea/coffee with some delicious cake while having a chat and meeting others.

**Held on the second Friday of the month**

**Run by the WI from 10:30am to 12noon - Costs £2.50.**

Just turn up on the day.....we look forward to seeing you





## Wymersley Benefice News - June and July 2026

June is often a month that people look forward to. Summer holidays begin appearing on the horizon, gardens become greener almost by the day, and the lighter evenings seem to invite us outdoors once again. There is something hopeful about this time of year as families spend more time together, friends linger a little longer in conversation, and village life begins to feel a little fuller again.

Over recent months I have found myself reflecting on just how important those moments of togetherness really are. Life can easily become busy, rushed, and fragmented, and many people still quietly carry loneliness, worry, or a sense of disconnection from others.

Perhaps that is one reason why spaces of welcome, conversation, prayer, and community still matter so deeply.

Recently we launched “Fire Church” within the benefice, a relaxed gathering built around food, conversation, prayer, and worship. What was especially encouraging was seeing people of different ages coming together so naturally. There was laughter, conversation, children toasting marshmallows, and a genuine sense of warmth and welcome.

At the heart of the Christian faith is Jesus Christ himself, who constantly gathered people together. Around tables, along roadsides, in homes, and within everyday life. Christ met ordinary people with compassion, hope, forgiveness, and the reminder that no one walks through life alone.

Across our benefice we continue to reflect on how we can strengthen that shared life together. From June onwards we will begin gathering as a benefice on the fourth Sunday of each month for a shared service, bringing our churches together in worship while still celebrating the unique identity and history of each village church community.

One of the greatest encouragements over the past year has been seeing both familiar and new faces joining us across the benefice at services, coffee mornings, community events, and quieter moments of prayer. Faith is often a journey that unfolds slowly and differently for each person, and our churches remain places where questions can be asked, friendships formed and hope rediscovered.

If you would like to explore more about the life of our benefice, upcoming services, or events taking place across our churches, please do visit our website: <https://wymersleybenefice.org.uk/>

As summer approaches, perhaps June reminds us again of the importance of time together, community, and the relationships that sustain us through life. The church has always sought to be a place where people can encounter not only friendship and welcome, but also the hope and love of Jesus Christ at the centre of it all.

God bless you,  
Rev. Kris

### **Old LEGO Needed for Future Church Activities**

**We are beginning to explore the possibilities of using LEGO within some future church and community activities for children and families across the benefice.**

**If anyone has any old or unused LEGO tucked away at home which is no longer needed, we would be very grateful to receive donations. Many boxes sit forgotten in lofts, cupboards, and spare rooms, and we would love to be able to give them a new purpose. If you feel able to help, please do get in touch with me.**

**Thank you so much for your kindness and support.**

**Email: [wymbenefice@gmail.com](mailto:wymbenefice@gmail.com)**

**With every blessing,  
Kris**

**Rev'd Kris Seward**

**Rector of Cogenhoe and Great Houghton and Little Houghton with  
Brafield on the Green. <https://wymersleybenefice.org.uk>**



# Church Services Across the Wymersley Benefice

## JUNE 2026

**There is a Book of Common Prayer Service**  
**every Wednesday, 10:00 am at Little Houghton.**

### **7<sup>th</sup> June**

09:30 am  
09:30 am  
11:00 am  
11:00 am

### **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

Morning Prayer  
Holy Communion  
All Age Worship  
Worship for All

Brafield  
Great Houghton  
Little Houghton  
Cogenhoe

### **14<sup>th</sup> June**

09:30 am  
09:30 am  
11:00 am  
11:00 am

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

Worship for All  
Morning Prayer  
Holy Communion  
Morning Prayer

Brafield  
Great Houghton  
Little Houghton  
Cogenhoe

### **21<sup>st</sup> June**

09:30 am  
09:30 am  
11:00 am  
11:00 am

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

Holy Communion  
Morning Prayer  
Morning Prayer  
Holy Communion

Brafield  
Great Houghton  
Little Houghton  
Cogenhoe

### **28<sup>th</sup> June**

10:00 am  
3:00 pm

### **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

**Benefice Service - Holy Communion** Cogenhoe  
Fire Church Cogenhoe Scout Hut  
*A new service for young people and families.*



Any changes to this calendar will be published on  
<https://wymersleybenefice.org.uk>



## Church Services Across the Wymersley Benefice JULY 2026

There is a Book of Common Prayer service  
every Wednesday, 10am at Little Houghton.

### 5<sup>th</sup> July

09:30am  
09:30am  
11:00am  
11:00am

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Morning Prayer  
Holy Communion  
All Age Worship  
Worship for All

Brafield  
Great Houghton  
Little Houghton  
Cogenhoe

### 12<sup>th</sup> July

09.:30am  
09:30am  
11:00am  
11:00am

### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Worship for All  
Morning Prayer  
Holy Communion  
Morning Prayer

Brafield  
Great Houghton  
Little Houghton  
Cogenhoe

### 19<sup>th</sup> July

09.:30am  
09.:30am  
11:00am  
11:00am

### 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion  
Morning Prayer  
Morning Prayer  
Holy Communion

Brafield  
Great Houghton  
Little Houghton  
Cogenhoe

### 26<sup>th</sup> July

10:00am  
3:00pm

### 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

**Benefice Service Holy Communion**  
Fire Church  
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**Brafield**  
Cogenhoe Scout Hut



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	VH1	VH1 SD	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1
	Journey number												
	<b>Monday to Saturday</b>												
Northampton -Stamwick Lakes via Cogenhoe, Bozeat, Wellingborough & Rushden Lakes.													
Northampton College of Further Education (TTO)													
Northampton Bus Interchange (Bay 14)													
Northampton College of Further Education (TTO)													
Weston Favell Shopping Centre (Billing Brook Road) D													
Northampton General Hospital (Stop B)													
Brackmills, adj Footpath to The Lakes													
Great Houghton, White Hart													
Great Houghton, adj Lime Farm Way													
Little Houghton, o/s St Mary's Church													
Brafield-on-the-Green, opp Grove Road													
Billing Aquadrome													
Cogenhoe, opp The Royal Oak PH													
Whiston, adj The Green													
Castle Ashby Bus stop													
Grendon, adj Parsons Close													
Easton Mauditt, o/s St Peter and St Paul's Church													
Bozeat, adj Camden Square													
Bozeat opp St Mary's Road													
Bozeat, opp Allens Hill													
Wollaston, outside Nags Head Inn													
Wollaston, opp Priory Road													
Wellingborough Dog and Duck													
Wellingborough Broadway													
Wellingborough Church Street Interchange (Bay B)													
Wellingborough, Park Farm, Shaw Close													
Wellingborough Dog and Duck													
Glemvale Park, Primary School													
Wellingborough Church Street Interchange (Bay B)													
Christopher Hatton School													
Oak Way Academy													
Glemvale Park, Primary School													
Wrenn School													
Earls Barton, Downton Hill													
Brackmills, opp Footpath to The Lakes													
Rushden Lakes (Stop 1)													
Dolben Avenue (via Stamwick Lakes)													
(Saturday & School holidays only)													

Stanwick Lakes to Northampton via Rushden Lakes, Wellingborough, Bozeat & Cogenhoe	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1
<b>Journey number</b>	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1	VH1
<b>Monday to Saturday</b>							
Dolben Avenue (via Stanwick Lakes) (Saturday & school holidays only)						12:00	16:22
Rushden Lakes (Stop 1)						12:11	16:30
Wellingborough Church Street Interchange (Bay B)			10:09	10:13	12:15	13:45	16:46
Wellingborough Dog and Duck				10:13	12:22	13:52	16:50
Wollaston, adj Priory Road	07:28	*08:53	08:56	10:23	12:25	13:55	17:00
Wollaston, outside Nags Head Inn	07:31	08:56	09:00	10:27	12:29	13:59	17:04
Bozeat, adj Allens Hill	07:35	09:00	09:02	10:29	12:31	14:01	17:06
Bozeat, adj Camden Square	07:37	09:02	09:03	10:30	12:32	14:02	17:07
Bozeat opp St Mary's Road	07:38	09:03	09:06	10:33	12:35	14:05	17:10
Easton Maudit, opp St Peter and St Paul's Church	07:41	09:06	09:08	10:35	12:37	14:07	17:12
Grendon, opp Parsons Close	07:43	09:08	09:11	–	12:40	14:10	R
Castle Ashby Bus stop	–	09:11	09:14	–	12:43	14:13	R
Whiston, opp The Green	07:47	09:14	09:17	10:39	12:46	14:16	17:21
Cogenhoe, o/s The Royal Oak PH	07:51	09:17	09:22	10:44	12:51	14:21	17:26
Billing Aquadrome	–	09:22	09:27	10:49	12:56	14:26	R
Brafield-on-the-Green, adj Grove Road	07:57	09:27	09:29	10:51	12:58	14:28	17:33
Little Houghton St Mary's Church (near)	07:59	09:29	09:33	10:55	13:02	14:32	17:37
Great Houghton, White Hart	08:03	09:33	09:36	10:58	13:05	14:35	17:40
Great Houghton, adj Lime Farm Way	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Brackmills, opp Footpath to The Lakes	08:06	09:36	09:41	11:03	13:10	14:40	R
Northampton General Hospital (Stop A)	08:11	09:41	09:47	11:09	13:16	14:46	R
Northampton Bus Interchange (Bay 14)	08:17	09:47	R	R			
Northampton College of Further Education (TTO)	R	R					
Weston Favell Shopping Centre (Billing Brook Road)D		R					
Earis Barton, Dowthorpe Hill							R
Wellingborough, Park Farm, Shaw Close							R

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### Monday to Saturday

	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41
Bedford Bus Station	0610	0810	0900	1010	1100	1210	1300	1410	1610	1710
Bedford Rail Station	0615	0815	0905	1015	1105	1215	1305	1415	1615	1715
Biddenham, Merril's Field	0620	0820	0910	1020	1110	1220	1310	1420	1620	1720
Bromham, The Swan	0624	0824	0914	1024	1114	1224	1314	1424	1624	1724
Bromham, Springfield Road	0628	0828	0918	1028	1118	1228	1318	1428	1628	1728
Bromham, Brookside Park	0635	0835	0925	1035	1125	1235	1325	1435	1635	1735
Stagsden, High Street	-	-	0930	-	1130	-	1330	-	-	-
Turvey, The Laws	0640	0840	-	1040	-	1240	-	1440	1640	1740
Lavendon, Memorial	0644	0844	-	1044	-	1244	-	1444	1644	1744
Olney, The Bull	0651	0851	-	1051	-	1251	-	1451	1651	1751
Yardley Hastings, High Street	0702	0902	-	1102	-	1302	-	1502	1702	-
Denton, Bridge Meadow	0705	0905	-	1105	-	1305	-	1505	1705	-
Brafield-on-The-Green, Red Lion	0710	0910	-	1110	-	1310	-	1510	1710	-
Northampton, Bus Interchange	0725	0925	-	1125	-	1325	-	1525	1725	-

	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41
Northampton, Bus Interchange	-	0730	-	0930	-	1130	-	1330	1530	1730
Brafield-on-The-Green, Red Lion	-	0743	-	0943	-	1143	-	1343	1543	1743
Denton, Bridge Meadow	-	0745	-	0945	-	1145	-	1345	1545	1745
Yardley Hastings, High Street	-	0748	-	0948	-	1148	-	1348	1548	1748
Olney, Aspreys	-	0756	-	0956	-	1156	-	1356	1556	1756
Olney, The Bull	0711	0801	-	1001	-	1201	-	1401	1601	1801
Lavendon, Memorial	0720	0810	-	1010	-	1210	-	1410	1610	1810
Turvey, The Laws	0725	0815	-	1015	-	1215	-	1415	1615	1815
Stagsden, High Street	-	-	0930	-	1130	-	1330	-	-	-
Bromham, Brookside Park	0730	0820	0933	1020	1133	1220	1333	1420	1620	1820
Bromham, Springfield Road	0734	0824	0937	1024	1137	1224	1337	1424	1624	1824
Bromham, The Swan	0738	0828	0941	1028	1141	1228	1341	1428	1628	1828
Biddenham, Merril's Field	0742	0832	0945	1032	1145	1232	1345	1432	1632	1832
Bedford Rail Station	0747	0837	0950	1037	1150	1237	1350	1437	1637	1837
Bedford Bus Station	0802	0852	1005	1052	1205	1252	1405	1452	1652	1850

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