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### Chairman's letter

## 'OVEG is not just the committee'

Welcome to the first newsletter since the AGM.

I was humbled to be asked to stand again by those attending the AGM and I'm pleased to welcome some new faces onto the committee.

I would like to thank the committee from last year for their efforts and hard work, it was not an easy year with a number of committee posts not being filled, resulting in delays in getting the newsletters out.

I'm pleased to say that all officer posts were filled this year, with one space as a committee member being vacant.

If you would be interested in helping as a committee member please let me know.

A point was raised by a member, that OVEG is not just the committee, a point which is totally echoed by the committee.

OVEG relies on volunteers and needs residents to step forward to offer help, not only at events such

as the fayre, but also to work on projects.

So please help the committee to help you make a difference.

On this last point if you have ideas for events or project please let the committee know.

We may not be able to act on all ideas, but all will be considered.

I look forward to seeing you during the year and hope you enjoy this latest Newsletter.

**Regards,  
Andrew**

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## A note from the new editor

As your new newsletter editor, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself.

I have lived in Oxhey Village since 2002 and quickly realised that it was a community with a difference.

I have worked in the newspaper industry for more than a decade and so I was delighted that I could use my professional skills to give something back to the community that has

made me feel so welcome in the past six years.

My hope is to make the newsletter an intriguing and informative read for the members of OVEG.

Indeed, I hope that you find the history sheet supplied by Bryan Hutt to be of interest, and please be sure to read the details of the OVEG grant, which really gives you the chance to make a

difference.

But for this to be a newsletter that truly reflects the activities of the local community, you need to tell us what you are doing.

Anything that would be of interest to other OVEG members will be a welcome addition, so please submit your news to me, and I look forward to your contributions.

**Hywel**

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# OVEG committee nominations 2008

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<b>Chair</b>	Andrew Filer	Alan Luto	John Drummond	Unanimous	None	None
<b>Secretary</b>	Anil Ghai	Alan Luto	John Drummond	Unanimous	None	None
<b>Treasurer</b>	John Drummond	Karen Filer	John Morton	Unanimous	None	None
<b>Membership secretary</b>	Karen Filer	John Drummond	Mary Reid	Unanimous	None	None
<b>Events co-ordinator</b>	Jane Hopkins	Mary Reid	Jill Ibott	Unanimous	None	None
<b>Newsletter editor</b>	Hywel Jones	John Morton	Alan Luto	Unanimous	None	None
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<b>Publicity officer</b>	Lynne Saint	John Drummond	Virginia Barber	Unanimous	None	None
<b>Fayre co-ordinator</b>	Alan Luto	Jill Ibott	D. Bamford	Unanimous	None	None
<b>Website co-ordinator</b>	Gavin Ellis	Alan Luto	John Morton	Unanimous	None	None
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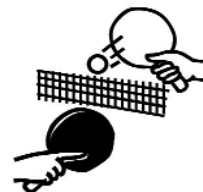
## O.T.T. (Oxhey Table Tennis)

Oxhey Table Tennis has been running for  
over a year  
and meets every Thursday evening  
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Rob Hopkins  
Tel: 01923 241002



# Oxhey matters

## Bushey Arches

After the much debated future and public consultation, it was hoped that the Arches would have had its face lift by the end of April.

Unfortunately there has been a delay due to issues with closing the road while the work is carried out. OVEG has now been informed the traffic order notices are being issued to allow the work to be carried out over the summer.

Lets keep our fingers crossed this does not slip again.

## Bushey Station:

After the very successful commuter count and survey, we're please to say that some of the concerns raised have been acted upon since the change of management of the station.

However there is still a long way to go.

OVEG and Ward Councilors have now arranged a meetings with both the management teams responsible for the station and fast train service during May.

It is hoped that on the strength of public feeling we can agree an action plan to address the outstanding issues raised by commuters.

## Anti-Social Behaviour:

A very sad fact of life today is the increase in anti-social behaviour across the UK. Unfortunately Oxhey is no exception.

There has been an increase in incidents around the Village with a spate of graffiti in Pinner Road and Capel Road and vandalism of a building site as well as groups of youths causing problems on Oxhey Green.

OVEG is committed to working with the Police and other professional bodies (Youth workers) to investigate

and address this problem, organising a meeting to review Police reports to identify "Hot Spots" and types of issues so we can put in place an action plan.

It will not be easy so we need everyone to help.

If you see any acts of anti-social behaviour or other criminal activity we need everyone to report it, if we don't nothing can be done.

Please call 0845 3300222 to report any issues. See it, report it, please.

## Parking Survey

The results of the Parking Survey have been made public so you will be aware that while there is a problem with parking in and around Oxhey, the result of the survey means that there will not be permit parking, at this time.

This subject might come back at some point in the future, but for now its not being taken forward.

## Planning

The JR Tagger site is coming back.

The proposed development submitted for the Tagger site was thrown out last year due to issues around services, water, etc as well as strong public opinion.

However we're being told the developer is about to submit new ideas, the main change being the increase in the number of parking bays.

At this time it does not appear to be any smaller, so if it were to happen it would create a massive blot on the Oxhey skyline, being five stories high and over-powering the arches and surrounding area.

Please be prepared to take a public stand against this mass over-development of Oxhey. OVEG will raise a petition as well as a standard letter that



The JR Tagger site is being targetted by developers again.

residents can use.

If the timing is right we will also invite the developer to the OVEG fayre so you can meet and discuss the proposed plans.

## Obituaries

Two OVEG members sadly passed away last month.

Joan Gunton died on April 20. She was a member for many years, and served time on the committee as OVEG treasurer. Our thoughts and prayers are with husband Ron

and all the family.

Ken Eccles died on April 16 and was well known through the allotment society. He was site supervisor for the Paddock Road allotments and looked after the trading hut for many years. We remember Ken's family at this time.

## Bunny Hensby

Bunny was recently admitted to hospital following another mini-stroke. We wish her patience as she tries to cope with this.

## Aluminium Foil & Drinks Cans

Thank you for all your donations during the past year. Unfortunately we have lost our contact who collected and donated a percentage of the revenue to the Watford Hospice.

However, we have found a non-profit making organisation who can make use of the cans and foil collected and donations will be sent to a charity offering work experience to adults with learning disabilities.

So keep those cans and foil coming. Don't forget that only DRINKS cans can be accepted.

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# 'A case of use it or lose it'

We no longer need to urge people to take an allotment as they have become so popular that there are now very few plots available.

Paddock Road does have some vacant land that needs to be brought back into production but this is a slow process and there currently no land ready to start cultivating.

Tenants do occasionally give up a plot so it is still worth asking if you are interested.

Allotment gardening not only provides healthy exercise, fun and good quality food, but may once again become an economic incentive at a time of rising food prices.

We do however wish to promote our trading shed, situated by the green at the top of Lower Paddock Road. This is open on Saturday and Sunday mornings from 10am-noon and a subscription to the society is £2 per year. We cannot compete with the Garden Centres on all items but on many eg seed potatoes and canes we are definitely cheaper.



We also offer small bagged quantities of a wide range of fertilisers.

Our membership has been declining and we keen to keep a local, convenient service alive.

Our treasurer and trading secretary are both standing down this year and I was worried that we might not be able to fill the posts. But new people are interested, so I am now confident that we can elect a

new committee at our AGM in May.

We do however need new members. You do not need to have an allotment – local gardeners also find the variety of horticultural supplies useful.

It is now a case of “use it or lose it”, so it is up to the community to decide whether the trading shed will continue.

**Mary Reid**  
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# The cookery crusade

*A historical look at Watford Heath School's kitchen from an Open University dissertation by Audrey Adams provided by Bryan Hutt*

NEWTON PRICE was a passionate defender of the School kitchen and gives the impression throughout his writings that it was a project particularly close to his heart.

But why did he consider the teaching of cookery at elementary level to be so important?

In 1887, he told the Cross Commission on Education that his interest had been aroused after seeing "the wretchedness of so many homes from the want of knowledge on the part of the head of the home, the mother".

He continued: "The principle is not to train cooks for rich men's houses, but managers for poor men's homes.....to teach them economy, ingenuity and cleanliness".

He told the Congress on Domestic Education in 1877 that "It is based on a desire to spread contentment and domestic comfort, to cheer the lives and purify the tastes of those who spend day after day in a dreary round of monotonous labour.

"It is an economy and temperance movement".

These statements suggest that Newton Price regarded the teaching of cookery to schoolchildren as a contribution to the crusade to civilise the working classes, and in particular to protect them from the evils of drink.

Cookery had an undeniably lower profile than some of the other Victorian campaigns to redeem the lower orders - for example the Temperance movement or the Salvation Army. But Price was by no means alone.

At the Congress on Domestic Economy held in Birmingham in 1877 and again in 1878, speaker after speaker endorsed his views, some with an almost messianic fervour.

It might be thought that this wave of middle class concern would lead to the establishment of a whole network of cookery schools, but this was not the case.

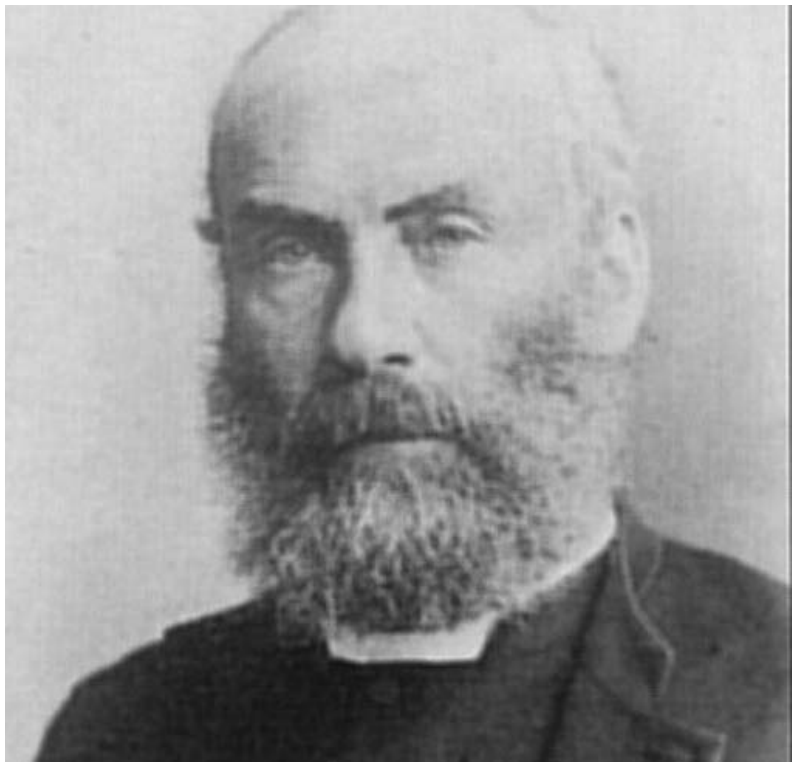
Not everyone was convinced of the value of teaching cookery, and some of the opposition came from a unlikely quarter.

The Education Department raised all sorts of practical objections, including the lack of facilities and specialist teachers, and the expense.

This in itself was surprising: as early as 1832, Sir James Kay-Shuttleworth, then Secretary of the Education Department, had complained that "Domestic economy is neglected, domestic comforts are too frequently unknown".

By 1877, Sir Henry Cole, one of Kay-Shuttleworth's successors, was still lamenting the fact that domestic economy for girls was rated only tenth in the Educational Code - behind such comparatively obscure subjects as mechanics and botany.

Although the inclusion of domestic economy in the Educational Code meant that grants were available the limitation on hours and the lack of facilities militated against practical cookery.



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attended and was pleased with what he saw we had two dishes Poor man's Goose and Haricot beans and Bacon flavoured with Pimento which was highly approved - Cost of Dinner (13 persons) 2<sup>d</sup> per head  
20 April 1875

Entry in the Kitchen Journals for April 20th 1875, the date of Mr. Buckmaster's return visit, and Mr. Buckmaster's handwritten comment: "J Buckmaster attended and was pleased with what he saw We had two dishes Poor Man's Goose and Haricot Beans and Bacon flavoured with Pimento which was highly approved. Cost of dinner (13 persons) 2d per head

20 April 1875"

## WATFORD HEATH SCHOOL KITCHEN

Week commencing April 20<sup>th</sup> 1875

		PAYMENTS	
		From previous Week.	
TUESDAY.		L. Matthews (in charge)	1 70
Dinner	Poor man's	C. G. Lottel Cook.	6
	Goodman	J. G. G. Cook.	3
	Haricot Beans	J. G. G. Cook.	1
	Bacon	J. G. G. Cook.	
WEDNESDAY.		L. Matthews (in charge)	3
Dinner	Poor man's	J. G. G. Cook.	1
	Goodman	J. G. G. Cook.	
	Haricot Beans	J. G. G. Cook.	
	Bacon	J. G. G. Cook.	

RECEIPTS.	
17 at 2d.	2 10
Gift	4
Carried over	nil
TOTAL RECEIPTS.	3 2

TOTAL PAYMENTS 3 9

Cost per Head  $\frac{2^d 7}{13}$

No. of Dinners 19

(Signed) L. Matthews

Newton Price had managed to solve most of the practical difficulties at Watford Heath, but he still endured a running battle with the School Inspector, who threatened to suspend grants to the school.

In his writings, Newton Price comes across as essentially moderate and sensible: however, in describing the visit of the School Inspector, he is positively splenetic: "Nothing that could be done by him was left undone.

"Our timetable was rejected, we were told our grant was in danger... Had the proposal been to teach Syriac (the ancient Semitic language of Syria), the opposition would possibly have been less violent.

It could not have been more so". (Price 1877)

In his view, the Inspectors were intent on promoting "Oxford lore" at the expense of practical subjects - needlework as well as cookery.

This point was accepted by Sir Henry Cole, and an admonitory circular was issued by the Education Department, in 1878 (Cole, 1878).

Having suggested a link between the teaching of cookery to elementary school children and the prevalence of drunkenness among the working classes, it is necessary to consider the subject of drinking more closely.

According to Best, 1971, the alcohol consumption per head of population rose to its all-time peak in about 1875 - the very year the school kitchen was started - and most of the expendi-

ture on beer was by the working classes.

As Best says (page 242) , "Where homes were least homely, work most uncertain or disagreeable, people least able or willing to save, pubs and other drinking places naturally became social centres.... especially so in rural and semi-rural areas".

Was drinking a particular problem on Watford Heath?

Certainly the district fulfilled the archetypal requirements: the Heath itself was still rural in character, while the adjoining village of Oxhey (then called New Bushey) consisted of terraced workmen's cottages, most of them built after the opening of the

railway station in 1841.

Reference to the census returns for 1871 and 1881 confirms the working-class character of the area, with a prevalence of agricultural labourers, brickfield workers and railway clerks. Furthermore, Victorian Watford was a famous brewing centre, and richly-endowed with drinking establishments.

In 1884, Henry Williams, a local historian, listed a total of 59 public houses and beer houses in his Watford Trade Directory - this for a population of about 15,000.

Williams also described the activities of the Watford and Bushey Temperance Society and Blue Ribbon Mission, founded in 1869 as a response to "much drunkenness and consequent much poverty and misery".

There is nothing here to suggest that Watford Heath was a particular hotbed of vice and drunkenness, but it seems clear

# have been more violent'

that drinking was a social problem in the Watford area, as elsewhere.

Using the Kitchen Journals and the Census Enumerator's Books, it is possible to identify some of the young cooks as daughters of these working class households.

The progress of Mary Phillips is particularly interest!

Mary first appears in the Kitchen Journals on the occasion of Mr. Buckmaster's return visit, as an assistant

She was then aged 12, the eldest daughter Horatio Phillips, an engine tuner and fitter and his wife Mary.

By the end of 1875, Mary was regularly listed among the cooks, and on 11th November 1876 she successfully cooked a "trial dinner" of stewed beef and Norfolk dumplings to qualify as a cook for outside suppers.

On 22nd June 1877, Mary Phillips was shown for the first time as the teacher in charge: she was aged 14. In 1881, Mary was in charge of the cookery classes at the new Bushey School Board School in Aldenham Road, which replaced the Watford Heath School.

She was described in the census that year as "teacher of cookery in Board school".

The Watford Heath school afforded an unusual opportunity to progress as a teacher, but although Mary may have been fortunate, there seems no reason to belittle her achievement: certainly her entries in the Kitchen Journals suggest that her writing and arithmetic were as proficient as her cookery skills.

## CONCLUSION

In 1881, the Watford Heath School was closed and the pupils transferred to the newly-built Bushey Board School in Aldenham Road (Beal, 1968), where the girls continued to learn cookery. Later, the Watford School Board also started cookery lessons, and when a new facility was built for the purpose in 1913, it was named the "Newton Price Institute of Domestic Economy".

This tribute to Newton Price suggests the high regard in which he was held, and there is evidence to suggest that, at a local level he did succeed in improving the standard of village kitchen cookery.

"I find that the girls in the habit of taking the place occasionally of their mothers on Sunday morning and allowing them to go to church or chapel: and that they cook at home all the dishes that they learn with us", he told the Cross Commission in 1887. As well as creating a run on Sheeps' Heads, Newton Price introduced haricot beans and macaroni to the local shops; and several of the pupils, including Mary Phillips, went on to become teachers of cookery.

The Reverend Newton Price regarded the teaching of cookery as a means of inculcating such "civilising" and essentially middle class qualities as thrift and sobriety into working class homes, as well as promoting domestic skills

However, the question of whether the teaching of cookery had a significant effect on the improvement of working-class diets nationwide is more doubtful.

Hurt, 1979, discounts the contribution of school cookery, citing instead the rise in real wages from 1875 onwards and the

increased availability of gas for cooking.

Probably most school managers lacked the ingenuity of Newton Price in solving the admitted practical problems of teaching cookery.

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It may be that you work with local community organisations, groups of neighbours or even on our own, but if your initiative will bring maximum

benefit to the residents of Oxhey Village then you can apply for a grant of up to £500.

Your initiative might be tree planting, improving facilities in communal areas, or sponsorship of activities for local youth groups.

Whatever it is, you should demonstrate specific outcomes and time-frames; clear benefits for local

residents; on-going sustainability (maintenance/revenue requirements); partnership working with local groups (where appropriate) and other sources of funding that have been considered.

If you are interested in applying for a grant, read our guidelines below and then submit the simple two-page application form.

## OXHEY VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT GROUP (OVEG) GRANT FUNDING: ADVICE FOR APPLICANTS

### Introduction

The objectives of OVEG are to:

- Preserve the character of Oxhey Village and its surroundings
- Foster the community spirit in the village
- Maintain and improve the environment of the area
- Maintain and improve services to the area
- Record the history of the area

OVEG wishes to provide support through grants to fund initiatives that will contribute to achieving these aims, and members may apply for funding of up to £500, (from a total annual budget of £1000). Applicants may be working with local community organisations, groups of neighbours, or acting individually.

### Criteria

Initiatives must bring maximum benefit to the residents of Oxhey Village. Examples of projects might include tree planting, improving facilities in communal areas, or sponsorship of activities for local youth groups.

Initiatives must aim to deliver improvements above and beyond what would normally be expected from statutory bodies. The funding is not intended to supplement shortfalls in core services.

Applicants must demonstrate:

- Specific outcomes, timeframes, and outline plans
- Clear benefits for local residents
- On-going sustainability: maintenance/revenue requirements
- Partnership working with local groups ( where appropriate )
- Other sources of funding considered

### Guidelines

Bids must be submitted using the OVEG Application For Grant Funding form printed opposite, or which is available from the website [www.oveg.org](http://www.oveg.org). For additional information you can contact John Drummond, [treasurer@oveg.org](mailto:treasurer@oveg.org), (01923 490352).

Recipients will be required to produce evidence of expenditure and, if necessary, interim progress reports. Initiatives will be assessed and recipients will be expected to submit the OVEG Grant Funding Evaluation form, available at [www.oveg.org](http://www.oveg.org)

OVEG may use information on how it has supported these initiatives to assist with improving awareness and promotion of OVEG.

# OXHEY VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT GROUP ( OVEG ) APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING

Please complete all sections of the form, writing clearly or type. An electronic version can be obtained from [www.oveg.org](http://www.oveg.org)

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Is this a joint application? If so, what is the name of the organisation / group you are applying with?

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Amount of grant funding requested? \_\_\_\_\_

For what reason are you applying for grant funding? How will the money be used?

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Which of the following criteria will your project / activity support?

Please tick

- Help to preserve the character of Oxhey
- Help to improve the environment in Oxhey
- Help to foster the community spirit of Oxhey
- Help to improve services to Oxhey
- Help to improve the safety of Oxhey
- Help to record and/or tell the history of Oxhey



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- Bodcraft Supplies 1 Chalk Hill 01923 444676/7
- Bushey Auto Parts 3 Chalk Hill 01923 235100
- Kendal Cars Chalk Hill 01923 238058
- T S Motors Chalk Hill 01923 229228
- Graham's Bodyshop Chalk Hill 01923 817707

### Chemists

- Abell Chemist 4 Haydon Rd, Oxhey 01923 235253
- B J Bond 32 Villiers Rd, Oxhey 01923 223468

### Child Minder

- Julia Ghai Registered Child Minder 88 Oxhey Avenue, Oxhey 01923 212063

### Churches

- Bushey Baptist Church 48 Chalk Hill, Oxhey 01923 441330

- Bushey & Oxhey Methodist Church King Edward Road, Oxhey 01923 223906
- St Matthews C of E The Parish Church of Oxhey, Eastbury Rd 01923 241420

### Cleaners

- CJ's Cleaners 110 Villiers Rd, Oxhey 01923 233087

### Clubs

- Oxhey Conservative & Unionist Club, Lower Paddock Road, Oxhey 01923 224596
- Oxhey Bowling Club Contact Les O'Neill 0208 386 3893

### Cycling

- 13's Cycle Depot 73 Chalk Hill 01923 234221

### Couriers

- Bushey Despatch 35b Chalk Hill 01923 255922

## D

### Design

- Initial Monogram Co. Ltd Tee Shirts etc. 18 Capel Rd, Oxhey 01923 255540

### Decorating

- Acornley Decorating Matt Acornley 07956 150093
- Tile Depot 26 Aldenham Road, Oxhey 01923 637977
- Bushey Blinds and Awnings 23 Aldenham Road, Oxhey 01923 801300

## E

### Estate Agents

- Friends 99 Villiers Rd, Oxhey 01923 242255
- John Whiteman 37 Pinner Rd 01923 247742
- Rose & Co 6 Ye Corner, Oxhey 01923 446100

### Electrical

- DB Electrical & Air Cond'ng 41 Upper Paddock Rd, Oxhey 01923 236740

## F

### Fashion

- Hel's Kitchen 44 Aldenham Road, Oxhey 01923 213999

### Furniture

- Upholstery by Design Unit 5, 57 Bushey Grove Rd, Bushey 01923 819977

## Fireplaces

- Grate Ideas 125 Pinner Rd, Oxhey 01923 253510

## Fishing

- Oxhey Angling Centre 28 Pinner Rd, Oxhey 01923 441110

## G

### Gardening services

- Elizabeth's Garden Design 01923 819194
- The Village Gardeners 01923 251206

## H

### Hire Equipment

- ATT 8 Ye Corner, Chalk Hill, Oxhey 01923 244500

### Hairdressers

- Danato Gents Hair Stylist 36 Aldenham Rd 01923 247877
- Angels - Hair & Nails 27 Villiers Rd 01923 242503
- Stella's 17 Capel Rd 01923 228795
- Hair-Tech 1b Oxhey Avenue 01923 249070

### Health

- Bushey Health Centre London Rd
- Manor View Practice 01923 247446
- Attenborough Practice 01923 231633
- Bushey Osteopathic Clinic 19 Finch Lane, Bushey 020 8950 8886
- Bowtech at Body Balance Villiers House, 110 Villiers Rd Oxhey Village 01923 227340
- Aloe Vera health, nutritional & skin care products 20 King Edward Road, Oxhey 01923 249785
- Holistic Heaven 45 Capel Road 01923 334735
- 07778 624414

## J

### Jewellery

- Saffron Alice 50b Capel Rd, Oxhey 01923 448445

## L

### Local Groups

- Allotment Society Contact Mary Reid 01923 238728
- Friends of Attenborough Fields Contact Ian Mackay 01923 234828
- Oxhey Village Environment Group Contact Andrew Filer 01923 213616

## M

### Milk (Dairy)

- Braziers Dairies Oxhey Lane, Carpenders Park 020 8428 4474

### Musical Instruments

- Thwaites 33 Chalk Hill 01923 232412

## N

### Newsagents

- Nil's Newsagent & Post Office 75 Aldenham Road, Bushey 01923 221599
- News Bit 107 Villiers Road, Oxhey 01923 223949
- Rose Grocers Ltd 83 Chalk Hill, Oxhey 01923 225495

## O

### Off-Licence

- Rich Wines 1 Pinner Road 01923 229562

## P

### Photographers

- 46 Cross Rd, Bushey 01923 333373

### Plumber

- Astral Solutions

### Plumbing and Solar heating

- 19 Cross Road 01923 497865

### Printers

- Bluelobster 9a Pinner Rd 01923 228503

### Public Houses

- The Victoria Chalk Hill, Oxhey
- The Railway Arms Aldenham Rd, Oxhey
- The Villiers Arms Villiers Rd, Oxhey
- The Rifle Volunteer Villiers Rd, Oxhey
- The Load of Hay Watford Heath, Oxhey
- The Royal Oak Watford Heath, Oxhey

### Publishers

- Exley Publications Ltd 16 Chalk Hill, Oxhey 01923 25050

## R

### Railway

- Bushey Station, Pinner Road,

## Riding

- Bucks Meadow Riding School 37 Bucks Ave. 01923 212670

## S

### Schools

- Bushey & Oxhey Infants Aldenham Rd, Oxhey 01923 229731
- Bushey Manor JM School Grange Rd, Bushey 01923 226362
- Bromet JMI School Oxhey Rd, Oxhey 01923 227133

## T

### Take-Aways

- Lal Bagh (Indian) 7 Chalk Hill, Oxhey 01923 224405
- Chutneys (Indian) 9 Chalk Hill, Oxhey 01923 254900
- Junction 5 Chalk Hill, Oxhey 01923 441616/228040
- Plaice 4 Taste (Fish'n'Chips) 81 Chalk Hill, Oxhey
- Happy Choice (Chinese) 46 Aldenham Rd, Oxhey 01923 221953
- Surma (Indian) 14 Aldenham Rd, Oxhey 01923 249944
- Mezza & Pizza Villiers Road, Oxhey
- Ronnie's Café Station Approach, Oxhey 01923 818077

### Tattoo

- Little Dave's Tattoo Studio 1 Ye Corner, Aldenham Road 01923 248090

### Taxi

- Newline Taxis Station Approach, Oxhey 01923 222121

### Theatre School

- Class Act Theatre School Krystal Parsons 01923 246931

## W

### Watches & Clocks

- Watch Box Chalk Hill, Oxhey 01923 461354 / 220784

### Windows

- Harp Windows Ltd 30 Aldenham Rd 01923 231111

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# Forthcoming events...

## Guided tour of Reveley Lodge House and Gardens (Bushey)

Saturday, May 17

Private guided tour of Reveley Lodge House and Gardens, Bushey. £2 per person, afternoon tea included. Reveley Lodge is a large house (originally built 1842) with extensive gardens.

It was bequeathed to Bushey Museum in 2003.

*Please book with Jane Hopkins on 01923 241002. Email [events@oveg.org](mailto:events@oveg.org)*

## Summer Fayre

Saturday, June 7

Commencing at 1pm on Oxhey Village Green

*To book a stall contact Alan Luto 01923 492876. Email: [fayre@oveg.org](mailto:fayre@oveg.org)*

## Oxhey Village Open gardens and scarecrow trail

Sunday, June 22

*This event is not an OVEG event, but is supported by the group*

Over 16 gardens open with afternoon teas.

If you would like to open your garden and help raise money for the Peace Hospice.

*Contact Jane Hopkins on 01923 241002. Email: [events@oveg.org](mailto:events@oveg.org)*

## The Picnic on the Green

Sunday, July 20

2.30pm to 5pm. Come and enjoy your picnic with the Jolly Jazzers Band. Free event.

*Contact Jane Hopkins on 01923 241002. Email: [events@oveg.org](mailto:events@oveg.org)*

**Plus:** Plans are underway to hold a barn dance in the autumn. Details to be confirmed.