



KINGS LANGLEY

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Local History Society makes its own history

Kings Langley Local History and Museum Society is celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year. Normally it spends most of its time researching and recording local history; this year it will be making history as well!



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Fifty years is a great achievement considering that it relies on the generosity of volunteers to provide the services for which it has become well known and used. It has also valued the considerable support from its members over the years, especially surviving founder members.

To mark the event a celebratory talk *Snapshots Through Time*, comparing Kings Langley many years ago with the village as it is now, will take place on Wednesday 12 June in Kings Langley Library – with refreshments from 7pm and the talk starting at 7.45pm. This is a joint event with the Library and is open to all.

Tickets are priced at £5 for society members and £6 for non-members, available from the library or Richard Garnett Harper (01923 264689) – numbers are limited, so first come, first served! Another talk is planned in the autumn.



A further cause for celebration is that the Society has just signed an agreement with Kings Langley Community Library for the Society to continue to use the library premises and computers on Wednesday

Kings Langley Community Library is open to members of the public, by prior appointment only, on Wednesday mornings between 10.00am and 12noon. Please telephone Mike Reveley on 01442 258309 for an appointment.



Above; Archivists and Society Members John Chipperfield, Eleanor Broughton, Richard Garnett Harper, Jean Osborn and Peter Field review local images from yesteryear.

mornings for its research and public consultations.

Richard said 'This is excellent news and we are very grateful to the Volunteers for offering this agreement to us. It is hugely important to have this facility and the Agreement is a splendid way to start our anniversary year.

'The Society has been associated with the library since the day it was formed. The first meeting was held in the library and it has been our "home" ever since.'

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On 29 March Kings Langley High Street was lined with friends waving flags and clapping as he passed through on his way to the crematorium in his much-loved red white and blue van *Gloria*; over 400 people attended the funeral. He has a plaque on a bench in the High Street adorned with his name and an England flag.

Climate Justice – local action

Residents of Kings Langley, Abbots Langley and Hemel Hempstead met on Kings Langley Common on 12 April to march through the village, standing in solidarity with thousands of students – striking across at least 60 UK locations and globally every month since February – to demand faster and greater government action on climate change.

In Kings Langley the climate action group Transition In Kings (www.transitioninkings.org) has residents working together to build resilience to climate shocks, with a lack of support from government policy so far. Strikes and marches are organised by the UK Student Climate Network (www.ukscn.org) and www.fridaysforfuture.org with action being taken by the younger generation, both at the local and national level. The next national Youth4Climate event will be on 24 May, and a local response is also planned.



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Catching up in the High Street

How I love to sit and linger over tea and cake at Fred and Ginger That coffee shop with quirky style will draw you in for quite a while: Catching up with long lost friends; discussing views and news and trends.

Or maybe you are in the mood, for tasty Mediterranean food served at the Deli along the street. Gourmet salads, so hard to beat, some hummus, olives, ham and cheese, a glass of wine puts you at ease.

But perhaps Italian food's your thing: pasta, pizza: food to bring the families flocking to the door, with children pestering for more.

Or if it's Indian food you crave, we have two restaurants with rave reviews and people come from far, for quality which is five star.

And if a pub is more your taste, there are two, so do make haste to the Rose & Crown or Saracen's Head you know that you will be well fed.

So I hope you all agree: Kings Langley is the place to be.

Village News reader Sheila Sheldrake sent us this poem in praise of our High Street's eateries – see our centre spread for a special feature on all your local shops and services...

Village News contacts...

All enquiries, articles, advertisements and Prize Xword competition entries should be sent by email to: kingslangleynews@gmail.com or by post to: The Editor, Kings Langley Village News, c/o Kings Langley Parish Council, Charter Court, Vicarage Lane, Kings Langley, Hertfordshire WD4 9HR

The next edition of *Village News* will be available in July 2019, the deadline for copy and advertising is Friday 14 June.



*Award winners
Phyllis Ratcliffe,
Ann Kircher,
Jeff Folkins, Pat
Blake, Wendy
Smith, Claire
Carpentier,
Margaret Rogers,
Beverley Funnell,
Carol Chandler,
Susan Wallace
and Ann Johnson.*

Annual Parish Meeting and Community Awards

The meeting of the Annual Parish Meeting took place on Thursday 11 April and was attended by over 40 residents.

The Chairman of the Parish Council, Councillor Howard Button opened by reporting on the Parish Council's activities over the last 12 months and took questions. Cllr. Anderson presented a report on the finances and Cllr. Morrish provided an overview of the results from the Parish Survey.

PCSO Ian Martin presented an annual report concerning crime figures over the last 12 months. Cllr. Johnson reported on Kings Langley Charities, paying tribute to Harold Taylor who was retiring through ill health after many years of overseeing the organisation. The retiring head teacher at Kings Langley School, Gary Lewis, presented his last report. Residents were grateful for the effort that had been put into improving the behaviour of students as well as academic achievement.

Cllr. Anderson provided a report on the Borough Council. He gave thanks to

Bob McLean, who after 12 years was retiring from Dacorum Borough Council but was remaining on the Parish Council (Bob was Kings Langley's first Mayor of Dacorum).

The Community Awards were presented. There are now five categories for nominations and awards: *Improving lives of Residents, Action in the Community, Cleaner and Greener Action, Young Persons, and Business in the Community*. In addition, there is a new *Lifetime Achievement Award* which will only be awarded for exceptional service.

Carol Chandler, Beverley Funnell and Margaret Rogers were awarded in the Action in the Community category for their outstanding work with the Carnival over so many years – many village charities and good cause have been helped by the monies that are raised each year.

Jeff Folkins and Claire Carpentier won their award in the Business in the Community category, as Dalling & Co

celebrates its 10th anniversary on 9 May, in recognition of their contribution to the renaissance of our High Street and the community.

Wendy Smith, Ann Kircher, Pat Blake, Phyllis Ratcliffe received an award for their work with young people having been involved in the Guiding Movement in Kings Langley for well over 40 years, also forming the committee that runs the Guide Hut in Blackwell Road.

Ann Johnson and Susan Wallace received an award for their work with young people having run a garden club for year 3 and year 4 children at Kings Langley Primary School for over 10 years. An area of scrubby lawn was transformed into an area comprising fruit bushes and trees, flowers, shrubs and herbs. The garden they tend isn't pretty, but it is practical – just like the skills the children learn.

There followed a general question and answer session, which included topics such as the proposed motorway service area, the hospital, the pinch point in the High Street, Green Belt development and parking problems in Red Lion Lane.

Wills, Probate and more...

On Friday 24 May the Kings Langley Information Forum is hosting another event at the Community Centre in The Nap from 10 am–1.30pm. This is a free event, including a buffet lunch, for older residents of Kings Langley and their friends, neighbours and relatives.

The presentations will include information on wills, probate and financial matters as well as social and well-being activities in the local community.

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The cricket season has started...

Lots of work has been done getting the ground ready for the new season, improving the facilities and recruiting new players. However, there is still time to get involved!

Senior Teams: We run three adult sides, playing in the Herts Leagues at levels to suit all from a pretty good to a social standard! New recruits have been coming along to nets, some with 1st team ambitions and others coming back after many years away from the game.

All Stars: This is the introduction to cricket for kids from 5-8. Our sessions have been so successful that we offer two timeslots so we can accommodate as many as possible. To register go to www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars and select Kings Langley CC.

Junior Teams: Our U9, U10, U11 and U14 sides train on Saturday mornings and play games midweek. If your child would like to join in please get in touch – our coaching can take children who are totally new to the game, and also develop the talent of more experienced players.

To get in touch please contact Tom Templeton on 07788 971464 or tom.templeton@yahoo.co.uk



Probus visit British Motor Museum near Coventry



Members and partners of Kings Langley Probus Club recently enjoyed a visit to the British Motor Museum in Warwickshire which houses the largest collection of historic British cars.

As well as a monthly meeting, where there is a variety of interesting talks, the Club is having various social

functions during the coming months, starting with a Spring Quiz/lunch, then a visit to an eco-waste recycling plant, a social evening in August and culminating with the Autumn Lunch.

Why not come to a Probus Club monthly meeting at the Cricket Club on the third Tuesday morning in each month? If you are interested please contact the secretary John Addy 01923 264171 / djaddy@djaddy.f9.co.uk

Kings Langley FC finish in top six

Kings Langley FC's third season in the Southern Premier league ended with the village team finishing, amazingly, in the top six. But the management, playing staff and supporters wondered what might have been had the start of the season been mirrored at the end; the team took an amazing 60 points from the last 30 games.

KLFC started as bookies' favourites for relegation, having only just survived their first two seasons at this level – however this season has seen a phenomenal change in the team's performance. Recent results include wins against England's only

other village team at this level Hartley Witney 2-1, as well as bigger scalps Merthyr Town 1-0, Tiverton Town away 2-1, and Salisbury away 2-1 with a 90th minute 30-yard thunderbolt by fans' favourite Josh Coldicott-Stevens. Unfortunately, the play-off hopes faded on a gorgeous Easter Monday afternoon with a 1-0 defeat away at Walton on Thames.

Check during the closed season for any events or announcements on the new [Kings Langley Football Club](#) facebook page and Twitter [@KLFCofficial](#) or pop down to our stand at the Carnival. Pre-season starts in July, so enjoy the summer and 'Up the KINGS'!

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The latest threat, and it is a biggie, is the planning proposal for a Motorway Service Area on land adjacent to Junction 20 that has now been submitted by MOTO to Three Rivers District Council's Planning Department. The site comprises greenfield land in the Green Belt, with access to the site via a new junction on the A41 between Langleybury Church and the M25 – NOT directly to and from the motorway.

Even without increased housing in current local development plans, the MOTO proposal has potential to cause massive traffic congestion through Kings Langley, Apsley, Hemel Hempstead, Hunton Bridge, Abbots

Langley and the local area. Apart from the A41, all the other local roads are single or two lanes, many only accessible through height and width restricted bridges. In addition it will generate high levels of poor air quality from diesel fumes and noise issues, especially for the church and the primary school on the southern edge of the site.

Everyone is encouraged to urgently respond to this application: go to www3.threerivers.gov.uk/online-applications/ and comment against planning reference 19/0646/OUT. Alternatively email comments to enquiries@threerivers.gov.uk or write



Location map and artist's impression of the proposed development

to The Development Management Department, Three Rivers District Council, Three Rivers House, Northway, Rickmansworth, Herts WD3 1RL quoting the planning reference number or site address. The final date for comments is Tuesday 14 May.

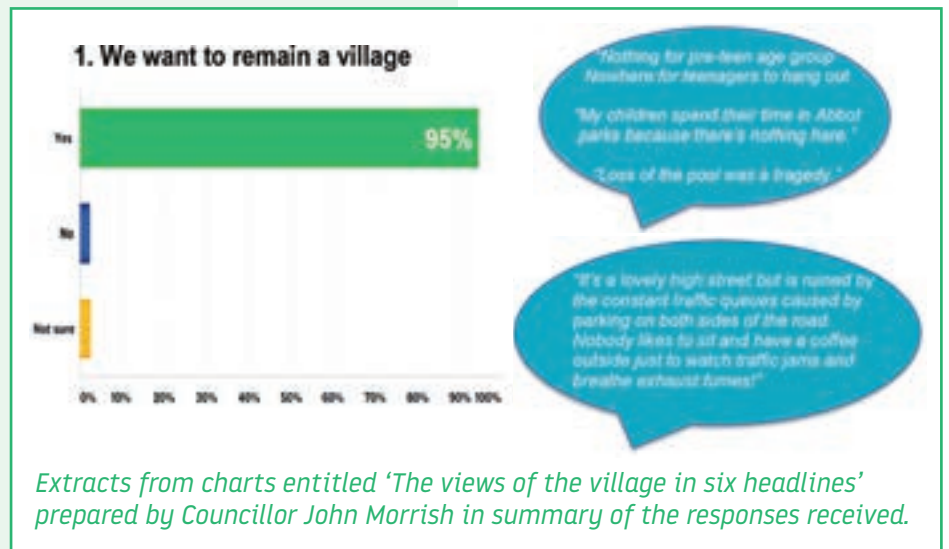
Parish Plan Update – Kings Langley Residents have their say

Kings Langley residents have had their say in the most detailed parish survey since 1991. A summary of the survey results was presented to the Parish Council in March.

Villagers were asked for their views on a range of issues that covered the character of the village, attitudes to future development and the High Street to traffic and parking and sustainability issues.

More than 1,100 people expressed their views: over 95% want Kings Langley to remain a village, 96% value the sense of community, and 98% consider the proximity to open space as a defining characteristic of the village.

The views on future development show the desire to protect the greenbelt is as strong as it was 18 months ago, with 95% rejecting greenbelt development, but 95% also accepted the need for new housing to be built on brownfield sites. 52% would prioritise starter homes for young people. Heavy traffic and congestion in the Parish were of the greatest concern to most residents.



John Morrish outlined the next steps when he told the Council 'We are still to fully analyse the hundreds of comments made by residents. We are waiting for the students of Kings Langley School to report back their findings, and the results of selected focus groups being run during April. We aim to have formal recommendations for a comprehensive Parish Plan back to the Council for their June meeting. This is just the beginning of building a plan that protects the heritage and history of our village whilst recognizing the development pressures the community faces.'

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Springtime comes to Kings

The hub of village life in Kings Langley, the High Street is once again enjoying fair weather – the winter leaves have blown away and the flower troughs replanted with new growth. Your *Village News* takes a look at the variety of shops and services to be found along this short stretch of road...



Today's occupants still provide a frequented hub to the life of Kings Langley – the growth of online shopping and big stores has led to some traditional businesses. Today's coffee shop culture at Dalling and Fred & Ginger has become destinations for locals and visitors from further afield, and the outdoor seating at The Langley Arms on Christmas Eve demonstrates the popularity of locally sourced ingredients.



The variety of clothes and gift shops, convenience and health foods, eateries and watering holes, as well as services for hair, beauty, eyes, laundry, property, and post means there's not much you need to leave the village for! How fortunate we are.

Over the years the High Street has changed enormously, and in fact today's High Street was not the original main road through the village – in mediaeval times the main route was parallel to the current High Street: along Rectory Lane, behind the Community Centre and across the playing fields to Church Lane. In the 18th and 19th centuries though, the current High Street was on the Sparrows Herne Turnpike Road from London to Aylesbury and the village provided a rest and supply point on the road north.

The current buildings on the High Street are a mix of ages, with the gable end front of The Cinnamon Lounge dating back to the 16th century and the newest building for the B&M care home not yet finished.

Businesses have come and gone – fifty years ago the High Street boasted no fewer than two petrol filling stations, two banks, two grocers and a greengrocer, a seed and plant shop, an antique shop, a baker, a hardware shop, a watchmaker, a printworks (printing the local newspaper *The Langley Times*), and a haberdashers, in addition to other businesses similar to those today. And there has been a butcher at number 4 since at least 1826!



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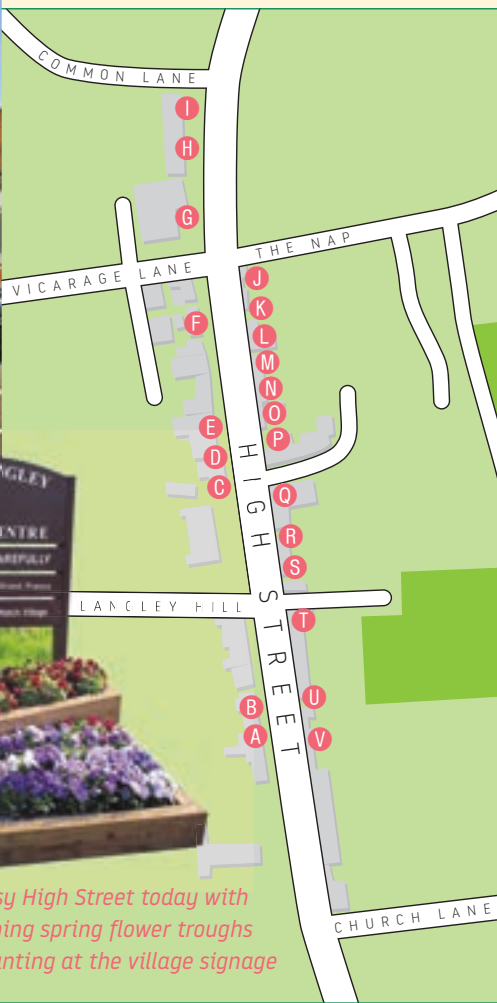


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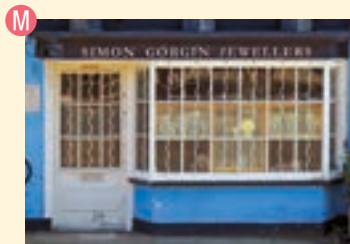
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Musical changes: Hello Katie... farewell Ben

New Musical Director Katie Teage (right) will lead Kings Langley Community Choir in their first concert performance titled *Swing and Sing* at St Lawrence, Bovingdon on Friday, 24 May at 7:45pm.



With the London Vocal Project, Katie has been singing and performing for over ten years, in major UK venues and in New York. She is a multi-instrumentalist and has performed throughout Europe and the USA.

Katie arrives with an impressive CV; an Educator, Choir conductor, Composer, Arranger and Soprano with the London Vocal Project. She gained a BA in Music at Middlesex university (2005), a MMus in Composition at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama (2008) and a MA in Music Education at the Institute of Education (University College London) (2014) and is a qualified teacher.

In early April, Ben Crawley signed off on nearly seven years as Musical Director of Kings Langley Community Choir in a concert for Age UK Dacorum at St Mary's Church, Hemel Hempstead. Ben's leadership has had a profound influence and this performance, which included songs new to the repertoire such as Queen's 'Somebody to Love' and the modern African folk song 'Biko', plus established favourites, once again demonstrated the breadth of his arranging and choral skills.

Katie's work includes delivering Jazz Education to children, most recently with The London Youth Choir

Ben has left the Community Choir in vibrant health and with the best wishes of its members as he turns to focus on his burgeoning career as a composer.



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We watched a presentation of the computerised system which we now use to address the calls that come in over our Helpline. We are certainly a varied group as amongst us there are retired teachers, nurses, a receptionist, and some parents who can spare time

when their children are in school, and even a professional taxi driver who's happy to do some volunteering and knows all the best routes to London hospitals!

Our clients often express their gratitude for our services, especially if they have a series of medical appointments and no family members near to take them to and fro. Our policy is to stay with our passengers while they wait to be seen, or if it's for a long consultation to arrange for a second driver to pick them up. Anyone who offers to join our team can specify a particular day of the week when they could be free and can do as much or as little as suits their schedule.

Some drivers also help with the short journeys to the Tuesday Lunch Club and at one of the pre-Easter occasions everyone enjoyed a visit from the Scouts who arrived bearing gifts of daffodils. What a treat!



Evergreen social club

So far this year we have played various card games and answered quizzes but the highlight so far has been a visit from Rufus, a guide dog for the deaf.

After an entertaining talk from Rufus's owner he demonstrated his skills and made lots of friends, all of whom wanted to pet him! We have lots more to look forward to: an outing to a Thames-side cafe, a visiting group of Folk Singers and a live Music Hall.

If you might enjoy coming to this friendly social club, which meets every other Thursday afternoon at the Community Centre please contact Ann Martin on 01923 267604.



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Kings Langley has a new Parish Council

A new Parish Council is elected once every four years, and the election was on 2 May, however the positions were not contested, so the nominees were elected by default. With the exception of one change, it has stayed the same, the members, pictured here, being:

Alan Anderson (A), Bob McLean (B), Gerry Angiolini (C), Derek Collins, (D) Howard Button (E), René de Silva (F), Alan Johnson (G), John Morrish (H), Mark Rogers (I) and new member Andrew Hubberstey (J). Andrew has a 30-year background in Sales, has started three successful businesses, and is training to

be a business coach. He has lived in the Parish for nearly 20 years.

Sandra Jackson has retired from the Parish Council after playing an active role in the team for over three years – they were most grateful for her energetic participation and wise counsel.

As the Parish Council has largely remained unchanged, so will its policies, which are:

- To Minimise Costs and the Parish Precept.
- To Oppose Green Belt Development.
- To Campaign for Local Public Services.
- To Support Village Events/Projects.



Christian Aid Week 12-18 May; Giving birth to New Life

The focus of Christian Aid Week 2019 is making childbirth safer in Sierra Leone, which is the world's most dangerous place to become a mum – every day ten women die from giving birth.

There are 'House to House' collections during the week – please keep an eye out for the envelope!

There is a United Service at the Methodist Church on 12 May at 10am with guest speaker Jenny Ayres, Head of Christian Aid SE Region, and a Coffee morning on Saturday 18 May at Christ Church Baptist from 10am to noon. Please support where you can and help provide better health care for mums and babies.

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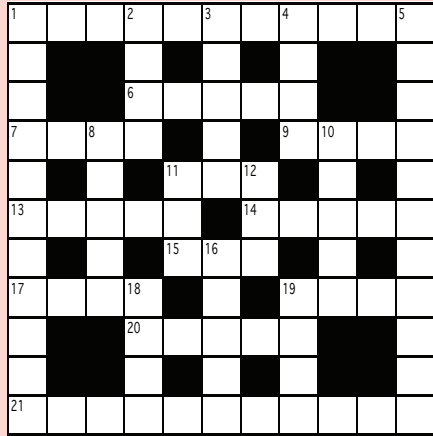
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Prize Xword

Your chance to win coffee and cake for two at Fred & Ginger! Post or email your completed crossword to us (see page 2) to arrive by 14 June 2019. First correct entry drawn from the hat wins this month's prize!

Prize Xword No. 8 set by Andrew Selby



Across

- 1 Part of Indian Ocean found on Abbey Flag! (3, 2, 6)
- 6 Strictly accurate (5)
- 7 Eager (4)
- 9 Male deer (4)
- 11 Extremity (3)
- 13 Out of practice (5)
- 14 Permeate with a feeling or quality (5)
- 15 Tree (3)
- 17 Intonation (4)
- 19 Everyone individually (4)
- 20 Change of a peso for this fabled author? (5)
- 21 Stunning fish (8, 3)

Down

- 1 Road linking Nash Mills with Bedmond Road (7, 4)
- 2 Unclosed (4)
- 3 An important organ, I think? (5)
- 4 Squirrels like these (4)
- 5 Village road almost opposite the 'Dronken Lane' footpath (7, 4)
- 8 A bit of a crease line gives support to an artist's work! (5)
- 10 Indian drum (5)
- 11 You can see through this one (3)
- 12 Shadowy (3)
- 16 Device that emits an intense parallel light beam (5)
- 18 Main component of baby powder (4)
- 19 Long literary work with heroic deeds and adventure (4)



Our winner of last issue's Xword was Gordon Bates, who enjoyed his prize of a complimentary Amatsu treatment. 'Very helpful and relaxing!' was his verdict.

Correct answers to last issue's Prize Xword no. 7 were:

- Across:** 1 Tooveys Mill, 6 Ethos, 7 Near, 9 Sand, 11 Tot, 13 Mauve, 14 Organ, 15 Ace, 17 Thee, 19 Feel, 20 Agree, 21 Red Lion Lane
Down: 1 Transmitter, 2 Veer, 3 Yahoo, 4 Moss, 5 London Plane, 8 Amuse, 10 Algae, 11 Tea, 12 Toe, 16 Cargo, 18 Earl, 19 Fell

Photographic competition

The competition topic this year was *Kings Langley People and Places*. This year, and for the third year in a row, Beatrice Dormer-French, aged 8, won the Under-14 category with her photograph *The Grand Union Canal at Tooveys Mill*, shown below.

The winner of the 15 and over category was Philip China with a photograph of Kings Langley residents with Sir Mike Penning MP at Wayside Farm. The winner in each category receives a prize of £25.



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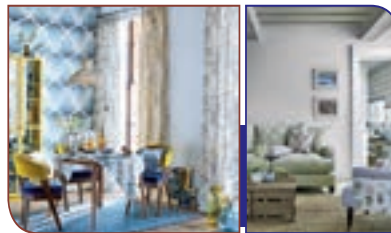


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Chipperfield's Village Festival coincides with the event, with an afternoon of family fun with food, stalls, games, inflatables and music, at Blackwell's from 12pm – 6pm.

Running

Puffaten – a reminder!
This year's Kings Langley Puffaten will be held on Sunday 16 June and includes races for every level of fitness, including 1.5k (any age), 3k (minimum age 9), 5k (minimum age 11) and 10k (minimum age 15) – there are no time limits on how long it takes you to finish!

Marshals and runners are still needed – contact Alan Johnson at alanjohnson@kingslangley-pri.herts.sch.uk or enter online through the website www.puffaten.co.uk



Carnival

Kings Langley Common Fun Fair, Victorian themed fancy-dress competition. Refreshments, Petting Farm, Children's play area and Zorb Football. New additions include a steam-powered small gauge train, Leo's Ride-a-Long Animal Friends and much more – don't miss!
22 June 12.30pm
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Kings Langley Community Centre, The Nap
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Women's Institute

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Kings Langley Community Centre
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Telephone 01923 261828 or email klpc@kingslangley-pc.gov.uk

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