

# Hatton Life

Hatton's monthly village newsletter

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## HATTON 'HATS ON' FESTIVAL - SUMMER 2016

*Time to get creative, pretty up the village,  
have fun and feel part of your  
busy village community*



### Here's what's involved:-

Hatton residents (**Exhibitors**) will display anything to do with hats – from a hat hanging on your front door to a display in your front garden. You can be as creative as you like or keep things simple, so long as it's visible from the road and features a hat. You also need to name your display.

'**Hunters**' (both villagers and non-villagers) will have forms to complete, making a note of all the displays they have found. The forms will be submitted and judged. The winning Hunter (the person with the most correct answers) will be informed and announced at the Hatton Fun Day and on the Hatton Village website.

Schedule:-**March** -Entry forms for displays are ready. **April** – You will be given your Display card (to be positioned with the display and again, visible from the road). **1<sup>st</sup> May** – **30<sup>th</sup> June** – Displays complete and positioned ready for the Hunters to find them. **30<sup>th</sup> June** – **Festival closes**. All Hunters' entry forms in. **9<sup>th</sup> July** – **Hatton Fun Day**. Winner announced.

If your display is still in one piece and not looking too tired you can continue to display it after the June closing date! You can find your Exhibitor Entry Form on the [hattonvillage.co.uk](http://hattonvillage.co.uk) website, we can email you one or we can deliver one to you. Any queries just email us at [hattonvillage@gmail.com](mailto:hattonvillage@gmail.com) and we'll be happy to help you out.

## Hatton Village Plan - Your Thoughts Please!

Our **Village Plan** identified a range of issues which you, as residents, saw as important to maintaining and improving our village life.

The **Hatton Village Plan Implementation Group** have been working hard over the past 9m or so putting these ideas into action.

Successes include the **Film Club**, **this Newsletter**, the **Website**, our **bird-box/planting schemes** around the village and we held a really informative meeting to reinstate our **Rural Watch scheme** and address **speeding concerns**.

Our new **Village Noticeboard** will soon be in place, which I am sure you will see as a real asset to our village.

And, of course, we now have a full year of **Social Events** to look forward too – not bad for a small village!

It would be great to know how you feel about the work being done on your behalf by the Implementation Group. Please do let us know your thoughts, the good and the not-so-good by emailing [hattonvillage@gmail.com](mailto:hattonvillage@gmail.com) and please use Village Group as your heading.

We look forward to hearing from you

Thank you

Roger Dickin, Chair – HVP IG

## HATTON FILM CLUB Lady in the Van



Monday  
4<sup>th</sup> April  
7.30pm

Hatton Pub & Grill  
Free Admission

Everyone welcome –  
and it's FREE!

May film **Suffragette**

Cheshire Community Action are collecting data for a Community Transport survey. If you wish to contribute please use the following link

[Http://www.hattonvillage.co.uk/transport-survey//](http://www.hattonvillage.co.uk/transport-survey//)

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### A HOST OF GOLDEN DAFFODILS...

October 17th, 2015, saw an eager group of villagers including young children (see Nov 2015 newsletter for photograph) planting a large number of bulbs in between the trees on the Common. Their hard work is now paying off as the first daffodils came into flower on Tuesday, 1st March.



The years to come will see these bulbs multiply to provide lovely Spring displays each year. Thanks again to all those who took part in the planting scheme

### PARISH COUNCIL'S SPENDING ACTIVITIES

The Parish Council's discretionary spending on behalf of current and future villagers is outlined in this article in order to keep you informed of developments. This year we have continued to improve our environment by keeping the **grass verges** in the centre of the village well maintained. The **flower tubs** (we now have eight placed throughout the village) are currently full of winter plants but later in the year they will have their summer planting undertaken by volunteer villagers. Last summer's display was magnificent.

Work was undertaken to **level the Common** this year so that it could be cut regularly, and **wildflower seeds** were planted for a summer display between the Jubilee trees. Then in **October**, we planted **daffodil bulbs** and some **snowdrops**. It is hoped that in years to come there will be a continued display of flowers through the seasons on the Common. A **replacement tree** was also planted for one that had failed to thrive. The **three benches** were repaired and varnished. **Bird boxes** were purchased, and the **litter picking** and maintenance teams have been provided with **hi viz jackets** to remain safe whilst undertaking environmental work for the benefit of all villagers. The **mowers** always need to be maintained in good working condition and a **petrol strimmer** was purchased to undertake the more difficult tasks. Environmental activities have cost nearly **£2500** this year.

### A warning from Warrington Consumer Alert Network

Two men offering to sell compost and claiming to be working for Warrington BC. The older man is mid-fifties, broad build and about 5'9", wearing green uniform and a cap. The younger man in his late twenties. The men were in a large plain dark blue van.

Be on your guard and to report any similar incidents to Cheshire Police on 101 or to Trading Standards on 03454040506. For general consumer advice ring Citizen's Advice Consumer Advice service on 03454 04 05 06.

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## Hatton Happenings

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April Hatton Film Club 7.30** at The Hatton Pub & Grill. Featuring **The Lady in the Van**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April -7.30 Parish Council**

**Meeting.** Lewis Carroll Centre Daresbury . All welcome and opportunity for residents to raise any issues from 7.30 to 7.45pm. Minutes and agendas can be found at [hattonvillage.co.uk](http://hattonvillage.co.uk).

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April Residents' Lunch with speaker on 'Glass Making in Warrington'**

**The Social Year in brief:-**

**HATS-ON Festival** launch

**April** – get ready for Hatton's **Hugest Sunflower Competition!**

**May** – **Hats-On Festival** begins

**June** - an Evening walk for **Hatton's Hikers.**

**July** - **Hatton Fun Day** incl. the announcement of '**HATS – ON Hunter**' winner. Last year the Fun Day raised £750-£250 for Cancer Research, £250 for Help the Heroes and £250 towards village projects. Help The Heroes donation was doubled by DHL. Thanks to Sue Bradshaw for arranging this. Will you donate an hour on the day to help out on a stall? It can be great fun and a great memory for all the family. Let me know please at [mwinstanley21@gmail.com](mailto:mwinstanley21@gmail.com).

**August** - judging of the

**Hugest Sunflower Competition!** Good Luck.

**September** – A **Walking Treasure Hunt** will take place.

**October** - Hatton's **Halloween** Happenings

**November**- another **Christmas Coach trip** – where to this year?

**December** – **Carol Singing.** Each year we have raised £100+ for Charities.

On top of all of that – we have Our Monthly Film Club, the Resident's Lunches, regular walks and much more! Watch out in Hatton Happenings for details of events or on the events page of the website. Many thanks to the CSA group for their efforts to make this all happen. Hope you will join in and enjoy everything Hatton has to offer!

### Easter Saturday Treasure Hunt Fun



Thanks go to Angela Dickin and all who helped to make Easter Saturday's Treasure Hunt a wonderful event. It was a fun time and it was great to see so many people engrossed in the task, going back many times to ensure they found all of the animals. Mummy and baby bunny was fiendish to find at No 15. (on the garage roof!). William Evans won with the tie breaker 'Lambs love Easter because it's their birthday and they have baby brothers and sisters'. Once again many more memories made in the village of Hatton.

