





# The Letcombe Register



Issue 2010

February 2023

## VILLAGE DIARY

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## Message from the Parish Council

Following the great success of the village Platinum Cream Tea in 2022, the PC are organising a CORONATION CREAM TEA to take place on Monday 8 May. There will be two sittings to accommodate the numbers and booking details will be circulated closer to the event. Once again HUG – Hendred Ukulele Group - will provide musical entertainment and for the children, (and adults!), a magician will also entertain.

Please be sure to put the date in your diary MONDAY 8 MAY, at the Village Hall.

The Platinum event saw a great number of villagers helping to make this day such a success and we would welcome any offers of help for this event. If you can bake a cake, scones or other teatime delicacies please let the Parish Clerk know on [letregispc@gmail.com](mailto:letregispc@gmail.com). If you can help on the day by putting up bunting, providing flowers, setting up the hall etc. please let us know. We are looking forward to another memorable event so please join us in the day.

At its recent meeting the PC reluctantly had to increase the precept to cover the rising costs we are experiencing. This is the first uplift in the precept for 6 years and amounts to around £5 per household.

In continuing to maximise our funds we are always seeking grant funding for village improvements and have recently had confirmed a grant of £1,000 approved by our County Councillor Yvonne Constance. This grant will support the reinstatement of an ECO pond on Warborough Road, which will be fed by water runoff, provide improved wildlife habitats and help address the issue of the water torrents that run down Warborough Road in times of wet weather. We are very grateful to Cllr Constance, and Cllr's Paul Barrow, Paul Batchelor, Mark Bradfield of the Letcombe Brook project and the landowner Tony Ruane at Warborough Farm for pulling the grant bid together at such short notice.

The PC is also conducting a survey into the use of the Council's website. Please do complete the survey details of which can be found in the Register (page # 11).

The recent PC meeting start time was brought forward from 8pm to 7pm and we have agreed that this revised start time will continue. Please make a note of this if you are intending to join us at our next meeting which is scheduled for Monday 20 March 7pm in the Village Hall.

Jeanne Lapsley  
Chairman  
Letcombe Regis Parish Council.



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[David Johnston MP](#)

## Parish Council Elections




Parish Council elections are taking place on May 4<sup>th</sup> this year and several of the current councillors are standing down after an extremely busy four years in the post.

One of councillors priorities is to look after the local community. During the past four years in addition to their normal activities they have organised the following:-

- Taking immediate action when the pandemic struck by organising the Covid-19 group, recruiting volunteers to help villagers who were isolating, ensuring residents were kept up to date with Covid related information.
- A Community Emergency Plan to deal with anything that could affect the village such as flooding, major power outages etc.
- Improving the Parish Council Burial Ground.
- Arranged for improvements to the wild flower area of the Millennium Green and added benches.

Do you, or someone you know, have what it takes to be a local councillor? Please contact the Clerk on [letregispc@gmail.com](mailto:letregispc@gmail.com) who will be happy to let you have any further information.

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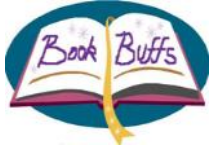
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## Book Buffs

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd February in the Greyhound at 8pm.

We shall be reviewing 'A Dangerous Inheritance' by Alison Weir and 'Lessons in Chemistry' by Bonnie Garmas.

The arrival of the new library book has been delayed but it will be available at the meeting.

Please note the blue box for returned books will be at Clive and Alison's house, 1 Mill Paddock.

## Film Club

**March Film: *Just Mercy*  
Weds 8 February**

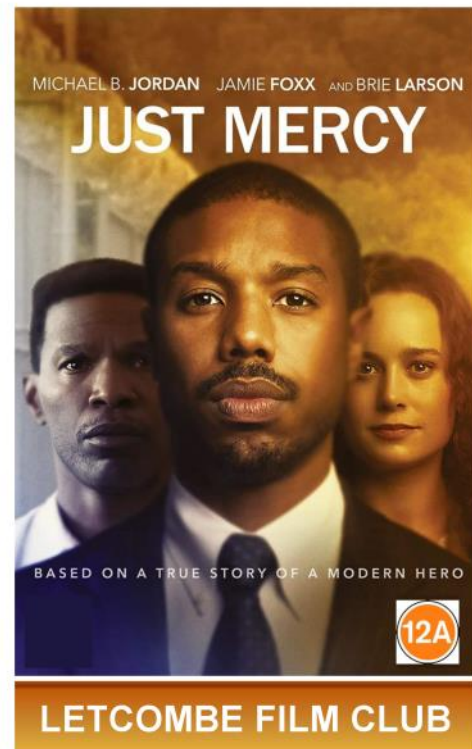
Another bumper audience for January's film when we had over 80 folk come out on a winter's night to enjoy *Mrs Harris goes to Paris*. The film certainly lived up to its reputation as a life affirming feel-good story, just the ticket for a miserable January evening.

A change of scene for February when we are screening a biographical legal drama based on the memoir of defence attorney Bryan Stevenson. As a Harvard law graduate, Stevenson made the decision to represent poor people on death row and began his career in Alabama. His first case was that of Walter McMillan, a black man convicted of murdering a white woman. Following this case Stevenson went on to devote his career to fighting social injustice.

The film has a very strong cast with excellent performances by Jamie Foxx as Walter McMillan and Micheal B Jordan as Bryan Stevenson. Brie Larson and Rafe Spall are part of a strong supporting cast.

*Just Mercy* was released in 2019 and although very popular with both audiences and critics it has remained under the radar. We hope you enjoy it.

Doors open at 7.30pm, film is screened at 8pm. Come along early for refreshments and chat!



**Letcombe Regis Village Hall,  
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

**Tickets £5 Doors open 7.30pm  
Film starts at 8.00 pm**

*Refreshments on sale - Wine, Beer and Tea/Coffee*

## Letcombe Brook Project



A very detailed report on the work of the Project was recently circulated on the Village email, unfortunately too long to include in the Register but hopefully enjoyed by those who have read it with its wonderful photographs of the wildlife on the Brook.

One of the aims of the Letcombe Brook Project is to involve householders whose land backs onto the Brook more (riparian owners) and a special group has been set up with a regular newsletter for all riparian owners. Unfortunately this does not seem to include many residents in Letcombe Regis and it would be very helpful for all those interested to send their emails and requests to join the group to Lesley Atkinson, Project Administrator at the Project [lesleyatkinson77@gmail.com](mailto:lesleyatkinson77@gmail.com).



## The Letcombes Conservation Group

As the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty came to the end of its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary year on New Year's Day 2023, the Ridgeway began its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a designated National Trail. The North Wessex Downs AONB still have [50 Things Not to Miss - North Wessex Downs AONB](#) available on their website. The Ridgeway National Trail, stretching 140 kilometres from Avebury in Wiltshire to Ivinghoe Beacon in Buckinghamshire, was officially opened by Lord Nugent in 1973, though of course 'Britain's Oldest Road' has a long history of use by traders and invaders. Since its designation thousands of walkers, cyclists and horse riders have enjoyed scenic views, historic sites and wildlife from the National Trail. Summarising the aim of the 2023 Ridgeway anniversary events, Simon Kearey, Chair of the Ridgeway Partnership, highlighted some of the past events along the route including *'King Alfred's battles with Viking armies in the 10<sup>th</sup> century and Churchill's famous radio speeches from Chequers during World War II... We want the anniversary year to be a time when people discover something amazing about The Ridgeway and share ideas on how we can keep The Ridgeway special for future generations.'* The 'Ridgeway Top 50' is a year-long activity revealing the rich history, wildlife, art, farming, sport and landmarks of the Ridgeway. Each week information (factual or fictional) linked to experiences or places to visit on the Trail will be posted on social media designed to offer ideas for days trips during 2023 and beyond. Check the posts at [Ridgeway Top 50 - National Trails](#).



There are few patches of woodland along the Ridgeway large enough to support squirrel populations but in the villages this month grey squirrels will be active demonstrating their agility as they seek mates running along tree branches, as well as fences, power and telephone lines, and cracking open bird feeders to get at peanuts and seeds. The nuts of hazel, pine and walnut are favourite foods and are often cached in autumn, including in garden flowerbeds, lawns and pots. The females have two litters a year, each of three to four 'kits', the first in early spring before the leaves are on the trees and again in May. A rough nest or 'drey' about the size of a football is made of twigs in the autumn in the fork of a branch, at least six metres high up in a tree. It is lined with layers of soft moss, feathers, grass leaves or shredded bark. By widening the entrance, an existing hole in a tree trunk may be used and lined with similar materials. Autumn dreys are usually abandoned for flatter, more open summer versions. Grey squirrels are an invasive, non-native species first introduced from North America in 1876 by Victorian landowners alongside other exotics, such as peacocks and muntjac deer, in their parklands.

Though Beatrix Potter delighted readers with the character of Squirrel Nutkin in 1903, red squirrels were not generally regarded highly. In the early 1800s 20,000 red squirrels were sold in London meat markets annually and in the early 1900s thousands were killed by foresters due to their bark-stripping damage in new conifer plantations. By the 1920s the grey population was increasing at the expense of the native red squirrel, a smaller animal with a reddish-brown coat and pale underside, a bushy tail and large ear tufts, photo credit: Peter Trimmings (CC BY 2.0). By 1932 it was illegal to release a grey squirrel in Britain, but the damage had been done. Red squirrels are now a priority species protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act, 1981 and found only in isolated pockets in Scotland, Cumbria and Northumberland plus remnant populations in Formby, Anglesey, Brownsea Island and the Isle of Wight. Blood-testing surveys in the 1990s



revealed that 60-70% of grey squirrels carry squirrel-pox, a virus to which they appear immune though it causes lesions in red squirrels that prevent feeding and results in death within a week. Sadly this is a pattern often seen when non-native animals introduce new diseases that decimate native species.

## Friends of the Letcombe Valley Community Nature Reserve

Work parties continue in the Community Nature Reserve on Saturday, 18 February from 13:30 to 16:30. Please meet near the lake notice board by 13:20 for the tasks and safety briefing. At this time of year the main tasks are likely to be scrub clearance, fence repairs, minor tree pruning over paths and general maintenance. Wellingtons will be required to work on the new pond. Tools will be provided, and refreshments too mid-afternoon, but please take your own work gloves.

The vegetation in the brook and lake in the Reserve was hit back by the cold snap in January whilst the water level rose from runoff during high rainfall on to frozen ground; perfect conditions for the lone Little Egret to feed in the brook alongside groups of Mallard ducks. The Little Egret's distinguishing yellow feet are visible in flight, photo credit: John Culley. Possibly the Little Egret will be joined by others later this spring. Hazel catkins are just appearing and catch the sunshine with their bright yellow pollen. A Red Poll, a small finch and winter visitor, has been sighted in the Reserve meadow area. The diagnostic features of these birds are a red patch on the head of both sexes, a small black bib under the beak, a pale grey-brown body (lighter underside) with pinkish hues in the male and wings with darker brown streaks between white bars, photo credit Bengt Nyman (CC BY2.0).



Red Polls are a more common sight in the east of the country migrating from their breeding sites around the Arctic



Ocean; a rare sight for Letcombe but worldwide their population numbers are estimated in the tens of millions. These birds have throat pouches used for temporarily storing seeds to swallow later in a protected, warm spot. They can also store up to two grams of seeds, around a quarter of their daily energy requirement, in a stretchy part of their oesophagus. Studies have shown that these busy birds eat up to 42% of their body mass each day. Maybe the Red Poll seen in the Reserve was feeding on the catkins, a source of nutrients for them in spring as well their diet of seeds and buds from willows, alders, birches and small conifers. Also locally, a barn owl has been seen hunting

during the day, not unusual behaviour in winter when food sources are less plentiful, and an otter has been recorded.

Keeping a record of observations in the Reserve and along the brook provides information on the local wildlife populations and is useful to track any variation related to climate change that then can be considered in BBOWT's management plans. BBOWT staff and volunteers carried out 250 ecological surveys in their nature reserves in 2022 ranging from butterfly, bird and dragonfly transects to habitat condition assessments, monitoring badger, bat, newt and reptile activity and checking dormice nest boxes. Mark Bradfield, Letcombe Brook Project Officer, is encouraging recording by local residents of observations whilst walking in the Reserve and along the Letcombe Brook using the iRecord App, free to download from <https://irecord.org.uk/app> on a smartphone. Alternatively observations may be recorded on the Thames Valley Environmental Record Centre, see [Share your records | Thames Valley Environmental Records Centre \(tverc.org\)](#) for details. Mark suggests that you add 'Letcombe Brook' into the location detail of any record which will enable him, or anyone else, to search for the locality easily. As Mark points out, such records provide 'an opportunity to demonstrate how important the Letcombe Brook and its green corridor is for wildlife' which is vital to being included in the establishment of recognised Nature Recovery Networks in Oxfordshire in 2023.



## Letcombe Football Club

In spite of the poor weather throughout January, we still managed to play 3 matches. With proper drainage on our pitch, it was playable when most other pitches were waterlogged, but there was nothing we could do about the frost. We began the month with a 5-1 win against Mortimer in the Berks & Bucks cup, a game switched to Letcombe because their ground was unfit. We then suffered our first defeat of the season away to Long Crendon in the Hellenic Challenge Cup on a 3G pitch at Oxford City F C. They are in a division above us, but their winning goal in a 4-3 victory came in the fifth minute of added time. Returning to league action, we beat Shrivenham development 2-1 at home, coming from behind at half time to secure all three points.

Home matches in February are :

Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Letcombe	v	Newbury	Hellenic Chairman's	2.15
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Letcombe	v	Bourton Rovers Res.	Hellenic League	2.15
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Letcombe reserves	v	TBA	North Berks League	2.00
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Letcombe	v	Highworth Town Res.	Hellenic League	2.15

## 200 Club Results

200 Club Draw — No 11		February 2023
102	Richard & Jane HORNSBY	£50
111	St John & Charlotte DICKINSON	£25
193	Dominic LAMB	£15
56	Jean ENGLISH	£10
17	Anette ANDERSEN	£5
Special Draw:		
155	Jonathan TAYLOR	£25
160	Thérèse CLARKE	£25
44	Karen MORTON	£25
172	Theo RABIN	£20
26	Sarah CHAPMAN	£15
213	David GOODCHILD	£10
166	Thérèse CLARKE	£10
New Numbers Draw		
248	Neil COOK	£5
250	Debbie BARTLETT	£5
102	Richard & Jane HORNSBY	£5
132	Martin DUNN	£5



## Women's Institute

We had a very interesting meeting in January, when Mark Bradfield came to talk with enthusiasm about Life along the Letcombe Brook, one of the rare and valuable chalk streams. He spoke of the problems of pollution, loss of diversity, introduced species crowding out native ones, but said it wasn't all bad news – our brook has actually got otters!

This month we shall welcome Clare Rogers to tell us all about Assistance Dogs. Visitors very welcome.

We hope to see you at the Letcombe Regis Village Hall on Monday February 13th at 7.30p.m.





## St Andrew's

We start February with the good results from the St Andrew's Gift Day at the end of November. This event was well attended and happily just over £3000 was raised. David Allchin, our Treasurer, has sent a detailed letter explaining the church's finances to all those who support St Andrew's.

The New Year began with a service of Holy Communion on Sunday 1st January. The Revd Mary Harwood showed her multi-tasking abilities by presiding at the service and also playing the organ which she carried out with aplomb. Having a service on New Year's Day was special for everyone enabling us to exchange New Year wishes with other members of the congregation. Mary was able to tell us the happy news that our church warden, Debbie, is recovering well from her operation and Ruth Manning brought us all greetings from Debbie herself.

On the following Sunday there was the usual second Sunday in the month service with Revd Mary Harwood presiding again. Her task was easier as Andrew has recovered from covid and was able to play for us once more. After all the damp mild weather it was good to see the first primroses and snowdrops coming into bloom in the churchyard, the first signs of spring.

David Allchin presided at the Lay-Led service on 22nd January. This was the 3rd Sunday of Epiphany and as part of his address David read us Journey of the Magi by T.S. Eliot which starts "A cold coming we had of it, Just the worst time of the year". This was appropriate not only for the date in the church's calendar but also for the short journey we all had to make on a beautiful but extremely cold morning!

Lent begins this year at the end of February. This 40 days of fasting and penitence between Ash Wednesday and Easter, can be seen as a time of spiritual renewal. In fact the word Lent comes from the Anglo-Saxon "Lencten" meaning spring or the lengthening of days. There will be a service in St Andrew's on Ash Wednesday, 22nd February, at 10 am. The other services in February follow our recent pattern with Holy Communion on the second Sunday, 12th February and a Lay-Led service on the fourth Sunday, 26th February. There will also be the usual Prayer Group and Evensong on Mondays. Any other series in the Benefice in February can be seen as ever in The Signpost.

### Letcombe Regis New Play Area - We're Getting There!

#### Swings & Roundabouts

We've had a presentation - and all the trustees could see,  
That the plans for a new play area will be as good as can be,  
A few changes to be made, people to see and calls to make,  
A task like this, a long time it could take...

But with focus, hard work and the effort we bring,  
We'll soon see children on the new roundabout and swing...

Lots of sliding and turning, whether its rainy or sunny...

But we can't make it happen without more money -

So, this is where you come in, please come and see...

On Saturday February 11, for cake, biscuits, coffee & tea...

10 - 12:00am is the time to pop in and to say hello,

Which will help with the fundraising -

And put your play area on show!

Every penny helps and all support is good -

Thank you for coming - you know you should!



Thank you!

Village Hall & Recreation Trust



## Letcombes Gardening Club

### *Topical Tips*

**A**fter rather a soggy January I hope you all have your water butts fully topped up ready for the season to come!

Your garden should be showing more signs of life with snowdrops doing their thing. You can divide them now to increase your displays.

If you stored dahlia tubers over the winter then you can get ahead of the game this month by starting them into growth before potting up. Place the tubers in a warm, dry place and remember to mist them regularly to stop them from drying out.

You can also get fuchsia plants back into growth by cutting them back then placing them in a warm place.

I say this every year. Cut off the old hellebore leaves. You will then be able to see the flowers better and the leaves can harbour disease.

You can cut back ornamental grasses now if you left the seed heads on for winter interest.

Sweet peas can be sown this month. If you already have sweet pea plants that you started in the autumn then do watch out for aphids and get rid of them quickly. They can spread sweet pea viruses.

A bit of pruning always keeps one warm on cold winter days. Some of the winter flowering shrubs should have finished flowering now so you can get on with pruning them if necessary.

This month is also the time to have a good go at your clematis. We're talking about 'Group 3' types here, that is, viticellas and late flowering clematis like tanguticas.

Yes, we all know that I'm not a big 'lawn person' but I suddenly feel the need to insert something as lawns do provide a wonderful backdrop to the borders!

Don't be tempted to 'scalp' your lawn too soon. It won't thank you for it. Also try not to walk on it if it's frosty.

Did you know that worm casts are the sign of a healthy lawn? You can brush them off if you want a 'bowling green' though!

Another interesting snippet of information I have found is that mole activity tends to increase in January and February due to mating and nest building (or the description I liked, fortress building). It suggests you try and live with them; again this is tricky if your lawn is your pride and joy.

Still not much to be said for fruit and veg but there are signs that the season is starting. Winter veg should be producing a bit of new growth.

You can sow early peas and broad beans. Don't try sowing broad bean aquadulce now though as it's only really suitable for autumn sowing.

If you do decide to sow your parsnips this month then make sure you choose a canker resistant variety.

On the fruit front you can top dress all your fruit trees and soft fruit bushes with fertilizer and finish off any winter pruning.

Remember that if you have any produce that you have stored over the winter then it will be starting to regrow now so check it. The classic is a sack full of potatoes that have completely grown together into a solid lump!!

Well I think that's all for now. Here's to a great new gardening season just on the horizon. Enjoy!

### *Gardening Club meeting*

Last month we had a great AGM and social with lots of nice nibbles and wine and lovely pictures of gardens and far off lands to enjoy. This month we have a talk about making the most of our potted displays in the garden. Helen Rycroft is coming to give us a talk with the very quirky title 'Potty Time'. The day is Wednesday 15 February, the time is 7.30pm and the place is Letcombe Regis Village Hall. I hope you can make it. All welcome!



Please come to a fund-raising  
**COFFEE MORNING**  
and find out all about the plans for a revitalised  
village Children's Play Area!

**Saturday 11 February 2023**

Letcombe Regis Village Hall  
**10am – 12noon**



Coffee, tea, cakes, biscuits



Contributions and donations for the  
Children's Play Area  
very gratefully received  
Our funding target is not far off.... but we  
still need a little bit more



**Letcombe Regis Recreation Ground  
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## Letcombe Regis Recreation Ground and Village Hall Trust

The RG & VH Trust are pleased to report that the plans for the new childrens' play area are being finalised and will be available to see at the fundraising coffee morning to be held on Saturday 11 February from 10 am in the Village Hall. This is a very exciting project and will provide excellent facilities for our younger residents. All are welcome so do please come along.

The Village Hall continues to be highly popular and our annual closure week from the 20 February will allow us to keep it maintained to the highest standard. During this time decorating will be undertaken; deep cleaning of all areas; as well as other tasks will be completed. We apologise for any inconvenience but hope you will all enjoy the benefits of the refreshed hall in due course.

The Sports and Social Club continues to provide an excellent friendly venue for many events, so if you are not yet a member please contact [letcombesportsclub@gmail.com](mailto:letcombesportsclub@gmail.com) who will be pleased to advise.

A significant amount of work has been undertaken by Mike Light over the past 6 months in his capacity as joint Chair and the Trust has now elected a new Chairman Gordon Lundie who will take over from February. As Trustees we would like to sincerely thank Mike for his commitment to the Trust. Mike has decided to stand down completely and take a break and we all wish him well.

Jeanne Lapsley  
Joint Chairman  
RG & VH Trust.

## Letcombe Regis Parish Council Website Questionnaire



The Parish Council is undertaking a survey to help ensure that parishioners find the material on its webpage of use. The survey consists of several short questions and should take no more than 5 mins to complete.

The survey can be found at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/7F5HWZS>

Please complete the questionnaire by the end of February 2023. Any queries concerning the survey please email

[paulb@public-health.ucl.ac.uk](mailto:paulb@public-health.ucl.ac.uk).



### Tennis Events planned for 2023

**2nd April** Open Day – come and see what the club has to offer

**21st May** Adult tournament followed by lunch

**2nd July** Junior tournament from 1 pm

**16<sup>th</sup> July** Wimbledon men’s final event: Adult fun tournament from 10am followed by lunch and watch the men’s singles final on the big screen.

Early November **Quiz evening**



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## Letcombe Sports and Social Club

**T**he Sports & Social Club continues to be busy, even through the very cold snap we had in January.

The Darts Teams have had mixed results recently, with the A Team stuck in mid-table in Division 1, and the B and C teams neck-and-neck in Division 3. Hopefully one of them will win promotion to Division 2.

February sees the start of the Six Nations Rugby. All the matches will be shown at the Club, and we hope we will have a new TV to make the viewing experience even better.

**Saturday 4th February -**  
 2.15pm Wales v Ireland;  
 4.45pm England v Scotland

**Sunday 5th February -**  
 3.00pm Italy v France

**Saturday 11th February -**  
 2.15pm Ireland v France;  
 4.45pm Scotland v Wales

**Sunday 12th February -**  
 3.00pm England v Italy

**Saturday 25th February-**  
 2.15pm Italy v Ireland;  
 4.45pm Wales v England

**Sunday 26th February -**  
 3.00pm France v Scotland

March dates in next month's Register.

Before we know it, the evenings will be getting lighter, and the cricket season will be upon us.

If any villagers would like to know more about the Sports and Social Club, then please contact the Secretary by email - [letcombesportsclub@gmail.com](mailto:letcombesportsclub@gmail.com).

Richard  
 Secretary, Letcombe Sports and Social Club.

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**February Waste Calendar**

Click [Here](#) for up to March '23

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					
Grey Landfill Food waste			Green recycling Food waste Brown Garden Waste			