



JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Where did that year go?! After the strange year of lockdown in 2020, 2021 has flown by as we catch up with people and things that were missed last year. What will you find in this packed issue?

Well, Bob Redpath has delved further into the [Malcolm Sparkes Collection](#) and lists some of the other fascinating documents contained in this archive.

Bob has most generously donated to JVL's archives a mini library of books written by Jordans residents or with some connection to the Village. More on that below.

The [TMC](#) is preparing for Christmas with the ceremonial switching on the the Christmas Tree lights on 5th December, this year with the help of guest of honour Graham Short!

The [Picture House](#) has an amazing selection of films to keep you entertained in the coming months, with the announcement of their Programme through to May 2022.

JVL is launching a [Consultation on its](#)

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[Planning Policy](#), and also provides some details about the [steps it is taking to reduce our Village's impact on the environment](#). A survey it has carried out about the carbon emissions and energy usage makes for startling reading. If you can help the Village on this important topic we'd love to hear from you.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Chris Jenkins, Editor

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Pictures of the Month

Here we publish the best images of Jordans or by Jordans residents that we've received in the past month



Click on the images to enlarge

Above: Chris Waymouth sent in these three amazing photos of birds spotted around the village, a very seasonal shot of a Robin above, and below is a rather chilly-looking Chaffinch! Below that is one of the more colourful (and noisy!) species that now frequents the Village.





The late Malcolm Sparkes.

The Malcolm Sparkes Collection

In November we brought to readers' attention the acquisition (loan) of the Malcolm Sparkes Collection which included not only his wife Leila's account of Malcolm's experiences in prison from 1917-1919 as a conscientious objector, but also his letters from prison. This month I give brief summaries of some of the other documents that are included in the Collection.

Absolutists' Objection to Conscription: A statement & an Appeal to the Conscience of the Nation issued in 1917 by direction of the Friends Service Committee, 18 Devonshire Street, Bishopsgate, London E.C.2 The opening essay "Greeting to Conscientious Objectors" was written in Russian to Russian Conscientious Objectors by Leo Tolstoy and was translated into English by a Friend in Russia. The booklet presents the argument of absolutist conscientious objection to conscription and includes the court martial defence statements by COs, including Malcolm Sparkes' Court Martial Defence, delivered in Cambridge Barracks, Portsmouth on 12 February 1917.

The COs Hansard: a weekly reprint from the official parliamentary reports: Published by the No-Conscription Fellowship, 5 York Buildings Adelphi, W.C. These were reprints of debates and questions from Members in the Commons and Lords that dealt with issues about conscientious objectors. Here are a few extracts:

"Adjournment Debate: Wednesday 25th October 1916 Mr Edmund Harvey, MP for Leeds West (also a Quaker) gave an account of the case of Malcolm Sparkes and how he was recommended for work of national importance to the Pelham Committee which it approved, but was turned down by the tribunal, which resulted in his being put back in prison after he turned down non-combatant work."

"Prison System: solitary confinement" 25th April 1917: Mr Edmund Harvey asked whether any recent inquiry had been made by the Home Department into the effects of solitary confinement as a punishment. Questions were also asked about forcible feeding and punishments, prison diet, tooth brushes, night clothes, mental cases, libraries, hunger striking."

“Proposal to disfranchise C.O.” 26th June 1917: Mr R McNeill speaking on the Representation of the Peoples Bill proposed that persons should not be entitled to be registered or to vote at Parliamentary or local government election if they have been exempted on the ground of conscientious objection to military service. Lord Cecil made a powerful speech against the proposal."

“Conscientious Objectors and the National Insurance Act 3rd and 10th July 1917: Provisions made to ensure that COs would be paid 7d a week with 1d deducted from their pay to ensure they would not lose their rights to benefit under the National Insurance Act."

“Scottish Prisons (Correspondence); An Officer C.O.” Monday 30th July 1917: Mr Lees Smith brought to the attention of the House the case of Second Lieutenant Sassoon of the 3rd Battalion Royal Welsh Fusiliers who had entrusted Lees Smith to read his letter denouncing the leadership in the war in the House of Commons and who had subsequently been sent to a hospital for officers suffering from shell shock. Mr Lees Smith thought that the way the letter was worded did not indicate any evidence of someone suffering from nervous shock."

Finally, a full set of copies of Leila Sparkes' account of MS's prison experience and Malcolm's letters from prison has been given to the Jordans Meeting House library.

Bob Redpath

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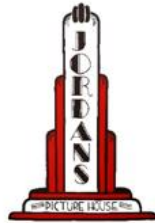
JVL's Archives now includes a Library!

Bob Redpath was kind enough to donate to the JVL Archives a number of books he has collected, all with one theme - they are either written by Jordans residents or by authors with a connection to Jordans.

The library includes titles by Frank Vigor Morley, one of the partners in Faber & Faber and a friend of TS Eliot, and William Honey, who was keeper of the ceramics collections at the Victoria & Albert Museum.

To download a copy of the list of books in the library, [click here](#).

If you'd like to read one, please contact the Estate Office on 01494 875177.



Jordans Picture House

Syrian Refugee Appeal

On Sunday 14th November Jordans Picture House screened the acclaimed documentary “For Sama” which gives a harrowing, unique insight into the siege of the Syrian city of Aleppo by the Assad regime backed by Russian forces.

The utter devastation and carnage was indescribable, truly shocking. By coincidence, just a few days before this Royal Mail had delivered to our households a leaflet produced by the UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) describing the plight of the thousands of homeless and appealing for financial support to provide them with “Family Winter Survival Packs” at a cost of £75 each.



It was our hope that donations by the audience – if necessary boosted by JPH itself – might be sufficient to reach this target and an appeal was made prior to the screening of the film.

We are immensely grateful for the generosity that was shown, which (after the addition of Gift Aid) has enabled us to donate the wonderful total of £500, providing the funds for six of those survival packs.

Thank you so much to all contributors.

Jordans Picture House

Our Living Village – Counting Down to Lift-off

Our two launch events in Seer Green and Jordans, forming part of this year's Chiltern Society Heritage Festival, were both a great success with a sell-out audience which included Sarah Green, our new local MP.

We're currently uploading much of the information collected so far onto our new website which will go live before the end of this year. So over Christmas and the New Year please do have a look at the new Seer Green and Jordans local history website at www.ourlivingvillage.org, and let us know what you think.

Several of the project team have agreed to stay on to support the future development

of Our Living Village, but we're always looking for more people to get involved. So, if you're interested in any aspect of our local history please do get in touch.

We also have a specific opportunity for a young person to take on a technical support role, as part of which they will learn about the use of advanced GIS software to integrate local maps, photos, and other historical information. This is a role that could be of considerable interest and value to a student doing any number of A level or degree courses – such as IT, history, or geography – so please do pass this opportunity on.

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TMC News

It's nearly that time of year again and we are looking forward to everyone coming together this Christmas. Our Jordans' Children's Christmas Party (age 2-8yrs) will take place in Jordans Village Hall on Sunday 5th December from 4 to 5pm. We look forward to seeing lots of village children there - and hopefully Father Christmas will have time to pop in and wish us all a merry Christmas!

At 5pm we will walk over to the Village Green together to watch the Christmas tree lights being switched on. This year we are lucky to have Graham Short, who as you all know is a pillar of the community, switching on the lights. There will be mulled wine

and mince pies to enjoy together on the Green.

Sarah Taylor, TMC

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Come to the next Village Concert!

The next concert is for local musicians of all ages to play music that they want to share. Already we have local pianists, violin players and a wind quintet lined up, and the promise of a piece of music specially composed for the occasion.

If you would like to perform, whatever your age or standard, please do get in touch with Bob Hall (details below). If you don't, please reserve the date of the concert, Saturday 22 January - starting at 7.30 pm in Jordans Village Hall.

Refreshments will be provided, entry will be free (with donations on the door) and booking will be available via Eventbrite (more details in next month's newsletter).

These concerts have always been very relaxed and enjoyable, so please do come!

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Thank You JET

The Shop Committee would like to thank Jordans Environment Trust, JET, for donating an additional picnic table, which is now on the green. This request was made because of the loss of the seating area in the shop due to Covid restrictions.

Also, our thanks to Chris Waymouth for assembling the table with the help of Richard Cornish and Simon Vickers.

Angela Hamme

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Toddlers in the Woods

We have completed 4 wonderful 'Toddlers in the Woods' experiences since half term - in a variety of conditions!

The 'Toddlers in the Woods' team would like to thank all who have braved the elements and come along with their young children. I feel we have become a group bonded by our desire to give our young families a valuable experience in the woods, one that hopefully will leave them with the realisation that there is so much to discover through getting out of doors.

This term will end with Christmas activities and the carols, that we are already getting quite good at singing, on FRIDAY 10th December and we will begin the new term on FRIDAY 7th JANUARY. This is before JVNS returns and all pre school who attend it are very welcome, accompanied by an adult, to join us on that morning.

Wishing all of you a very happy Christmas from the TODDLERS IN THE WOODS team and the Holy Trinity Church family.

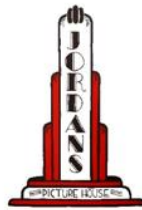
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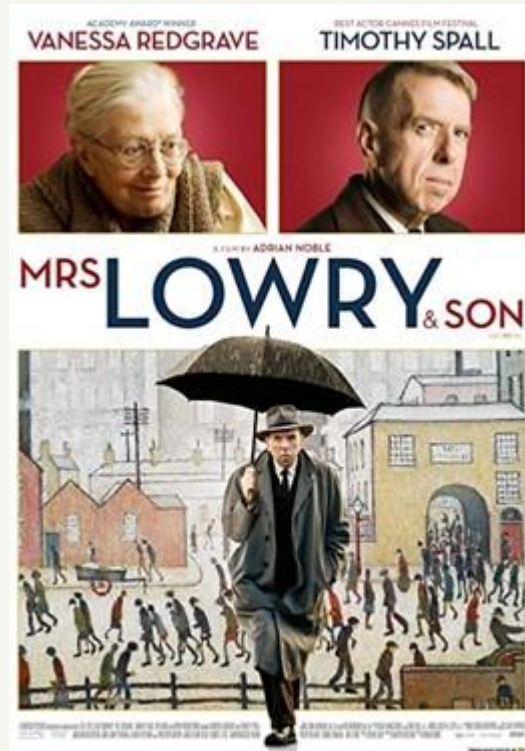
Jordans Picture House

Programme for December 2021 to May 2022

**We are delighted to announce our programme for the
second half of the season - February to May 2022**

**Meanwhile we will be showing the following films in December and
January:**

On Friday December 10th we shall be screening “Mrs Lowry & Son.” Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m. With Vanessa Redgrave and Timothy Spall starring, this fascinating film has won four awards.



Mrs Lowry & Son (PG) 2019

Cast: Vanessa Redgrave, Timothy Spall, Wendy Morgan. Director: Adrian Noble

A portrait of the artist L.S. Lowry and the relationship with his mother, who tries to dissuade him from pursuing his passion.

<https://www.imdb.com/video/vi2286074905>

On Friday January 14th we shall be screening “Official Secrets.” Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m. It has won 5 awards and 16 nominations.



Katharine Gunn:

“Governments change. I work for the British people. I gather intelligence so that the government can protect the British people. I do not gather intelligence so that the government can lie to the British people.”

Official Secrets (15) 2019

Starring: Katharine Gunn, Matt Smith, Matthew Goode. Director: Gavin Hood.

The story of a British whistle-blower who leaked information to the press about an illegal NSA program designed to push the UN Security Council into sanctioning the 2003 invasion of Iraq.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pP4zhzIyTUA>

On Sunday January 16th we shall be showing our special Family Film “Luca.” Doors open at 3:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 4:00 p.m. It is the latest offering from Disney/Pixar, the highly entertaining animation having been released only very recently (July 2021).

Luca (U) 2021

Starring: Jacob Tremblay (voice); Jack Dylan Grazer (voice) Emma Berman (Voice). Director: Enrico Casarosa

Luca is a beautiful seaside town on the Italian Riviera, Disney and Pixar's original feature film "Luca" is a coming-of-age story about one young boy experiencing an unforgettable summer of gelato, pasta and endless scooter rides. Luca shares these adventures with his newfound friend, Alberto, but all the fun is threatened by a deeply-held secret: they are sea monsters from another world just below the water's surface.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mYfJxlR2jw>



On Tuesday January 25th we shall be screening “Can You Ever Forgive Me.” Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m. This film was nominated for 3 Oscars and has had 53 wins and 101 nominations.



Can you Ever Forgive Me (15) 2018

Cast: Melissa McCarthy; Richard E. Grant; Dolly Wells. Director: Marielle Heller.

When Lee Israel falls out of step with current tastes, she turns her art form to deception.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UvJIaNsf_bY

JPH Screenings February to May 2022

Subject to Government advice on Covid, the titles and timings of the films will be as follows:-

film	Date	Day	Doors Open	Time
The Good Liar (15) 2019	11/02/2022	Friday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM
Revolutionary Road (15) 2008	22/02/2022	Tuesday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM
Life in the Sky (15) 2018	11/03/2022	Friday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM
Hidden (12A) 2018	13/03/2022	Sunday	3:15 PM	4:00 PM
Blinded by the Light (12A) 2019	08/04/2022	Friday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM
Small Farm (U) 1954	10/04/2022	Sunday	3:15 PM	4:00 PM
How Your Own (PG) 2018 (with JM)	13/05/2022	Friday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM

The casts, plot profiles and hyperlinks to YouTube can be accessed via our website or you may find it useful to look them up on either of these websites:

www.imdb.com or www.rottentomatoes.com

HOW TO BUY TICKETS (Cost £8 for adults, £5 for under 15s))
Visit us online: at www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk (no booking fee!)

or

Email or call:

Jordans Box Office: Alan Sealy alan@janetsealypartnership.com 01494 873205

Seer Green Box Office: Gill Pettman <gillyp4@btinternet.com> 01494 678050

At present and for the foreseeable future we will be maintaining our limit on ticket sales at 35, to allow greater spacing between seats. As further safeguards, there will be hand sanitisers available and we will do our best to optimise ventilation – in spite of the anticipated colder weather. You may need to wear warmer than usual clothing! The option to wear masks will continue to be an individual choice.

All this is of course subject to any future Government restrictions.

We all look forward to welcoming you to our screenings.
Jordans Picture House Committee: Lorraine Bristow; Katy Brown; Gill Pettman; Alan Sealy; Chris Waymouth.



Jordans Village

Planning Policy Consultation

What do you think about JVL's planning policy?

As most village residents know, JVL's consent is required for alterations, extensions and other developments in the village, and it has drawn up detailed planning policies to guide its decisions. JVL now wishes to undertake a detailed review of its policies, and will issue a brief consultation paper in the second week of December. The document will be sent out by email, be published on JVL's website <http://www.jordansvillagelimited.co.uk/index.html> and, if you want a paper copy, will be available from the Estate Office on request.

We invite all village residents to read the paper and to send in their comments to the Estate Office (deadline end of January). JVL's Management Committee will consider all comments, and plans to issue an updated planning policy in mid 2022.

We will hold a public meeting on Tuesday 18 January in Jordans Village Hall when the planning policy will be discussed, and JVL encourages all residents to come and contribute their views. Reserve the date!



What JVL is doing to combat climate change and how you can help

Low Carbon Jordans was an idea pioneered by some village residents back in 2010, and since then JVL has been taking steps to reduce our impact on the planet in terms of energy use and CO₂ emissions. In September this year, JVL made a statement showing their commitment towards a Climate Action Plan that will further improve the sustainability of the village and our properties.

Things JVL has done and is still doing

We are improving the energy efficiency of JVL properties. A fundamental principle in reducing our carbon emissions is to reduce the amount energy used to heat our houses. There is little point in installing or using sustainable heating solutions if the property is not insulated properly in the first place. The basics are looking at where heat is escaping from your property and then improving or blocking those problem areas. Ideally, we look at better insulation, draught proofing, and double glazing. Once those more basic ways of saving energy are done, we can also look at the type of energy that we use, and how it is converted to heat. JVL has agreed to switch its own energy contracts to a renewable energy supplier next time they come up for renewal and will be looking at Heat Pumps as an alternative or supplement to traditional boilers in the coming years.

JVL owns 61 residential properties, as well as the Village Hall and the Estate Office. 34 of JVL's residential properties already have double glazing, and since 2017 Secondary Glazing has been installed in 15 more of our properties as well as the Estate Office. Plans are in place to install Secondary Glazing at 6 more of our properties in the next 3 years.

Loft insulation should be installed to a depth of 300mm wherever possible, and whenever we renovate a property, we ensure this level of insulation is in place. Draught proofing insulation improvements are made on request as they are cheap and relatively easy to install. Cavity Wall insulation has been renewed in 14 of JVL's properties since 2017.

JVL installed two Photo Voltaic (PV) solar panel arrays at Puers Field in 2011 and 2012 and another PV array was installed at Chelsey Garden Cottages in 2009. These feed energy into the electricity mains supplying the Village, thus reducing the amount of electricity from the National Grid. These are now generating income for JVL which helps it to fund further energy saving enhancements to its properties.

Whenever we replace a boiler, we now install gas boilers capable of running on a blend of hydrogen and gas, which is likely to come on stream in the next decade. We are investigating other heating and hot water energy sources such as air-source heat pumps. However, since the Government's cancellation of Green Homes Grants earlier this year, we are now waiting to see how they will replace this scheme and then how we may be able to use that to provide new sustainable energy solutions to the village. We always fit low energy lighting when we renovate our properties, and we are testing high-efficiency programmable electric storage heaters in the Estate Office.

Things JVL is investigating

Earlier this year, it was announced that all new private sector tenancies shall have an energy efficiency performance of at least EPC band C from 31st December 2025 and all existing private sector tenancies shall be at least EPC band C from 31st December 2028.

As a result, JVL carried out Energy Performance surveys of all its properties which produced some interesting results. Just over half of JVL's properties will require improvement to reach a rating of C or better. The survey provided us with a "shopping list" of enhancements to bring the properties up to spec, which might include installation of low energy lighting, improved insulation and draught proofing, secondary glazing, solar Photo Voltaic and Solar Thermal installations. This will depend on the property concerned and whether consent can be obtained if it is a Listed Building.

We have also started looking at Community Energy Systems, and specifically Ground Source Heat Pumps, which could provide hot water and heating to the whole village in a way that is much more efficient than each individual house installing its own separate system.

This month we received our first formal application for an Electric Car Charging Point at one of our own properties, and this is something that will only become more common in future.

Surveying the Village's emissions and Energy Usage

We have checked the EPC Ratings for all the other properties in the Village, and the result makes interesting reading. Some EPC ratings are out of date, and there are some houses which do not have a current EPC rating so for those we have used an average of the other properties in their road, which does give us a baseline to work from. You can find your Energy Performance Certificate here: <https://find-energy-certificate.digital.communities.gov.uk/find-a-certificate/type-of-property>

The one shining star of energy efficiency in Jordans is Mercira, in Puers Lane. Being the newest house, it isn't altogether surprising, but this house was built with renewable energy in mind and produces energy from ground source heat pumps and solar PV installations and was constructed with space for the various pipework and equipment. As a result this 3 bedroom 204 sqm home boasts by far the lowest energy usage and CO₂ emissions of any property in the Village, emitting only 1.6 tonnes of CO₂ and using just under 10,000 Kwh per year.

We shan't list the worst houses in the village, but to give you an idea of just how costly they are to run, and how badly they impact the environment, there are a couple of properties which are emitting nearly 30 tonnes of CO₂ per year and use 155,000 Kwh per year each! To put this in perspective, an average car that travels 10,000 miles per year emits about 3 tonnes of CO₂ per year.

The main thing that stands out from this analysis is that although many of the large privately owned properties have good EPC ratings and have up to date insulation, their sheer size still means that they are hugely polluting. The worst 10 privately

owned properties (collectively 3,639 sqm in living area) emit as much CO₂ and use as much energy as the whole of JVL's 61-property portfolio (which amounts to 4749 sqm in total). JVL's 61 properties on average each produce only 3.2 tonnes of CO₂ per year and use about 18,900 Kwh of electricity. In contrast, the 220 privately-owned properties in the village on average each produce about 9.0 tonnes of CO₂ per year and use about 49,300 Kwh of electricity. The average British house emits 6 tonnes of CO₂ per year; all of JVL's properties are better than average, even though about half still need improvements to reach an EPC "C" rating – which shows you the scale of the problem that the nation faces.

When we look at the consumption for each square metre of living space, JVL's properties (which tend to be older, and on average are around 89 sqm in size) emit 0.04 tonnes of CO₂ per annum per square metre, and use 242 Kwh of electricity, while the privately owned properties (on average around 214 sqm in size) each emit 0.04 tonnes of CO₂ and use 233 Kwh of electricity per year. Not dissimilar. What you can say about this is that the privately owned homes are on average better insulated but their total emissions and energy usage are around 3x the typical JVL property due to their size.

Property Owners	# Houses	Actual CO2 tonnes /yr	Actual Kwh / Yr	Average CO2 t/yr	Average Kwh Total	Average Area SqM	Av CO2 / SqM	Av Kwh / SqM
JVL	61	196	1,152,784	3.21	18,898	89.32	0.04	241.99
Private	220	1,984	10,864,890	9.02	49,386	214.45	0.04	232.59
Total	281	2,180	12,017,674	7.76	42,768	187.28	0.04	237.29

How you can help

The first easy step is to switch your own energy supply to a supplier such as Octopus Energy or OVO Energy, which owns its own renewable power sources such as wind farms and solar arrays or sources their energy supplies from certified renewable sources.

Now is the time to start taking some easy steps to reducing your energy bills and emissions. Installing low-energy lighting throughout your home, putting in double or secondary glazing where possible, and improving your loft insulation to a depth of at least 300mm are the most effective and easy improvements to make. Solar PV, solar Thermal and Air Source Heat Pumps are also well worth looking at.

Since total living space is the major factor affecting energy use and emissions, if you are considering an extension, then perhaps you should first think about re-configuring the existing home layout in a more user-friendly way? It could save a huge amount of money. TV programmes such as Your Home Made Perfect uses 3D visualisation tools and some great architects to come up with a perfect design that you can test out before building. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m00048xh>. Changes to the exterior of your property may require the prior consent of Buckinghamshire Council and JVL so

please check this before going ahead with any works.

Are you interested to work together with JVL on ideas to help make Jordans greener and more sustainable? If so, please get in touch with David Wooster or Chris Jenkins via the Estate Office on 01494 875177 or estateoffice@jordansvillage.co.uk



Paws for Thought **#BangOutOfOrder**

In this month's article I am addressing fireworks, and their effects on animals, particularly dogs. Since November 5th has been and gone, I could be accused of 'Closing the stable door after the horse has bolted'. However, the RSPCA also view New Year, Chinese New Year, and Diwali, as being likely to be celebrated with fireworks.

The RSPCA have set up their #BangOutOfOrder campaign in an attempt to change the present firework regulations. Every year they receive hundreds of calls relating to animals and fireworks. As a result of this they want to see firework regulations changed to protect pets, farm animals and wild life. They advocate 'Before the cheer consider their fear', claiming that hundreds of domestic animals, especially dogs, will be cowering in their beds, shaking uncontrollably, as fireworks are set off in surrounding gardens. Their vital message for 2021/22 is to encourage the public to consider their neighbours, and notify those with dogs and cats, if they are going to have a display, so they can prepare in advance. Obviously once a display has started, it is more difficult to take action.

Dogs need to be in a place they know they will be safe. Creating a comfortable safe haven in one of the quietest rooms in your home is advisable. Here you can close windows and curtains to muffle the sound of the fireworks. Blacking out the room so they can't see the flashing lights outside will also help. Playing music or putting the TV on will also help distract them. Firework phobia in dogs is a recognised treatable condition, which veterinary practices can help with.

As the RSPCA suggests, one must consider that fireworks are not fun for everyone. The sudden loud noises and bright flashing lights can be very frightening for not only dogs and cats, but livestock and wildlife too.

There are four amendments that the RSPCA want to make to our current regulations,

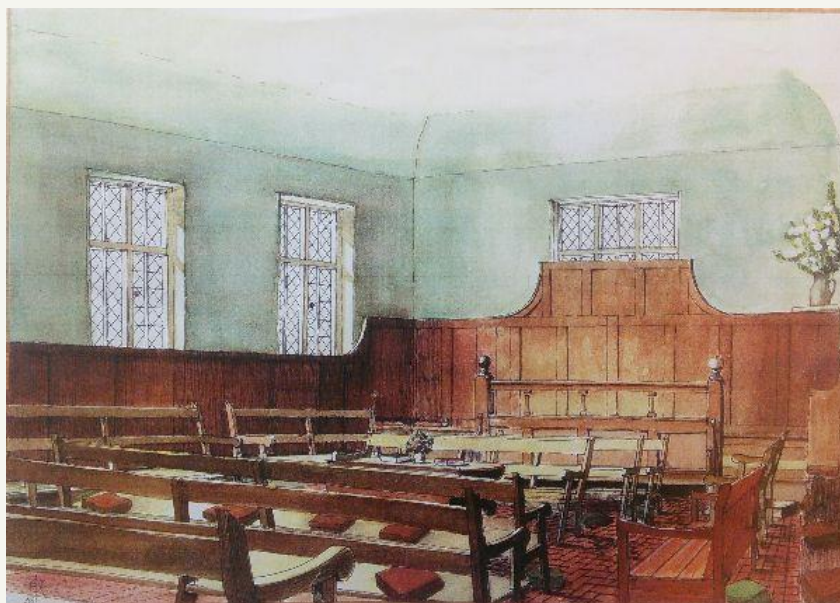
which are to be debated on January 29th 2022. These being

- Restricting the use of fireworks to the agreed traditional dates.
- Reducing the maximum permitted noise level of fireworks to 97 decibels. Fireworks louder than this should only be used in licenced displays. Fireworks should also be labelled as either loud or low noise.
- All public firework displays will need a licence from the relevant licencing authority.
- Private firework boxes must be labelled to indicate their decibel level.

November 5th this year inevitably provoked a few comments on the JV WhatsApp Community Group. Some members not being bothered by firework displays in private gardens and others who are less happy about the noise levels. Stories of cats and dogs being scared stiff also being reported by villagers in general conversation.

So, with more private displays being inevitable due to concerns over large gatherings, it is responsible to inform those who might be affected by any planned displays well in advance.

Jo Bell



Friends' Corner

By Bob Redpath

An alternative word for 'Quaker' is 'Friend'. 'Friends' Corner' lists forthcoming Quaker events at the Jordans Meeting House, to which newcomers are very welcome. The Meeting House is located at the junction of Jordans Lane and Welders Lane. Jordans Quaker Centre is attached to the Meeting House; private meetings can be booked. Nina Liebenberg, JQC manager, can be contacted if there are queries about access to the Meeting House or to book meetings in the Jordans Quaker Centre. (tel no. 01494 876594; email office@jordansquakercentre.org)

Quaker Events and News in December

Jordans Meetings for Worship

Meetings for Worship at Jordans Meeting House

The Jordans Meeting House is open for in-person meetings during December. (Please see below about Christmas Day arrangements.) The meeting starts at 10:30am, lasts one hour and is followed by a 'bridge' of about ten minutes when people who wish to do so can comment on the issues raised during the meeting. If you are planning to attend in person for the first time, please contact Adrienne Midgley as there is limited space due to social distancing. Please bring your mask. Adrienne's contact details are: tel.no.01753 889581 or adriennemidgley@hotmail.com.

Christmas Day Service

We plan to hold a programmed Meeting for Worship in the Jordans Meeting House on Christmas Day at 10:30am, lasting about 40 minutes. We want to welcome visitors, but we need to be careful that we are not overcrowded. So if you plan to come on Christmas Day, please contact Adrienne Midgley at adriennemidgley@hotmail.com.

Attending by Zoom

It will also be possible to attend meetings each Sunday, as well as Christmas Day service, by Zoom. There are no restrictions to numbers online! If you wish to attend by Zoom for the first time, please contact Adrienne for the log-in details.

Junior Jordans (Sunday School)

David Matthews writes: Junior Jordans, the children's meeting, is now meeting every Sunday at 10:30am in the Penn Room of the Jordans Quaker Centre. We enjoy some times of quiet and reflection during the Junior Jordans meeting and also cover some fun activities, including art and music. We join the main meeting in the Meeting House towards the end of that meeting. We are ready to welcome new visitors, especially from Jordans. Please call me (outside of work hours) for further details (07779 251 107)

Douglas and Jenny Butterfield: Zoom Meeting for Worship

Douglas and Jenny Butterfield would like to invite you to a virtual Meeting for Worship at their house, which is on Zoom during lockdown. The meeting will be held on Friday 3rd December at 10:30am for about 40 minutes with fellowship afterwards. (Meetings are usually held on the first Friday of a month.) If you want to join us you would be most welcome. Please contact Douglas by email douglasbutterfield13@gmail.com in order to be sent the Zoom link for this meeting.

Swarthmore Christmas events

Carol service (zoom) Swarthmore will be holding their Traditional Christmas Eve Carol Service on the 24th December at 2pm. As we are unable to invite family and friends to join us, we will be sending them a zoom invitation which will include the details of the Carol Service. If there are queries, please contact Anne Marie Coulter.

Extended hours and extended visits

During the period 23rd December to 3rd January 2022 there will be extended numbers of pod visits, in house visits and going out visits, as follows:

Pod visits: 10-10:45; 11-11:45;12-12:45;2-2:45;3-3:45;4-4:45

In house visits: 10:30-11:15;11:30-12:15;12:30-1:15;1:30-2:15;2:30-3:15;3:30-4:15;4:30-5:15

Going out visits: book for one quarter past the hour

You can book to take residents out for the day, or arrange visits to your home. Please let us know in advance if your residents will not be here for a meal. If there are any queries, please contact Claire Allsopp or Agate Met directly.

Visitors will continue to be two people from the same household at a time. We welcome young children, but they will have to wear a mask at all times. You are welcome to bring your dog.

We will continue to do the track and trace checks and we require a Lateral Flow Test for everyone entering the home. You are most welcome to do the test on site, but you will have to wait in your car for up to half an hour for your negative test. It is more efficient for you to do your test at home and bring a photograph of the result. Please contact Lizzy O'Donnell for any queries.

Events Calendar

At last! The events calendar is back!

The Jolly Quaker

Friday 3rd December from 7:30pm

Village Hall

TMC Children's Christmas Party

Sunday 5th December 4-5pm

Village Hall

Christmas Tree Lights Switch-On

Sunday 5th December from 5pm

Village Green

Jordans Picture House

Friday 10th December, Friday 14th January, Sunday 16th January and Tuesday 25th January

Village Hall

Concert

Saturday 22nd January 2022, 7.30 pm

Village Hall

Contact Esther Cavett - Esther.cavett@gmail.com or Bob Hall - r@rkhall.com

Concert

Sunday 3rd April 2022, 4.00 pm

Village Hall

Cressida Jenkins (soprano), Esther Cavett (piano) and others, with a theme of climate change

Supper & Song

Saturday 9th April 2022

Village Hall

Regular Events in the Jordans Village Hall

High Intensity Interval Training (HiIT)

Wednesdays Weekly from 7 pm - 8 pm

Contact Amy Butterworth

amyzad@hotmail.com | 07732 041754 | [@amypt1990](https://www.instagram.com/amypt1990)

Tai Chi / Qi Gong

Thursdays Weekly 6 pm & 7 pm classes

Contact Keith Fensom

keith.fensom@gmail.com | 07787 224823 | www.yangshengtaichi.com

The Jolly Quaker pop-up Pub

1st Friday Monthly from 7:30pm (excluding August and January)

Paul or Francesca on 07929 731423

Jordans Picture House

2nd Friday & some Tuesdays and Sundays Monthly (Autumn - Spring)

Contact Alan Sealy

alan@janetsealypartnership.com | 01494 873205 | www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk

Lunch Club

Thursdays, 1pm in the Village Hall

Thursday 9th December

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If there is a subject you'd like to talk about, an event in Jordans you'd like to publicise, or have some other news relating to the Village, please contact Chris Jenkins, the newsletter Editor, on 01494 875177 or via email estateoffice@jordansvillage.co.uk

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