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Cover: Male Emperor Dragonfly photo Ivo Andrews (see article). This page: Unusual visitor – Mandarin duck.

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Dear Friends,



It feels refreshing to begin a new month with the glorious proclamation of 'Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Hallelujah!' The churches across the Hambleden Valley

will be celebrating Easter Sunday with outdoor, churchyard Eucharists on Sunday April 4th (the schedule can be found on page13). We will maintain social distancing and follow the guidelines at this time. We do hope these services will be a blessing and all are very welcome to attend.

Good Friday will be marked with an outdoor service in the churchyard at St Mary's in Hambleden. There will also be a Stations of the Cross reflection on Zoom. Please see our website for further details. We are still a little way off from opening the churches again but plans are being made. Please bear with us!

It is not lost on me that for a second year in a row, Easter will be different. The services and processions of the church and the traditions of family will not (at least this

year) be as they were. We may have fallen out of the routine but I hope that it has not been forgotten. Yet the cross of Christ and all its significance remains the same. Jesus is the same, yesterday, today and forever. I hope that we can find comfort in knowing that despite the changes and challenges of this past year, Jesus remains our loving and faithful Saviour and friend. We see this in the resurrection accounts of those who were at the tomb that first Easter Day.

I will leave you with Malcolm Guite's 'A Sonnet for Easter Day' inspired by Mary Magdalen's encounter with the Risen Christ.

He blesses every love which weeps and grieves
And now he blesses hers who stood and wept
And would not be consoled, or leave her love's
Last touching place, but watched as low light crept
Up from the east. A sound behind her stirs
A scatter of bright birdsong through the air.
She turns, but cannot focus through her tears,
Or recognise the Gardener standing there.
She hardly hears his gentle question 'Why,
Why are you weeping?', or sees the play of light
That brightens as she chokes out her reply
'They took my love away, my day is night'
And then she hears her name, she hears Love say
The Word that turns her night, and ours, to Day.

Sue Lepp

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GROUP NOTES AND NEWS

Footprints Service



Footprints is a service held once a year to allow us to remember with love, and before God, the child or children we have lost at any time, whether during pregnancy or at any stage of life, recent or a long time ago, whether we are family, friend

or teacher.

The service is a safe and prayerful space for anyone to remember and to grieve.

It normally takes place in church, but, of course, this year that was not possible. The service took place on Friday 5th March, on Zoom and was led by the Rev'd Sue Morton. As always it included music, readings and prayers. Sue suggested we could participate during the service by lighting a candle or perhaps think about a favourite or meaningful colour or scent, as we listened to a quiet piece of music.

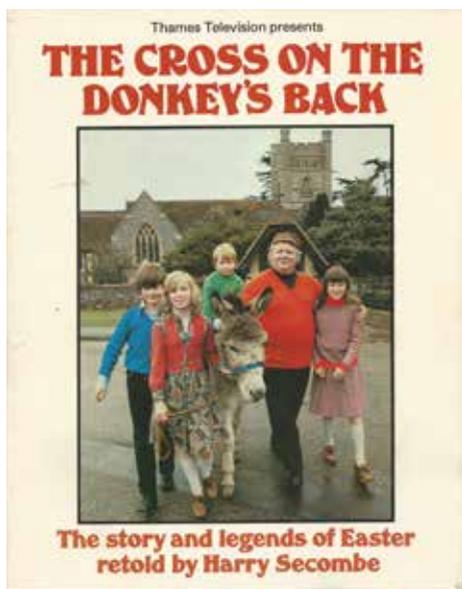
Sue invited us to email beforehand, the name of our loved ones, or 'known to God'. These names she placed a basket placed next to a candle and a cross. Sue also invited us to send names through live chat during the service.

One person commented that, when the names appeared on the screen, it felt very emotional and special. People have commented that the service on Zoom felt very intimate as if Sue were talking directly to each of us. The simplicity of the service, the music and the message that everyone lives on in the hearts and minds of those who love, was powerful.

Usually, after the service, everyone would be offered a card with the Footprints prayer and a small gift to help us remember. This year we would like to offer the same. If you would like to receive a copy of the Footprints prayer and a small piece of rosemary tied with ribbon, please email Sue Morton at suemorton131@gmail.com and include your name and address.

Sue Brice

The Cross on the Donkey's Back



Can you see what is wrong with this photo?

In March 1979, 42 years ago, Thames Television made a film in Hambleden about the story and legends of Easter retold by Sir Harry Secombe with the help of local children - Jaquiline Chick, Richard Hayter, Suthun Higgs, Barbara Smith and Moko the donkey.

This was to be transmitted on Maundy Thursday, 12 April 1979.

In between the shooting of some of the scenes, Sir Harry would come down to see what was happening in the blacksmiths shop and I was able to talk to him about his life in the public eye. He particularly enjoyed presenting Songs of Praise on Sundays.

The film people wanted to see a horse being shod and to say why we never used to nail on shoes on Good Friday. They wanted the pony at the shop by 8.30am in the morning but they did not come to do the filming till 4.30pm by which time both me and the pony were getting VERY fed up.

There were many other stories about what was done, or not done, at Easter time, why is

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it called 'Good' Friday, why is there a cross on hot, cross buns, why are they called 'Easter' eggs and why is there a cross on the donkey's back? (answers on p16).

Sir Harry and the children came and joined us in the church and we all sang together the Easter hymns.

Jim Tilbury

Dorothy Harman adds "My father-in-law, Bert Harman of Turville Heath, was proud to be part of this programme and to meet Harry Secombe. He helped to handle the donkey and loaned his chopping block and axe."

Signing Out

As many of you may know, the election for Buckinghamshire Council will take place on May 6, at which time my tenure as your representative on the Council, and earlier the Wycombe District Council, will come to an end. I have been in position for six years, and will truly miss the pleasure of trying to resolve your issues whenever I could – even unemptied bins! However, I will not miss the bureaucracy of local government, and, as you may imagine, the last twelve months or so have been particularly difficult.

My successor, if he is elected, will be Mark Turner of Fawley – a good man who I know will pick up the baton and take it to higher and better things.

So, in signing out, I would like to thank you for all your support; I'm sure I will continue to see you around as I visit the village shop most days. And, of course, I'm hoping that Men on Tuesday will be resurrected in the not-too-distant future!

Best wishes to you all,

Chris Whitehead

Hambleden Valley Garden Club

In March, Andrew Ward of Norwell Nurseries and Garden, near Newark, gave a talk 'Perennial Pleasures' via zoom. Andrew established the Nurseries 24 years ago. The plants grow in a clay soil, therefore wet in winter, and in a frost pocket with very low temperatures. He has a sandy border for plants which are unable to tolerate these conditions. Andrew holds the National Collections of *Astrantias* and *Chrysanthemums*. For this talk he had sent a list of the plants mentioned, featuring many unusual varieties of familiar perennials, which was very helpful for making notes. Andrew gave a full and interesting description of each plant with its cultivation needs and growth – each one with a beautiful photograph. It was a most enjoyable presentation with a delightful selection of plants.

On April 6th, Steven Desmond, Chartered Horticulturist, will give his talk via zoom entitled "Bumps and Ned: Lutyens and Jekyll in the Garden". If you would like to join this meeting, please phone Celia Warren, 01491 638691.

Lizzie Arnott

Auction History



The word auction still conjures up the image of a large room, possibly in Mayfair, full of rows of chairs, with spotlit artworks for sale displayed to the audience. But, for many years now this has not been the

only way to buy at auction. The introduction of bidding by 'phone from anywhere in the world with an auction house representative was a big step, and, then later, the arrival of the internet provided buyers with many exciting interactive opportunities. Buying online at auction had

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inevitably been increasing steadily over time however with no other option available the Covid pandemic has turbo-charged online art and antiques auctions.

Whether held online only, live, or in combination, auctions follow the same principles. Several months before the auction date property is sourced by the auction house, it might come from existing clients or as a result of placing advertisements and making visits to key locations – known as a ‘sweep’. Regional houses tend to offer general sales, featuring many collecting areas, others focus on specific subjects, eg. musical instruments, whereas the international houses concentrate their resources in the global art markets.

The auction calendar is now spread more evenly across the year; online connectivity means that bidding from the beach in August or the ski chalet in January is perfectly possible and permissible.

Of course anything can be offered in an auction, but, with so many new and not very original items available to buy, it's the quirky, rare and interesting pieces one tends to find here - and these are particularly attractive to collectors, interior designers or anyone looking for a unique piece.

In the transaction the auction house acts as agent for the seller and naturally seeks to obtain the best possible prices. Auction promotion now takes many forms: press coverage, social media posts, print and online advertisements, newsletters and, still, word of mouth. With each lot only available to buy for a limited period or just on the day, there is a very strong call to action – which inevitably contributes to an exciting frisson - online or in the saleroom itself.

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Birds at Mill End

After reporting the presence of redwings in Mill End and having the ennui of lockdown, I listed all the different birds I have ever seen in and around Mill End. I was surprised when I found I had seen over about 60 different species in the 17 years we have been here, over 50 from the house. The most unusual sighting was of a couple of visiting hoopoes which turned up a few years ago, but there are some rarities from time to time, like Lady Amsherst's and golden pheasants, Mandarin ducks and merlins. We once identified a sparrowhawk from the feathers dropped and the pattern left on the window after it crashed into it.

This year, the wet weather has helped the variety seen from the house. The Thames, usually hidden behind trees 200 yards away, decided that we should become a riverside property and so we had a few weeks observing various waterfowl as well as the usual garden and field birds. Coots, moorhens, swans, mallards, Egyptian geese, gulls and terns plus one lapwing took advantage of the new lagoon as well as the dominant species of the river i.e. Canada geese. We normally see mallards in the autumn when they scump the fallen apples in the orchard, some getting drunk in the process, but this year the overflowing sewage at the nearby pumping station provided an extra attraction to them, if not to us.

In the garden, the large pyracantha hedge we planted is home to tree and house sparrows, dunnocks, wrens and robins, the dense prickly nature keeping out the increasing numbers of

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magpies, jackdaws, pigeons and grey squirrels that seem to be causing a general reduction in the small bird population.

In the sky, we are seeing more kites but fewer kestrels and the pair of little owls in a nearby tree has disappeared. Whilst the kites are a marvellous sight, the increasing numbers seem to have reduced the numbers and variety of other birds of prey. It seems that the supply of food is relatively fixed so more of one species adversely affects others.

Similarly, the armadas of Canada geese are having a negative effect on other river birds; fewer swans, mallards and coots in recent years - less food available for the traditional river plant grazers due to their extra numbers. Also, their colonisation of small islands near the lock seems to have discouraged kingfishers from using their usual haunts.

In summer, we still see a few swallows and martins but no swifts. This has been a big change compared to 17 years ago but we also see the same in Provence. The problem is again food availability. There seems to be a good correlation between dead insects on car windscreens and numbers of these birds!

Alan Brunskill

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BIG THANK YOU

Hambleden has seen many changes over the last year due to the Pandemic. One constant has been the village shop. Sarah and her Team have worked tirelessly to stay open and provide a sense of normality in our daily lives, providing fresh fruit & veg, bread, meats and, of course, wonderful cakes, etc. They set up a delivery service to those who are isolating/shielding. All this done with A Cheery Smile. SO THANK YOU ALL.

A Villager

Hambleden WI – March 2021

This last month your Committee's focus has primarily been on administrative matters and our first monthly Zoom meeting.

Due to the adverse effects of COVID in 2020, the NFWI Board of Trustees has extended the membership year of 2020 by three months until 31 March 2021. This is a permanent change and going forward subscriptions will be due in April rather than in January. Your committee has decided to hold last year's membership fee of £43.00, which will cover the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 and is due for payment please by 1 April 2021. A big thank you to those who have already paid, and, for those who have not yet done so, please will you either pay by bank transfer or send a cheque. If you require payment/address details please contact us using the contact details provided at the end of this news update.

Our plans for our monthly members' meetings are to hold virtual meetings through the spring and early summer with, hopefully, a summer party in July. Ruth & Sally-Ann were joined by 13 members for our first Zoom meeting, a light-hearted 'Word Play' game of 16 rounds using Scrabble letters. Feedback was very positive and we now look forward to our next Zoom meeting on Thursday 8 April when Pepe Martinez, an award winning London Blue Badge Tourist Guide, will be taking us on a virtual tour of one of London's most fascinating and dynamic districts. 'The Old East End of London' tells the story of immigration, wave after wave of people coming to London to seek refuge, looking for a better life, from the arrival of French Huguenots in the 1680's through to the late 1930's and the arrival of approximately 10,000 children secretly evacuated out of Nazi occupied Europe.

The Wilson Cup challenge this year is to 'make and decorate a facemask'. A pdf pattern of a simple facemask has been sent to all members if they would like to use it, however, members' own designs are of course welcome.

With the outdoor socialising rules set to change from 29 March we are hopeful the return of the 'rule of 6' will enable us to meet outside once again and that the walking group will recommence in April.

In the meantime your Committee wish you

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continued health and we very much look forward to meeting up once we are able. Our website is www.hambleden-wi.org or you can reach our President, Sarah Williams, on 07817 120339.

Sally-Ann Roberts

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The Friends of Fawley Church

As we read yet more depressing news about Churches closing, it is exciting to have some good news to report from Fawley. An inspired villager suggested that residents consider giving their unexpected refunds from our broadband project to the Church and this led to some questions about plans for the future of the building. There have been many efforts in the past to make obvious improvements (like a loo!) but there had been little progress.

Perhaps one of the positive sides of this last year has been a renewed interest in community life. Following a wonderful response to our informal 'pandemic' churchyard prayers on Fridays at noon, we decided to think more strategically about village needs. This led to the founding of a new charity in late January called The Friends of Fawley Church. The objective is to preserve and enhance the church and churchyard for the benefit of the whole village, irrespective of religious interests. We have since discovered that the C of E has far more enthusiasm nowadays for 're-ordering' churches to make them into flexible community spaces, and there are at least 20 good case studies in Oxfordshire alone.

A village survey has had an excellent response and ideas for the Church (as well as worship) include a Saturday café, meditation classes, film nights, art classes etc. As our village hall is let to a school during the day, Fawley lacks easy meeting spaces for the village and it is exciting to think that the church could become the heart of the community again. We have already raised thousands from the refund plan and are looking forward to meeting with the Diocese this month to demonstrate our enthusiasm for this project. If all goes well, we will appoint architects to do a feasibility study and then expect to offer the village community some options for discussion.

If you would like to know more or to contribute please contact the trustees on fawleychurchfriends@gmail.com

Julia Ogilvy

Why I love living in the Hambleden Valley



It is a truth universally acknowledged that to live in the Hambleden Valley during lockdown is a colossal privilege. It's exhilarating simply to be able to boot your children out of a crowded house and make them stand in a field.

My son Ivo is reading Biological Sciences at Oxford. Of course, he's not, he's reading it

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in the garage, here in Fawley. NB: the garage no longer has a car in it. There's no room. The place has been filled with bubbling aquaria for the multifarious pond life he has collected. The quantity and variety of fauna is astonishing. It's like Blofeld's cocktail bar in there. There's even a boa constrictor in a big glass box.

The point is - with the exception of the boa, which is not indigenous to Buckinghamshire, you may be relieved to hear - Ivo has harvested everything right here in the valley.

At the invitation of residents he has catalogued the livestock in their ponds, pointing out items of particular interest. By arrangement, he has abducted various beasts and brought them back here to participate in this research for his degree. Ivo writes:

I tried to make as perfect a replica of the natural environments as I could, adding aquatic invertebrates, plants and substrate. The first major event was when a smooth newt nymph with a ruff of red gills appeared one morning. Highlights since have mainly involved leeches of various kinds, described quite rightly as "worms of character": rarely parasitic, often excellent parents. Sinuous golden Piscicolids, giant green Theromyzonids, eight-eyed octoculates.

A more recent delight was the chance to observe terrestrial egg-laying behaviours in water scorpions - apparently undocumented for British species. (Mystery One). I'm currently corresponding with

an entomologist to try to explain this. My main tank yielded the handsome male Emperor dragonfly shown as the cover photo: after three days of my hand-feeding him insects, he finally soared off into the sky. I'd had him as a nymph for 14 months. Other animals I've discovered, hatched or collected include stunning great diving beetles, fearsome water tigers, giant New Zealand flatworms, alongside many other crustaceans, molluscs and annelids. The valley has an extraordinary number of smooth and palmate newts, which may explain our equally fantastic grass snake population. There has been some discussion about whether newts are responsible for the decline in the number of frogs. Although newts, like almost all animals, will eat spawn and tadpoles, this seems unlikely. Certainly this wouldn't prevent adults from spawning; so the culprit remains unidentified. (Mystery Two).

The tank ecosphere development raises many other questions regarding pond fauna evolution and ecology, and I've been extremely lucky to be able to visit so many local sites. Thank you to everybody who has invited me to survey their ponds. It's very greatly appreciated.

If you'd like your pond to be investigated/ explained/ plundered (strictly with your permission) please contact: ivoandrews@gmail.com.

Guy and Ivo Andrews



Hambleden Valley Prayer Group

We have formed a contemplative listening and confidential prayer group, forming a circle round the valley with God at the centre. If you would like prayer please send a request to the email below:

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From The Registers

Rest in Peace

March 15

Margaret Redpath

Funeral and Burial, Turville

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Pattern of Worship April 2021

There will be Zoom services every Sunday at 9:30 am through April. Please check the website for any further notices or outdoor services. Our administrator **Jenny Neagle** can assist with any queries, 07769 599616 **or** hambledenvalleyoffice@gmail.com

In addition Tuesday 30th March - 9:30 am. Revd Sue Lepp is leading reflections for Holy Tuesday for the Sue Ryder Prayer Fellowship. More info can be found: <https://www.srp.org.uk/event/holy-week-quiet-day-2/>

Sun 28 Mar Palm Sunday	09:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom
	11:00	Outdoor Eucharist	Medmenham and Turville
	19:00	Lent Course	Zoom
	20:00	Compline	Zoom
Mon 29 Mar	18:00	Reflections on the Cross	Zoom
Tues 30 Mar	09:30	Reflections for Holy Tuesday	See above
Wed 31 Mar	09:30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
	15:00	Lent Course	Zoom
Fri 2 Apr Good Friday	12:00	Churchyard Prayers	Fawley
	13:30	Stations of the Cross	Zoom
	14:30	Outdoor Service	Hambleton
Sun 4 Apr Easter Sunday	08:45	Outdoor Eucharist	Frieth and Fingest
	09:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom
	11:00	Outdoor Eucharist	Hambleton and Turville
	12:00	Outdoor Eucharist	Fawley
Sun 11 Apr	09:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom
Wed 14 Apr	09:30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
Sun 18 Apr	09:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom
Wed 21 Apr	09:30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
Sun 25 Apr	09:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom
Wed 28 Apr	09:30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
Sun 2 May	09:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom

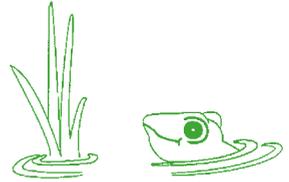
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Mothering Sunday

A host of golden daffodils lovingly formed into posies by the children of Frieth school, greeted the many families as they arrived for the Mothering Sunday service at Frieth. Despite a chilly wind the rain held off and all were in good spirits just to be able to gather together to worship after such a long break. Sue Morton led our service in thanksgiving for Mothers and Carers and for all those who have loved and cherished their families especially during the current challenging times.

Lots of youngsters took part, reading prayers and Bible passages. Kate, Annie & Hannah sang a hymn specially written for the occasion accompanied by Christine, to the tune of all things Bright and Beautiful which prompted a well-deserved round of applause.

After the final blessing posies were distributed and, not forgetting those Mums who were unable to attend, flowers were delivered to neighbouring houses.

Judy Hunt

FINGEST

Fingest Past

Fingest Farmers 1900-1947 (4) – Albert Prince took over the tenancy of Fingest Farm following the death of his father Thomas in 1937. Fingest farm was a mixed farm with live-stock (milking cows, pigs and poultry), cereals (wheat, oats and barley) and vegetables (potatoes, livestock feed, e.g. mangolds). By this time



Albert and Amos Prince building a mangold heap

the rick yard had been moved from the side of the barn to a paddock south of the farmhouse. A corrugated iron cart shed, calving shed, machine shed, bull shed, a two-bay cattle shelter and stabling for four horses had been added to the original buildings. Albert had also built a timber garage to house his Armstrong Siddeley taxi. The farm, part of the Parmoor Estate, was let in 1946 on a yearly Michaelmas tenancy at a rental of £82 with a Tithe Redemption Annuity of £16 14s 11d and a Land Tax £1 6s 6d per annum. Albert married Jessie Harman in 1946 and they purchased Fingest Farm when the Parmoor Estate was sold in the same year.

Don Boreham



Fingest Farm in the 1930s'



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Christopher Harper

Sadly, my son Christopher - a fit and outdoor man - died of Covid while waiting for a cancer operation in the Royal Infirmary in Aberdeen, where he contracted the virus. Christopher died in February this year.

My heartfelt thanks to you all for your support, cards, letters, flowers and meals over the last weeks. Your support was so valuable to me as this lockdown period meant that my family, apart from my niece, couldn't travel.

Thank you, Sue Morton, for the church service we had at the same time as Chris was being laid to rest in a natural burial ground, in a field under Bennachie, their local mountain. We raised £175.50 for the local One Can Trust. Chris would be so pleased that his dying helped the living.

Pam Harper



Christopher Harper with his model aircraft

Answers to Questions in The Cross on the Donkey's Back

What is wrong with the photo? The picture on the cover of the booklet is back to front.

Why did blacksmiths never used to nail on shoes on Good Friday? Because of the nails they put into Christ's feet.

Why is it called Good Friday? Because good means holy.

Why is there a cross on hot, cross buns? It's in honour of Good Friday, a symbol of our faith.

Why are they called Easter eggs? It's a symbol of the resurrection, because the egg, rolled and broken looks like the stone rolled away and Christ breaking free.

Why is there a cross on the donkey's back? It's his badge of honour for carrying Christ on his triumphal entry into Jerusalem.



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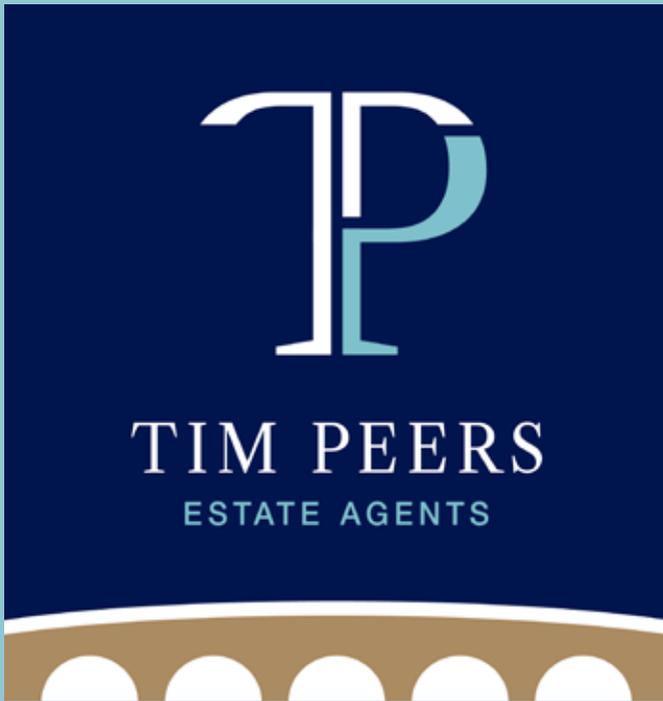
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