

## Haughley and Wetherden Parish News – Annual Report 2022

After two years in which we weren't able to publish the Parish News in every month (due to safety restrictions imposed by pandemic lockdown after Christmas 2020), the Parish News returned to its full ten issues in 2022.

Anne Ardley continues in her key role as Parish News Editor. David Bryant and Anne Ardley handled the Advertising Manager's role.

Over 1,200 copies now need printing to cater for the new housing developments in Haughley. This increases the cost of printing (the major cost). However, we have been able to retain advertising charges at the same level. With the cost of paper increasing faster than the inflation rate, a small deficit was incurred in 2022 (£129).

New street deliverers have come forward to assist with delivering to the ~150 new properties.

Although the Parish News is published on line (latest version is at <https://www.haughley.org.uk/>), people generally prefer a printed version.

We have sufficient financial reserves to support the magazine for over a year were the advertising revenue to fall away – the Parish News funding is largely self-sustaining.

Both Haughley and Wetherden Parish Councils continued their support for the Parish News with grants during the year. These are gratefully received and contribute to about 10% of the annual printing costs.

David Ribbans continues to provide much of the cover graphics.

We look forward to another year of service to the Haughley & Wetherden communities in 2023.

David Bryant

Treasurer, H&W Parish News