

## Are you a member of the Village Produce Association?

The VPA is a great village institution, originally formed as an Association just after the war in order to encourage people to grow food and enable it to be transported to the local market to be sold. Over the recent years it has developed along the lines of a gardeners' social club, still encouraging people to grow a variety of produce and flowers, to enjoy the garden, bake and generally make things.

The Summer and Winter Shows are well known and enjoyed by many supporters, but we also have a plant and cake sale annually in May. Once the Autumn bulbs are available, we organise a special Sunday launch – look out for the day during September. For many years we have held the annual Harvest Supper and Quiz which is very popular.

Throughout the growing season the Garden Store (located next to the Village Hall in Church Road) is open every Sunday, 10.00am to 12noon. It has everything to help you succeed in the garden, plus food for the birds. We also welcome any special orders that may be required. A friendly welcome awaits your visit along with a chat and a cuppa.

The VPA annual membership is just £5 per household so the whole family can join as one. We are members of the RHS which provides many benefits including a reduction in entry prices when visiting their gardens. As the VPA is non-profit making, each year donations are made to local charities and support has often been provided to other local good causes.

If you would like to join us please contact our Membership Secretary Tim Crossley-Smith (<a href="mailto:tim.crossleysmith@gmail.com">tim.crossleysmith@gmail.com</a> / 07983 585799) or any of the Committee members and visit our new web site <a href="mailto:lgvpa.org">lgvpa.org</a> Facebook and Instagram: Little Gaddesden VPA

## **VPA COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

June Abraham
Elliott Bachmann – Store Manager
Glenda Cooper
Tim Crossley-Smith – Membership
Kate Filippidis – Treasurer
Alastair Greene
Rachel Heaphy
Emily Hinde
Faye Rainbow
Stephanie Royal

Please see standing order mandate on the reverse side of this sheet

As a result of the standing orders set up by our members, 75% of subscriptions are received automatically by the VPA on 1st April which is the start of the membership year for the VPA. It makes such a huge difference to the administration of the Association that the committee would very much appreciate it if everyone can pay in this way. If you are familiar with online banking, then please set this up direct through your bank preferably as a recurring payment every 1st April, with your name as the reference for us to track. The VPA's bank details are shown on the form below. If you prefer, complete the form below and return it to the membership secretary. The committee do understand though that some people do not like standing orders in which case a cheque made payable to Gaddesden District Village Produce Association, or a crisp £5 note handed to a Committee member works ok too!

## STANDING ORDER MANDATE

Please complete, sign and return to:

Gaddesden District VPA, 1 The Red House, Nettleden Road, Little Gaddesden, HP4 1PL

## To the Bank Manager:

YOUR BANK DETAILS
Your Bank's Name
Bank's address

- 1. Please pay the amount of £5.00 immediately.
- 2. Thereafter, please pay by banker's standing order annually on the 1st April each year to
  - Gaddesden District Village Produce
  - Sort code: 09-01-51
  - Account number 48549306

This Standing Order is to continue until further notice.

YOUR ACCOUNT DETAILS		
Your Account Name:		
Your Home Address:		
Sort Code:	Account Number:	
AUTHORISATION		
I hereby authorise you to set-up this standing order payment on my account:		
Signature 1:	Date	
Signature 2:	Date	
YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION		
Email:	Phone:	
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