

Haddenham Association of Scouts and Guides

Registered Charity No 270223



Haddenham Scarecrow Festival 6-28 June 2026

Enter by 31st May

This is YOUR year to enter!

To take part, simply complete and return an entry form by the deadline of 31st May in one of the following ways:

- Complete and submit an online form at: <https://forms.gle/6tGn841tZekJ6fcF6>
- Download and print a form from haddenham.net website
- Pick up a paper form from Blooming Fruity Community Greengrocer

All entries submitted by the closing date will be included on the official List of Entrants and Scarecrow Trail Map. Unfortunately, any entries received late, even the next day, cannot be included on the official map due to the tight printing deadline, but late entrants are welcome to display their scarecrow in support of the event.

This year's optional theme

We are challenging people to use their imagination and creativity to make a Scarecrow on the optional theme of "Colours of the Rainbow" using any resources you may have. The suggested theme has been inspired by this year's charity (Forever Colours -see below). The theme can be interpreted in any way you like.

How to create and display your Scarecrow

There are very few rules to follow:

1. Your Scarecrow can be ANY shape or size and made of any material or item(s).
2. "Colours of the Rainbow" themed entries are invited but this is optional - anything goes!
3. All scarecrows or displays MUST be given a name. With a village-wide event on this scale, some name duplications are inevitable, but each and every creation is unique and appreciated, so please don't worry about this.
4. Entries MUST be visibly displayed at the front of your own property 24 hours a day from 9am on 6th June (NOT BEFORE PLEASE) until the end of Sunday 28th June.
5. We respectfully request that scarecrows are not used to make political statements or presented in any way which may cause offence to any spectators, especially young children – it just needs to be fun!

Scarecrow Festival Open from 6th to 28th June

We request visitors do not enter private property unless invited to do so. We will display photos of the scarecrows online for anyone unable to see for themselves.

Fundraising 2026

The Scout and Guide Association is inviting voluntary donations from entrants and spectators towards this year's chosen charity:

Forever Colours Children's Hospice

This is a Buckinghamshire charity that provides hospice care at home and within the community to families with children who have life limiting conditions or profound learning disabilities. These are some examples of what funds will help to support:

- Family Activities and Events: accessible family days that reduce isolation and build supportive connections
- Sibling Groups: resources and venue costs to support brothers and sisters who are often quietly affected by having a sibling with a life limiting condition
- Parent Support: safe spaces for parents and carers to connect and feel heard
- Travel and community support costs: helping nursing staff to reach families across Bucks when they most need support

More information at: <https://forevercolourshospice.org.uk/>

How to make a donation

Donations can be made in one of three ways:

1. Online at: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/scarecrowfestival2026>
2. In cash posted or delivered to 7 Dovecote, Haddenham HP17 8BP
3. By bank transfer to designated Haddenham Scarecrow Festival Account held at Lloyds Bank, Sort Code: 30-98-56; Account No: 29225168; Account Name: F J Flaxton; Ref: Scarecrow26

Scarecrow Trail Maps and Voting for Favourites

Copies of the official Scarecrow Trail Map will be made available both online and in paper form from outlets in the village in return for a donation. There will be an opportunity for everyone to vote for their three favourites. Details about how to do this will be published nearer the time. There will be a prize for the three most popular Scarecrows. ALL scarecrow entrants will receive a Certificate of Participation.

A final reminder

To be included on the 2026 Scarecrow Trail Map, **completed entry forms MUST be returned by midnight on 31st May at the very latest**, either by e-mail to scarecrowhaddenham.festival@gmail.com or posted or delivered to Haddenham Scarecrow Festival c/o 7 Dovecote, Haddenham HP17 8BP.

Thank you for your support!