

"Village Day Support for Community Shop"

On a cloudy Saturday the committee members of the Community Shop Association pitched their tent ready for Village Day. As the day progressed the sun made an appearance along with a steady stream of visitors to the Community Shop tent.

Comments received were very positive, endorsing the continuing hard work to get the shop up and running. We had visitors ranging from those who remembered the village with a thriving local shop and post office to those who moved here in recent years and lament the lack of a "quick shop" facility within the village.

The day gave villagers an opportunity to present their views and ideas on the shop, what it will stock, opening hours and other possible services. We identified possible local suppliers of goods such as celebration cakes to order, hand made greetings cards, fresh local vegetables etc.

In excess of £250 was raised for the shop funds via share purchase and the "guess the cost of groceries in 1938" competition.

The most frequently asked question was:

"When is the shop opening, will it be soon?"

The overwhelming message was one of hearty support for our efforts in making a new Community Shop for Hughenden Valley a reality in the near future.