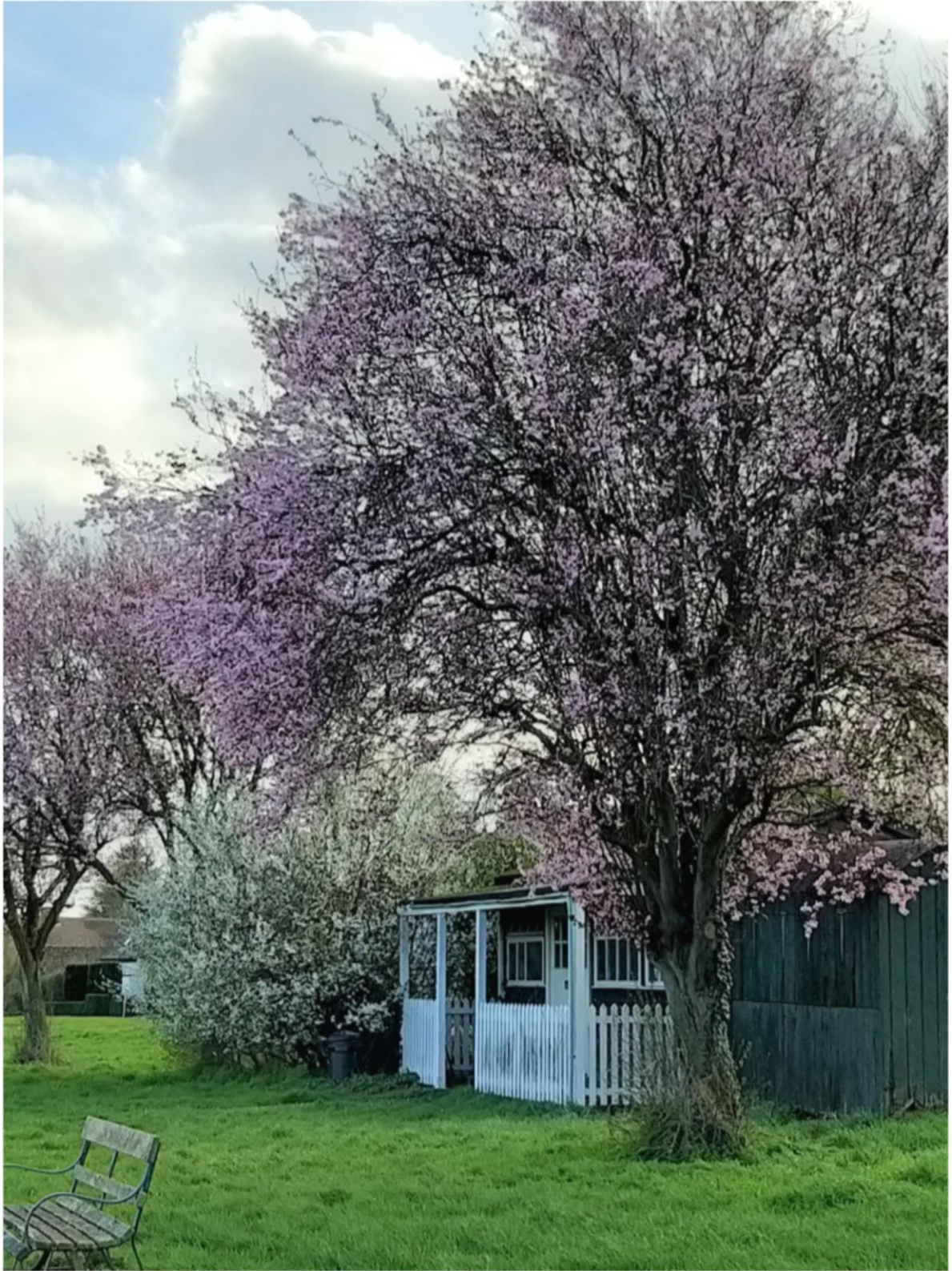


The Baldons and Nuneham Courtenay Newsletter



March 2020

FROM REVEREND TERESA STEWART-SYKES

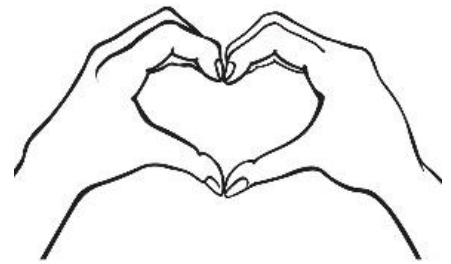


March is the month when we celebrate our families and our mothers. Of course, I am thinking of Mothering Sunday, the one special day in the year for children of all ages to spoil their mums! We are thankful for our mums and show them our love with flowers and chocolates, bringing them breakfast in bed, or taking them out for lunch.

On this very special day I think it is also lovely to remember and give thanks for all the women who have nurtured us or influenced the course of our lives. Families come in all sorts of shapes and sizes, and a mother's love can be manifested in a variety of different ways. Sometimes the significant women in our lives may be a teacher who has guided and advised us, an elderly neighbour who has befriended us, or a friend who has taken time to be there for us and supported us through a difficult moment.

We could also reflect this month on **our** role as a 'mother' to others. There is a saying 'it takes a village to raise a child' and certainly our local community is stronger when we all take responsibility for the young or vulnerable members in our community.

In today's society of county line gangs, social isolation and mental health concerns we can all have an enormous positive influence on children and young people; and we do not have to be their mother to show them love, to offer guidance, or to tell them they are valued.



Jesus once spoke of himself in the role of a mother, comparing himself to a mother hen who worries about her children and yearns to protect them from harm. In caring for vulnerable people around us, we follow his example.

So, in this month when we remember the importance of our mothers in our lives, let us **all** show our children and young people a little love. And each of us, whether we are men or women, recognise our role as 'mothers' who can make the world a brighter and more hopeful place.

The Revd Teresa Stewart-Sykes is Team vicar for The Baldons with Nuneham Courtenay, Berinsfield and Drayton St Leonard.

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A clergy person can always be reached in a pastoral emergency by ringing the Dorchester Team Office 01865 340007

EASTER LILIES



Each Easter we decorate the churches with lilies in memory of loved ones who have died.

If you would like to buy a lily in memory of someone, please let us know.

£4.00 a stem.

Veronica Sandilands 01865 340562

vsandilands@btinternet.com

LENT IN THE DORCHESTER TEAM

Across the Dorchester Team there is a full programme for Lent: full details in a leaflet available in all our Churches.

Lent Lunches: Wednesdays in the Wittenhams, Thursdays in Berinsfield and Warborough, Fridays in Dorchester

Lent Groups: Monday evenings in Dorchester, Thursday afternoons in Berinsfield

Compline (Night Prayer): Wednesdays at Drayton St Leonard 8.45pm.

Taize Group: Monday 9th & 23rd March 7.30pm Abbey Guest House

An opportunity to pray using chants and prayers from Taize. This group is for everyone, those who cannot read music through to experienced musicians.

Journey to the Cross and Beyond

The Journey to the Cross is a service of reflection and prayer using images created by the Sisters of Turvey Abbey. The service has its roots in the tradition of the Stations of the Cross and the practice of meditative prayer. Week by week we will reflect on successive stages of Jesus' final journey and our own experience of death and resurrection in the daily situations of our lives. Dates in the service list on the back of this newsletter.

TEAM CURATE

Our new curate, Catherine Schneider, will be training within the Dorchester Team for approximately the next three years. She lives in Kennington with her husband, Stephen and three young adult children. She trained at Ripon College, Cuddesdon and before that had worked in a variety of roles including as a Debt Coach for Christians Against Poverty and an NHS manager.

LICENSING OF THE REVEREND CANON MARK HAWORTH

The Bishop of Dorchester will License Reverend Canon Mark Haworth in Dorchester Abbey on 31st March 2020 at 7.30pm. He will serve in the Bridge Group of Parishes. Mark had a 15-year career as a Forester before his ordination. He is an active musician and enjoys fellwalking and landscape, architecture, concerts, theatre and film. He has three children and three grandchildren.



Wednesday 11th March

7.30pm

Marsh Baldon Village Hall

OX44 9LL

The South Oxfordshire Filling Station is one of a network of Filling Stations that meet nationwide (www.thefillingstation.org.uk), where friends gather to explore their Christian faith. It is not a new church denomination; anyone of any denomination, any faith or no faith is welcome. All are welcome.

Our speaker is Rachel Hickson of 'Heart Cry for Change' ministry. Rachel travels internationally, training leaders and speaking at conferences to strengthen the church. She has written books on prayer and the prophetic gift. Her talk is entitled:

NEW MEANS NEW! "But forget all that— it is nothing compared to what I am going to do. For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! Do you not see it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness. I will create rivers in the dry wasteland." (Isaiah 43:18-19 NLT)

Coffee/tea and cake from 7.30pm, worship at 7.50pm, a talk starting at 8.15pm, finish 9.30pm. You are welcome to come and go at any point in the evening.

If you are interested contact Catherine Mason (southoxfordshire@thefillingstation.org.uk, 07879 626828) or Tom Hunnings (07778 104806)

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

Items for the April 2020 issue newsletter

by 16th March please

Any villager is welcome to send items for publication in the newsletter - this can be anything from articles, poems or pictures, to publicising your event. In addition, if you have an image you would like us to consider for the cover, do send it in!

If you would like to receive a reminder e-mail each month for newsletter contributions, please let me know.

Natasha Eliot: tashaandjames@btopenworld.com. Alternatively, I can be contacted on 343478 or at Baldon House East, Marsh Baldon.

For advertising queries, please contact Leanna Maggs on: leanna.maggs@gmail.com or on 01865 340 521.

BALDONS PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Last Tuesday was for our local councillors a sad day for democracy. For despite the pressure from the Parish Council, the District and County Councillor, Oxfordshire County Council voted 39 to 16 in favour of accepting the invitation from the Housing Minister, the Rt Hon Robert Jenrick to remove powers from South Oxfordshire District Council and to give them to the department. If this invitation is forthcoming, decisions to influence the Local Plan (including building on green belt land) will no longer be in the hands of our elected local representatives. The local organisation, '*A Better South Oxfordshire*' will continue to campaign for South Oxfordshire District Council to retain its responsibility for strategic planning in the county.

Locally, the trees along the ditch, which runs across the Green have been pollarded. Thankfully the work was completed before the recent storms and so trees have not been damaged or lost in the high winds. In addition, much of the bramble around the ditch has been removed, thereby opening-up the view across the Green. Meanwhile, following the work of a small group of volunteers, the village pond by the school is now full and work will continue, when the weather improves, to restore this village asset. BBOWT will be advising the council on the correct planting and conservation of the pond.

No doubt the recent winds will have blown bits of rubbish and pieces of trees around the villages. To help deal with this, the **annual clear-up day will take place at 10.00 am on Sunday 29th March**; please put this date in your diaries as we need as many volunteers as possible. The necessary equipment will be provided by the District Council.

As reported before, the Parish Council will be taking steps to restore the Green to its original boundaries and make good the damaged caused by vehicles driving and parking across the Green. This applies to the area outside the school and along by the Seven Stars. The Parish Council has also written to those households having construction work on their properties that they have a duty to repair any damaged caused to the Green by construction vehicles.

For those living along the southside of the track, there will be a meeting to discuss the restoration and maintenance of the track at **7.30 pm on Tuesday 17th March in the Village Hall**. This meeting has been arranged in response to the questionnaire sent to all householders before Christmas.

Finally, the following planning applications have been approved by SODC:
Application No : P19/S4475/FUL
Provision of an all-weather horse arena at Penstemon House Baldon Lane
Marsh Baldon OX44 9LS

Date of next meetings: 9th March, 7.30pm, Village Hall,
Annual Parishes Meeting: 20th April, 7.30 pm, Village Hall

NUNEHAM COURTENAY PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

In March you receive your Council Tax bills for the following (financial) year. The Parish Council is not expecting to start any major new projects in the year ahead: you can see that from the budget for next year, which you can find on our website. What we have done since stepping into the breach in 2017 is to try to tackle quite a few things that you seemed to want us to tackle. Some of these things have cost the Parish Council money, some did not.

The gravel site

Right now, the biggest threat we face is the proposal by the County Council that most of Oxfordshire's future gravel needs should come from a huge proposed sand/gravel extraction site down near the river at the back of Lower Farm between Nuneham and Sandford. We are working with Sandford Parish Council and hoping to work also with Radley Parish Council to get the County Council to drop the proposal and, if unsuccessful, to prepare a robust case against this for when a planning application goes in, as it surely will if the County Council approves it as a preferred site.

If anyone has any ideas, expertise or contacts to help us or would like to join a steering group then please get in touch. There is potentially a huge amount of money involved for anyone successful in obtaining permission to quarry down there, so we really do need all the help we can get.

The main road

Residents raised concerns about the London plane trees along the main road, so we contacted Oxfordshire County Council and were successful in getting them to trim the trees in 2018 and put them on a five-year maintenance schedule.

Residents keep expressing concerns about the speed of cars along the main road through the village. So, we tried to see if there were enough volunteers to form a Community Speedwatch group, supported by the local police, that could help to enforce the 30mph speed limit. We have also talked to the County Council about a Vehicle Activated Sign to warn drivers if they are driving over the 30mph speed limit.

It is generally agreed that gates beside the road at the entrances of villages help to get some drivers to slow down. But the ones at the northern entrance to the village are in a poor state and the County Council refuses to carry out maintenance on them because, it said, they were so high a ladder would be needed to clean them or repaint them. So, we arranged with the County Council to get a new set of gates installed – the same at each end of the village – and they agreed, on condition the parish council went 50/50 on the cost.

The new gates should be in place fairly soon. We think they will look smarter, be easier to maintain and will catch the attention of more drivers than the present ones. We have not received the bill yet but we're expecting to have to pay over

£1,800. We hope that, looking back in a few years' time, we can all say it was money well spent.

Residents have complained that the footways along the main road, which have been damaged by the tree roots, can be tricky, especially in the dark. So, we have had the footways examined by both a tree specialist and a Highways Inspector from the County Council. The inspection concluded that nothing can be done to the footway on the east side because of the risk of damaging the trees, which are protected by Tree Preservation Orders. However, surface skimming work could be carried out on the west side without risk to the trees. Now we are trying to see if we can get the County Council to do the work. We will keep you informed of any progress.

There were concerns about litter, so the parish council purchased and installed four new litter and dog waste bins in November 2018, one on each bus stop, and liaised with the District Council to arrange for them to empty them. We think we have noticed a decrease in litter since the new bins were installed, which makes the environment nicer for everyone. The bins cost £266.

We are still pressing the County Council to reinstate a right turn road sign halfway down the main road which was demolished by a vehicle a couple of years ago. The old sign has been removed but a new one has not yet appeared. We will continue to pester the County Council until it gets done.

Things done or in hand

We funded improvements to the Village Hall to rebuild the disabled access ramp, which was not fit for purpose, and the disabled toilet, which was also not accessible by wheelchair users and we gave a grant to the Adult Luncheon Club to enable them to purchase new equipment. Those three grants in 2018 amounted to over £2,500.

David Clibbon gave us a fantastic new noticeboard outside the Village Hall. We then commissioned and installed a name plate to go on top. We approached two local social enterprises, Raw and Restore, and Restore gave us the best quote.

We are almost at the end of the process of purchasing a defibrillator. In the end we have listened to advice from the Ambulance Service: we will put the defibrillator in a locked cabinet on the outside of the Village Hall (to which the 999 staff will have the access code) and it will be semi-automatic so no one touching the person who needs help will get a sudden and unexpected electric shock. We tried to get a grant from the District Council but were told we weren't eligible. We hope the defibrillator will be installed and ready for use by Easter. The defibrillator and the cabinet are both sophisticated pieces of equipment and the pair may cost around £2,000. But what is the value of a life saved?

Since summer 2018 we have been paying for a garden waste brown bin to be kept at the churchyard, so mourners have somewhere to throw away dead flowers.

This winter we have obtained a supply of winter salt from the County Council, free of charge, for you to use on untreated roads and pavements. If we do get ice and snow (rather than more and more rain) then you can obtain some salt by contacting John Peters (Vice-Chair of the parish council) on 07582 170960, who will arrange to meet you at a mutually convenient time. You will need to bring your own container as it has been delivered in 25kg bags! However, we will make arrangements for those who would find it difficult to transport their own supply.

Things we're still working on

We have worked hard with our District Councillors, Sue Lawson and Sam Casey-Rerhaye, to try to raise the profile of Nuneham Courtenay with the District Council and get them to understand their responsibility under the Nuneham Courtenay Legal Agreement to preserve the unique and uniform appearance of the houses along the main road. Dr Malcolm Airs of Kellogg College, Oxford, who is a noted expert on the history of Nuneham, has worked with us on this and has been extremely helpful.

The parish has been plagued with interruptions to the power supply. So, we applied to SSEN's Resilience Fund in 2018 for a grant to buy a generator for the Village Hall, which could then serve as an emergency centre in a power cut, but were turned down.

We continue to communicate with the Nuneham Courtenay Sports and Playing Field Association about getting the playing field back into use. Like us, they are volunteers and have to find time to deal with complicated legal issues.

At the moment the Parish Council is waiting for the Association's response to our last communication in December but at other times it has been the Association that has had to wait a few months to get a proper response from us. We will get everything resolved in the end, surely.

People

We are still one member short on the parish council. We can have five parish councillors, but we only have four. We need three councillors present to hold a meeting and take decisions so we have to make sure members aren't poorly or can't attend for some reason otherwise meetings can't go ahead.

If anyone is interested in finding out more, please contact any of the current councillors – Madhvi Saini, John Peters, James Fallon and Mandy Rigault – or ring our clerk Geoffrey Ferres (07419 991623). Come on – your village needs you! But it is not just the parish councillors who make things happen. We are very grateful to Simon Gray, a local resident, who created and maintains the parish council website in his own time, free of charge, as his gift to the community. We are very appreciative of this and would like to say thank you to him from all of us.

A large part of what we have managed to date is due to our Chair, Madhvi Saini, who combines being a wife and mother with a full-time job, outside commitments and her work for the parish. Where would we be without her?

Closing comments

Last year we reduced the precept to from £5,530 to £5,000 because we did not think we needed so much money but then we decided to accept the County Council's offer to go 50-50 on the gateways so we expect to spend more this year than we ever anticipated.

As a result, we decided to put the precept up next year to just over £6,000, or an increase of exactly £10 per year on a Band D home's Council Tax for 2020-21. It means the Parish Council may cost you next year about an extra 20p per week. Finally, may we send our best wishes to all our residents. We hope to see some of you at parish council meetings, which are usually held on the first Tuesday evening of the month at 7pm in the Village Hall. The next meeting is due on 5th May as we brought the March meeting forward to 24th February so we could agree our response to the consultation on the gravel sites, which closes at the end of February.



FROM HAYLEY HAYLE – COORDINATOR:

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We have lots of new activities/sessions lined up for you as well as all of our regular sessions at The Maple Tree.

Cooking sessions for accompanied under 5s from Tuesday 25th February: £20 per child if all 4 sessions are booked or £6 per child as a one off (concessions available). We cater for allergies and dietary requirements.

Story and Rhymetime at Wheatley Library: Tuesday 3rd March between 10-11am.

Baby Massage sessions: 5 weeks from Thursday 5th March from 1-2.30pm. The cost is £50 for all 5 sessions (concessions available) – email us for more information. Baby Massage has many benefits for both baby and parents.

Friday 3rd April: Pamper Evening. £5 per ticket, includes entrance & glass of wine.

First Aid courses: Sat 4th April (10-12) and Wed 22nd April (6.30-8.30). £20 per person with a £5 non-refundable deposit required in order to secure your place.

NUNEHAM COURTENAY VILLAGE HALL

Jumble Sale

March 28th 2-4 pm. Book a table for £6 and have a nice spring clear out. Or come along and bag a bargain yourself and stay for a nice chat with teas, coffees, and refreshments available to buy. Contact Jenny on 01865 343459 or jenny@datadaysolutions.com to book a table

Bingo

Easter Bingo is Friday the 3rd of April. Doors open at 7:30, eyes down at 8pm. This is a family friendly event and all are welcome. As always, there will be refreshments available to purchase

Yoga

Yoga meets most Mondays. Do text Jenny on 07787 507 304 to make sure it is on. Cost is just £2 a session. The group has a lovely mix of ages, ability, and gender. We are now alternating between flow and ashtanga. Come along and give it a try!

In the future....

We are still planning a summer walk with Dr Tyack. He will give us a date once his teaching schedule is clear and the weather is fine. We are hoping for June/early July. We will also be holding our popular vintage tea party. A Bollywood film evening has been suggested, perhaps to go with a curry supper so watch this space.

And finally...



The Village Hall Committee is delighted to announce that Nuneham Courtenay Pottery is now producing the gorgeous hand painted Nuneham mugs you can see in the photograph.

They come in the three peacock colours blue, green and purple, are bespoke and made to order. Being made by hand no two are exactly the same - all are individual. They cost £10.00 each and 50p from the sale of each mug will go to Village Hall funds.

Thank you Margie for your support.

Margie can be contacted on 07543 773709 or by e mail margienuneham@gmail.com

Let's join the rest of the Country and celebrate!

VE Day Party on The Green

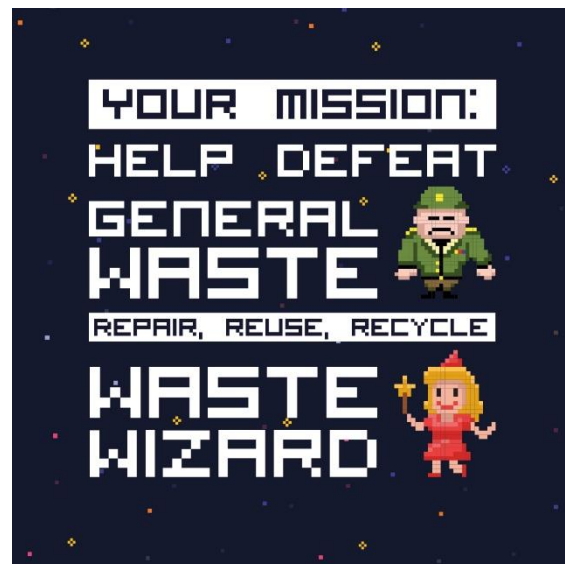
Saturday May 9th 2020 – 1pm



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THE WASTE WIZARD

The Waste Wizard is the county council's response to the evil spell that no-longer-needed items sometimes cast over residents when it's time to recycle or reuse them. The online tool allows anyone bewitched by the bin to type in the name of any item along with their postcode to find out whether it can be repaired, reused, donated, recycled or if it needs to go into a specific bin or can be disposed of at a Household Waste Recycling Centre.



There's lots of different ways to get rid of waste but you only need one Waste Wizard to help make sure you do the right thing.

- Boost the number of items that get repaired locally
- Increase the number of items reused or donated
- Cut the amount of contamination in kerbside collection bins
- Ensure anything that can't be reused, repaired or donated is properly recycled or disposed of

Household Waste Recycling Centres

Closed for 2 days in March & April

During March and April, your Household Waste Recycling Centre will be closing for two days to carry out a deep clean and essential maintenance

Closing dates:

Alkerton (Banbury)	Tues 3 & Wed 4 March
Ardley (Bicester)	Tues 17 & Wed 18 March
Dix Pit (Stanton Harcourt) ...	Tues 24 & Wed 25 March
Drayton (Abingdon)	Tues 28 & Wed 29 April
Oakley Wood (Wallingford)....	Tues 31 March & Wed 1 April
Redbridge (Oxford)	Tues 10 & Wed 11 March
Stanford (Faringdon)	Tues 21 & Wed 22 April

Visit www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/wasteclosure for full details, including details of your nearest alternative site during closures

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'New light on Wallingford's southern suburb' - a TWHAS talk



Tim Allen's (Oxford Archaeology) topic will be 'New light on Wallingford's southern suburb: excavations at the former Police Station, Reading Road' at this talk. Excavations in advance of redevelopment have revealed settlement of the late Saxon and Norman periods outside the south gate of the defended burh. Pit clusters and ditches suggest a series of plots alongside the road leading out of the burh, and several half-cellared buildings were found, two of which were particularly well-preserved. Finds indicate domestic settlement, and that the inhabitants were involved in several cottage industries, the most important being textile processing. The evidence will be discussed to see what it adds to the recently published 'Burh to Borough' project, and in the context of excavations of similar sites at Oxford and Winchester.

Oxford Archaeology's Tim Allen is well known to TWHAS and we were delighted that he was the archaeologist for this site. This talk to The Wallingford Historical and Archaeological Society (TWHAS) will be held on Wednesday 11th March, 7.45 for 8pm, at St Mary's Church, Wallingford. Visitors (£4) are most welcome. Katharine Keats-Rohan

www.twhas.org.uk

Wallingford Museum in 2020

Wallingford Museum re-opens on 3rd March with two new special exhibitions, and many family-friendly events during the year.



'**Plague, Pus and Pills**' is the deservedly graphic title of our main exhibition. It traces the fascinating history of Wallingford's hospitals, caring for the sick in the town from medieval times to the present day. Its portrayal of the challenges of dealing with plague, leprosy, smallpox, scarlet fever and other such outbreaks, as well as more common illness and disabilities, brings the past vividly to light.

Outbreaks of infectious diseases were always much feared, and in the 18th century smallpox was a killer.

So don't be squeamish – be brave enough to come and explore our fascinating exhibition and find out just why we are so lucky to live in the 21st century!

Our second exhibition of **'Willis family of Wallingford - artists and artisans'** brings to life the work of a local family. The Willis family came to Wallingford from Hagbourne in the early 19th century living and working in High Street and what is now The Dolphin public house. An industrious Quaker family, all of their six sons had artisan or professional careers. This exhibition spotlights the careers of George (1822-1907) an artist who depicted local scenes, and flora and fauna for engraved book illustrations, and William (1814-1883) also an artist but whose main business was engraving and inventing ways to fix early photographs. He patented the aniline process of copying and his son, also William (1841-1923) patented what became the universally acclaimed and commercially successful platinotype process.

Our first family-friendly event will be **'Can You Face It'** during the school Easter holidays. Create your own facial reconstruction at one of our workshops being held on 7, 9, 14, 16 April. We have the 'skulls', play dough and know how! Children FREE with adults (£5 season ticket). Early online booking advised at :- www.wallingfordmuseum.org.uk

Stu Darby

www.wallingfordmuseum.org.uk

EVENTS IN DORCHESTER ABBEY

Sat 7th March 7.30pm Thames Consort Concert

Thames Consort, led by director Jeremy Boughton, bring a varied programme of vocal and instrumental music to raise money for Dorchester Abbey Sharon Warnes & Claire Parkin (Violins), Judith Dallosso ('Cello), Glynne Stackhouse (continuo organ)

Sat 14th March 7.30pm Benson Choral Concert

Vaughan Williams' epic Sea Symphony is a landmark in British choral music of the early 20th century. It is not often performed live because of its huge scale, so please join us, along with the Elgar Orchestra and soloists Lorena Paz Nieto and Stephen Gadd, all under the skilful baton of our guest conductor Richard Laing. And you get a big bonus when our accompanist, Anita D'Attellis takes centre stage to play Grieg's Piano Concerto. Tickets from bensonchoralsociety.org.uk

Sat 21st March 7.30pm Berkshire Maestros

Berkshire Maestros senior choir Berkshire Youth Choir and their alumni members will be in concert with Berkshire Maestros chamber orchestra Camerata in the beautiful setting of Dorchester Abbey. The concert will culminate in a performance of Vivaldi's Gloria.

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Storytime Wednesdays 3.45pm

IT Drop in Thursdays 2.00pm

Knit and Natter 2.30pm

Tuesday 3rd March & 7th April

Reading Group 2.00pm

Thursday 12th March & 9th April

Coffee Morning 10.30am

Tuesday 17th March & 21st April

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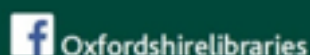
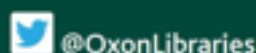
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SERVICES FOR MARCH 2020

1 st March	9.30am	Holy Communion	Toot Baldon
	6.00pm	Journey to the Cross	Drayton St Leonard
Friday 6 th March	7.00pm	Women's World Day of Prayer	Long Wittenham
8 th March	6.00pm	Journey to the Cross	Toot Baldon
15 th March	9.30am	Holy Communion	Marsh Baldon
	6.00pm	Journey to the Cross	Long Wittenham
22 nd March	9.30am	Family Communion <i>for Mothering Sunday</i>	Marsh Baldon
29 th March	10.30am	Team Service	Warborough
	6.00pm	Journey to the Cross	Berinsfield
Tuesday 31 March	7.30pm	Licensing of The Reverend Canon Mark Haworth	Dorchester Abbey
5 th April	9.30am	Palm Sunday Walk	Toot to Marsh
	6.00pm	Team Service of Reflection <i>for Palm Sunday</i>	Dorchester Abbey

Friday 6th March Women's World Day of Prayer

The Women's World Day of Prayer service will be in St Mary's Church, Long Wittenham on Friday 6 March at 7pm. The service has been prepared by the Women of Zimbabwe and the theme is 'Rise! Take your mat and walk'. Please contact Janet Haylett familyhaylett@yahoo.com if you would like to help or take part.

SIDESDUTY

	Marsh Baldon	Toot Baldon
1 st March		9.30am Jenny van Dijk
8 th March		6.00pm Sonia Hobbins
15 th March	9.30am Ian Gillespie	
22 nd March	9.30am Catherine Mason	

FLOWERS

	Marsh Baldon	Toot Baldon
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