

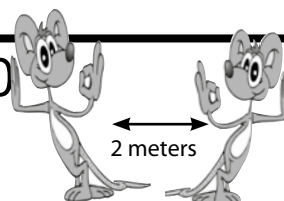
Newsletter

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Excellent turnout for VE day

Helpers keep on helping - *Thank you*

Once again thanks go out to those who continue to help others and for those who continue to respect Government guidelines and Stay Safe/alert and keep our NHS safe too. Whilst many get updates from friends and village news via FaceBook there are many who do not do Facebook or the internet and these people can feel very left out, so please make a effort to check on your neighbours. Whilst some get shopping and essentials via the remarkably energetic and cheery volunteers, there are more options opening up all the time - The Horse & Groom pop up shop, The Red Lion Bloxham, deliveries of meat and veg from Hook Norton Butchers and from the Banbury Market veg stall BC Fruits direct to your door on Fridays. Contact details are

07464815733 punkinanddenise@gmail.com. While these options give us choice and help to support some local businesses our village shop proves time and time again to be vital, so please support John & Sushy. There has been reports of dog mess on Main Street and this reflects on all dog owners not just the one or two who don't care. However on a recent walk of mine which took me all round the village and over the fields, down to South Newington and along the valley, I was pleasantly surprised to see no poo and enjoyed the view rather than watching where my feet were all the time. So thank you dog owners we all love our village and our walks with heads held high.

NOTE: Next month Milcombe News will be a twin issue July & August combined. If you have anything to contribute, some one to thank, or news to share please email milcombepc@gmail.com or marlene.cowell@milcombe.com



MILCOMBE VILLAGE HALL

As a result of the ongoing pandemic we are currently planning to hold the Annual General Meeting via a Zoom Meeting - details will be published on the Milcombe Community Facebook Page and all are welcome to join. We have a real opportunity to build on the great community spirit that has been established during the lockdown and the committee is a great place to help plan future village events when the restrictions are lifted to the point that will enable us to do so.



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Larder OPEN 9.30am-1.30pm
Tuesday - Sunday

Milcombe Parish Council

May 2020

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Vacancies – Due to resignations, there are two vacancies on the Parish Council. The role entails attending a Parish Council meeting every other month, for around 2 hours and you can put in, as much or as little time as you have available, in-between the meetings. If you would like any further information, please contact the Clerk on 01295 710965 or email milcombepc@gmail.com

Covid-19 Community Support – The Parish Council thanks Sam Hughes and all the volunteers providing the village with support during the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Grit Bin – A new grit bin would be installed on Wigginton Heath Road, opposite the entrance to Heath Close.

Wheelie Bins – Residents are kindly requested not to block the footpaths with their wheelie bins, where possible. If they could also be collected back in as soon as they had been emptied, this would avoid the footpaths being blocked for those pedestrians with pushchairs or wheelchair users.

Grass Cutting – The Parish Council ceased the grass cutting at the start of the Government lockdown, however, this has now restarted.

Dog Fouling – Residents are asked to ensure that they clean up after their dogs because a lot of mess had not been picked up, especially along Main Street. Free dog waste bags were available in the Church porch and New Road Stores.

Highways – Repairs which were required to potholes should be reported to the County Council's Fix My Street web site. <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>

Trees/Bushes/Hedges - Residents were reminded that trees/bushes/hedges should not be causing an obstruction because they were overhanging a boundary onto a footpath or road. If an obstruction was occurring in the village, it should be reported to <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>

Village Hall – The village hall is closed as are all public buildings at this time and the AGM scheduled for May was cancelled until further notice.

Newsletter – we printed 100 copies of the Newsletter in April and May available at the village shop as it was not possible for them to be delivered around the village. The same will happen for June and the July/August which will be a combined edition. It is uncertain as to whether this will be delivered.

Play Area – The proposal for new play equipment is on hold and thanks to Councillor Myra Peters who took over the play area inspections.

Adverse Weather:

Oxfordshire County Council worked closely with all its partners to monitor the situation with the recent bad weather. As a reminder there are some numbers that you can call to

report weather related issues if you become aware of them:

- To report fallen trees or other debris which pose a risk to your safety or the safety of others, please call 999
- To report fallen trees or other debris which doesn't pose such a high risk but still needs to be dealt with, please call 101
- If you lose power or can see that a power line has come down please report it by calling 105
- If you are concerned about flooding, you should visit the Oxfordshire Flood Toolkit online - <https://www.oxfordshirefloodtoolkit.com> – and I will summarise the key numbers to call below:
- If you have a flooding emergency which is a threat to someone's life, contact Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service on 999
- To report flooding relating to a highway such as blocked ditches, blocked drains or flooding on a road call Oxfordshire County Council Floodline on 0345 310 1111
- To report flooding from a main river contact the Environment Agency through the Floodline (Tel: 0345 988 1188 or 0800 80 70 60) or visit their website
- If your property is at immediate risk of surface water flooding please contact Thames Valley Police on 101

Planning applications and comments could be viewed on Cherwell District Council's web site at:

<https://www.cherwell.gov.uk/info/115/planning/443/see-or-comment-on-a-planning-application23as>

Meeting Dates - Future meetings, all starting at 8.00pm would be held on Zoom, until further notice. Please contact the Clerk if the details to join the Parish Council meetings.

- Tuesday 26 May 2020
- Tuesday 7 July 2020
- Tuesday 1 September 2020
- Tuesday 3 November 2020

All welcome to attend!

Agendas and minutes are available on www.milcombe.com or please contact the Clerk, Theresa Goss, at milcombepc@gmail.com or ring 01295 710965 during normal office hours.

Reminders:

Roads (including potholes)/footpaths/street lighting/overhanging trees/hedges: Report to Oxfordshire County Council <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>

Faulty Street Lights: Report on freephone 0800 317802 giving exact destination and pole number if possible.

Dog Bags: These are available from New Road Stores and at the back of the Church behind the organ. Please clear up after your dog - it is an offence not to.

Electricity: SSE 0800 294 3259 or text phone 0800 316 5457, UK Power Networks – 0800 169 9970, Western Power Distribution – 0800 096 3080

Water: Thames Water 0800 009 3652 or text phone 0800 316 6899, Anglian Water 03457 91 91 55

Power failure: If there's a power cut call the free number 105 to check what's happening with your local provider

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CHURCH NOTES

SERVICES IN ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH

OUR USUAL SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES ARE CANCELLED AND OUR CHURCH REMAINS FIRMLY LOCKED AS DO ALL PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

From Government guidelines, it would seem that this will not be reviewed until August and, only then, will places of worship and other public buildings be open if it is safe to do so.

There is updated news on their website from the Diocese of Oxford as some restrictions on lockdown are very slowly easing.

Incumbents can now enter their Church buildings and can appoint more than one person for each Church in their Benefice to enter the Church building separately on a rota basis. Individuals not in the same household are not allowed to enter together. Social distancing must be observed at all times. Please read the facts on Guidance on praying on the C of E website.

There is information on the website by the Central Council of Church Bellringers and there are strict guidelines in place regarding ringing of bells.

People may visit the Churchyard and tend graves provided social distancing is observed. In consultation with the Vicar and Churchwardens, the Parish Council agreed to continue with the mowing of the Churchyard. For the sake of safety and in their own interest, it is best that people do not enter the Churchyard whilst mowing is in progress.

The Vicar is emailing the Weekly Sheet. If you don't already receive a copy and you would like to, then please email him at office@bloxhambenefice.co.uk.

There are opportunities to join Services online. Check the C of E website www.churchofengland.org or the Diocesan website www.oxford.anglican.org/livestream

You can join Dale and members of the Benefice at 6.00pm on Sunday evenings via Zoom.

The Weekly Sheet gives full details on how you can do this.

Bishop Steven of Oxford is encouraging everybody to pause at 11.00am each day (if their work permits) to say The Lord's Prayer and the 23rd Psalm which is very comforting in these stressful times.

You can still **SAVE YOUR USED STAMPS AND PRINTER CARTRIDGES** – but please keep them at home until it is possible to re-open the Church.

At the present time **IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO RECYCLE USED CANS FOR CHURCH FUNDS**, so please recycle them in the normal way. Hopefully, we shall be able to start up this project again in the not too distant future. As everybody will appreciate this project has been a great help with Church funds. With no Services, there are no weekly collections, and with the Church being locked, income is virtually nil apart from the few members who are on the Parish Giving Scheme. Insurance on the building and contents is due in June at over £1000 plus we have to contribute towards our Parish Share. If you do feel able to make a donation, which would be very much appreciated, perhaps you could drop a cheque into the Vicarage, next to Bloxham Museum, or to Susan Richardson at 16 Church Lane. We desperately want our Church to be up and running again for the community as soon as it is possible to do so. The collecting tin is still available in New Road Stores for your loose change and we thank the proprietors for allowing this. **THANK YOU** if you feel able to help.

DOG BAGS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH PORCH. Please only take what you need. Dale and the Churchwardens would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to Sam Hughes and her team of volunteers who are helping the vulnerable and elderly by shopping and collecting prescriptions, etc. Sometimes just a wave through the window is enough to let people know that they are not forgotten. Please keep a look out for your elderly neighbours and we remind everybody that they should only deal with people they know.

KEEP CLAPPING ON THURSDAY EVENINGS AT 8.00pm AND KEEP PRAYING – BOTH ARE VERY IMPORTANT.

Rev. Dale Gingrich can be contacted on 01295 720252 or email office@bloxhambenefice.co.uk

St. Laurence's Churchwardens are Susan Richardson 721667 sujerich@yahoo.co.uk and Marlene Cowell 720750 marlenecowell196@gmail.com

Have you got a story about 'Lockdown' you would like to share, new ideas on what to do to keep the kids amused and the older ones entertained?



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Ombre £50
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