

Newsletter

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PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

There will be an uncontested Parish Council election on Thursday 5 May 2022. An uncontested election means that there were not enough candidates to necessitate an election. From Monday 9 May 2022, there are only four Councillors: Ruth Dale, Nigel Davis, Myra Peters and Tracey Scott.

There are seven seats on the Parish Council and until these three vacant seats are filled, it will result in a reduction

in the amount of work the Parish Council can undertake. Therefore, please bare this in mind when contacting the Parish Council or when you expect the Parish Council to become involved in a village matter.

If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor and supporting your community, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council or any of the Parish Councillors for more details.

Milcombe Parish Council

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Neighbourhood Development Plans

Neighbourhood Development Plans – Tom McCulloch from Community First Oxfordshire will be attending the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 10 May 2022 to give advice on how to develop a Plan for Milcombe.

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.

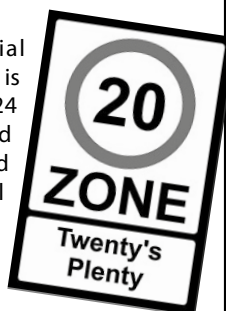
St Laurence Church Clock – Maintenance to the clock face will be carried out by Smith of Derby and would be funded by the Parish Council as part of HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

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/>

Food and Garden Waste Collections – From 1 March 2022, Cherwell District Council had made changes to their food and garden waste collections. Please visit the CDC web site for more information. <https://www.cherwell.gov.uk/info/10/rubbish-and-recycling/42/your-bins/3> Food should not be placed in the brown bin.

Play Area – The official opening of the play area is being held on Sunday 24 April 2022 at 12 noon and all residents are invited to attend. Quotes will be obtained for netting to be located behind the goal, to stop balls leaving the play area.



Oxfordshire County Council Highway Initiatives – An application had been made to the County Council for a 20mph speed limit on appropriate roads in the village, supported by County Councillor Kieron Mallon. In addition, investigations were being made into a weight limit for New Road.

Civil Parking Enforcement – Oxfordshire County Council is providing Civil Parking Enforcement Officers in the Cherwell area and

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Tom McCulloch of Community First Oxfordshire is coming to the Parish Council meeting on May 10th starting at 7.30pm to explain about Neighbourhood Development plans. Please come along if you can. An approved Neighbourhood Development Plan helps to stop unwanted development and CDC planning officers have to consider an NDP before making a decision.

ALL PC MEETINGS ARE OPEN but this is particularly relevant due to the number of sites in and around Milcombe being put forward for development.

However, with the PC being down to 4 Councillors, this is not something that the PC can take on. It would need lots of help from residents.



THE HORSE & GROOM PUB AND KITCHEN

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Continued overleaf

it is hoped that they will monitor Milcombe for illegal parking. For more information and to report illegally parked cars, please visit the OCC web site. <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/roads-and-transport/parking/illegal-parking>

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>

Adverse Weather:

Oxfordshire County Council works closely with all its partners to monitor the weather and 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

Meeting Dates – Future meetings, starting at 8.00pm would be held at the Village Hall, Milcombe. However please check the agendas on the Parish Council web site the week prior to the meeting.

- **Tuesday 10 May 2022 (Starting at 7.30pm)**
- **Tuesday 5 July 2022**
- **Tuesday 6 September 2022**
- **Tuesday 1 November 2022**

All welcome to attend!

Agendas and minutes are available on www.milcombe.com or please contact the Clerk, Theresa Goss, at milcombecp@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://fix-mystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>

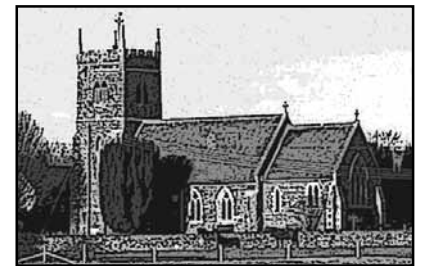
Faulty Street Lights: Report on freephone 0800 317802 giving exact destination and pole number if possible.

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

CHURCH NOTES

ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH

these vary between
8.00am and 11.15am.



SUNDAY, MAY 1st (Easter 3) HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY, MAY 8th (Easter 4) HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY, MAY 15th (Easter 5) HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY, MAY 22nd (Rogation Sunday) ALL-AGE WORSHIP

THURSDAY, MAY 26th –

ASCENSION DAY will be celebrated in St. Mary's

SUNDAY, MAY 29th (Sunday after Ascension) 5th Sunday – Joint with SN at SN. No Service in St. Laurence's.

SUNDAY, JUNE 5th (Pentecost) – A SPECIAL SERVICE TO CELEBRATE THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE. FLOWERS IN CHURCH FROM THURSDAY, JUNE 2nd (Coronation Day 1953) – 70 years on the throne.

PLEASE COULD ALL FLOWER ARRANGERS MAKE A SUITABLE ARRANGEMENT TO BE PLACED WHERE THEY NORMALLY DO THEIR ARRANGEMENTS. Please let Marlene know if you are unable to do your usual flower arrangements (720750).

The Church is open every day between 10.00am and 4.00pm for quiet prayer and reflection. You are very welcome to come into the Church to just sit quietly or to sit on one of the seats in the Churchyard and enjoy the countryside around us.

There is a book just inside the main door to write in your own personal prayers.

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING IS BEING HELD IN CHURCH AT 7.30pm ON MONDAY, MAY 23rd, 2022.

The first meeting is the Annual Parochial Meeting for the election of Churchwardens (currently Michael Haynes and Suzette Watson) and this is immediately followed by the APCM for election of PCC members and a report on the Church finances for 2021 plus a report on the goods, fabrics and ornaments. THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL is updated before the APCM. If you wish to have your name added or removed from the Electoral Roll, please contact Susan Richardson by May 9th. There are forms in Church to be completed if you wish to become a Churchwarden or member of the PCC. (Proposers and seconders required.)

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANY CANS AT THE CHURCH AS WE ARE NO LONGER ABLE TO RECYCLE THEM AND IT WOULD ALSO BE APPRECIATED IF THOSE TENDING GRAVES DID NOT THROW ANY RUBBISH ON THE GRASS HEAP IN THE CORNER OF THE CHURCHYARD. PLEASE RECYCLE ALL YOUR RUBBISH IN THE CORRECT BINS. PLEASE CONTINUE TO SAVE YOUR USED STAMPS AND PRINTER CARTRIDGES which Tony and Joan Stickings take to the Redwing Horse Sanctuary near Stratford for recycling. These can be left just inside the Church by the main door.

Thanks to the flower arrangers for the Easter decorations and also to Kay and Bill Garrett for voluntarily giving the Church an Easter clean which was much appreciated.

Contact details for St. Laurence's Church are Rev. Dale Gingrich 01295 720252 or email office@bloxhambenefice.co.uk. The Churchwardens are Michael Haynes hynmicha6@aol.com and Suzette Watson churchwardenmilcombe@gmail.com.

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MONTHLY COFFEE MORNINGS ARE BACK

on the first Friday of the month from 10.30am-12 noon.

Help would be appreciated and also donations of home-made cakes. All in aid of VH funds.

MILCOMBE VILLAGE HALL IS OPEN FOR BOOKINGS. Please contact Amy Jackson, Bookings Clerk. Hirers of the Hall still need to be cautious. Hand sanitiser is provided in the foyer. Arrangements have now been made

for the Hall to receive a regular monthly clean by Kay and Bill Garrett. Hirers are requested to tidy up and leave the Hall in a clean state before they leave, especially wiping down surfaces in the kitchen.



It's a busy time at the hospice with so many events and services opening up again. Whether you join us to take on a challenge, sign up to be a volunteer or shop with us – your support makes a difference! Without the generosity of our wonderful community, we couldn't keep caring for local people when they need us the most. Thank you!

Walk this way!

Our Fundraising Team is busy getting ready for the Moonlight Walk on Saturday 16 July. This year, we're going back to the 80s for our flagship fundraising event – and it's going to be spectacular. Get the date in your diary and tell your family and friends. Tickets are available on our website now. khh.org.uk/moonlight

Given HALF a chance...

The Oxford Half Marathon is back on 16 October! Join Team Katharine House for the 13.1 mile run around Oxford's most iconic landmarks and help raise money for our hospice. We'll be there to support you every step of the way. All runners will

receive a branded running vest, as well as expert fundraising advice and top tips on training. Sign up now! khh.org.uk/oxford

Dig deep for a good cause

If you love spending time in the great outdoors, then don't miss out on our Open Garden events throughout the spring and summer months. We have some fabulous villages taking part, as well as some private tours and events with limited availability. You can find the full list of our Open Gardens on our website. khh.org.uk/gardens

Welcome return

Our Living Well programme of events is back up and running on Mondays and Thursdays!

We are now able to offer bookable sessions for patients and family members to take part in art/craft & photography, mindfulness, hand massage and reflections. We welcome referrals from carers and families of people with a life-limiting illness over the age of 18. If you would like to find out more about Living Well or

book one of our sessions, please contact the Living Well team on 01295 228500 or visit the website. khh.org.uk/livingwell

Art with heART

We're on the lookout for Volunteer Artists to support with our Living Well sessions. Could it be you? You don't need to be a modern-day Monet or a budding Banksy! We're looking for people with a keen interest in art who can share knowledge or teach new techniques to encourage our patients to achieve their goals. Without our wonderful volunteers we couldn't offer these valuable sessions to our patients – so we'd love to hear from you. khh.org.uk/volunteer

Did you know...?

As well as our six local shops we also have an eBay store selling a wide variety of items, ranging from men's and women's fashion, through to books and DVDs. So if you can't make it into one of our town centre shops, why not take a look online from the comfort of your own home? khh.org.uk/ebay

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THE CHERRY TREE CENTRE THE CHERRY TREE CENTRE IS NOW OPEN DURING TERM TIME

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**ST. MARY'S THURSDAY CLUB
HAS NOW RE-OPENED IN THE
PARISH ROOMS**

St Mary's Thursday Club is holding it's
AGM on Thursday 16th June 2022 at 3.00
pm in the Parish Rooms. If any members
of the public would like to attend please
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by email Jennysmithson58@gmail.com.
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DOG WASTE BAGS – Cherwell District Council are
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