

## Musical Evening - Sat 18th March 7.30pm

St Leonards Church Eynsham  
Oxford Gospel Choir and 'Pocket Handkerchief Jazz'  
(superb local group)  
Tickets £6 - available from Eynsham DIY store or June  
Poole 01865375130  
Proceeds to Oxford Homeless Pathways and Eynsham Day  
Centre Refreshments



## St Michael's Church

For help or advice on service arrangements contact  
Rev Drew Tweedy: ☎ 01865 880914 or Church Warden  
Sandy Rich ☎ 01865 881943, sandy@rtinsurance.co.uk  
www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org

**February Services (at Stanton Harcourt unless stated)**

5th 9:30 Parish Communion and Sunday School

12th 10:30 Benefice Communion at Standlake

19th 10:30 All Age Worship

18:00 Taize Service

26th 8:00 Holy Communion (BCP)

## Sutton Methodist Chapel

Contact: Rita Stockill ☎ 01865 880200

*All regular services at 10am on Sundays*

### February

5th Local Arrangement

12th Rev Paul Weir inc Holy Communion

19th Rev Nicola Blois

26th Rachael Prince

**Coffee Mornings 10am - 11:30am**

First Wednesday of each month

## The Catholic Church of St Peter

Abbey Street, Eynsham. The Catholic Church for Sutton &

Stanton Harcourt

Fr Mark Lagorio

☎ 01865 881613

stpeterschurcheynsham@gmail.com

Website: www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk

### Weekend Services

Sunday Mass 10.00am with a

Children's Liturgy

Saturday Mass 5pm

**Pancake Feast**

Saturday 25th February 10:30 -

1:30 at the Tolkein Room I



**Deadline for next issue is 20th of the Month**  
village-voice@hotmail.co.uk

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*The village newsletter for Stanton Harcourt & Sutton*

February 2017

February

14th Tuesday Girls

25th Pancake Feast at St Peters Eynsham

23rd - Village Pantomime Performance - Aladdin!  
25th

## Ann Hibberd, 1942-2017

As many of you will know my dear wife Ann died  
on 1st January and we held a Service of  
Thanksgiving at St Michael's on 27th. Thank you  
all so much for coming and for your support, both  
when Ann was ill, and since her death. Ann loved  
the village so Vicky and I were very pleased at  
such a wonderful attendance at the service.

*David Hibberd*

**STANTON HARCOURT DRAMA  
GROUP PROUDLY PRESENTS**

# Aladdin

**A PANTOMIME FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

**THURSDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 7:30PM**

*All tickets £6*

**FRIDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 7:30PM**

*All tickets £8*

**SATURDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2PM**

*Adults £8, Children £4 age 12 and under (Accompanied)*

**SATURDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 7:30PM**

*All tickets £8*

**TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM 1ST  
FEBRUARY FROM THE VILLAGE SHOP OR  
STEVE TUCK**

**CONTACT STEVE TUCK  
FOR FURTHER**

**INFORMATION: 01865**

**880306 /**

**STEVE.TUCK@MAIL.COM**



**Church 200 Club. January draw.**

1st 230 J Adcock

2nd 199 W Dore

3rd 242 N Cardani

4th 219 L Strange

## Tuesday Girls

After a belated Christmas meal in January at  
the Rose Revived we are back to meeting at  
the Village Hall on Tuesday 14th February at  
7.30pm

This month we are being entertained by  
Drews Ukes. We can't guarantee romance  
but we can offer a glass of wine and an  
enjoyable evening being serenaded  
For more info call Kay Harvey 01865  
883590



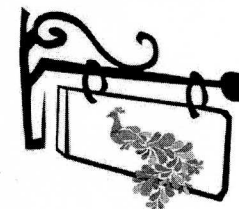
## Village Cafe and Market

We are aiming to kick off the first village cafe and  
market again in the Village Hall on Saturday April 8th  
from 12-2pm and run it on the second Saturday each  
month until the end of the year. It is a great way to  
catch up with village news and see folk you haven't  
managed to bump into for a while and at the same time  
enjoy a cuppa, some soup and home made cake plus  
support our local stall holders. Our  
special in April will be bacon baps  
so you won't be able to resist the  
smell and have to join us (unless  
you are veggie/vegan in which  
case the soups are fab).



# The Village Inn

*back by popular  
demand!*



Following the success of the pub night on 26th  
November, I am looking to bring The Village Inn  
back in March, April and May. To make it happen,  
I need volunteers to step forward and lend a hand  
behind the bar, in the kitchen and getting things set  
up. Profits raised will be donated to charity or local  
causes, so volunteering is a great way to create a  
fun social evening and raise money for a cause  
that means something to you.

Please call or email me: 01865 880306 /  
steve.tuck@mail.com

## Sign up for garden waste collections by 3 March

From April, West Oxfordshire District Council will be charging  
£30 per bin, per year, for its fortnightly garden waste  
collections.

You need to sign up to receive this service and the Council are  
writing to all households in early February with more details.  
To take advantage of the maximum number of collections for  
the year, starting from April 2017, please register before 3  
March.

If you do not wish to pay the £30 charge, simply do nothing and  
your garden waste collections will cease at the end of March  
2017.

For more information or to sign up: \* Visit

www.westoxon.gov.uk/garden

\* Call 01993 861025

Payment will be taken with a debit or credit card only.

For many years this service has been free in West Oxfordshire,  
but due to the loss of external funding it is now necessary to  
charge.

## JULY 1ST - SAVE THE DATE

The Watermill Theatre are coming to Stanton Harcourt Village  
Hall to present their summer production called 'Nesting', a new  
play by Ellen Robertson. It promises to be very entertaining and  
here is a summary:

Linda is a self-confessed 'collector'. She has all the necessities:  
broken umbrellas to match any outfit, unopened Amazon  
parcels delivered in 2012, shoes that don't fit but were a bargain  
at 75 percent off and trainers because, one day, she will  
definitely take up running. To add to her collection there is Toby,  
an affectionately named rat who has taken up residence in her  
home.

With the arrival of Jonathan, a man who can't sleep if the  
sponge is in the wrong place by the kitchen sink, comes a more  
life-changing situation than Linda could ever have imagined.  
The journey that follows is one of love, loss and an infatuation  
with Stevie Wonder memorabilia.

Tickets will be on sale in the Village Shop but for now please  
just SAVE THE DATE.

## SCHOOL NEWS



On behalf of Stanton Harcourt Church of England Primary School I would like to wish everyone a very happy new year and hope this year is blessed with happiness and good health.

The school really wants to reach out to the community and if there is anyone who has an hour to spare and would like to come in and help with reading, art, cooking etc. you would be more than welcome. Just get in touch with the office.

The school continues to go from strength to strength with lovely children, wonderful staff and very supportive parents and enjoys being part of such a good community.

Marylin Trigg, Headteacher

www.stantonharcourtschool.org.uk

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office.3130@stanton-harcourt.oxon.sch.uk

## Stanton Harcourt and Sutton Summer Festival 2017!

### \*\*\*\*Change of Date\*\*\*\*

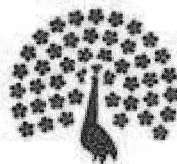
**Festival Week:** 10th – 18th June 2017  
**Festival Day:** Saturday 17th June 2017

Please note the change of date for our summer Festival week and Festival Day. We had hoped to hold Festival Day on the 24th June but have since discovered that this date clashes with another event taking place in the village on that day. So please make a note of the new date for Festival 2017 with events from 10th – 18th June and Festival Day on Saturday 17th June!

We had great fun with our "at Sea" theme last year, and we are working on another great theme idea for Festival 2017. Look out for details of this year's theme in next month's Village Voice!

If you would like to get involved in organising our village Festival or have ideas for events for the week then do contact our festival committee chairperson Richard Thomson (rich.thom@btinternet.com).

The Festival Committee



## Page 2 Bird



This month's bird is Mindy, she is a Marsh Harrier. While related to our friendly red kites Mindy is the biggest of the harrier family and the girls out grow the boys to a size that would scare a polar bear. The girls are dark chocolate coloured with a creamy cap, while the boys have dark wing tips and a white tail (and as we

mentioned aren't as big as the girls!). Marsh Harriers were almost wiped out in the 50's due to the use of pesticides. Unsurprisingly they like marshes and wetlands, but with all this rain perhaps we'll get more visiting.



## EYNHAM EMPORIUM

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Serving light lunches and food all day.

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9.30-5pm on Saturday. 01865 731717.  
info: www.eynham-emporium.co.uk  
32-34 Mill Street, Eynham, OX29 4JS

## Parish Council News

NEXT PC MEETING: Monday 6th February 7:30pm

### Show me the money.....and what to do with it!

The Parish Council are looking for suggestions to apply for s106 and CIL funds.

**What is s106 and CIL?**

s106 (section 106) of the planning regulations adds requirements or costs to the landowner (at the time of commencement), s106 now sits alongside CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy), the tests are roughly issues:

- Necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms;

- Directly related to the development, and;

- Fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development.

**What is infrastructure?**

this is roughly put - the inbetween bits of a place...

- **Physical infrastructure:** e.g. highways, transport links, cycleways, energy supply, water, flood alleviation, waste management

- **Social infrastructure:** e.g. education, health, social care, emergency services, art and culture, sports halls, community halls, faith, crematoria

- **Green infrastructure:** e.g. parks, woodlands, play areas, public open space

*It should be noted that there is a separate section (s278) that should take account of roads (although I haven't seen any new roads lately!)*

**Suggestions**

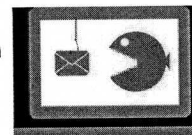
If you have suggestions let the Parish Clerk know, these could be anything (the editor wants cycle paths and to extend the cemetery but dealing with the landfill smell or village hall car park could be other suggestions)

**Road Closure**

There is an application to close the stretch of A415 road between standlake and newbridge from 13th of February for 7 days.

The road is being closed for 'Essential Duct Repairs'? Objections have been made to closing the entire road but it is likely to go ahead.

The official diversion is via Oxford which is a little excessive, of course you can cross the ISIS at the toll bridge, and it is hoped that newbridge will be accessible via Northmoor and Moreton Lane although this passage requires caution as it is a narrow lane.



**Beware of Phishing Emails**

Folks have been receiving 'phishing' emails from BT, the inland revenue and all sorts of places.

A phishing email is sent by nefarious gangsters (the bad kind of hackers) and made to look like it is official so that you login and give them your password, some scams only need you to click on the link to catch a virus or turn your computer into a 'Bot' to send more nefarious emails.

If you get an email that looks suspicious, delete it! If you think it may be real always contact the company via the number on the bill and never click on links in emails if unsure.

## ONE new council for the whole of Oxfordshire?

**Have your say.**

Oxfordshire county council wants to know what you think about its draft proposal to abolish all six councils in Oxfordshire and replace them with a one new council for the whole county, called a 'unitary' council.

**Why change?**

Central government is changing the way councils are funded, and councils will soon have to pay for services mainly from council tax and business rates. Unless local government is reorganised, Oxfordshire councils will not be able to pay for vital public services for local communities and vulnerable people as the population increases and gets older.

**The proposal**

Oxfordshire currently has a two-tier local government – a county council plus five district and city councils. Oxfordshire County Council thinks that all of Oxfordshire's six councils should be abolished and replaced with one new unitary council which would save £20m each year – money that would pay for better services and keep council tax low. That money would be enough to fill over 300,000 potholes or provide 1 million hours of home care.

The new council would be simpler for residents and business, with one website and one point of contact. One councillor would represent your community and be accountable for all services. As members of an 'area board' serving the existing district or city areas, each councillor would take decisions affecting their community and also the county as a whole.

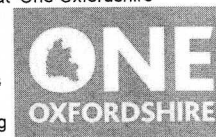
Environmental services such as street cleaning, countryside services and grounds maintenance would be properly joined up and managed locally to respond to community needs. Bringing together social services, housing, leisure and welfare benefits would mean joined up support for people who need extra help, improving health and wellbeing. And joining up planning, housing, jobs and transport would mean Oxfordshire's housing shortage can be addressed, along with investment in vital infrastructure such as roads.

Without changing local government in Oxfordshire, further service cuts may be needed. The government is reducing funding and a unitary council is more financially sustainable in the long term.

Oxfordshire County Council believes a new council for the whole county makes most sense. Simpler. Better services. More local. Lower cost. That's what 'One Oxfordshire' means.

**Join the debate**

This is a draft proposal and Oxfordshire County Council wants to hear from residents, before finalising the proposal and sending it to the government for a decision.



To find out more and have your say, go to [www.oneoxfordshire.org](http://www.oneoxfordshire.org) or come to a drop-in event at a library near you. Dates of the events are available on the website.

**Parish Council Information**

All official communications should be addressed to the Parish Clerk: Trudi Gasser, 5 Woodlands, Standlake, Oxon, OX29 7RA. [trudigasser@rocketmail.com](mailto:trudigasser@rocketmail.com)  
Parish Council website:  
<http://www.wospweb.com/site/Stanton-Harcourt-Parish-Council>