

Lifts to and from Eynsham

The Eynsham Link was set up some two years ago when our only local bus route, the 18, was withdrawn as a result of county council cuts.

The scheme operates through a What's App application on mobile phones. If any member of the Eynsham Link group needs a lift at any time between Stanton Harcourt and Sutton to/from Eynsham they just put a message on the App asking for a lift stating the time (exact or approximate) when they need it. All the other members of the What's App group are then alerted and if it's convenient for any of them to give the person a lift they will respond with a message accordingly. There is then a brief "chat" as to exact time and suggested place of pickup (usually when picking up in Eynsham, most pickups take place in the Village Square by the Red Lion because it is close to the S1 bus stop) The whole scheme works better the more people using it and the more people in the village who register as willing to give lifts the better.

If you wish to register then text John Brown on 07777 665364 and he will enroll you into the Eynsham link What's App group. Mike Parker



Lower Windrush Valley Project Forum

Thursday 15th November

7.00pm – 8.30pm

Northmoor Village Hall

Join us at our annual gathering for an update on the project's activities in 2018

Angling is the designated afteruse for many of the gravel pits in the Lower Windrush Valley, with a number of commercial and club fisheries operating in the area. These organisations have a key role to play in both land management and recreation in the valley. Hear more from our guest speakers: Chris Blunt, Linear Fisheries Ian Collins, Farmoor Fly Fishing Club

Come along to find out more about the project and meet others who live, work and volunteer in the Lower Windrush Valley. Refreshments will be provided.

For more information contact 07557 082575 or lwvp@oxfordshire.gov.uk



Coming to the Village Hall on 17th November 2018

A Watermill Theatre production of Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte After enduring a childhood of cruelty and loneliness, orphan Jane Eyre takes a position as the governess at Thornfield Hall. But when love blossoms between Jane and her enigmatic employer Mr Rochester, a secret is discovered that forces her to choose between happiness and integrity, desire and conviction. Dark passionate and political, Jane Eyre is a searing portrayal of a woman's search for equality and freedom. Bronte's classic novel is brought to life by three actors in a fast paced, stripped back new adaptation by Danielle Pearson Tickets £12 (£8, 18 years and under) will be available at the Village Shop, Evenlode DIY and from Lucy Heath on 07711 704475 or lucy.heath1@gmail.com

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

October Services (at Stanton Harcourt unless stated)

7th 9:30 Parish Communion and Sunday School

14th 10:30 Benefice Eucharist Standlake

21st 9:30 All Age Worship Stanton Harcourt

28th 10:30 Benefice Choral Eucharist BCP Northmoor November Services

2nd 19:00 Service of Reflection for All Souls Northmoor

4th 9:30 Parish Communion and Sunday School

11th 10:50 Remembrance Service



Sutton Methodist Chapel

Contact: Rita Stockill 01865 880200

All regular services at 10am on Sundays October

7th Informal gathering

14th Rev Rose Westwood inc Holy Communion

21st Mr Peter Allen

28th At Long Hanborough

coffee morning 3rd

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

Deliverer Delivered!

Thank you to all those youngsters and young grown ups who offered to take on the delivery round. We now have a deliverer, and apologies to those that didn't get the job you are always welcome to help write the news, you could even be editor if you fancy!

Tuesday Girls

We don't have specific details at printing but for more info call Kay Harvey 01865 883590

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

AS ALWAYS – Thank you to this month's contributors, reviewers, & deliverers

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Village Voice



The village newsletter for Stanton Harcourt & Sutton October 2018

The annual street collection for the West Oxfordshire MS Society

takes place on Witney on Saturday 13th October. If anyone would be prepared to stand on a street in Witney for an hour, that would be greatly appreciated. Sue Haines will be organising the rota for the day. Her number is 01993 850 855.



FOSHS Halloween Disco

Saturday 27th October at the Village Hall 5:00pm – 7:00pm.

FOSHS are delighted to be hosting its annual family Halloween Party. All families are welcome to join us In their frightfully fantastic costumes for a hauntingly good disco, some party antics and pocket money stalls to enjoy. Enter our carved pumpkin competition too (BYO). Please do come along and have a great time with friends and family while raising money for our village school....if you dare!! Free event but donations will be appreciated. Activities, food and alcoholic refreshments will be available at an additional cost.



If you wish to join in the fun and have trick or treaters visit you as the event ends, please leave your porch/ outside light ON or place a pumpkin/decoration by your front door for the children as they return home.

Macmillan Cancer Support Fundraising Event



Sunday 28 October 2018 2.30pm - 4.00pm

Stanton Harcourt Village Hall, Postcode: OX29 5RS

bit.ly/stantoncaketime

Lots of Cake & Mega Raffle

Boutique Shopping

Family Fun

Children's Play Area

Cream Teas

Local Stallholders

Bring your Friends

Raffle prizes include:

Prosecco Afternoon Tea @ Malmaison, Cotswold Farm Park Family Ticket, Blenheim Palace Entry, Dinner Vouchers and MUCH MORE..!



Dates for your Diary..... October

13th Village Cafe and Market

13th Street Collection for MS Society

13th Comedy Club at the Village Hall

27th FOSHS Halloween Party at the Village Hall

28th Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning November

5th Guy Fawkes Day

11th Armistice Day

17th Watermill Theatre

Oi You! Don't be a

Please do not park on the actual road above the school.

There is very limited space to park vehicles above the school and this should be made available to the those less physically able.

It is illegal, inconsiderate and idiotic to park on a bend or to block emergency access to a school, this also means your insurance will be invalid should a Fire Engine turn your coupe into a compact. If you have to drive and park for school access there is proper 'off road' parking available at the Village Hall.

Also the Rozza's are on the case!

Village Cafe and Market

Next Village Market and Cafe is on Sat 13th October, 12-2pm.

Lovely to see so many people coming and enjoying lunch or coffee in the cafe each month - a real chance for villagers to get together.



ADVENT WINDOWS

Once again St Michael's church are organising Advent Windows. This has been enjoyed by many for the last 2 years and we are looking for volunteers again to decorate a window during advent. Anyone can join in and we ask you to light up your window from your chosen date until Christmas. For more information and to choose a date please call Carole 01865 880416

Festival News!

There will be a kick off meeting to start discussions on the 2019 Summer Festival in November, watch this space for more news!



>>>>>SCAM-WATCH>>>>>

Warning issued over council tax scam calls

Residents in West Oxfordshire are being warned to beware of bogus callers offering a council tax refund. The Council has received several reports of people receiving calls from individuals claiming to be from the Valuation Office Agency or 'Tax Recovery Bureau.' The caller claims the resident is owed a council tax refund as their council tax banding has been too high in the past and can arrange a refund in exchange for a fee. The telephone number of the bogus company is 0203 4767710.

Residents are being urged not to enter into any discussions with the caller and not to disclose any personal information such as bank details. Trading Standards have been made aware.

"This is a scam. Appealing against a council tax band does not require a third party and is free.

"Anyone receiving one of these calls should end the conversation as quickly as possible."

Residents wishing to appeal against their council tax banding can do so by contacting the Valuation Office Agency on 03000 501 501.

The Village Shop

Hitesh and the team look forward to seeing you in the Village Shop - open 7 days a week.

- Papers
- Confectionary
- Groceries
- Post Office Services
- Dry Cleaning
- MoneyGram
- Video Conversion
- and more

Drop in and say hello!

New Opening Hours

Monday	7:30-11:00
Tuesday	7:30-12:30 *
Wednesday	7:30-11:00
Thursday	7:30-12:30 *
Friday	7:30-11:00
Saturday	8:00-12:30 *
Sunday	8:00-11:00

* = Post Office Days



HOME MADE CHRISTMAS CAKE

Too busy to make your own?

Got lots of guests coming for Christmas?

Never made a Christmas cake before?

Stuck for an idea for an elderly relative?

St Michael's fund raisers are offering you a unique opportunity to buy a made to order Christmas cake.

Traditional fruit cake either iced or decorated with dried fruit and nuts.

2 sizes offered;

3 inch (popular for small hampers) £5:00

8 inch family cake £25:00

Order forms available in the shop from October 1st.

All orders must be received by November 10th.

Payment with order please.

To discuss specific dietary requirements please phone Jane 01865 882361.

Royal British Legion



Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Alan Dyer is the new area organiser for Stanton Harcourt and Sutton poppy appeal. He is looking for volunteers for door to door collection. If you are interested in helping contact him on 883317 before 12 noon weekdays or at weekends or email ajdyer61@hotmail.com.

Remembrance Day

Sunday 11th November 10:50am St Michaels

This year is the Centenary (100th anniversary) of the end of the Great War (WW1) so is a particularly special remembrance.

Armistice Day

The 11th hour of the 11th Day of the 11th Month, remembering the day the guns fell silent and all those we have lost in war.



For more information on The British Legion please contact the Chairman Mrs Kerstie Judson 731310 Stanton Harcourt Branch Code: BR0772

The Swiergon family would like to thank everyone who supported the fund raising Village Inn night on 15th September. All together we've raised £660 for the British Heart foundation.



Saturday 13 October 2018 8:00pm (bar 7:30pm)



GEORGE RIGDEN



HARRIET KEMSLEY

TROY HAWKE

STANTON HARCOURT VILLAGE HALL
Blackditch, Stanton Harcourt
OX29 5SB

TICKETS £15

AVAILABLE FROM

STANTON HARCOURT VILLAGE SHOP
EVENLODE DIY, EYNHAM
OR 07772 085578



ONLINE BOOKING
WWW.FLOCKCOMEDY.COM

Parish Council News

Next Meeting Monday 5th November 7:30

It is with sadness that we confirm that Colin Wells has retired from the Parish Council. We are very grateful to Colin for his work with the Parish Council and wish him well in his retirement.

Vacancy in the Office of Parish Councillor

Following the retirement of Colin Wells, and further to the 'Notice of Vacancy' which was displayed on the main notice board on the Green for the statutory period of 14 days, the time has passed for an election to be held so the Parish Council now wish to Co-opt someone onto the council. If you would be interested in joining the parish council, please email the parish clerk (trudigasser@rocketmail.com) the deadline for applications is Friday 26th October.

Sheehans

Concern had been expressed at the beginning of September about a constant background noise, which emanated from the Sheehan's site at Dix Pit. Sheehans have agreed to liaise with WODC about the trials for the biomass boiler, the cause of the noise and have turned off the boiler until further notice.

Airfield Planning

Full Planning Permission is being sought for the Old Airfield site; full details are viewable on the Planning website at WODC: Erection of 66 dwellings (comprising 61 new build homes and 5 dwellings within retained and converted buildings), retention and conversion of the 'Guard House' as a community use building, and 'Ground Instructional Building' as a car port, retention of the 'Water Tower', 3 blast shelters and 1 air raid shelter, demolition of all other existing buildings on site and provision of green infrastructure, public open space and access from Main Road.

It is not too late to send in comments, should you wish to do so. It is anticipated that the Application will be discussed at the November meeting.

Water Issue – Open meeting at WODC

Further to the consideration of many issues relating to flooding and water quality / services (primarily relating to the Environment Agency and Thames Water) the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee asked for arrangements to be made for a "Water Day" to be held in order to be able spend more time focussing on relevant issues than is possible in the course of an ordinary meeting of the Committee.

The meeting will take place at Woodgreen on Thursday 4 October, starting at 10 am, it is anticipated that it will last for several hours.

The three key issues intending to be considered/addressed are:

- * The EA response to the pollution of the River Windrush, and other concerns about water quality in the river network
- * Flooding Issues (anything locally which people consider needs addressing, and development concerns)
- * Thames Water network issues – e.g. sewerage, sustainability going forward, and planning for new development

It is intended that there will be a presentation from the Environment Agency and Thames Water, and opportunities for questions from those present. Whilst the Environment Agency is happy to participate, and will give an overview of its role and functions as well as reporting on the River Windrush situation, it is not able to resource the session with specialists from each of its departments, so they may not be able to respond fully at the meeting on all site specific issues; however these matters will be noted and dealt with subsequently.

In addition, Town and Parish Councils will be invited to send a representative should they wish; the Oxfordshire County Council flood team has been invited to be represented, as will WASP (Windrush Against Sewage Pollution); and the Member of Parliament for the Witney Constituency, Robert Courts. Phil Shaw from Planning will also be "on call", with the intention of joining the session and contributing should there be any discussion about development control related issues. The session will also be open to the public.

www.pc.stantonharcourt.online

Parish Council Information

All official communications should be addressed to the Parish Clerk: Trudi Gasser, 5 Woodlands, Standlake, Oxon, OX29 7RA. trudigasser@rocketmail.com

More Parish Council News

A Tree

A Tree has been donated to commemorate the Armistice Centenary. If you have any suggestions on where this could or should be planted please pass them to the Clerk

Salt

The PC can obtain 25kg bags of winter salt at no cost for use to combat slips and trips in the wintertime. If you would like to store a bag of winter salt for the provision of your local vicinity to help prevent your neighbors taking a tumble please contact the Clerk.

Corridor announced between Oxford and Cambridge

The expressway, with options to pass either west or east of Oxford, is also expected to take up to 40 minutes off the journey between the A34 south of Oxford and the M1 A full public consultation will be held next year, in which residents and businesses in and around the corridor will have their say on more detailed designs for the route.

SCHOOL NEWS

Dates!

4th Poetry Day with Adam Gullain

12th Harvest Festival Church

16 / 18th Parents Evening

19th Half Term starts

27th FOSHS Halloween Disco!

The Camp that didn't Camp?

What a fantastic event this was. A big thank you to Gemma Barry for inventing the idea and the FOSHS team for running this. It was enjoyed by all that came and we look forward to many more.

ECO collection

We are collecting any 1 or 2 litre plastic bottles to recycle in School and turn into a Greenhouse. There are plastic bin bags around the School as collection points. Please collect for us as we need over 300!!

Music Lessons

We are now running guitar lessons in School every Thursday. Please contact the Office if you would like your child to join this group.

www.stantonharcourtschool.org.uk

01865 881948

office@stantonharcourtschool.org.uk

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This months bird is Sandra and she is a Sandmartin.

Sand martins are the smallest European hirundines (martins and swallows), with dark brown upper parts and dark under wings contrasting with otherwise pale under parts divided by a distinctive dark chest bar. Agile fliers, feeding mainly over water, they will perch on overhead wires or branches. They are gregarious in the breeding season and winter. During the past 50 years the European population has crashed on two occasions as a result of drought in the birds' African wintering grounds.

Sand martins are found along rivers and other water bodies throughout the UK. Also found around man-made gravel pits where artificial nesting banks are sometimes provided.



Church 200 Club September draw

1st 256 C Vane	2nd 221 G Pugh
3rd 218 J Holland	4th 193 P Harrison