

Moulsford Events

Dave Reynolds

Friday 21 May 2021 – a date for your diary

Exciting news! – We plan to commence our Friday socials a little earlier than planned. Our first social of the year shall be on **Friday 21 May 2021**.

As with many things over the last year – our Friday Social Events shall be a ‘little different’, certainly until full lockdown restrictions are relaxed. This means measures being implemented to meet Covid 19 requirements for the safety of all. The measures we need to adhere to shall be clearly posted on each evening.

The social events shall be ‘outside only’ other than for controlled access to toilet facilities and so these events shall be weather dependent.

Villagers shall need to record their attendance for track and trace purposes. We shall have tables available for groups (a maximum of 6 people or two households) and drinks shall be ordered via one or more hatches, depending on the number of attendees. The order shall then be delivered to a separate table for pick-up.

A ‘Covid marshal’ shall be on duty to ensure relevant distancing measures are adhered to and ensure regular sanitisation of surfaces. Please do not take offence if you are reminded to maintain relevant social distancing measures and it shall be necessary for you to stay within your group.

It is great that we will be able to meet up with friends again in our wonderful village. Please do try and join us, but please do help us to ensure that everyone remains safe and that all measures are followed.

Lets hope for great weather and a wonderful summer.

EDITOR REQUIRED

Due to unforeseen circumstances we are still looking for someone to take on the role as Moulsford News editor.

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The role requires access to a personal computer, basic knowledge of Microsoft Publisher and a keen eye for detail.

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A full handover and training will be given.

Please contact Bernadette on moulsfordnews@moulsford-pc.org.uk for more information or to arrange a phone call to discuss.

Parish Council Report

The last month has seen a lot of activity within the village that has required the attention of the Parish Council. For those who enjoy a range of different tasks and topics then the life of a parish councillor is for you. For example, this month we have:

- Co-ordinated the Moultsford village response to the death of HRH Prince Philip via the village website (www.moultsford-pc.org.uk) and Facebook pages
- Continued to develop the short and long-term plans for the recreation ground
- Worked with the pavilion management and events committees to understand and interpret the rules and guidance for re-opening the pavilion and planning the first social activities under Covid restrictions
- Undertaken a series of meetings and exchanges of correspondence with the various authorities to maintain public access to the river
- Responded to planning applications both within Moultsford and those that might have a impact on the village, such as the proposed Transitional Energy Plant (mini power station) between South Stoke and Goring.

The guidance and assistance of Geoff Twibell, our Parish Clerk, is essential in helping us keep up with the steady stream of information from the local authorities. Unusually, our current councillors all work and must juggle PC matters around our work and family commitments. This has been particularly challenging during the recent lockdowns. However, we all volunteered so it must be fun!

One topic that is on the PC agenda is whether Moultsford would benefit from creating a neighbourhood plan. Currently, Moultsford is defined as a "Smaller Village" by the planning authorities and, along with being within the North Wessex Downs AONB, this provides some protection against large developments.

Preparing a neighbourhood plan gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area. Communities like Moultsford can choose to set planning policies through a neighbourhood plan that forms part of the development plan used in determining planning applications. For example, communities can define where they want new homes, shops and offices to be built, have their say on what those new buildings should look like and what infrastructure should be provided, and grant planning permission for the new buildings they want to see go ahead. Neighbourhood planning provides a powerful set of tools for local people to plan for the types of development to meet their community's needs and where the ambition of the neighbourhood is aligned with the strategic needs and priorities of the wider local area.

The PC are currently looking at the benefits that Moultsford could receive by having our own neighbourhood plan. There is support available from SODC and many local towns and villages have taken advantage of this in making their decisions and preparing their plans. One thing that is clear is that it is an extensive task that requires a lot of consultation within the parish – it is a neighbourhood plan and not a Moultsford PC plan and will require the formation of a village task force. We will continue our investigation but, in the meantime, if anyone is interested in helping with this process or simply wants more information, please contact a member of the PC.

Keep in touch!

If you're planning local events, doing something for charity, or simply have something to say, Moultsford News wants to hear from you.

You can reach the editor, Bernadette Sachse by email:

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Deadline for June edition Weds 19th May 2021

My Dear Friends,

This is the time of year when our churches have their annual meetings. I always feel that these meetings are a bit like pausing at a view point on a long hilly walk, when we have an opportunity to look back over where we have come from, to look forward at the way ahead and to take stock of our fitness and provisions.

This year, like all of us, we are looking back over a very challenging stage of the journey during the last 12 months, and especially the last part during this later winter lockdown, which seems to have been particularly arduous. It's no surprise that many are feeling very tired and weary. More encouragingly, the next stage of the journey looks easier: the sun has come out and the relaxing of lockdown restrictions not only makes the path easier to negotiate, but means we are more likely to be able to travel along at least some of it in the company of friends and family.

It is good too at this point to check up on those who are most vulnerable. We may feel ready to forge ahead, but not everyone else will feel that way. No doubt all of us were very moved by that image of the Queen at Prince Philip's funeral. What we were seeing was not so much a Queen, but a grieving widow, bereft of her life-long partner, her "strength and stay". There was someone with whom so many of us could identify – especially those who have themselves lost loved ones in the last 12 months and have had the additional burden of not having the comforting presence of family and friends.

So, as we quite rightly look forward to the Spring and Summer coming out of lockdown, with the hope of brighter days ahead, let's also be aware of those who for different reasons are still struggling, and seek to give them the support and encouragement that they need. And if you yourself are someone who is finding life hard at this time, remember that you are not alone. Christians believe that we have a heavenly Father who knows and cares about our deepest needs and sorrows and who promises to be with us every step of the way. And if you are wondering where He is, keep your eyes open, for He often shows that love by sending us human 'angels' to give us comfort, help and encouragement. In fact, many will say that they have been seen in action much more during the last year!

With warmest regards,



Andrew Petit, Vicar of Moultsford andrewpetit@virginmedia.com Tel: 01491 651216

Church Services May 2021

2 nd May	5 th Sunday of Easter	9.30am Parish Communion	Church
9 th May	6 th Sunday of Easter	9.30am Parish Communion <i>Faith explored</i>	Church
16 th May	Sunday after the Ascension	9.30am Parish Communion	Church
23 rd May	Pentecost	9.30am Morning Praise	Church
30 th May	Trinity Sunday	9.45am Joint Communion service with Cholsey	St Mary's Cholsey and by Zoom*
6 th June	1 st Sunday after Trinity	9.30am Parish Communion	Church

For those who cannot attend church services in person, there will continue to be services broadcast by Zoom at 9.45am each Sunday. For details of how to attend these services online please contact the Vicar, andrewpetit@virginmedia.com

Monthly Coffee Shop

Gail Slinger



The next **Village Coffee** is on **Wednesday 12th May 2021 via Zoom from 11am to 12 noon**, so put your kettles on and have a great cup of coffee/tea with a well deserved treat and a good catch up chat.



Just send me your email address so I can reply with the Zoom link - gailslinger2601@gmail.com

We had some new faces at the April Coffee gathering, so that was a nice treat for us all.

Keeping our fingers crossed for a July 2021 gathering in the Pavilion in Wimbledon style with strawberries and scones.

Future Dates; 12th May; 9th June

Moulsford Pavilion reopens

Nigel Mansford

The Pavilion Management Committee (PMC) is delighted to announce that the Pavilion will reopen from 1st May. There are of course restrictions on the type of activities that are allowed between 1st May and the planned lifting of all restrictions on 21st June. An important date to note is 17th May, this is the date when indoor exercise classes and social gatherings (within limits) should be allowed to proceed. If you would like further information on which uses of the Pavilion are allowed during each phase of unlocking please contact the Bookings Secretary at the email address below and the PMC will be happy to help you.

Moulsfordbookings@gmail.com

Assuming lockdown is released according to the Government's roadmap, all events will be allowed from 21st June onwards, consequently **we are now accepting bookings for the remainder of 2021 and all of 2022.**

We look forward to welcoming back all our regular hirers, village events, exercise classes, and the plethora of family events that the Pavilion can help make special. It has been a long time!

Life at Greenlands Farm

John Beacroft

Another month has whistled by. In desperate need of some rain to push the crops on. Little in sight as yet.

Our stewardship plots will be ploughed up soon ready for cropping with summer and winter feed areas for birds. Will also give ground nesting birds a bit of cover too.

I thank people for not walking on the stewardship field boundaries and have applied more wild flower seed to the bald areas, again needing rain.

Now we have news for you, which we hope you will enjoy. We are putting in a permitted footpath, which will run from the Badger bank corner of the recreation junction and run along the border of the gardens in the valley field. It will be open from 15th April until 15th September.

It will go up through Walnut bank and ultimately to CowLane. Obviously, a lot safer than that horrible bit of road from the crossroads. Dogs must be on a lead over this pathway at all times.

Please do not abuse this and hope you enjoy a different and safer walk.

A bit of fun.....

A scout master was teaching his boy scouts about survival in the desert.

"What are the three most important things you should bring with you in case you get lost in the desert?" he asked.

Several hands went up, and many important things were suggested such as food, matches, etc. Then one little boy eagerly raised his hand, "Yes Timmy, what would you suggest you would bring?"

Timmy replied, "A compass, water and a deck of cards"

"Why is that Timmy?"

"The compass to find the right direction, water to keep me alive"

"And the deck of cards?" the scout master replied rather impatiently.

"Well Sir, as soon as you start playing Solitaire, someone is bound to come up behind you and say". "Put that red nine on top of the black ten".

Keep safe, enjoy your walks.

Planning Applications & Decisions

Moulsford News and Planning deadlines invariably mean that the planning information above is out of date by the time of reading. For a current view of planning, please visit the online planning portal here: <http://www.moulsford-pc.org.uk/community/moulsford-15214/planning-tracker/>

P21/S1011/HH Barn Cottage, Willow Court Lane, Moulsford, OX10 9HZ	Erection of part width double storey extension, and single storey extensions. Creating a new ground floor dining/family room with boot room/WC, a first-floor bathroom and bedroom.	MPC Considering. SODC Considering.
P21/S1147/HH Laburnham Cottage, The Street, Moulsford, OX10 9JD	Single storey timber orangery to replace existing extension.	MPC Considering. SODC Considering.



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Moulsford Pavilion Hire Rates

The Pavilion is the ideal place to hire for your event and can accommodate a range of different activities. Standard hire rates as follows:

Hire Fees	Mon-Fri: Hourly fee up to 6pm	Mon-Fri: Hourly fee after 6pm	Weekend Hourly fee: Anytime
Village residents	£13	£15	£15
Non-residents/ Commercial	£16	£20	£20

Discounted rates are available for regular weekday evening bookings (Monday-Thursday). Special rates apply to weddings. The full list of rates can be obtained from the Bookings Secretary or can be seen on the Pavilion notice board.

To book call Karen Gilmore, Pavilion Bookings Secretary
07707 068151 or email
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Moulsford, Old Vicarage	09:19	09:41
Wallingford Hospital	09:25	R
Wallingford LiDL		R
WALLINGFORD Market Place	09:30	09:54
Service number	133	133
WALLINGFORD Market Place	10:30	11:15
Wallingford LiDL		L
Wallingford Hospital	10:31	11:16
Cholsey, The Meadows	10:34	11:19
Moulsford, Old Vicarage	R	R
Moulsford Beetle & Wedge turn	10:37	11:22
Streatley, Primary School	R	R
Streatley, The Coombe	R	R
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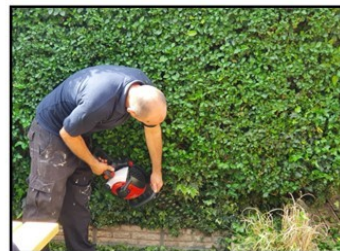
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