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Parish Council Report

Autumn is definitely here although it was nice to have one last treat of summer sunshine which we hope you all managed to enjoy. Each late autumn SODC provide a deep cleanse service to parishes whereby contractors undertake path clearing to ensure safety as winter approaches. The Parish Council conducted a walk around the village to highlight focus areas for the clean up which have been passed to SODC ahead of the visit.

During the walkaround several other concerns were found such as broken surfaces, overhanging tress and uncut verges. Everything found has been reported to the relevant authority for remedial action. We would like to remind residents that trees/hedges etc that encroach the public highway are the responsibility of the land owners to keep cut back. Any instances of encroachment that pose a safety risk to pavement or road users may receive contact from Oxfordshire County Council directly.

We would like to welcome Ben Smith and his team at the newly opened Beetle and Wedge and we hope many of you have had chance to pay them a visit and enjoy the new look at our beautiful river setting. We have received enquiries about river access at the end of Ferry Lane. We can confirm that existing river access and public parking remains unchanged. The parking spaces adjacent to Beetle and Wedge House are for public use due to being on the public highway. River access and public mooring is found to the left of the outside seating area.

Sadly Covid-19 is rearing its ugly head again and it seems likely we may find ourselves in a further lockdown situation in the coming weeks or months. We would like to assure residents that should that be the case the volunteer support network is ready and waiting to spring back into action when required to support those who need it.

You will see still the advert for a new editor for this newsletter. Sadly there has not been any response from the last newsletter and the need for someone to come forward is urgent to ensure this important communication method can continue. Please do contact Bernadette Sachse via moulsfordnews@moulsford-pc.org.uk. She will be happy to answer any questions you may have if it is something you are thinking about but not sure.

Please remember you can contact any one of your councillors (contact details on the back page) should you have any queries or concerns.

Wishing you all safe and well.

URGENT - EDITOR REQUIRED

Do you have a few hours available for 10 months of the year to take over the important task of editing this newsletter?

Due to personal circumstances I need to step down from the role that I have thoroughly enjoyed for the last six years.

Being editor of the newsletter requires basic knowledge of Microsoft Publisher and a keen eye for detail. If this sounds like you please get in touch.

A full handover and training will be given and future support will be available.

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

From the Vicar Andrew Petit

My dear friends,

I am writing this the day after Boris Johnson has announced more stringent lockdown measures, stating that they are likely to last another six months. I am sure that most of you, like me, never imagined when lockdown started that it would still be going on now - let alone for a whole year. It is very easy in such circumstances to feel discouraged and dismayed. It is no surprise that various surveys have revealed an increase in anxiety and mental illness and a decrease in motivation.

So it is important to ask how we can cultivate resilience at this time.

First, I believe we need to remind ourselves of reasons for hope. Our nation has come through even worse times, most notably in recent history through the 2nd World War, and we can be sure that *"this too will pass"*. A vaccine will be developed, 'test and trace' will eventually get sorted out and this epidemic like all other epidemics will eventually run its course. For those of us who believe, we have a deeper foundation for hope in a loving God who cares for us and who overcomes even the worst of suffering through the power of the resurrection.

Secondly, continue to remind yourself of all the reasons to be grateful. These might include the beauty of creation around us, a warm and comfortable home, family and friends, or the NHS - and if we look hard enough, many little blessings each day that we can often take for granted.

Thirdly, be honest about how you really feel and look after yourself accordingly. There is nothing more exhausting, or ultimately more dispiriting, than pretending you are absolutely fine when you are not! Make sure that you have a trusted group - friends, family, or a support group - where you can share what you are really feeling honestly. Our church has a number of "home groups" that have continued to meet weekly during lockdown – mainly by Zoom, which have been invaluable.

Finally, be positive and focus on what you can do and not on what you can't. Not being able to do certain things, can mean we have time and energy for something new. Many have already discovered new interests, hobbies and new skills. Being positive also means that whilst we may need to know the news, we don't need to spend the whole time dwelling on endless negative news reports, but we also look out for good news and whatever provides encouragement. As the Good Book says: "whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things."

With warmest regards, from your vicar,

Tel: 01491 651216 <u>andrewpetit@virginmedia.com</u>

Church Services October 2020

4 th October	17 th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am Parish Communion	Church
11 th October	18 th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am Morning Praise	Church
18 th October	19 th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am Parish Communion	Church
25 th October	Last Sunday after Trinity	9.30am Faith explored (with Communion) Helen Stacey – new Chaplain @ Cranford House	Church
1 st November	All Saints Day	9.30am Parish Communion	Church

St Mary's Cholsey is continuing to hold Zoom services at 9.45am. If you would prefer to attend one of these online, please email Andrew Petit at andrewpetit@virginmedia.com for the Zoom meeting details.

Monthly Coffee Shop

Gail Slinger



The next Village Coffee is on Wednesday 14th October from 11am to 12 noon via Zoom



October is Halloween ② so why don't we all enjoy a treat in Halloween theme, a spicy ginger cake, something made of pumpkin perhaps or even an apple treat (they should be ready to pick), also do watch out for the odd black cat or two or even a witch floating by. All great fun. Ivy Cottage kitchen will be dressed to impress (I hope), please join me too.

Send me your email address so I can send you the zoom link nearer to the date.

Keep Safe everyone until we can all meet again in the Pavilion

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/

P20/S3036/HH Cunnecot, 1 Glebe Close, Moulsford, OX10 9JA	Single storey side extension.	MPC No strong views. SODC Considering.
P20/S2831/HH Beetle Cottage, Ferry Lane, Moulsford, OX10 9JF	Single storey side extension.	MPC No strong views. SODC Approved.
P20/S2560/HH Tibetan Cottage, 3 Willow Court Lane, Moulsford, OX10 9HZ	Modernisation & extension of existing bungalow (As amended by new Proposed Site Plan, Tree Protection Plan and Arboricultural Method Statement received 10 September 2020).	MPC No strong views. SODC Considering.
P20/S2071/FUL Cranford House School, Moulsford, OX10 9HT	Lighting to the Astro Pitch (As amplified by revised Planning and Heritage statement and letter from Cranford House School dated 14 August 2020 and revised site plan containing tree information received 24 August 2020).	MPC Object. SODC Considering.
P20/S1220/FUL, Friends of The Elderly, Old Vicarage, Moulsford, OX10 9JB.	Extra care development of 34 apartments (C2), associated communal facilities, provision of vehicular and cycle parking and associated landscape works. (as updated by additional information July 2020).	MPC Object. SODC Considering.

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The return service departs Tesco at **12 noon** returning to Moulsford at approximately **12.45pm**.

Moulsford Parish Council Meeting

Weds 14th September 7.30pm via Zoom video call

Please contact pc.org.uk for joining details should you wish to attend.

Keep in touch!

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

You can reach the editor, Bernadette Sachse by email:

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For advertising contact Emma Reynolds at: reynolds743@btinternet.com

Deadline for November edition Weds 21st October 2020

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Hire Fees	Mon-Fri: Hourly fee up to 6pm	Mon-Fri: Hourly fee after 6pm	Weekend Hourly fee: Anytime
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Tearfund Quiz Night on Saturday 14th November

Due to Coronavirus, we are unable to hold quiz night in the Pavilion but instead we are hoping to do it by Zoom. So if anyone wants to get a group of 6 together, please look for instructions in next Moulsford News.

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GORING Railway Station	09:08	
Swan Hotel	09:11	
Streatley, Primary School	09:14	
Moulsford Beetle & Wedge turn	09:18	
Moulsford, Old Vicarage	09:19	
Cholsey, Papist Way jn. (A329)	09:22	
Wallingford Hospital	09:25	
WALLINGFORD Market Place	09:30	
Service number		133
WALLINGFORD Market Place		11:00
Wallingford Hospital		11:01
Cholsey, The Meadows		11:04
Moulsford, Old Vicarage		R
Moulsford Beetle & Wedge turn		11:07
Streatley, Primary School		R
Streatley, The Coombe		R
Swan Hotel		11:13
GORING Railway Station		11:23
WALLINGFORD Market Place		11:50
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