GREAT MILTON BULLETIN

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Kent & Couling Charity:	Simon Cronk, Tricia Treanor, Sue Denham
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Emergency - Police, Fire, Ambulance	999	
Police non-emergency	101	thamesvalley.police.uk
GP Surgery, Morland House	01865 872448	morland-house.co.uk
NHS non-emergency	111	nhs.uk
Gas Emergency	0800 111 999	nationalgrid.com/uk/safety/
Electricity Outage	0800 072 7282	sse.co.uk
Burst pipe or leak	0800 714 614	thameswater.co.uk
Floodline	0345 988 1188	gov.uk/check-flood-risk

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Arriva (280) Bus	0344 800 4411	arrivabus.co.uk
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Draft Parish Notes

Meeting of the Parish Council was held at the Pavilion on Monday, 17th April 2023, at 8 pm. The meeting was attended by: Cllrs S Harrod (Chair), D Harms, M Horsley and Cllr F V Mierlo (OCC). Apologies were received from Cllrs B Fox (Vice-chair), P Allen and C Deacon. Chris Ashworth (Clerk) and 2 members of the public were in attendance. No declaration of interest were received in matters on the agenda. There was no variation in the order of business.

The County Councillors' report was received and reviewed and is available on the Parish Council website. OCC has completed a new deal with NHS which will save OCC nearly £5 million a year. This saving is planned to be used within social care.

P23/S1107/HH (Old Cottage Lower End Great Milton OX44 7NF) Single-storey rear extension and rear dormer alterations. Cllr Harms will speak to neighbours regarding this planning application.

P23/S1067/FUL (Delta Tree by Hilton Oxford Belfry Milton Common OX9 2JW)

A temporary fixed period retention of the existing eight-staff accommodation caravans in the same location within the hotel grounds.

The Parish Council has no comment on the planning application.

P23/S0549/HH (Institute Cottage Church Road Great Milton OX44 7PD) Demolition of lean-to stores and carport, construction of a two-storey extension to the side, a single storey extension to the rear, re-arrangement of the internal layout at ground and first floor with correspondent changes to the elevations and new entrance porch. South Oxfordshire District Council hereby gives notice that planning permission is GRANTED.

The minutes of the March meeting of the Parish Council, held on Monday, 20th March 2023, were received, reviewed, agreed and signed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Financial resolutions

The following cheques for payment were authorised and signed:

Chris Ashworth. Salary, Tax and Expenses April: £562.72

Shield Maintenance Dog Waste March: £62.40

J M Dudley April Bulletin: £311.40

Maple Tree annual grant: £500

ICO (Data protection fee): £40 – reimbursement to Clerk

Great Milton PCC mowing grant: £650

Great Milton PCC wall repair: £250

BT Office/e-mail package April: £10.80 (paid by monthly Direct Debit)

Hugo Fox: web support April: £23.99 (paid by monthly Direct Debit)

The final bank reconciliation, accounts and bank statement for the financial year 2022-23 were received, reviewed and approved.

To note that given income of more than £25,000 in the financial year 2022-23, the Parish Council will be required to submit accounts for a limited assurance review.

The Parish Council agreed upon the proposed dates for Great Milton Parish Council's internal/external audit activities:

- Internal Audit (Started April 2023)
- Parish Council to receive Internal Audit report (May 2023)
- AGAR return to be approved and signed (May 2023)
- AGAR return and associated information submitted to External Auditor by June 30th, 2023.
- Exercise of public rights – 30 working days in June and July: Dates to be confirmed.
- Accounts to be approved and published/required info displayed on the website by June 30th, 2023.
- Receipt of External Auditor's response and Notice of Completion: August 2023

To note the submission of the Parish Council's VAT reclaim for the year 2022-23, for the sum of £2,175.32.

Parish clerk and councillors' update of matters in hand

Parish Council Elections – the election for the Parish Council was uncontested, with 6 out of the 7 seats filled.

Local Election voting will take place on Thursday 4th, May 2023

Security in the village

Residents are encouraged to please continue to report any incident that they witness or experience to the police via the 101-telephone service or online via the police.co.uk website.

Three Villages Car Service

The three villages' car scheme has asked if the council are happy to cover the insurance costs to run this service. The insurance has increased from £100 to £130. The demand for this service has increased over the past year, and the scheme is run purely on a voluntary basis. The Parish Council agreed to continue to cover the costs of the insurance.

King's Coronation in May

The Parish Council have discussed applying to the priority fund from OCC to help cover the costs of holding an event for the King's Coronation.

Parish Councillor vacancy

The Parish Council will look to speak to residents about co-opting someone ☞

to fill the final position on the Parish Council.

Parish Council ransom strip purchase

Completion of the ransom strip purchase for £1 on the boundary of The Bull.

The next meeting of Great Milton Parish Council will be held on Monday, 15th May 2023, at 7.30 pm at the Pavilion. Meeting ended 20:15.

Draft Annual Meeting of the Parish Council Notes – April 2023

The annual meeting of the Parish Council was held at the Pavilion on Monday, 17th April 2023, at 7:30 pm. The meeting was attended by: Cllrs S Harrod (Chair), D Harms, M Horsley and Cllr F V Mierlo (OCC). Apologies were received from Cllrs B Fox (Vice-chair), P Allen and C Deacon. Chris Ashworth (Clerk) and 2 members of the public were in attendance.

No resolutions were discussed at this meeting.

The minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday, 19th April 2022, at the Pavilion at 7:30 pm, were received, reviewed, signed and approved as a complete and accurate record of proceedings.

The Chairman of the Parish Council's Annual Report was received and reviewed. The mystery tree was questioned by a member of the public. The council are looking into it and will get it rehomed within the village at a more suitable location.

The District Councillor's annual report was not received.

The County Councillor's observations of the previous year were received and reviewed. Cllr F V Mierlo updated the Parish Council on his report that the County Council has underspent on the 20-mph scheme, and the excess money could possibly be spent on vehicle speed mitigation within the County.

The Parish Council accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023 were received and

reviewed. The accounts show that our payments exceed our receipts by £1203.33 (including the £500 Covid support fund returned). This includes a period where 2 Clerks were employed to allow a handover, Tree work on Sycamore trees (£1,632) as well as Village gateway features (£4,875.11).

The Council sets a budget to break even each year.

Our reserves at the end of the year stood at £33,492.50, which is within the guidelines of twice annual expenditure and gives us a very healthy cushion against unexpected events.

The Parish Council's observations on its finances were received and reviewed.

Annual Reports and Financial Statements from:

- Great Milton Recreation Ground Management Committee (No report)
- Old Field Charity
- Kent and Couling Charity
- Sheppard Charitable Trust
- Neighbours Hall Committee (No report)
- The Hard Surface Play Area Committee (No report)
- Great Milton Neighbourhood Watch

No comments were received on any of the above.

Meeting ended 8:00pm

A combined reports pack will be available on the Great Milton Parish Council website at Parish Council/Meetings 2023/Meeting agendas and accompanying documents.

An update on The Bull

Hi everyone! I'll keep this short and sweet, but I'm beyond excited to be taking on the tenancy at the Bull from Wednesday 17th May. We'll be open from 6pm and it'd be great to see as many familiar faces (and people that I'm yet to meet) there. We'll have some fab local beers on, plus spirits and wines from great local suppliers. We'll be keeping you updated on opening hours, food plans and other exciting things through social media, the village email list and on the chalk boards outside the pub, so keep an eye out!

See you soon for a pint (or two),

Flora Noble

Great Milton Bellringers

We are ringing St Mary's bells at 10:00am on May 6th in honour of King Charles on his Coronation day.

GMB

Benefice Services for May

	St. Mary the Virgin Great Milton	St. James's Little Milton	St. Peter's Great Haseley
Sunday 7th		Holy Communion 9:00am	Family Worship 10:30am
Sunday 14th	Holy Communion 9:00pm	Family Worship 10:30am	
Wednesday 18th *Ascension Day*		Holy Communion 7:00pm	
Sunday 21st	Family Worship Mothering Sunday 10:30am		Holy Communion 9:00am
Sunday 28th *Whit Sunday*	Family Worship 10:30am	BCP Communion 9:00am	

Benefice Services for June

	St. Mary the Virgin Great Milton	St. James's Little Milton	St. Peter's Great Haseley
Sunday 4th		Holy Communion 9:00am	
	Rogation Service Suzanne & Colin Quartly's Farm (Field Farm OX9 2HQ) 10:30am		

The Rector's Pint

In May I have no doubt that many of us will be watching the coronation of King Charles III. There will be community events, and we will be offering appropriate prayers across the Benefice. Many of us will not be old enough to remember the coronation of Queen Elizabeth 11, on 2 June 1953 and so this will be a significant event. We wish the new King well.

My Pint in April was deliberately serious, Good Friday is a serious subject. This is therefore offered as a contrast. It's my account of the Palm Sunday service at St Peter's in Great Haseley.

A reflection on Palm Sunday, or the curious things we sometimes do in Church.

And it came to pass, on the Sunday of the Palms, that the Rector didst have his arm truly twisted, being persuaded to play the part of the Lord riding in triumph unto Jerusalem, the part of the City being taketh by the ancient Church building, and the cheering crowds by the thirty or so in the congregation who deemest to turn up.

At the appointed time, the Rector leaveth the building to find his steed. And lo, he didst see not a four-legged beast of burden but a two-wheeled machine, with an large engine. In truth, he knoweth exactly where to look, having ridden it there himself earlier.

A Bonneville it was, it being a Triumph. He waiteth for the sign, one of the disciples, that part being played by a churchwarden, whose thumb pointeth upwards. And so the Rector rideth unto Jerusalem, or rather the Church, in triumph, and also on Triumph.

The people, being greatly excited didst cheer and cry and didst also wave Cyprus branches, Palm branches being not available in this part of South Oxfordshire. And they didst also take out their iphones to record this thing before them.

And the Rector rideth to the front, and he crasheth not, and was exceeding joyful, especially as no-one crieth out, "Oi, hast thou truly done an health and safety risk assessment for this thing we see? If thou hast not, verily I say unto thee thou shalt truly cop it with the Archdeacon".

And all being well, and nothing having gone wrong, the Rector didst leave the Church on his steed, after ritual feasting on coffee and cake, and taketh him his churchwarden riding on the back, for a brisk spin. She turneth out to be a complete speed freak, as at every pause she asketh, "how fast didst we go?" Upon hearing the answer, and despite the Rector being once or twice a little liberal with the speed, she would reply "wast that all?"

In the real story, the excitement was far greater and the noise far louder. Five days later, the noise and shouting turned into something terrifying and ugly, and then on the third day after that, on the Sunday we now call Easter, white lilies bloomed around an empty tomb. He is risen.

Simon

Days Out with The Neighbours' Club

Correction: An error was made in the last Bulletin. The Club's visit to the British Motor Museum or Warwick Town Centre takes place on Wednesday 6th September (not June!). Reserve the date! Look for poster in Village Stores nearer the time for full details. Also, please note most places for the June river cruise are now nearly taken.

Great Milton Methodist Church Services

For further info. please contact Rev Stephen Spain on 01865 763676

May 2023				
Date	**Time**	**Church**	**Preacher**	**Comments**
7th	11:00am	Gt. Milton	Revd Stephen Spain	Holy Communion
14th	11:00am	Gt. Milton	Miriam Moul	
21st	11:00am	Gt. Milton	Alistair Jackson	Holy Communion
28th	11:00am	Gt. Milton	Paul Rosentall	

Re Lent Lunches

Thankyou to each of those who hosted a Lent Lunch this year in aid of Christian Aid, but even more in aid of having a good time together! The lunches were very well attended and raised...in no particular order... £120, £80, £216, £90 and £225 respectively making a grand total of £731 for Christian Aid...WONDERFUL. Thank you everyone!

S.A. Dennis

Neighbours Hall Book Library

We will continue to open on the third or fourth Friday of the month depending on Hall availability. The dates for the next few months are as follows:

Friday 26th May 11am - 12noon
Friday 16th June at 11am - 12noon
Friday 21st July at 11am -12noon

Hopefully we can enjoy the garden in the warmer weather for tea, coffee and cakes whilst you browse the selection of books and puzzles and chat with others. Please feel free to make use of the library to donate, take or swop at any time you visit the Neighbours Hall.

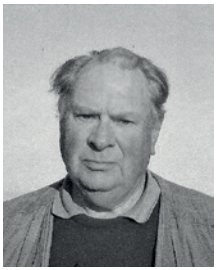
Barbara and Hazel

Great Milton in Conversation

On 20th April the centre aisle pews of St Mary's Church were filled to hear an extremely insightful conversation between Dr Charlie Lee-Potter and Professor Anthony Harnden. As Deputy Chairman of the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation and GMC Council Member, Professor Harnden was obviously at the very centre of discussions relating to the pandemic as well as the focus of significant media attention. The audience were privileged to learn about theories of the origin of the pandemic, for example, the responses and development of the individual vaccines as well of personal anecdotes of different interviews and high level meetings. The hour-long wide-ranging discussion included the opportunity for questions from the floor.

This was the first of a series of events to be held over the next year to raise funds for a kitchen and toilet at St Mary's. Several different options are being considered to bring forward the inclusion of these facilities since last October's Open Day. The Church has also been successful in obtaining more grants. More information should be available at the Project Stall at the Fete on 10th June. Please call by!

View from Views



Last month I commented on the old weather sayings March "In Like a Lion out Like a Lamb" or "In like a Lamb out like a Lion" I think that the former would be about correct although the wind was not that strong on the 31st March it rained as though it had never done before. This late March and early April rain was a start to replace the deficit in February being the wettest March for some time. Then we had those wonderful days for the start of Easter weekend which was a wonderful respite, and must have helped the crops, all of which have come through winter well, except perhaps the Rape having suffered from Pigeon damage, it is interesting that certain crops have suffered badly and others that can be in the next field seem untouched we seem to be unfortunate in that we seem to be the wrong side of the fence. Just hope it can recover now.

It has been noticeable after the deluges of early April how dry the surface of the land is, I would like to think that this is due to a change in our policy of not cultivating and not moving the soil so much, leaving the natural structure, which in turn allows for better drainage. Modern Agriculture is often criticised for the use of artificial fertiliser (bag muck), which when applied only affects the top few inches. If this is the case how is it that this is the cause of nutrients in rivers through leaching, given that now we have a better soil structure the root system should encourage a better root system, which as a result should reduce this leaching. As an additional aid to enhancing the soil structure we have just had some 800 tonnes of compost delivered, this is from the brown bin collection, and is material we had to stop delivery of due to it being contaminated with plastic, on first inspection this seemed to be almost free of such contamination, however having spread some we find there is still some, so maybe we will have to stop this product again, pity as it is all part of the story. Interestingly this material is closely regulated with every load that is delivered weighed then, each spreader load is also weighed so that the exact amount is applied to a specific area of land, pity the plastic is not monitored as well. It illustrates how careful we should be when we dispose our waste, as when it gets into garden waste it is almost impossible to remove.

This spring seems all at sixes and sevens this year, the Blackthorn is late and, Blackthorn winter seemed only to be the odd day, it seems some Blackthorn was still in bud at the same time as the May (Hawthorne) which comes out 2nd or 3rd week in April this indicates that spring is both late and early, all very confusing. Still it is spring and the birds are doing their thing despite of other conditions, and whenever we walk through a field we are deafened by Larks arising, as well as ground nesting birds, so

all aspects drive us to believe summer and nice warm balmy days are just around the corner, let's hope so!.

I hope my colleagues who grow Turnips have some good crops in order to stop us all starving. Our Secretary of state's disdainful attitude towards, not only UK's farming industry's challenges but, also the very real and present issue of the nation's food security, should have come as a surprise. But alas, I am not at all surprised nor, I doubt anyone else in our industry, sadly we have come to expect this sort of lack of understanding from career politicians, a point very well made recently by an agricultural correspondent. They seem to have completely ignored our concern over this security when making trade deals with other countries, also ignoring the restrictions they have imposed, (note my comments on compost application) sometimes correctly, on how we produce our food.

I am constantly commenting on rights of way and the effects on nature, so have a few more points to make on the subject, as a result of a few points that have been made by others recently. For a start a comparison has been made as to why we cannot adopt a similar view as Norway on the right to roam anywhere well, Norway has about 12 people per square Kilometre whereas we have something like 40, that I think says it all. The RSPCA has confirmed a point that I have made many times before, this being that we should not assume it ok to let our dogs roam off the lead, however good or harmless they maybe, because they are doing no harm, or would not chase animals, that is not the point as they would and will, given the chance, it is in their nature and, any roaming will disturb nature especially at this time of year. Also indiscriminate walking will also harm plant life all the things we are desperately trying to preserve, we need to keep to footpaths wherever possible.

Please don't forget May 21st is the day of our Tractor run in aid of the Thames Valley Air Ambulance, who rely on events like this and public generosity for all their finances my Just Giving Page is https:justgiving.com/fundraising/charles-peers5. I am somewhat confused by this as it does not always go straight to my website but it is there you may have to scroll down to find me.

The Sheppard Charitable Trust has Funds Available to Distribute!

Does your group arrange activities for others within the parish of Great Milton? Could your organisation do with a financial boost to help it to expand its activities, reach more people? If the answer is yes, The Sheppard Charitable Trust may be in a position to help you. ☞

The Trust's benefactor was a local resident, Miss Ellen Katherine Sheppard. Miss Sheppard died in 1906, leaving her property to the Great Milton Men's and Boy's Institute, which was later incorporated The Sheppard Charitable Trust. Funds were invested with the CCLA, and grants made over the past twenty years total more than £138,000.

Beneficiaries include the Great Milton Senior Citizens Club and Neighbours Club who receive annual contributions to help with the cost of providing outings, parties and speakers for monthly meetings, giving vital opportunities for people to meet together and socialise. Younger residents of the village have benefited from the support given to the Athletics Club, and tennis lessons via the Hard Surface Play Area Committee. The school has received help for funding residential trips and improving playground facilities.

St Mary's Church, the Methodist Chapel, Neighbours Hall and the Recreation Ground Committee have received generous contributions to improve and maintain their facilities. Other beneficiaries include the History Society, Toddlers Group, Arts and Crafts Group, Bell Ringers, Great Milton Recycling Group and young people's expedition adventures.

Two years of lock down has enabled to the Trust to build up reserves in the fund – and rather than keeping them in the bank, the Trustees would like to distribute them to causes within the village. The only stipulation is that funds must be used for the benefit of Great Milton residents. If your organisation would welcome help with their costs, such as room hire, activity insurance, equipment etc, please do get in touch.

Please send your applications to Jane Willis at sheppardtrustGM@gmail.com

Closing date for applications by Friday 23rd June 2023

Tons Together (Little Milton) WI

In April, we were treated to a wonderful array of quilts with local textile artist, Christine Green. She took us through her journey from her first quilt as a child, through lockdown to the present day. Throughout she's championed sustainable materials, preferring second-hand and reuse, to shop bought fabrics. She offers talks, courses and commission work, see www.christinegreencrafts.co.uk.

At our next meeting on Thursday 11 May at 730pm, Melanie King is going to talk to us about Tea, Coffee & Chocolate - How we fell in love with caffeine.

Everyone welcome - Visitors £5 or become a member for £46.

Do you live in Little Milton, Great Milton, The Haseleys, Stadhampton or surrounding villages, new to the area, want to meet new people, make new friends?

Then join Tons Together WI and meet like-minded, local women of all ages in an informal, friendly group.

We meet every 2nd Thursday of the month in the Pine Lodge OX44 7PZ at 7.30pm
Too shy to come by yourself or need a lift? Contact us & we'll find you a WI buddy.
Like us at www.facebook.com/lmpinelodge
Details & news on the Pine Lodge page at www.littlemilton.org.uk
Kath Stacey 01844-279438 tonstogetherwi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk

Morland House Surgery News

In April the Surgery began to offer further booster vaccinations to those most at risk from COVID. Eligible people include those aged 75 and over (by June 30); those aged 5 and over with weakened immune systems; and residents of care homes for older adults. For more information, please visit Morland House website: www.morland-house.co.uk

Also, the website provides a wealth of information and guidance on managing a vast number of health conditions, symptoms, and treatment e.g.

- Up-to-date information about surgery opening hours and the wide range of services provided, including new dispensary hours.
- A link to the electronic consulting service eConsult. Use eConsult to ask about your health symptoms, conditions, or treatment. You can even request things like sick notes and GP letters. From the home page click on 'Contact your GP practice Online'.
- A link to the NHS App. Download the App, or open the NHS website in a web browser, to set up and log in to your NHS Account. Owned and run by the NHS, your NHS Account is a simple and secure way to access a range of NHS services online.
- Up to date information on current news items including:
- Oxford Community Diagnostic Centre – X-Rays, blood tests, ultrasounds, CTs and more
- Information on the NHS 111 online service which is available 24/7
- Advice on how to stay healthy and well
- COVID-19 and flu vaccine updates
- Looking after your mental health
- Electronic Prescribing Service (EPS)
- Group A strep and scarlet fever, advice for parents and guardians
- Discontinuation of blister pack recycling
- 24/7 breastfeeding support
- Expansion of bowel cancer screening programme

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Part time opportunities

If you are a parent looking for part time working to fit around childcare commitments or if you are a student spending the summer in the local area, and would be interested to work with us, we would love to hear from you!

We are looking for dedicated and people-orientated team members to join our award winning team. Hospitality experience is welcomed, however, training is provided and a willingness to learn and become part of our collaborative environment is more important.

We have full time hours, part time hours, evening and weekend working opportunities available in a variety of departments.

Please email careers.mqs@belmond.com who will be delighted to give you more information. Alternatively please scan the QR code below to send us your details.

Niall Kingston

General Manager

NHS
Oxford Health
NHS Foundation Trust

Oxfordshire School Aged Immunisation Service

The School Aged Immunisation Service offer the following vaccines to eligible school aged children aged 5 to 16:

- Human Papilloma Virus (HPV)
- Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio (TDP)
- Meningitis (ACWY)
- Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)
- Flu (seasonal)

If your child is educated at home:

• They can attend a local Community Based Clinic

• Please contact us (details below) to book into a clinic and to provide consent

If your child is in school:

• They will be offered their vaccinations at School

• The School will contact you directly with details

Contact us through our web address, by scanning the QR code or by calling 07920 254400

Or visit www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/imms

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GREAT MILTON SCHOOL
SPRING FAIR
Saturday 13th May
12 to 3pm
FREE ENTRY
JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!
· BBQ & Bar ·
· Band ·
· Petting Zoo ·
· Yummy Cakes ·
· Toy Tombola ·
· Plant Stall·
· Crafts & Hair Braiding ·
· Tattoos & Face Glitter ·
· Lucky Dip & Raffle ·
· Class Stalls ·
and much more!
TOSTADAS
Please come to support our school & raise funds
LOCATION: OUR SCHOOL GROUNDS
CHARITY: 1087643

Great Milton Church Fete

10th June 2pm

Recreation Ground

The DOG SHOW,
Children's Tug of War,
Punch and Judy,
Bring Your Vintage Car

GRAND RAFFLE with prizes including
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as well as **Musical Entertainment,**

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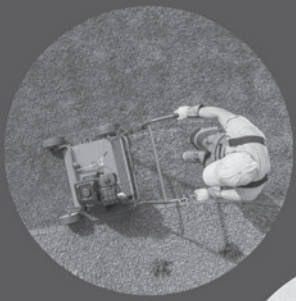

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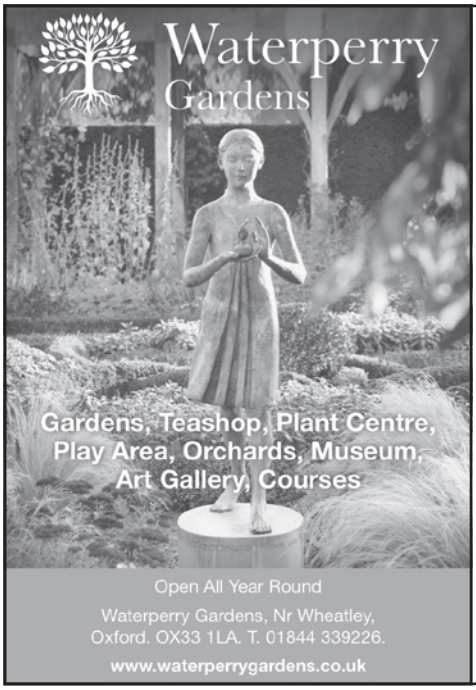

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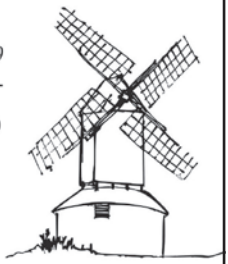

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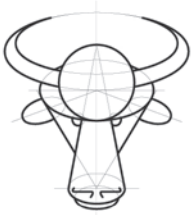

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Tuesday	Athletics Club. Year 8+. 6:00–7:30pm. Horspath Sports & Athletics Ground. *enquiries.gmac@gmail.com* Bingo – Neighbours Hall. 7:45pm *contact Ann Price – 01844 279474*
Wednesday	GM History Archive, The Community Room, The Bull. 10:30am – 12:00pm *or by appointment* 2nd Wed: Coffee Morning at The Methodist Chapel. 10:00am – Midday Fitness & Yoga – The Neighbours Hall. 6:00pm – 7:15pm *contact Yvonne – y.cartwright@btinternet.com*
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Friday	Vinyasa Flow Yoga – The Neighbours Hall. 9:15am *contact Claire – sparkyoga1111@gmail.com to book or for more details* Sandy Lane Farm Market. 10:00am – 5:30pm. *contact: see Thursday*
Saturday	Old Field: 2nd Saturday of each month. 10:15am – 12:00pm. *Contact Alex Kirkman – 01844 278090* Sandy Lane Farm Market. 10:00am – 2:00pm. *contact: see Thursday*

May

6th	Sat	The Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III	
13th	Sat	Spring Fair at Great Milton School	12:00pm
15th	Mon	Parish Council Meeting at The Pavilion	7:30pm
17th	Wed	The Bull Re-Opens!	6:00pm
19th	Fri	Hippy Haze band at The Neighbours' Hall	8:00pm
26th	Fri	Book Library at The Neighbours' Hall	11:00am

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10th	Sat	Church Fete in The Recrestion Ground	2:00pm

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