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**It's October already** and some of us haven't had our summer holiday yet!

The absence of the village bonfire will leave a big hole in the autumn calendar. Let us hope that some energetic people take on the running of this worthwhile event.

If you're over 65 or vulnerable then it's time to consider your covid and flu vaccines. I've just had mine at the Wheatley Pharmacy and have two sore arms to prove it.

Someone recently said to me that people are smiling less than they did before the lockdown. Perhaps we should use the next few months to relearn how to engage with others, face to face in a cheerful way. **Liz**



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## Talking point by Revd Jane Willis

*We plough the fields and scatter...*

*'We plough the fields and scatter the good seed on the land...' we sing lustily at every Harvest Festival. Though to be honest, for the most part, we don't. When our children were little we had some good friends, Jonathan and Alex. Jonathan had always wanted to be a farmer, but had somehow ended up an insurance broker. So, to make up for the lack, they had three allotments. They were a bit of an inspiration to me. One day – the nearest I would ever get to the image of an earth-mother, I made bread with our girls (this was in the days before bread-makers!) – and felt rather pleased with myself. Later that day I told Alex at the school gate- she smiled and said 'Ah yes, we're growing wheat on our allotment.' It was clear I was never going to keep up...*

For most of us the nearest we get to food production is a vegetable patch – we've been rescuing at least part of the vegetable patch in the Rectory garden and are also enjoying having a greenhouse for the first time. But with fresh produce readily available in our supermarkets now apparently independent of season or the elements – we generally find ourselves somewhat removed from its source – and hence to any sense of dependence on God for all that he gives us. Some years ago I was ministering in a number of deeply rural North Devon communities. One of my congregations was made up entirely of farmers and their families, two of my churches were in farmyards. Suddenly all the metaphors of harvest that had featured in my preaching in previous years were these people's real lives – and I was very much a lay person. I will never forget passing the peace shaking farmers' strong hands, or placing the communion bread in hands rough and stained from farm work. These people's relationship with land and place was like nothing I had ever known – and yes, farmers are always talking about the weather: asking me to pray for rain, or for it to stop raining (in North Devon it was usually the latter!). Here these people's livelihoods were deeply dependant on the elements – and on the grace of God. Churches were packed at Harvest – and the other agricultural festivals of Rogation and Plough Sunday.

So this harvest may we remember our farming community, pray for them and give thanks for them. May we tend our gardens and vegetable plots with love and care and encounter God in the goodness of his creation. And wherever we earn our living – in business or academia, in schools or in healthcare, in retirement or wherever – may we indeed know that *'all good gifts around us are sent from heaven above'* – and *'thank the Lord, yes thank the Lord, for all his love'*.

But may it not end there – true gratitude overflows into generosity – to care for those who are in need, and to care for our world and its fragile eco-systems – entrusted to us by God, and on which all our lives depend.

Every blessing  
Jane



## **Sat 14th Oct- 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm OSJ- Russian Masters**

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The demand for Events to be held in the Abbey has been steadily increasing this year and we need to increase the number of volunteer Concert Managers who play a vital part in helping to make the events run smoothly. This is an opportunity to find out more about what goes on behind the scenes, meeting interesting artists, hearing lovely music and being the welcoming face of the Abbey to the audience.

Training will be given. For further details please contact the Events Administrator, Dorchester Abbey, Samantha Turner; [admin@dorchester-abbey.org.uk](mailto:admin@dorchester-abbey.org.uk) and 01865 340007 (Mon, Wed and Fri mornings)

## **K&K and Oxford Dioceses Link News:**

Did you know that the Oxford Dioceses, the collection of Church of England churches in the counties of Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire, has formal links with other dioceses around the world? There are links with communities in South Africa, India and Sweden. The Dorchester Team of Churches, of which the Stadhampton Church is a member, participates in the link with the Diocese of Kimberley and Kuruman (K&K) in South Africa. There are about 10 other parishes in the Oxford Diocese that have links to parishes within the K&K Dioceses, and in order to encourage these parish-to-parish links, a summit meeting was organised in 2017 which allowed both groups to meet and talk face to face. We had planned the second summit to be in 2020, but COVID meant those plans were postponed. This year we are holding that postponed summit meeting.

From the 11th to the 14th of October, members of the Diocese of Kimberley & Kuruman and Diocese of Oxford are invited to join our 2nd link Summit, coming together in shared prayer, study, learning and conversation.

The theme is "Encourage one another and build each other up" (1 Thess. 5:11), which is also the Diocese of Kimberley and Kuruman's theme for 2023. Encouragement and mutual support are part of our calling as members of the Body of Christ - whether we are together or far apart, we can help each other to serve Christ faithfully.

Our 2017 summit was held face-to-face only: this time we will have a hybrid meeting, with some people meeting face-to-face and others meeting online.

The opening and closing worship, daily Bible studies, evening prayer, and keynote

addresses will be live streamed for anyone in both dioceses to attend.

In addition, UK link parishes will meet in Thame on the 11th, where an online hub will connect them with Kimberley to share in the opening worship and presentations. Link parishes on both sides will also have opportunities to share with each other in Bible study and in other discussions throughout the summit.

Youth hubs, for young people between the ages of 18 and 25, will be formed on both sides and will share in online discussions on the 13th and 14th.

We encourage ANYONE in the Dorchester team to join in! If you'd like to attend the in-person meeting in Thame (11 October), where you can meet up with other parishes who also have links in the K&K Diocese, please sign up on the Eventbrite page or RSVP to Amy Herlihy as we need a head count for catering. Contact details and web link are listed below.

What are the topics that will be discussed at the Summit? We will be hearing about each other's hopes and concerns through presentations and conversations; sharing daily Bible studies, evening prayer, and two eucharists; learning about key missional areas such as tackling gender-based violence and working for climate justice; and reflecting on how we can faithfully serve Christ in our own contexts and as partners in the Gospel.

We now have an Eventbrite page for this event. It has additional information about the Summit and allows you to register your interest for attending the sessions. **<http://bit.ly/KKOxonSummit>**

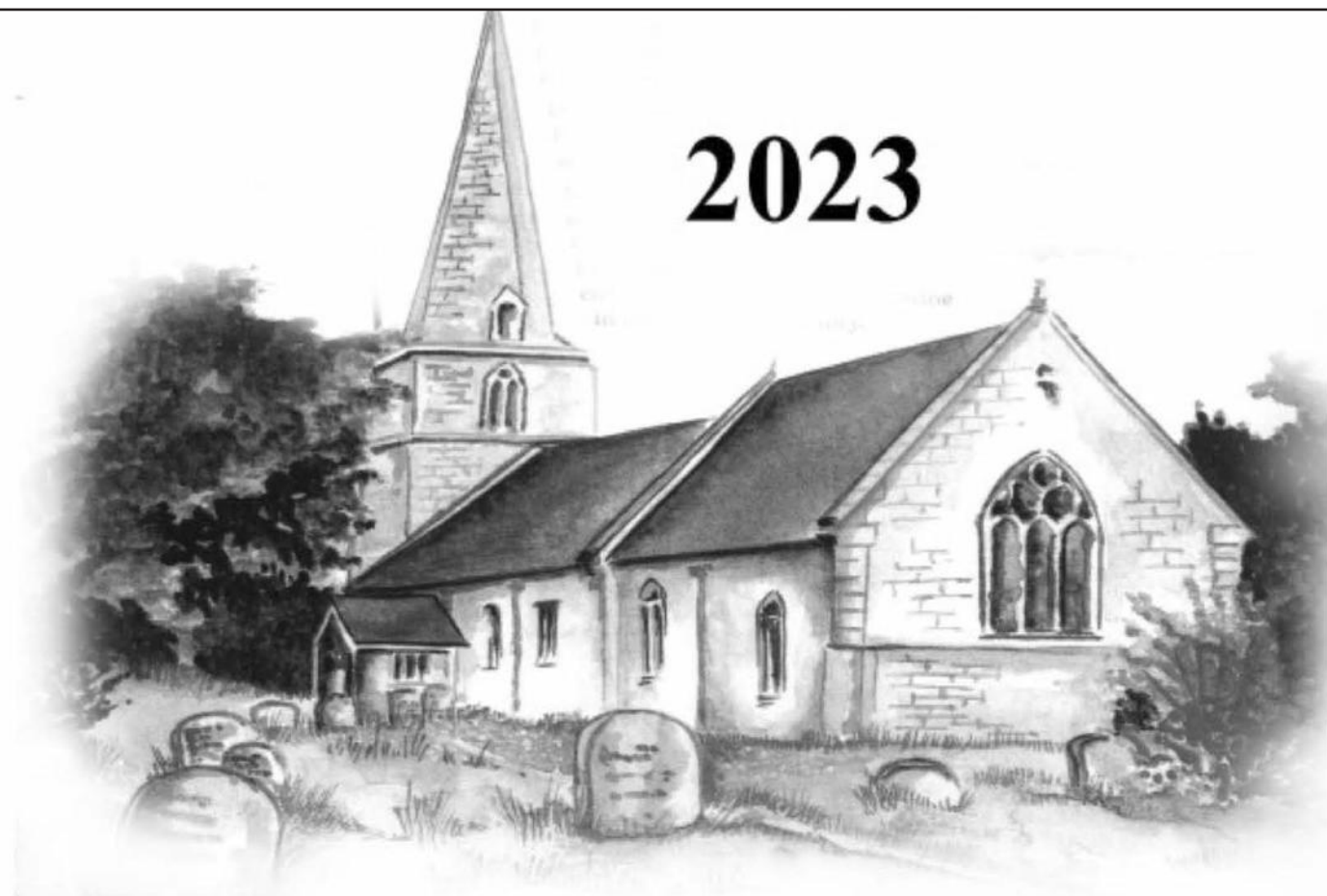
**The K&K Diocese** is located in the northwest part of South Africa and covers an area about the size of Germany, including substantial parts of the Northern Cape and North West provinces.

The Diocese of Oxford is the Church of England in Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire. The diocese sits between the Cotswolds in the west and London to the east, and extends from tiny rural communities to the vastly different cities of Oxford and Milton Keynes.

For many years (30 or more) there has been a connection between these two dioceses. I became involved about 10 years ago. At that point there were parish to parish links where the parishes in the UK and South Africa set up connections, to share experiences going on in their communities and to share their faith. The Dorchester Team of Churches (of which Stadhampton is a part) has a connection with the church community in Boegoeberg, a rural community about 3 hours drive from Kimberley in South Africa. I have been inspired by the women who, having seen a need to feed local children, started their own lunch/soup kitchen. They have fed a few hundred (children and the elderly) at each sitting in their community, and they organised it all themselves. Over the years the Dorchester Team of Churches have helped this group with funding for refrigerators, industrial cooking rings and food supplies.

Amy Herlihy

**2023**



# **HARVEST SUPPER**

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**6.45pm for 7.00pm**  
**Tickets: Adults £12.00**  
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# **Village Hall**

## **10 year Anniversary Party**

**Join us for drinks and nibbles at Stadhampton Church on Saturday 14 October, 7pm to celebrate this special anniversary and all those who volunteer in the parish and help make things happen.**

**All welcome.**

**Please RSVP Stephen by**

**emailing    s.dawson78@yahoo.co.uk**

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## **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL**

The 2023 Poppy Appeal will be launched on Thursday 26th October.

Collection boxes will be in the BP/M&S garage, local public houses and the farm shops. As usual, our volunteers will be visiting every house in our villages to collect your kind donations. There will be a special box at Stadhampton School.

Remember, if you are a UK taxpayer you can Gift Aid your donation so that the R.B.L. can claim an extra 28p for every £1.00 you give us.

If you would like a 2023 poppy badge or a wooden cross please let me know.

Our Remembrance Service will be on Sunday 12th November.

Thanks for your support.

**Sue White 01865 890 880**

## BREAK TIME SUDOKU answer p29

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### Can you help? Desperate Food Bank Appeal

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Rice, pasta, cereals, biscuits, etc  
Tinned vegetables, meat, fish, fruit, etc  
tinned rice pudding  
shampoo, sanitary products  
cat and dog food  
and anything non perishable.

If you are able to spare something you can either leave it in the food bank box in the church, before or after the 9:30 service on Sunday, or on any visit to the Village Hall.

Alternatively you can leave a bag on the doorstep and we will make sure it's collected.

Cash donations are also welcome. You can find out how to donate cash, volunteer or refer yourself or someone else on the website - <https://thamefoodbank.org.uk/>

Thank you so much for any help you can give.

## **TONS TOGETHER (LITTLE MILTON) WI**



In September, we were entertained by detectorist, James Mather. He found the Watlington hoard treasure in 2015, which helped rewrite the history of King Alfred and can now be seen in the Ashmolean museum. He showed us many of his favourite finds from prehistoric stone tools to tiny gold coins. Fascinating hobby and wonderful speaker. Thank you to Sharon & Lucinda for doing the teas and Jane for providing the birthday posy.

We also went on a day trip to the National Trust's Waddesdon Manor and to Warwick to see the newly restored Lord Leycester Hospital and Mill gardens.

In October, local PCSO Claire Keogh will be talking about **Fraud Prevention** on **Thursday 12 October at 7.30pm.**

Everyone welcome (men too) - Visitors £5 or join up for £23.

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.

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**Cllr Neil Fitzgerald**

## **The Parish Needs You!**



“At the latest PC meeting, we discussed the ongoing need to identify and reach out to volunteers. All local projects and schemes require both funding and a small cadre of volunteers, and finding volunteers can be more challenging than the funding! Even if you cannot volunteer yourself, but you know of individuals who may like to offer something to the community in an area they are interested in, then the Parish Council, and other local voluntary organisations, would love to hear from you. We can explain local projects and specify where people could help. As it ramps up again, the ongoing Play Area on the Green project is a project in particular where help would be gratefully received. Can you help? Please contact me by e-mail at [cllrneilfitzgerald@stadhampton.org](mailto:cllrneilfitzgerald@stadhampton.org)

Volunteering is a great way to provide people with a meaningful sense of purpose and accomplishment, whilst making a valuable contribution to their local community. We would love to hear from you, with whatever time you feel you could offer to helping make a good cause a reality.”

## **Clockwinding -**

### **Thank you for Long Service**

For over 40 years **Julian Humm** has been quietly serving the community keeping the St John the Baptist Church clock going and also the bells. Although paid an honorarium, this is a token of thanks. The role has always been a commitment by Julian to the community (the honorarium has been just £1 per week, and recently rising to £2 per week). Julian has been helped by Tom, filling in when he is away or unwell, and he's quietly done this faithful service twice a week for all these years. Thankyou Julian for your dedicated service to the Stadhampton community!



For Julian, it is time to take a back seat. Would you like to help? Julian will show you what is needed. Please get in touch if you think you could contribute to this part of village life and get involved.

[clerk@stadhampton.org](mailto:clerk@stadhampton.org)

## Regular Events

MONDAYS			
TUESDAYS			
WEDNESDAYS			
THURSDAYS	Tons Together WI (2nd of month)	19:30	Pine Lodge
FRIDAY	Pilates (beckyalanfitness.com)	10:15 20:00	Village Hall Village Hall
SATURDAYS			

## OCTOBER EVENTS

Sunday 1st, 9.30am St John's, Harvest Festival

Thursday 12th at 7.30pm. WI, Little Milton hall, Local PCSO Claire Keogh will be talking about Fraud Prevention

Friday 13th, 7pm, St Giles, Newington Harvest Festival

Saturday 14th, 7pm, St John's Village Hall, 10 year anniversary

Monday 16th, 7.30pm, Village hall. Stadhampton Parish Council meeting

Thursday 26th, RBL poppy Appeal starts

Friday 27th, Cinema night, St John's, Queen of Katwe, starts at 8:00pm

Friday 3rd November, 6.30pm for a 7pm start. Village hall Quiz Night

Saturday 2nd December, Noon, Village Hall. Christmas Fayre

## October WASTE COLLECTIONS

**GREY BINS** - Tuesdays 10th and 24th

**Grey weeks** - food waste, rubbish, small electrical items in a carrier bag next to bin



**GREEN BINS** - Tuesdays 3rd, 17th and 31st (Brown Week)

**Green weeks** - food waste, recycling, batteries, garden waste, textiles in a tied carrier bag next to bin.

**Plastic bags** can now be used for food waste. **Cooking oil** can be recycled in the food caddy (use a plastic bottle if you like)

# in September

## **SERVICES at ST JOHN'S, STADHAMPTON**

Sunday 1 October, 9.30am Harvest Festival family service

Sunday 8 October, 9.30am Parish Eucharist

Sunday 15 October, 9.30am Family Eucharist

Sunday 22 October, 9.30am BCP service

## **SERVICE at ST KATHERINE'S, CHISELHAMPTON**

Sunday 29 October, 10.30am Cluster Service



### *Harvest Festival*

Please join us for our family friendly Harvest Festival service at St John's Church, Stadhampton on Sunday 1st October, 9.30am with a special Harvest breakfast served after the service





# **Bus Shelter in School Lane**

The new bus shelter has been installed on the triangle in School Lane. This will provide shelter from the weather for people using the bus, whilst giving good visibility for drivers and a safer area for pedestrians to be standing in. The area has been redesigned with



strong planters that will improve the appearance of the area as people go through the village. Planting is still being planned so the area will continue to improve.

How was this paid for? Large developments are required to pay a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and just 15% of that money goes to the local area to improve transport, play parks, sports, community safety and other facilities. CIL money from the Land East of Newton Rd has been directly spent to provide this bus shelter project. We also benefited from a grant of £500.00 from Oxford Bus Company towards the project.

The base and safe delivery was supervised and done by John Pattison, and the planters have been created by Karl Turner. Thank you to John and Karl for helping to deliver this project. Further thanks to the other residents who have got involved looking at the planters and getting them ready for planting, to Wendy and support from Nottcutts. Of course the biggest thank you goes to Stuart Wells for co-ordinating the project from start to finish. What a fantastic achievement, with a lot of volunteering to make it all come together.

**Stadhampton Parish Council**

# STADHAMPTON CINEMA NIGHT



Living in the slum of Katwe in Kampala, Uganda, is a constant struggle for 10-year-old Phiona (Madina Nalwanga) and her family. Her world changes one day when she meets Robert Katende (David Oyelowo), a missionary who teaches children how to play chess. Phiona becomes fascinated with the game and soon becomes a top player under Katende's guidance. Her success in local competitions and tournaments opens the door to a bright future and a golden chance to escape from a life of poverty.

**Our next cinema night will be on Friday 27th October**

**The film, *Queen of Katwe*, starts at 8:00pm**

If you would like to join us for a meal before, please contact Linda King ([linda@whereer.com](mailto:linda@whereer.com)) by the 20th October



## **Fireworks Committee**

I am sad to say Andrew and I have decided to step down from the Stadhampston Fireworks. It has been a very hard decision, especially for Andrew who has been involved in the display for over 30 years.

We would like to give a huge thank you to all the people who have helped over the years, the merry gang in the refreshment tent to Diddy pushing up the fire during the day.

**THANK YOU ALL.**

If anyone would like to join the committee Andrew and I would be there to support you. Please contact us [Stadhampston.fireworks@hotmail.com](mailto:Stadhampston.fireworks@hotmail.com) or 07930181147 (after 4pm)

We have a plan of how the day runs and who does what. If no one comes forward there will be no fireworks this year. So we are putting out a big plea for people to come forward and help.

Once again thank you all the people who have supported us.

Nikki Howlett

## **Parish Council Meetings and Grants**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 16th October, with a focus on considering planning applications. The next full-agenda meeting will be on November 20th. Every meeting includes a short public participation time at the start if you wish to raise any issue of Parish Council business. There remains a vacancy on the Parish Council and if you are interested in this role, please get in touch with the Parish Clerk at [clerk@stadhampton.org](mailto:clerk@stadhampton.org)

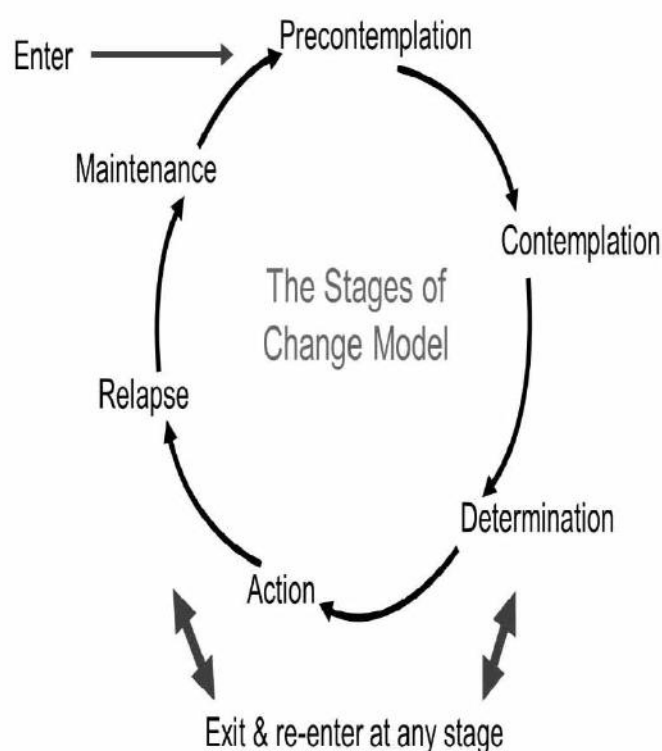
**Small Grants:** Stadhampston Parish Council has a small budget of £2,000 per year to award to local community groups or charities. Applications must benefit the residents of the Parish of Stadhampston and Chiselhampton. For 2023/24 the Parish Council is piloting a new approach. Community groups are invited to make applications before 6th November, so that all applications can be considered together in the November meeting, for a fair and transparent distribution of grants.

The application form with explanations is on the website or you can contact the Parish Clerk on 07717 134606 or [clerk@stadhampton.org](mailto:clerk@stadhampton.org)



## Stages of Change (Prochaska and DiClemente, 1984)

Throughout our lives there will be times when we may have to change our behaviour to become healthier. This may be voluntary (training to run a 10km/half marathon/full marathon) or be forced upon us (giving up smoking due to ill health etc.). Either way understanding the process will help in achieving the desired change.



The first stage is *Precontemplation*. This is where the individual is unaware of the need to change or does not want to. The next stage is *Contemplation*. Here the individual has identified that there is a need for change and are looking at the options but have not yet committed to the change. *Determination* or *planning* is where the person believes that the change will lead to a healthier life and is looking into how they can make this happen. *Action* is where things start to happen and the person starts working towards their new goal. *Maintenance* is when the change process has been adopted for a while and the intention is to continue with it.

There is a sixth stage, *Relapse*. This is where the person regresses to a previous stage. They do not have to go back to a particular stage and can leave and rejoin at any point. It is easy to think of relapse in a negative, going backwards, context. However, it creates feedback and learning on the process so far and helps to direct future strategies working towards adaptation and change, so should be viewed in a positive way.

The down sides of this model are that one stage can blur into the next and so it can be difficult to identify which stage you are at and there is no sense of how long a person should stay in a stage.

This model does allow the creation of an individually tailored process for someone to use to help them manage their expectations during a period of change in their lives.

If you are currently working towards a healthier lifestyle using this model may help you identify where you are in the process and where you may be going next, either way good luck with it.

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## **Planning applications:**

Details can be viewed by searching for the property or application reference using the planning tab at <https://www.southoxon.gov.uk/>

1. **Santannas Place**, Watlington Rd, Stadhampton, OX44 7UQ application P23/S1760/FUL for change of use of paddock land to form hardstanding (retrospective) including siting of an additional 1 x mobile home for residential purposes and general alterations to the previously approved scheme P16/S2987/FUL and subsequent amendments P21/S3017/FUL. The SODC Planning Committee will consider this application on 20 September 2023. The meeting will start at 6pm at South Oxfordshire District Council, Abbey House, Abbey Close, Abingdon OX14 3JE. The officer's recommendation to the Committee is to grant planning permission.

2. **Chiselhampton Hill Cottage** Chiselhampton Hill Chiselhampton OX44 7XQ application P23/S2239/HH for the erection of an ancillary dwelling in the garden (retrospective).

3. **Land between A34 Milton Interchange, and B4015 north of Clifton Hampden** for the dualling of the A4130 carriageway, construction of the Didcot Science Bridge, road bridge over the Appleford railway sidings and road bridge over the River Thames and associated works between the A34 Milton Interchange and the B4015 north of Clifton Hampden. This has been called in for the determination of the Secretary of State following the holding of a Local Inquiry.

## **Recent decisions on planning applications:**

**Vine Cottage**, The Green, Stadhampton OX44 7UA P23/S2777 condition 3 (joinery details) discharged 08/09/23

**Newells Farm**, Newells Lane, Stadhampton OX44 7XJ P23/S2682/AG for the formation of a farm track and associated/related works. Decision on 05/09/23 that for Agricultural Development - an application is not required.

**Chiselhampton House**, Chiselhampton OX44 7XF P23/S2253/LB External security lighting. Listed Building consent given 04/08/23

**Doyleys Farm**, The Green, Stadhampton OX44 7UB P23/S1767/FU and P23/S2210/LB for the conversion of a barn to a single dwelling and change of use to C3. Planning permission and Listed Building consent given on 17/08/23

**Wheatfield**, Copson Lane, Stadhampton OX44 7TZ P23/S1820/PDS for the Provision of additional storey. Planning permission 26/07/23

**Brick cowshed at Newells Farm**, West Newells Close, Stadhampton P23/S1745/N4B Conversion to dwelling. Planning permission 18/07/23

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# **Quiz Night at Stadhampton Church**



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## **Stadhampton Village Party 2023**

A massive thanks to everyone who helped make Sat 8th July a great day.

Those that held the faith and dodged the morning rains were rewarded with an afternoon and evening of Village fun.

We had around 300 people on the green enjoying: the Brook race, Classic car show, live music from the Din Sockets and Andy Hogger, pony rides, dog show (thanks Charlotte), tug-of-war, kids games, Wheatsheaf wood fired pizza, BBQ burgers and sausages, full bar from the Seven Stars at Marsh Baldon, raffle, tombola, face painting, tea tent, ice creams and more.

Special thanks to the organising group: Viki, Anita, Debbie, Paul, Peter, Hilary & Doug; our brilliant MC Alan; Phil White (straw bales); and to the volunteers who helped on the stalls and with set up and take down (thanks Cat lane posse!).

**We raised money for the Church, School and to hold  
a village planting of 2,024 bulbs in October  
to brighten up Stadhampton.**

**Next years date: 2-9pm Sat 6th July 2024**

Doug Struthers



### **Oxford Flood Alleviation Scheme**

The Secretary of State has confirmed the CPO public inquiry for the Oxford Flood Alleviation Scheme will begin on 14 November 2023 at 10am. It will be held at The Kings Centre, Osney Mead, Oxford, OX2 0ES. We expect the inquiry to last for around 3 weeks. It is open to the public and all are welcome to attend in person. The inspector will decide who may actively participate. Please check the Environment Agency website for further details and updates: <https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/thames/ofas-updates/>

A pre-inquiry meeting will be held virtually on Thursday 21 September. This is an opportunity to consider how the public inquiry will be run, to ensure it is conducted as efficiently as possible. Anyone who has objected to the CPO will be invited to attend.

A CPO public inquiry is standard procedure when objections are received. It may take several months before the decision is known.

### **HIF1 planning application:**

The Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities has set a timetable for the decision process – the hearing will commence on the 5th of December.

If you made comments to Oxfordshire County Council as Local Planning Authority at the application stage they will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate.

If you wish to make further written comments you must submit 3 copies of them to Leanne Palmer at the Planning Inspectorate by 4th October 2023.

If you wish to make further comments please write to Leanne Palmer,

The Planning Inspectorate, 3rd Floor, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Bristol BS1 6PN

Or email [LEANNE.PALMER@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:LEANNE.PALMER@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)

The application documents are available to view at County Hall in New Road, Oxford during office hours or on the County Council's Planning Applications website <http://myeplanning.oxfordshire.gov.uk>, using reference number R3.0138/21.

## **District Councillor Report - Haseley Brook ward - Cllr Georgina Heritage**

### **Oak Taverns / Street Food Licensing**

Despite claims to the contrary from Oak Taverns and on social media throughout August, SODC did not at any stage ban food trucks from pubs. There was a huge amount of misinformation and gossip circulating, despite a statement from SODC on the matter. In short, the issue with Oak Taverns arose because the company did not seek advice from SODC on the appropriate street trading requirements prior to operating with mobile catering facilities.

*By law, all locations where street trading takes place, including on private land, require a specific consent to allow this to happen if members of the public can access the site without paying an entry fee. This is a national requirement which applies to all venues across the country. Individual mobile traders are also required to hold street trading consent for all the sites they will operate from."*

### **New SODC Office Building**

South Oxfordshire District Council has submitted a planning application for the building, and the plans are available to view online. There have been many questions about the proposed development over various Facebook pages and in local news sources, so I thought it might be helpful to address some of these:

### **Community Grants**

Don't forget that applications are open for the Community Grant scheme until 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023. There is still funding available in the Haseley Brook ward, so please speak with me if you are thinking of applying. You can also find out more about the Councillor Community Grant scheme at [www.southoxon.gov.uk/grants](http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/grants) or by contacting the Community Enablement team at [grants@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:grants@southandvale.gov.uk).



### **Morland House Surgery, Morland Close, Wheatley OX33 1DP**

The usual surgery opening hours are Monday to Friday 8am to 6.30pm

Saturday mornings (excluding Bank Holiday weekends) 8am to 10.30am, for **prebooked** telephone consultations only

Enhanced access hours are offered outside these times, please speak to one of the reception team on 01865 872448 for more information.

When the surgery is closed, please contact the Out of Hours service by phoning 111

**The surgery's in-house dispensary will close permanently on Friday 29th September 2023 WHEATLEY PHARMACY WILL REMAIN OPEN**

There will be no change to the process of ordering your repeat prescription. If you already collect your medication from Wheatley Pharmacy, then you need not do anything. If you have not yet nominated a pharmacy to pick up your medication, then please do so by 29/9.

Check or alter your nomination via your NHS login - NHS ([www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk)) or contact the surgery's dispensing team via [morland.dispensary@nhs.net](mailto:morland.dispensary@nhs.net) tel 01865 872448 (option 3)

**Flu and Covid Vaccines** - All eligible patients who have been booked in for a flu vaccine from mid-September onwards will be offered a Covid vaccine at the same appointment. To find out if you are eligible please visit [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk) and search for "Covid Vaccination".

For a wealth of information and guidance on managing a vast number of health conditions, symptoms, and treatment Please visit [www.morland-house.co.uk](http://www.morland-house.co.uk)

### **Sudoku Answer from p17**

4	3	2	1	6	9	8	5	7
5	8	9	3	2	7	1	6	4
6	7	1	5	8	4	9	3	2
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3	6	5	7	9	1	2	4	8
2	4	7	6	3	8	5	9	1
9	1	8	4	5	2	6	7	3

This is your magazine

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It has been a joy to see all the children returning to school well rested and ready for the year ahead. We are delighted to welcome 12 new children and their families to our school and we hope that they will quickly feel part of our school community.



The final few weeks of last term were a whirlwind of activity. Events included Sports Night, an end of year production from Otter Class, trips to Didcot Railway Museum and the Story Museum in Oxford, a visit from a tractor, a fabulous leaver's disco and a Spanish Fiesta. We even managed to squeeze in an Ofsted inspection in the last week of term!!!

During the summer break, a number of school estates projects were completed. As a school, we are always looking at ways to improve both our learning environment but also to move the school towards a greener future. To that end, we have had 32 solar panels installed as well as a new air source heat pump in the cabin to complement our wood pellet boiler.



Already this term we have begun swimming lessons, Hedgehog class have started to learn the violin and cello and we welcomed our children and their families back to school for an evening of pizzas and games on the 15<sup>th</sup>. This was a great success, including an impromptu tug of war (won by the ladies!!!) A huge 'Thank You' to FOSPS for all their hard work organizing the event.

We are planning a number of open sessions in the coming months for any potential new children (see poster) and are looking forward to another exciting year at the school.







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Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December  
9.30-11.30am

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## VIEW FROM VIEWS,

Now with harvest done and dusted, except for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of our current experiment into lupins that will come to harvest about the time you read this. Like all the other crops this year they look promising, however the proof of the pudding is in the eating. Crops looked better than they produced this year. The Winter Barley that looked so well all through the year could not hold itself up by the time of cutting and about 10-20% had fallen over and was on the ground before the combine could cut it. The Winter wheat was just disappointing, it also looked so well through the whole growing season but just did not yield. I think, had I walked the whole field, on a regular basis, I would have realised that it was not all that good. However judging by the national crop we were about average and most of our colleagues suffered in the same way with the fickle weather this season. I have to crow about the Oil Seed Rape, not an outstanding average crop but again very respectable yield. I will have mentioned many times before, due to pigeon damage in the spring I estimated that a 1/3 of the area would yield 1/2 a crop, when I worked this out with the tonnage, we harvested I was within 2% on 100 tonnes. Looking on the bright side, except for about 1/2 the Rape crop, all our harvest came in without the need to dry a grain. We were so lucky in this what has proved to be a very tricky time, and with the contractor that we employ. At the time of writing next years Rape has been planted and eaten by Flea Beetle, we now have the tricky decision to take, do we re-plant as it is now a little late or hack it up and plant something else and, if so, what. I must add that we are by no means alone, it is reported as a nationwide problem, some crops have escaped, luckily for George Farrant he has at least 2 good crops.



After such a long explanation of our Harvest, which is the most important time of year on our farm, I must make mention of wildlife which I guess most readers are interested in. Well not a lot to mention as most birds now this year are either sheltering from the rain or the blistering heat. Once the crops were off we saw a number of hares, and partridges, until they found their way out of sight. The numbers of both have been very low of late. Not quite so welcome, but great to see, is the number of deer we are accommodating. What is good is the amount that wildlife has increased of late.

On the subject of conservation the great news is that we have recently formed what is known agriculturally as a "Farm Cluster". For the last few years there were 2 clusters on the River Thames. These only achieved a talking shop status, which some of us did not feel good enough, as the Government was encouraging us to do something. As a result it was decided that these 2 should amalgamate and, employ a facilitator. With the help and mutual agreement with "River Thames Conservation Trust" (RTCT), the "Thames Catchment Farm Cluster" (TCFC) was formed with the "RTCT" allowing us the time of one of their senior project officers to be our facilitator. Already we have started a project called Landscape recovery which aims, over the next few years, to enhance the catchment of the Thames, extending the good works the "RTCT" is already doing. It is thought that there is substantial Government funding for this sort of initiative. This I think is all very exciting as it will give us farmers the finance to carry out works that we could not otherwise do. As an aside, the picture is of a fish refuge, we dug only 4 years ago now it looks as if it has been there for ever, showing how quickly nature takes over.

The big issue concerning us in this locality, is the threat of the development of Waterstock Golf Course. Firstly this was going to be a transport hub, but now, as this did not seem to perhaps fit with the rural environment, it is to be a science park with residential housing. Perhaps the developers thought this might be more acceptable. There are several questions we have to ask ourselves on the whole issue; is this area far too close to the "River Thames", will we be able to enforce the necessary measures to stop any pollution reaching the river with the existing infrastructure when it is already under pressure from sewage pollution. Surely a Science Park would be better nearer other like facilities (Culham, Harwell, & Sandford). When we consider the transport hub this would be warehousing for the likes of online shopping. The head of John Lewis has already suggested that we need a royal commission to investigate the demise of the high street. It could be argued that we do not need so many houses built when there are many left vacant for no apparent reason, either second homes or just an investment. This is really criminal when we are destroying the environment just to build houses for human beings. Is it not time we stopped and took stock, made sure all precautions were taken to avoid pollution, (sewage, proper drainage and control of surface water) before anymore development is allowed. Developers have been allowed to get away without taking proper control of these issues.

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	Chalgrove			890760
	Clifton Hampden			407888
	Wheatley			872448
Minor Injuries:	Minor Injuries Unit - Abingdon			903476
	Wallingford First	Wallingford		903471
Stadhampton Primary School	office.2455@stadhampton.oxon.sch.uk			890370
SODC	South Oxon District Council Offices		01235 422 422	
District Cllr SODC	Georgina Heritage			
County Cllr OCC	Robin Bennett	robin.bennett@oxfordshire.gov.uk	07979 646815	
MP	John Howell	john.howell.mp@parliament.uk	01491 613 088	
Misc.	Acorn Barn Wedding Venue			891663
	Coach & Horses			890255
	Crazy Bear Hotel & Farm Shop			890714
	M&S shop/BP Gar-			891837
Animal Sanctuary	Iain Atkins	info@oascharity.org.uk		890239
Village Websites:	stadhampton.org	newington.org		



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