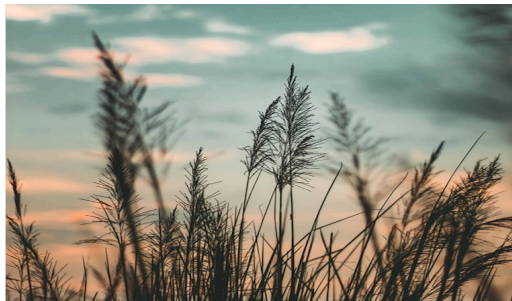


BROADSHEET

THE BOURTONS

August 2020



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Welcome...

July saw the first ever "Bourtons' Big Giveaway" – which appeared very popular and may be the start of something new. Talking of new – are you a budding poet? Do see page 12 for the Bourtons' Poetry competition – I do hope you are encouraged to take part!

Please join me in saying 'au revoir' to Anne Holdom who has been a member of the Broadsheet delivery team for a good while! We say thank you and send our best wishes to her and Roger in settling into their new home. A very big welcome and thanks to Margaret Damen who has kindly agreed to take over Anne's deliveries.

For those of you with internet access please know that all issues of the Bourtons' Broadsheet are on the village website – type in your browser: <https://bourtons-cherwell-pc.gov.uk/local-amenities/> and then click on 'Local Newspapers'. The previous issues' VE photos are all shown in colour!

During the summer holidays do please continue to take care and stay safe wherever you may be.

Sue

**The August
Community Coffee
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cancelled.**

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Community Information

Bourtons' Art Group

Meet on Mondays, 10^{am} to 1^{pm}, £13pp. Until further notice these sessions are run online – please contact Barry (The Artery) on 01295 275150 for further information.

Bourtons' Gardening Club – There will be a visit on 5th August, 7^{pm}, to Chivel Farm, Green Lane, Heythrop, OX7 5TR – 'a beautiful country garden designed for continuous interest with colour schemed borders and unusual trees. Charge: £7.50 includes refreshments.

Directions: *Approx. 35 mins drive. Take the A361 towards Chipping Norton. Go left towards Heythrop on Green Lane. Keep left on Green Lane and the turning to Chivel Farm will be on your right.*

Bourtons' Music Society – will not meet until further notice.

Information about the society can be obtained by contacting Margaret Damen on 01295 758519.

The Bell Inn continues to offer a take away service Monday to Friday, 5-8:30^{pm}; Saturday, Noon to 8:30^{pm} and Sunday, Noon to 6^{pm} (and you may now also eat in!).

Opening hours are now:

Monday to Thursday: 5^{pm} to 11^{pm}

Saturday: Noon to Midnight

Friday: 3^{pm} to Midnight

Sunday: Noon to 9^{pm}

Please call 01295 750862 for more information regarding menu and take away delivery options.

When visiting the pub please observe the one-way system and social distancing guidelines.

Cropredy Walking Group – Walks are cancelled until further notice.

Foodbank

Contributions may be left either in Church or with Gina Cumming at Greenslade, Crow Lane, GB - please leave items under covered area near door.

Items are taken to The People's Church, Banbury.

Thank you!

Need a venue?

For enquiries and bookings for the Bourtons' halls, contact:

Village Hall:

Maggie MacAngus – 01295 750497

Community Hall:

Claire Yates – 07810 518794

or email:

bourtonscommunityhall@mail.com

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THE BOURTONS' PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the VIRTUAL meeting held online on
Tuesday, July 14th 2020 at 19:30hrs

Note: The Local Authorities & Police & Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority & Police & Crime Panel Meetings) (England & Wales) Regulations 2020 allowed Parish Councils to convene their meetings virtually online.

In attendance online: Cllr Mrs S E Leszczynski (Chairman),
Cllrs Mrs S Upton (2nd half), A Johnson, D Walker, D Drummond; CCllr G Reynolds and S Bowen (Clerk)

Apologies: Cllr C Upton, DCllr P Chapman.

Declarations of Interest: None

Public Participation: NO members of the public joined the meeting virtually.

Minutes: The previous Council meetings (June) minutes were received and
APPROVED.

Item

Footpaths - Progress Report

Discussion was held with the Footpath Warden and no new issues have been identified.

Earlier report of a loose dog on FP 138/8 attacked someone causing clothing damage has been reported to the Dog Warden, but without permission from the landowner he is unable to take action to set a trap to catch the dog. The matter was also reported to the RSPCA who showed no interest. Anyone who experiences this problem should report it to the Police to ensure action is taken before a walker becomes seriously hurt.

Highways & Road defects - Progress Report

Most potholes now marked up for repair but no action yet taken by OCC and no update forthcoming from them.

A brief for Cllrs was prepared regarding the areas within the 30mph limits still awaiting mowing, this is now scheduled for August. Efforts are being made to contact the OCC contractor, Skanska, to ascertain who their local contractor is to see if we can negotiate additional cuts with them at Parish cost as previously. No response yet but enquiries will continue.

Defibrillators - Progress Report

Both units inspected and reported OK.

Website development - Progress Report

Nothing to report

Projects: Garners Field

The LAP remains closed and enquiries will be made of CDC whether it can now be opened.

Projects: Clock restoration

Date now arranged for initial work to install the auto-wind mechanism. This will be supervised by the current clock winder and the PCC.

Playgrounds & Public Spaces

The annual safety inspection of both playgrounds has been completed by RoSPA Playsafety. Some maintenance is required and the playgrounds will

remain CLOSED until this has been completed. Discussions taking place with a suitable contractor. Residents are requested to obey the closure signs and keep children out of the playgrounds in the interests of their safety. Notice to be placed on website to this effect.

Allotments

A further request for a plot has been received bringing the wait list to 8, of which 3 are out of Parish but within the 2 mile allowed residential limit. A brief describing options to restrict out-of-parish applications was presented to Cllrs and it was **RESOLVED** that a temporary ban on such applications will be enacted until the wait list has been reduced. Necessary changes to the allotment regs will be published and application forms modified.

Public transport

The minibus service to Banbury has recommenced and bookings can be made with Ability CIC. Residents should note the new phone number: 01327 604123. A new timetable has been published and this will be put on website and in Broadsheet.

The funding agreement to release s106 Garners Field funds from OCC has been signed and returned and funds transfer is awaited. This will be used to support the continuation of the service, and residents are encouraged to make use of the service to ensure viability.

Halls

Currently both Halls will remain closed while opportunities for opening in line with social distancing and cleaning requirements are investigated. Both Halls are in receipt of funds from Government to support their finances during closure.

Community Hall:

The draft lease sent to BCHMC is now with their solicitor and should be signed and returned soon.

Healthcare

The HOSC liaison committee is still awaiting a response regarding future Maternity care at The Horton.

Cropredy Surgery's application to have their boundaries extended has been agreed and now includes all of Middleton Cheney and Byfield. New patient registration is open.

Finance & Administration

The financial report for July including receipts and payments had been previously circulated to Cllrs and was **APPROVED**.

6 payments totalling £1722.17 were **APPROVED**. To comply with the requirements of the Transparency Code those in excess of £100 are listed below:

S W Services - May Mowing £565.00; Arrow Accounting - internal audit fee £273.00; S W Services - June mowing £515.00.

Viking - stationery/consumables £114.78; Playsafety Ltd – playgrounds' inspection £240.00

The internal audit report has now been received along with the signed AGAR internal audit page. The report contained no recommendations requiring

action and all areas were satisfactory. Council **RESOLVED** to accept this report, which they did. Cllrs expressed their satisfaction with another internal audit requiring no further actions.

The completed AGAR Annual Governance Statement was presented to Council and the Clerk confirmed that as all questions had been correctly answered with "YES" it was in order for the statement to be approved. Council **RESOLVED** to so authorise the Chairman to sign the Statement.

The completed AGAR Accounting Statements for 2019/20 were presented to Council with a request from the Clerk that they be formally accepted and the Chairman authorised to sign. Council **RESOLVED** to so authorise the Chairman.

The completed AGAR and supporting documents will now be submitted to the External Auditor and the Notice of Public Inspection will be posted on noticeboards and the website.

Fairport

This Council is aware that some events are being planned for the week commencing August 10th to celebrate Fairport in the absence of the Festival which has been cancelled and that this may bring additional traffic and people to Cropredy. The matter has been discussed with Cropredy PC, as the responsible Council, who have advised that they plan no action and are leaving the matter in the hands of CDC and OCC.

Planning applications

New Applications - none received.

Decisions

20/01110/F: Stonelea, School Lane, GB 2 bungalows: approved with conditions

Enforcement matters - no updates.

Correspondence

Advice received from CDC that Parish Liaison Meeting will now be held as a virtual event on Teams and one representative can join, the Chairman has agreed to virtually attend. Proceedings of the meeting will be simultaneous webcast so that other councillors and members of the public can observe but not participate.

Various correspondence regarding Coronavirus has been received and where appropriate has been circulated and posted on the website: Consultation in July/August re planning for post Covid-19; Planning for Cherwell to 2040: a Community Involvement paper.

New business

No new business was discussed.

County & District Councillors report

CCllr Reynolds advised that the issue of Oxfordshire becoming a unitary authority had again been raised and it could be anticipated that this will be re-investigated in the coming months.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday September 8th at 19:30hrs as a virtual meeting unless current guidance is changed.

Meeting closed at 20:35hrs. Minutes drafted by the Clerk on 15/07/20.

Ability CIC - Community Bus Service - New phone number!

We have changed our main contact number to **01327 604123**. This new number should be included in most landline and mobile phone plans at no cost. ***Our existing number of 07799 522097 is now for emergency out of hours calls.***

To use these services, you must register with Ability CIC on 01327 604123 and pre-book your journey when you know when you wish to travel, up to 4 weeks in advance. Open to ALL ages, not just the elderly. Basic level registration is free, enhanced services available for an annual fee. Details of these services are in the leaflets, available from the parish council, and registration forms are on the website www.abilitycic.org.uk

This wonderful community bus service, which was suspended during the Covid-19 lockdown, has now resumed. It is running on TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS now, and OCC has changed its policy to allow concessionary bus passes to be used from 9^{am} so the bus is running half an hour earlier to Banbury. The return times are as before.

BAN3 To Banbury	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Mollington, <i>(then via Claydon, Manor Park bench, Cropredy Marina, Kyetts Corner)</i>	9:00
Cropredy, Brasenose Arms	9:20
Great Bourton, The Bell Inn	9:23
Little Bourton, bus stop A423, near The Dirt House pub	9:25
Banbury, Bridge Street, bus stop near Wilko/Debenhams	9:45

By pre-arrangement when you book, the bus can take you on to Morrisons, Sainsbury, the Gateway shopping centre or, within reason, where you need to go. You would then be picked up from there, before the following return times.

BAN4 From Banbury	Tuesdays and Thursdays
Banbury, Bridge Street, bus stop near Wilko/Debenhams	12:00
Little Bourton, bus stop A423, near The Dirt House pub	12:10
Great Bourton, The Bell Inn	12:15
Cropredy, Brasenose Arms	12:25
<i>(then via Kyetts Corner, Cropredy Marina, Claydon)</i>	
Mollington	12:40

To comply with current government Covid-19 regulations you must wear a mask or other face covering on the bus, and passenger numbers will be restricted to allow required social distancing.

For more information call: **01327 604123 9^{am}-2^{pm} Monday-Friday**

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Note from The Revd Hilary...

Shires Edge Benefice Church Services

"For the time being public worship will be available at those Churches listed below and are open to all across the Benefice. All welcome although I'm sure you'll appreciate that there is a need to limit numbers during the crisis and each church has a maximum capacity. More information available from the Church Wardens or me.

2 nd August	Sun	8:30 ^{am}	Wardington	BCP Holy Communion
		10 ^{am}	Cropredy	Holy Communion
9 th August	Sun	11 ^{am}	Gt Bourton	Holy Communion
		4 ^{pm}	Claydon	Evening Prayer
16 th August	Sun	10 ^{am}	Mollington	Morning Prayer
		10 ^{am}	Wardington	Family Communion
23 rd August	Sun	8:30 ^{am}	Claydon	BCP Holy Communion
		10 ^{am}	Cropredy	Morning Prayer
30 th August	Sun	10 ^{am}	Cropredy	Worship Group
		10 ^{am}	Mollington	Holy Communion
		4 ^{pm}	Gt Bourton	Evening Prayer

For your comfort and safety please do read the notes displayed in the Lychgate noticeboard regarding what to expect if attending Worship in Shires Edge Benefice churches – I look forward to seeing you!

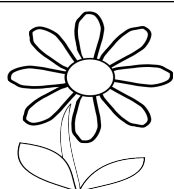
Tuesday's Noon services will continue on Zoom – please call me for details and for telephone access.

Keep taking care of yourselves and others. Keep in touch.

love from Hilary"

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Bourtons' Bloomers – how are your sunflowers progressing?
Note from Brian Cannon...

The Original Jack Mawle Tallest Sunflower Competition

"Jack Mawle lived in a cottage near the Village Hall and grew sunflowers in his garden. One year back in the 1990's Jack had some very tall sunflowers there and I took this photograph of him next to them. I asked and he let me have the head of the tallest one and the seeds from this were used for the start of the Tallest Sunflower Competition and thereafter the seeds from the winner's flower were used for the following year's competition. Any proceeds from the sale of these seeds went to the Bourtons' Gardening Club. I ran the competition for several years and the Parish record was 14'10" (4m 52cm). There was an adult and a junior class but I cannot remember the name of the record holder. The winner of each class would have been given an inscribed framed photograph and there was a small trophy which I gave to Jack's daughter Tina after he died."



Calling Bourtons' Poets...

✎ Theme for the 2020 Bourtons' Poetry Competition is

"SUMMER IN THE BOURTONS"

✎ Poems must be entirely your own work

✎ Each poem must be no longer than 40 standard lines

✎ The three categories are:

1. age 5-10 years;
2. age 11-15 years;
3. age 16+ years.

✎ Submit your poem with your name, contact details and which category you are entering to:

bourtonspetrycompetition@gmail.com or by hand
c/o Sue Ong at Mulberry Corner, Crow Lane, GB

✎ The three judges will be Gina Cumming, Billy Brooks and
Amanda Gibbard-Atherton

✎ Prize in each category a £20 book voucher

Terms & Conditions:

- * The competition is open to anyone who lives within the Bourtons' Parish.
- * One entry per person.
- * Your name will be used for the purposes of prize-giving only.
- * Entries can be submitted from 1st August – 7th Sept inclusive.
- * The three winning poems will be published in the October 2020 Bourtons' Broadsheet.
- * By participating you are giving your permission for your poem to be published by the Bourtons' Broadsheet.
- * The judges' decision is final and no correspondence on individual work will be entered into.

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