

BROADSHEET

THE BOURTONS

June 2021



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**Is a Community
Coffee Morning
coming closer?**



Welcome...to a bumper issue!

Flaming June? Well perhaps it will be... and as for Fairport? We're still waiting to hear about tickets.

Rainy days have been good days for Bunting Bees - cutting, sewing, ironing. All was fine, lucky moment when I discovered my sewing machine was still threaded up but, 2 bunting down - the shuttle ran out! Not a good time to discover that my 40+ year old machine's bobbin winder doesn't work and there is a 5-week wait list at the menders... ☹

Not only was May a first for getting out the sewing machine in roughly 30yrs but it was a first for joining the Bourtons' Gardening Club on a visit to South Newington - interesting wander around 2 gardens and a very pleasant couple of hours; life felt a little more normal and good to meet up with neighbours, and some very nosy Alpacas!

See you on 26th June Wildlife Day - it's all about bugs, bats and birds - happy 'snapping' with your cameras for the wildlife photo competition and don't forget to keep a look out for hedgehogs to put the Bourtons on the 'hedgehog highway' map - good luck everyone and take care...

Sue

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Carol, 1 Church Close;
Gina, Greenslade, Crow Lane;
Maggie, 1 Valley View;

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Draw will take place during the BBQ & Strawberry Fayre on 4th July at the Community Hall.

Thank you for supporting the Bell Tower Conservation Project!

The Bell Inn - new summer menu available every day!

Opening hours: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday from 4:30pm; the rest of the week Noon 'til late...

Fly the Flag, Light the Belfry – don't forget you can mark a memory, recognise a family event or anniversary by flying the Flag or lighting the Belfry. Contact Clare Curnow on 01295 758488 for more information, or email lightandflag.allsaintsgb@gmail.com and Clare will arrange for it to happen! Thank you Clare and David Upton for coordinating this!



Happy belated Birthday to Liz Rowe-Jones - 7th May

*Happy Birthday Kaye from the Johnston family -
15th June*



*We remember Maria Ong and 'Granddad' Ong
- 9th-15th June*



BBTA martial arts / fitness / self- defence

classes are coming to the Bourtons' Community Hall every Wednesday. Why not come along and support this

local community project for your village! For further info, visit the website www.blackbeltcentre.co.uk or call Phil on 07877 971342. We look forward to seeing you; please note classes must be booked in advance; we welcome children, adults, and families.

FITNESS PILATES

from Monday, 7th June: 6:30-7:30pm

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of Banbury Cherwell 

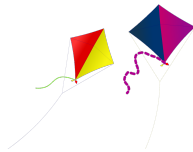
Rotary Handbag Appeal

Note from Howard Winfield...

*"A big thank you from the Rotary Club of Banbury Cherwell to all who donated to the Rotary Handbag Appeal. Over 70 bags were collected on 8th May in GB, bringing the total collected in the Bourtons to over 140. Despite the current pandemic, the Rotary Club continues to meet each Tuesday at 7.30pm by Zoom, so if anyone is interested in finding out more, there is an open invitation to join us to see what we are about. For further information contact President Chris by email on rotaryclubbanburycherwell@gmail.com or call Howard on **07583 561034**."*

Picnic at Old Manor Farm

Little Bourton



Saturday 24th July 2021
2pm until to be decided...

Bring your own picnic.

More details to follow on the
Bourtons' Facebook page



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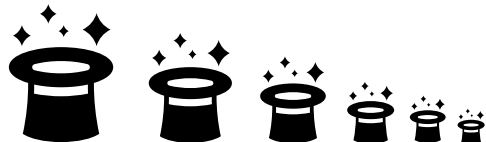
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- Grilled aubergine tabouleh with tahini and coconut dressing (ve) | £8.00
- Grilled asparagus with poached egg, minted butter and parmesan (v) | £8.00
- Potted shrimps and toast | £13.00

Mains

- Salmon and prawn fishcakes with Montgomery cheese sauce and baby vegetables | £16.50
- Banana blossom 'fish' and chips with mushy peas (ve) | £12.50
- Minted lamb chops with rosemary new potatoes and grilled vegetables (gf) | £19.00
- Halibut with bean salad and tzatziki | £16.50
- Glazed pork fillet with asparagus and green bean medley and smashed buttered new potatoes (gf) | £14.50

From the grill

- 8oz sirloin steak, chunky chips, minted peas, peppercorn sauce and garden salad | £19.00
- Steak burger served with French fries and home-made coleslaw | £12.50
(add stilton or cheddar cheese, bacon or mushroom for an extra £2.00 per item)
- The Brasenose burger topped with slow-roasted beef brisket, stilton cheese, onion rings, tomatoes and gherkins served with French fries and salad | £17.00
- Mushroom and blue cheese burger served with French fries and Brasenose chutney (v) | £12.50
- Beetroot and cauliflower kebab with French fries and home-made vegan coleslaw (ve) | £12.50



BOURTONS' WILDLIFE DAY



ALL SAINTS CHURCH



SATURDAY 26TH JUNE



10^{AM} – 4^{PM}



Standing at the heart of Great Bourton, our parish church is already a rich trove of wildlife. On our inaugural Wildlife Day, there will be something for everyone:

- ✱ art activities for children
- ✱ educational activities for all ages
- ✱ a wildlife photography competition
- ✱ building a community bug hotel
- ✱ a class to teach you how to make a bird box
- ✱ a wildlife safari

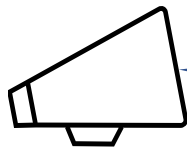
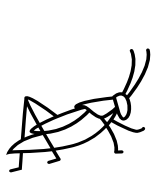
This is the first of many seasonal wildlife activity days we will be holding in the Bourtons.

The Bourtons first Wildlife Day in June will be a particular opportunity to learn about the history of All Saints, meet the architects who are leading the Bell Tower Conservation Project, and chat to the Vicar and the Friends of All Saints.

We are looking forward to expert help from the horticulturalist, Professor Stefan Buczacki, and Professor Rosemary Collier, the entomologist and wildflower enthusiast, who has turned her home village of Tysoe into a Wildlife Friendly Parish.

As our vicar, Hilary Campbell says, *"For many years and across many traditions, Christians have seen how participation with nature, care for creation, action on behalf of the environment are important spiritual practices. We believe that our relationship with nature matters"*.

Villagers of any faith or none are all welcome. There will be heaps to do for all ages, lots to learn, enthusiasts and experts to chat to. Bring a picnic and a rug, (light refreshment will be available) and enjoy being in our wildlife friendly churchyard. Hopefully the sun will shine although we will have some gazebo-type shelters just in case!



**...Calling all
photographers in the
Bourtons...**

We would like to invite Bourtonians to take part in the

"2021 Wildlife Photography Competition"



winners will be announced at the **Wildlife Day** at All Saints Church on
Saturday 26th June, 10^{am}–4^{pm}

To enter, we would like you to take a photo within the Bourtons' parish which fits with the theme of 'wildlife'. Print it out (preferably A4 size approx. - 8"x11" but a minimum of A5 - approx. 6"x8") and bring it on the day by 10.30am to be displayed inside the church.

There are three categories: 11 and under; 12-15s; 16+ and each category will have one winner and one runner-up.

You need to live in Little or Great Bourton to take part.

Lee Atherton, our judge, will be on hand to discuss wildlife photography and offer tips and advice.



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THE BOURTONS' PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the VIRTUAL meeting held online on
Wednesday April 21st 2021 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 Upton (Chairman), Cllrs A Johnson, D Drummond, Mrs H King, Mrs G Duckworth & S Bowen (Clerk); CCllr G Reynolds, DCllr P Chapman. There were no apologies.

Declarations of Interest: None

Public Participation: 4 members of the public joined the meeting virtually, and Mr W Lombard & Mr R Crow representing Fernhill Estates.

Minutes: The previous meeting (Mar) minutes were received and **APPROVED**

Public Participation session - Mr Crow, representing Fernhill Estates, spoke about the background to their planning application for land off Foxden Way and responded to errors in a leaflet which has been circulated in the villages by residents. His remarks are on the page(s) following these minutes.

A resident also commented on the application.

The running order of the meeting has been re-sequenced to allow input from our District & County Councillors on subjects relevant to them to be heard earlier so they may move onto other business priorities if required.

Footpaths - Progress Report - Good to receive an email from our former foot path warden now out and about again and reporting some issues on the paths which will be reported to OCC.

Footpath at end of Stanwell Lane continues to be a concern, although better now rains have stopped. We will remind OCC that this remains an issue to ensure repair does take place this summer.

Highways & Road defects - Progress Report

More potholes have been reviewed by the OCC highways inspector and marked for attention in May.

The damaged brick path in Manor Lane has finally been repaired and now is safe and looks good. The protruding manhole cover in Manor Lane has been temporarily repaired by OCC with tarmac but still requires to be lowered to correct height by Thames Water who seem reluctant to do so, OCC will continue to press for this to happen.

Cllr Duckworth advised that many potholes exist in LB. LB residents are encouraged to report these on FixMyStreet website which seems to promote prompt repair by OCC.

Public transport - A new promotional leaflet has been received from Ability CIC who provide the twice weekly bookable minibus service encouraging new users to register with them. As with all such services long term availability depends on usage so residents are encouraged to make use of this excellent service. In the coming months further destinations will be investigated so tell us of any places that interest you.

Planning applications:

New Applications

21/00922/OUT: Fernhill Estates: Land west of Foxden Lane GB: outline application for 9 affordable dwellings - **UNDER REVIEW**

21/01080/F: Wedmore House, Main Street, GB: replacement of boundary fence along Main Street - **SUPPORT**

Decisions

Stonesfield House, Stanwell Lane, GB: replacement conservatory & rear extn - **PERMITTED**

The Old Vicarage, Main Street, GB: new detached garage - **PERMITTED**

Enforcement

Residents have submitted concerns about new fencing & hedging on the site.

County & District Councillors' report

CCLlr Reynolds confirmed that any issues regarding footpaths were a matter for OCC Rights-of-Way team and should be reported directly to them. The much increased use of footpaths during the pandemic has caused considerable impact on surface quality and OCC are facing a huge backlog of repairs.

CCLlr Reynolds provided an update about the push for introduction of 20mph rural speed limits and advised he had been told that the allocated budget will be spent centrally to try and improve the efficiency of the application process and possibly reduce the application cost, but Parishes will still be expected to pay all installation costs.

DCLlr Chapman reported that he had recently used FixMyStreet and found it got rapid action from OCC Highways.

Defibrillators - Progress Report - Both units working OK. Request received from South Central Ambulance Service to update defibrillator database.

Website development - Progress Report - Chairman has discussed web-site software update with K C Graphics [our provider] and agreed that they will proceed to update to the latest version of the operating software; the Clerk will manage the updates to the "Council" pages to ensure compliance with the Transparency Code, and the Chairman will manage the village pages.

Projects: Garners Field - Cllr King confirmed that permanent work to resolve chimney issues will be completed by mid-year. Problems are still being experienced with Grounds Solutions, the maintenance contractor about quality of work done, response to queries raised and that the promised Residents' Management Committee has still not been formed. This will be raised with Hayfield to see if they can assist.

Progress report required re transfer of LAP to CDC.

Projects: Clock & dial restoration - Quote has been requested from Smith of Derby re the replacement of the Clock bell hammer & spring. Response disappointing and this is to be followed up.

Playgrounds & Public Spaces - The required replacement of the play tabletop is proving difficult as the top cannot be purchased separately. Alternative repair to be investigated. It was also reported that the wooden play equipment would benefit from treatment with a wood preservative to smarten

it up. Investigations with the manufacturer to understand suitable materials prior to work being completed. Hedges/brambles have been cut back. Cllr Duckworth has confirmed she will monitor the LB playground and her offer was gratefully accepted. A quote for the replacement of one of the top wooden supports has been received and this will now proceed. The proposed new gravel path from the carpark area to the bottom of the Burial Ground, has been progressed and several local residents have offered their support and loan of equipment which has been gratefully accepted. Materials will be organised and the job started shortly.

Allotments - Both tenants have now vacated their plots and these have been reallocated to new tenants.

Updated tenancy agreement with revised application criteria to be circulated for approval.

Chairman has again had discussions with Castle Water re water meter but it would appear that promised inspection yet to happen.

Village Hall: Review of options on renewal of lease completed. The Clerk will write to the VHMC Chairman to advise the outcomes.

Community Hall: Cllr King has offered to become PC representative of CHMC, this to be advised to CHMC Chairman. The response to queries raised re the CH lease has now been returned to the CHMC.

Response still awaited from CDC re materials used for carpark drive surfacing, to be expedited.

Healthcare - The letter sent to the HOSC Chairman about the Horton Hospital has received no reply and has been re-sent.

Finance & Administration

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

It was **RESOLVED** that 8 payments totalling £7,943.68 be made. To comply with the requirements of the Transparency Code those in excess of £100 are listed below:

Mr A Peebles: repairs to dog bin and 3 noticeboards: £168.00

CDC: dog bin emptying half year charge: £439.90

Community Hall: grant monies received from CDC out of COMF for purchase of tables & chairs + store: £2,160.00

Ability CIC: 2nd of 3 payments towards an additional minibus [s106 funds] £5,000.00.

The matter of reports required to support the delayed APM was discussed and it was agreed that Council should invite Cropredy School, Village Hall & Community Hall Management Committee Chairmen to present their reports and ask for written reports from the Allotments' Committee and the Wildlife Day project.

Correspondence

Email received from Mrs A Brooks informing about a new Wildlife project being undertaken in the Churchyard and asking for a small grant from the PC. It was **RESOLVED** that a grant of £100 be made.

Correspondence has been exchanged about work proposed to be undertaken in the Churchyard in support of the above to tidy and remove weeds etc. This is under consideration but advice has been provided regarding the considerable dangers when working near potentially unstable graves and the issue of liability. Further advice will be provided.

New business - No other new business was discussed.

DCllr Chapman provided some information about the recently installed electronic speed signs in Cropredy and Council **AGREED** that the installation of 2 such signs on Main Street in GB should be investigated now that OCC appears to have changed its position to one of support for them.

DCllr Chapman advised that the end year financial position of CDC had been managed through a combination of savings and use of reserves so that a limited increase in Council Tax could be managed. But he reported that the situation for the coming year looked much bleaker and there was hope the central Government would provide some financial help to the sector.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday May 12th at 19.30hrs as a virtual meeting unless current guidance is changed.

Meeting closed at 21:35hrs. Minutes drafted by the Clerk on 23/04/21.

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Key points from presentation made by Fernhill Estates to The Bourtons' Parish Council meeting, April 21st 2021

"The Government are pushing on with the implementation of First Homes, which will replace Entry-level sites in the NPPF and may impact our submissions. However, the key aspect is that they are looking to deliver more homes and in particular more affordable homes for first time buyers.

In this regard I set out a few facts, which are contained within our application submissions, namely that:

- there is no record of entry level site delivery in Cherwell DC;*
- the Council's 2020 Annual Monitoring Report states that, "no affordable homes on exception sites were completed during 2019/20";*
- since 2011, affordable housing delivery in Cherwell DC has been 1,000 dwellings less than the net need according to the Council's evidence base;*
- there are 1,924 households on the housing waiting list;*
- this Parish Council endorsed the comments of Cropredy PC in response to Catesby's recent application there when they stated that, "A small development of affordable housing would be particularly welcomed" – in our view that is exactly what we are seeking to provide.*

We're aware of the leaflet that has been issued around the village, and seems to have inspired a large number of comments given the consistency of responses. Unfortunately for whoever drafted that note, they have made a number of errors in their interpretation of our proposals and planning policy, including:

- they have sought to tie our needs case to that required for the Council's policy for a rural exception site, when this is an entry-level site seeking to comply with NPPF paragraph 71 not a rural exception site seeking to comply with Policy Villages 3; and
- we are not contending that the site is within the settlement boundary, indeed paragraph 71 of the NPPF requires the site to be adjacent to a settlement.

In addition there is a claim within the leaflet that there will be a "significant increase" in traffic, with no justification for this. Our highways evidence is based on nationally approved methodologies for calculating trip generation and there is no significant record of accidents in the roads around Great Bourton.

Finally, we wish to note that in our view we have seen for too long affordable housing being delivered in areas where people don't want to live and on poor quality developments of a high density and with little green space. Our submissions have taken account of the character of the area and assessed the opportunities and constraints provided by the site in order to seek to provide a high quality, low density scheme that responds to the edge of village location and delivers a sustainable development."

Russell Crow, Planning Director

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Wednesday May 5th 2021 at 19:40hrs*

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In attendance online: Cllr Mrs S Upton (Chairman), Cllrs A Johnson; D Drummond, Mrs H King, Mrs G Duckworth & Mr S Bowen (Clerk), DCllr P Chapman. **Apologies:** CCllr G Reynolds (conflicting PC meetings)

Declarations of Interest: None

Public Participation: one member of the public attended as a prospective Cllr.

Minutes: The previous meeting (Apr) minutes were received and **APPROVED.**

Item

The meeting was preceded by the AGM & APM. The date of the May meeting had been brought forward from May 12th to enable it to be held virtually in line with Government regulations authorising such meetings which expire on May 6th. Councillors expressed their regret that the UK Government had not extended or renewed the legislation, particularly when the Welsh & Scottish parliaments had already enacted legislation allowing continuation of virtual meetings. See detailed minute below. In view of the reduced time between this and the April meeting a reduced agenda would be implemented.

Footpaths - Progress Report: The email received from Beth Rutterford OCC RoW Officer was noted and discussed. Several Cllrs expressed concern that it would appear that OCC had agreed with the creation of a permissive path as a way of resolving the potential conflict between walkers, the landowner and loose running dogs and felt that this was not acceptable as there was currently enforcement action taking place initiated by CDC. It was **RESOLVED** that an email be sent to Ms Rutterford expressing Cllr views.

Highways & Road defects - Progress Report: Sunken drains near the junction of Main Street/Southam Rd, GB to be reported to the OCC Highways Inspector at next visit.

It has been brought to the attention of the Chairman and Clerk that the water pipe in School Lane is to be replaced in the coming months necessitating the partial closure of the lane.

The report prepared by Cllr Duckworth was discussed and it was **AGREED** that a walk-round by Cllrs would be useful and this is to be arranged before the next meeting.

Planning applications

New Applications

20/03140/CLUE: Mr Doran; The Stables, Main Street, GB: Certificate of lawfulness existing.

21/01524/TEL: Cornerstone; Bourtons Fields Farm, Southam Rd, GB; Mobile phone Base station upgrade works

21/01254/REM: March Projects. Barns, Crockwell Farmhouse, Manor Road, GB: Reserved matters application for 2 new dwellings.

Decisions No new decisions received

Enforcement Ongoing issues re the live notice and connection to the above application.

County & District Councillors report

No OCC updates due to the absence of CCllr Reynolds but DCllr Chapman provided advice on matters during the above agenda items.

Playgrounds & Public Spaces

The walk-round proposed to allow Cllrs to review the proposals suggested in the recent report on improving the visual approach to LB has now been set for end May. Following this a plan will be prepared for the agreed aspects.

Following the review completed last year by the Clerk on the grass cutting arrangements by OCC within the 30mph limits, an on-the-ground survey will be completed this month by our existing contractor using the maps provided by OCC, which are limited in information provided. The survey will identify those areas that require cutting and develop a quotation which can then be assessed against the potential contribution we would receive from OCC were the PC to take over this responsibility. A fee of £350 for the survey and an initial cut was **AGREED**.

Cllr King has now negotiated a realistic price for the replacement of the damaged play tabletop from the original supplier and it was **RESOLVED** that this would be ordered and installed by our handyman.

Finance & Administration No financial report was produced this month as the preceding meeting was only 2 weeks ago. Any items occurring will be reported in the June report.

The internal audit report had been previously circulated. It was **RESOLVED** that the report be accepted and the invoice paid.

The annual accounts, bank reconciliation and supporting docs were circulated to Cllrs earlier for their consideration. Any queries raised will be answered by the Clerk and these will be formally proposed for acceptance at the June meeting along with the completed AGAR reports, so that the deadline of end June can be met.

Cllrs were asked to consider the refusal of the Government to extend the legislation allowing virtual council meetings, this being the reason for the rescheduled May meeting. It was agreed that without a change of heart by Government the June meeting will have to be held physically. The Community Hall main hall, required to allow sufficient space for social distancing is not available so availability of the Village Hall will be investigated.

A proposal to develop a Freedom of the Parish award to recognise exceptional service/contribution to Parish life had been circulated previously and it was **RESOLVED** that this be adopted. A formal policy will be created to control the process and specify the grounds for award.

Correspondence CPRE have circulated their comments on the review of the Oxfordshire planning document and Cllrs were asked to consider whether the PC should respond.

New business No other new business was discussed.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday June 9th at 19.30hrs as a physical meeting with the location to be confirmed.

Meeting closed at 21:00hrs Minutes drafted by the Clerk on 10/05/21.

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Annual General Meeting of The Bourtons' Parish Council

held virtually on the Zoom platform on Tuesday May 5th 2021 at 19:30hrs

1. Present:

Chairman Cllr Mrs Sue Upton, Cllrs Andrew Johnson, Dave Drummond, Mrs Heather King, Mrs Gilly Duckworth; Stephen Bowen, Parish Clerk, and DCllr Phil Chapman.

There was one member of the public in attendance.

2. Apologies: CCllr George Reynolds [conflicting Council meetings].

3. The Clerk had previously circulated new forms for all councillors to renew their Registrations of Interests, and for these to be filed. CDC would be notified of any material changes.

4. The Chairman was re-elected unopposed having been proposed by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Mrs Heather King.
Cllr Andrew Johnson was proposed for the office of Vice Chairman by the newly re-elected Cllr Mrs Sue Upton and seconded by Cllr Drummond and was duly elected.
The newly re-elected Chairman indicated that she would like to retire from the office of Chairman during the year but agreed that it would be sensible for her to remain in the short term until resolution of the current planning issues had progressed further.
5. The Chairman duly signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
6. The minutes of the previous AGM were received and **APPROVED** by all Cllrs and signed.

The meeting closed at 19:36hrs.

Stephen M Bowen
Clerk to the Council
The Bourtons' Parish Council

Need a venue?

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

Village Hall:

Maggie: 01295 750497

Community Hall:

Claire: 07810 518794
or **email:**

bourtonscommunityhall@mail.com

Foodbank

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

Items are taken to the Banbury
Foodbank.

Children in Need –

we will be coordinating our community contribution in October – if you are able don't forget to pop any loose change to one side.



OPEN GARDENS FOR KATHARINE HOUSE

As we move into Spring and look forward to Summer we hope that our annual Open Gardens can take place this year. If you are interested in opening your garden in support of Katharine House or for more information, please email getinvolved@khh.org.uk or contact our fundraising department on 01295 816 484 or visit www.khh.org.uk/gardens

If you would like to visit one of our open gardens please see below for the villages who have already signed up:

- Churchill – 3rd July
- Hornton village – 4th July
- Middleton Cheney – 18th July

NOT THE MIDNIGHT WALK, SATURDAY 17th JULY

Dust off your glad rags, sprinkle on some sparkle and join our 6 or 10 mile walk. Get together with friends and family and join our summer celebration! We've made changes to keep you safe and promise the kind of fabulous and fun event we've all been waiting for. Find out more, and sign up today at www.khh.org.uk/notmidnight

FIRE WALK FOR KATHARINE HOUSE – 17th SEPTEMBER

As the temperature drops, why not turn up the fundraising heat by taking part in our fire walk to help support people facing life-limiting illness in our community. You'll be walking over embers burning at a temperature that could melt aluminium - without any injury or pain. You'll receive all the training needed to take part on the night during a 1 hour motivational session. To find out more head to www.khh.org.uk/firewalk

SWIM SERPENTINE – 26th SEPTEMBER

Join thousands of enthusiastic swimmers taking part in this year's Swim Serpentine event and raise money for Katharine House. Swim Serpentine is a one-day open water swimming event staged in the beautiful setting of the famous Serpentine in Hyde Park, the venue for the open water swimming competition at the London 2012 Olympic Games. With different swims to challenge or enjoy, there is a race for every swimmer. Sign up today at www.khh.org.uk/swim-serpentine

OXFORD HALF MARATHON – 10th October

Are you looking for something to work towards this year? Why not take on the challenge and sign up today. Katharine House will be with you every step of the way... to find out more just head to www.khh.org.uk/oxford-half-marathon



The All Saints Bell Tower Conservation project

**IF YOU TAKE A NEW POLICY ON YOUR HOME,
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you speak to an advisor.**

With thanks to Acanthus Clews Architects for the Tower artwork.

Friends of All Saints Church

BBQ & Strawberry Fayre



Sunday 4th July 2021

1-4pm at Bourtons' Community Hall

Followed at 4.30pm by Malcolm the Magician

Please join us for an afternoon of fun and enjoy a BBQ, Strawberry Cream Tea and refreshments to support the Bell Tower Conservation Project! Seating indoors - no outdoor seating but please feel free to byo rug/chair.

**Produce stalls, cakes, jams and plants • Tombola
Second-hand book stall • Raffle prizes - £100, £50, 2 x £25;
with grateful thanks to our anonymous donor!**

**Magical tickets available from 1st June - watch out on FB for
more details**

£3.50 child; £5 adult; £15 Family (2+2)

Children must be accompanied by at least one adult. If oversubscribed
then a second show may take place

Contributions of cakes, jams and plants may be left with:

Kate at Barnsend, Main Street • Clare at Stoneleigh, Swan Lane

Sue at Mulberry Corner, Crow Lane

Helen at Buzzard Farmhouse, Little Bourton

Tombola prizes to:

Maggie, 1 Valley View

Items can be collected if preferred by calling
Clare (758488) or Sue (758036)

Do you know something of interest about the Bourtons?

Thanks to Brian & Rosemary Cannon for the following info...



THE SWAN - was formerly the Red Lion and in 1782 became the Royal Oak and from 1794 The Swan. It may have also been called The Greyhound at one time but I have no evidence of this. When the Swan closed the Landlady Joan and her partner Wills gave myself and the late Gerald Prestidge glass tankards as keepsakes. On the Sunday afternoon following the Fairport concert band members joined with our Aunt Sally team to play against Fairport's visiting American guests and we had a barbecue in the garden. When the pub closed I was given the annual trophy to keep. Joan and her family and partner Wills then went back to London but sadly Joan has since died. Wills keeps in touch and told us he married again when he was 77.



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Shires Edge Benefice

Note from The Revd Hilary...

June Reflection – Ordinary Time

"In June the church's calendar takes us into the green, growing weeks of Ordinary Time. The word 'ordinary' has faintly negative associations – it's commonplace, nothing special or distinctive – just ordinary. Though I guess that most of us are longing for days and ways that get us back to something more ordinary. The word has its roots in a Latin word which means 'order'. Ordinary Time means ordered or measured time. We have a season to recognise another kind of measuring, of noting what matters, what counts. In Ordinary Time we are reminded of a simpler way. It requires courage. It invites us to be in the world with play and creativity. It calls us to seek after what is possible and be willing to learn and be surprised. The simpler way requires a belief that there is an order to the world. It is there already and we do not need to organise it. The simpler way calls forth what is best about us. It asks us to understand human nature differently, more optimistically. It asks us to be less serious, yet more purposeful about our work and our lives. The hope is that this season and the past experience of pandemic times, will help us re-imagine a better way, a world where all may flourish.

May you be blessed by Ordinary Time and be ready to be surprised by the wonder of each ordinary moment."

Church services across the Benefice during June:

When:		Service:	Where:
6 th Sun	10 ^{am}	Holy Communion	Cropredy
	10 ^{am}	Family Service	Wardington
13 th Sun	8:30am	BCP Holy Communion	Claydon
	11am	Holy Communion	Gt Bourton
20 th Sun	10 ^{am}	Morning Prayer	Mollington
	10 ^{am}	Family Communion	Wardington
	4 ^{pm}	Evening Prayer	Gt Bourton
27 th Sun	10 ^{am}	Morning Prayer	Cropredy
	10 ^{am}	Holy Communion	Mollington
	4 ^{pm}	Evening Prayer	Claydon

All Saints Church is open every day from 10^{am}-5^{pm}.

For your comfort and safety please do read the notes displayed on noticeboards regarding what to expect if entering a Church.

Tuesday Noon Zoom services will continue – please call Hilary on 01295 750385 for details and for telephone access.



Bourtons' BIG 'Goings-on' in 2021...!

Bourtons' Sewing Bees – a few volunteers will gather in the Village Hall to string all the bunting triangles together. Thank you to ALL the volunteers who planned, cut, sewed and ironed triangles. Looking forward to seeing the result of all this hard work on the 26th June!

26th June, Saturday – Bourtons' Big Wildlife Day & Photo Competition! See pages 8 & 9 for more details of an interesting and educational day! Find out more about the Bell Tower Conservation project that you have most generously supported, see the plans, meet the Architect and enjoy a cup of tea and cake! Don't forget to get your photos to Church and into the competition by 10:30am.

4th July, Sunday – Bourtons' Big BBQ, Strawberry Fayre & Raffle– in the Community Hall. We're also really pleased to announce that **Malcolm the Magician** will be doing a family show for children and adults alike...

"For over 30 years, Malcolm has entertained countless children with his fab magic show. He is one of the top children's entertainers in the South and his warm and friendly personality will ensure lots of fun and laughter. Malcolm is a highly experienced and popular magician, having entertained children all over the world! Come along and join him at this fun Family Show!"

All ticket sales will go to the Bell Tower Conservation project.

24th July, Saturday – 'bring your own' **Picnic at Old Manor Farm, LB.** See page 4.

11th September, Saturday - Bourtons' Big Breakfast will take place in the Village Hall – pop the date in your diary; 9-11:30^{am}.

Don't forget regular event updates are also available on the Bourtons' Community Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/groups/594008160776057/

More information about the Bourtons and its history is available on <https://bourtons-cherwell-pc.gov.uk>