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Garden village set to be named

The garden village north of Eynsham is set to be named Salt Cross.

A competition to identify the name generated 115 entries which had to be measured against a published set of criteria.

Salt Cross was chosen because it can be specifically linked to the site as historic Salt Way and Saxon Way cross over on the site. As such, the name is unique to its location.

Cllr Jeff Haine, Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning, said: “Finding a name for the garden village has been a lengthy process but it was important that we get it right as the village will hopefully remain here in perpetuity.

“Salt Cross is an excellent choice because it can be so closely identified with the history of the area. The village is itself creating a little bit of West Oxfordshire history and the name is

a nod to both the past and the future.”

Both Eynsham Parish Council and Grosvenor Britain and Ireland, land promoters acting on behalf of the owners of the site, are supportive of the proposed name.

The decision on the name was approved by the Council’s Cabinet on Wednesday 22 July.

The Cabinet also recommended approval of the draft Garden Village Area Action Plan (AAP) so that it can go forward for a six-week public consultation.

The AAP will provide the next level of detail in the legislative framework against which the recently submitted outline planning application will be measured.

Both decisions will now go forward for a final decision by full Council on Wednesday 29 July.

Contributions should be provided by 20th of the month. Email submissions (in the body or as a Word attachment) to: cawnceditor@gmail.com. Photographs should be supplied as separate attachments, not placed in the Word file. Typed or clearly handwritten submissions may be posted to: Kevin Burroughs, 5 Hollow Furlong, Cassington, OX29 4ET. We look forward to hearing from you.

welcome

Kevin's CAWNer

Welcome to edition 518 – the 48th edition I have edited. Back in December I gave myself a Christmas present that I would stand down as Editor once the current software subscription for the editing software expired. So this is my penultimate edition, the September edition hopefully a joint effort with the incoming editor Anne Luttmann-Johnson. Congratulations on your appointment Anne!

As life returns to some sort of 'normality' and many seem eager to return to pre-lockdown activity levels this article caught my attention that perhaps we need to build in regular pause & reflection breaks in our daily activities.

"While mild exercise has been shown to increase brain connectivity and the function of memory, tuning out your mind and relaxing can significantly improve memory of information you have just learned."

Researchers at the University of Edinburgh and the University of Missouri studied differences in how well people impaired by stroke and amnesia could remember lists of words 10 minutes after learning them. In the intervening 10 minutes, some participants continued with cognitive tasks, while others rested in a darkened room without sleeping, reported the BBC's David Robson, in Future.

Although two severely amnesiac patients showed no benefit after the rest period, Robson wrote, "others tripled the number of words they could remember—from 14 percent to 49 percent, placing them within the range of healthy people with no neurological damage."

The results were more impressive when participants were asked to listen to stories and answer questions an hour later, Robson added. "Without the chance to rest, they could recall just 7 percent of the facts in the story; with the rest, this jumped to 79 percent—an astronomical 11-fold increase in the information they retained."

He said additional studies demonstrated similar results among healthy young and old people, as well as individuals suffering mild Alzheimer's disease.

To better consolidate your memories when learning anything new, be sure to incorporate short rests into your study sessions.

Your human capacity to remember is potentially infinite. By relaxing and trusting your inner mind, you can efficiently access your naturally vast memory and automatically retrieve information you need."

Happy reading - stay safe and well *Kevin*

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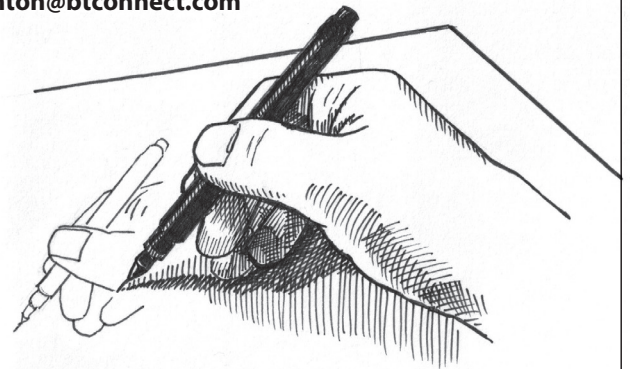
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August stargazing highlights

Aug 3: August's Full Moon is known as **the Sturgeon Moon**, after the North American lake sturgeon.

Aug 12/13: **The Perseid meteor shower** is known to be one the most active and brightest meteor showers of the year. They are usually active between July 17 and August 24.

Aug 19: **New Moon** Look up for some stars and planets in the moonlight-free sky.

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More than 800 affordable homes have been built in West Oxfordshire over the last three years, figures have revealed. Since 2017, 506 have been built for rent along with a further 296 owned by residents, making a total of 802.

The statistics come as the Council launches a consultation on its Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) which outlines to developers, housing providers and communities how we will continue to deliver and increase the number of affordable homes in the future.

Analysis of the figures shows that the number of affordable homes being built has increased from 180 in 2018-19 to 469 in 2019-20 following the adoption of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan.

Demand for affordable housing continues to increase with 1,997 applications to the Council's Homeseeker Plus system as of January this

year.

The new SPD sets out guidance on improving affordable housing delivery to help balance demand and supply across a mix of housing and tenure types while sustaining and improving communities and addressing issues surrounding climate change.

A key aim is to secure improved housing affordability through the application of a new 'Living Rent' for West Oxfordshire.

The draft Affordable Housing SPD is available to view online at www.westoxon.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/supplementary-planning-documents/

Hard copies will be made available at a range of locations. For a full list, see:

<https://www.westoxon.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/supplementary-planning-documents/>

Anyone wishing to take part in the consultation should email their views to planning.policy@westoxon.gov.uk

Are you ready for “The New Normal”? – my MG is

I decided to change the oil in the rear axle of my MG Midget over the lockdown. However, the later models like mine (1979) don't have a drain plug! They just have a level plug halfway up the differential housing and a breather at the top. The idea (I assume) was that once filled at the factory they should only need topping up, and that very rarely. So, in the past that is all I've ever done, topping up the old oil with a bit of new oil but that was not my aim this time. The oil in there was 40 years old and time for me to 'bite the bullet' and go for a complete change. But how?

Using a large plastic syringe and a thin tube I drew the oil out through the level plug. Repeating the process (a number of times) until all the old oil was removed and I was just drawing air. Measuring the volume of the old oil I had 1litre, which was the listed capacity of the axle in the workshop manual.

Using the syringe again I injected 1litre of new, fresh, clean, oil. The “new normal” for my MG.

When Christ came he called for a new way of thinking. A new normal - a completely new way of relating to God through him. The trouble was that this upset the establishment – the old order.

What was called for was not just a topping up the old with a bit of the new but a complete change.

An often misused phrase is “born again”. It is sometimes used in a derogatory way for certain (usually American) Christians, and yet that is exactly what Christ demands. Just tacking-on a bit extra into your weekend or to your life isn't what Jesus says should be the new normal.

In John chapter 3 and verse 3 Jesus says to the religious scholar Nicodemus “You must be born again” – a complete new normal.

Our ordinary lives can get us into a comfortable routine but sometimes extraordinary events call us again to redefine our normal. What will your new normal look like?

Revd Roger Aston

Local Food Bank Support



Many thanks to all of you who have donated food and money to our local food banks.

We have been able to give two full bags to each of the food banks we are supporting every fortnight and it is much appreciated.

For many families these difficult times continue, and many more families need our support so please continue to give.

Our collection box is at the entrance of St Peter's Church Cassington we are supporting:

Eynsham Food bank (07738063083)

North Oxfordshire Food Bank (07929721172)

Please donate tins and dried foods (that are at least 6 months before their “best before date”).

If you would like to support these food banks financially, **or if you need some food support or know someone in need of food support** please phone the food banks directly at the numbers above or contact our clergy Duncan Fraser (vicar) 07810324088 or Roger Aston (curate) 01865 880757.

Thank you.

Views sought on new development levy to ensure much needed community facilities

Plans are being put in place to introduce a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) in West Oxfordshire. The CIL is a charge placed on development such as new homes and extensions to homes according to their floor area – it only applies to buildings with an internal area of 100 square metres or more. It is designed to help fund local infrastructure such as transport, flood defences, schools, green space and community and cultural facilities.

CIL is intended to complement the current system of Section 106 planning obligations which provide infrastructure funding. Proposed CIL charges are set out in a document called a ‘charging schedule’ and a consultation has been launched.

It is running alongside another consultation on the Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) which outlines to developers, housing providers and communities how we will continue to deliver and increase the number of affordable homes in the future.

Cllr Jeff Haine, Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning, said: “With any development we want to maximise the opportunities to provide decent infrastructure and facilities for residents.

“Once adopted, CIL will be another way of ensuring these things are in place and benefiting communities.”

Anyone wanting more details should see:

<https://www.westoxon.gov.uk/planning-and-building/community-infrastructure-levy/community-infrastructure-levy-examination/>

Those wishing to take part in the consultation should email their views to **planning.policy@westoxon.gov.uk**

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The Church of St Peter's is here as a fellowship to worship God,
build people up in Christ and share his love with others

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The church is now open for individuals' private prayer daily.

There are clear instructions regarding the use of the church including permitted areas, and hand sanitizer is provided for everyone using the church.

We will begin to gather physically again gradually over the next few months.
See website for details as they develop.

As lockdown continues services are available every Sunday at 10.30am at
www.stpeterschurchcassington.org or www.stleonardseysham.org.uk
with resources for the whole family.

In partnership with St. Leonard's our children's and youth work continues.
Do contact us if you would like further details.

A phone line where anyone can phone in at any time to listen to our latest services
is available on **01865 965018**.

There are no additional charges for those who phone in.

St Peter's church continues to pray for the community of Cassington at this difficult
time. Also please know that the clergy are still available at the end of the phone
(or by email) for any pastoral concerns and/or issues for prayer.

If you have particular spiritual needs feel free to contact:
The Vicar – Revd Duncan Fraser Tel: 07810 324088 or
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There are also resources on the Church of England web site:
<https://www.churchofengland.org/>

Donations to local food banks via St Peter's Church Cassington

With the current situation there are an increasing number of people relying on food banks and fewer donations coming in to stock them. Please donate non-perishable foods to our local food banks by placing them in the plastic box outside St Peter's Church Cassington. There is some hand sanitizer for you to use when making donations. If you prefer to make a financial donation please search online for Eynsham Food Bank and North Oxfordshire Food Bank.

Thank you, Roger & Jane Aston.

Neighbour in need?

Do you know of anyone (or yourself) who might welcome some help from Eynsham Food Bank? If so please contact Bob Thiele 07738063083 (Eynsham) or Roger Aston 01865 880757 (Cassington)

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We're proud to be able to support where we can – this month we have worked with SOFEA, Oxford Together and Barton Community Association to cook and provide hot meals to those in need and deliver beer to our local waste team.

We hope to open our Formal Gardens just as soon as government guidance permits. Advice is changing rapidly so by the time you read this we may have opened our gates once again. We hope you have enjoyed the free park access during this unprecedented time to help keep spirits up.

We will continue to #stayconnected with you by sending weekly e-newsletters full of recommendations and activities to keep you healthy and happy at home.

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Sports and Social Club News

As you may have seen the MUGA is now set up for tennis and available for use by any member. We have set some guidelines for use along the lines of the recommendations set by the Lawn Tennis Association. These are as follows:

1. The MUGA is to be used for the playing of tennis only
2. No other sports or social activities allowed
3. Use the online booking system to book one or both courts for your use
4. Online bookings have priority over other users
5. Observe a 5 minute buffer to allow time for users to enter and exit the MUGA safely
6. Bring your own hand sanitizer to use before and after touching the entry gate and padlock
7. Players from different households can now play doubles together as long as members of each household stay two metres apart from members of the other household
8. Non-players, ie spectators, are to be discouraged
9. Only members of up to two separate households to be in the MUGA at any one time.
10. Bring your own rackets and balls. Only serve with balls brought from your household.

11. The net winders have been removed. Please inform CSSC of any issues with the net.

12. Do not move the nets

Please inform CSSC if you develop symptoms of COVID-19 and follow the Government's 'test and trace' guidelines.

We have changed the padlock for one with a code. Every family membership gets a unique code to use. If any families would like a code to the MUGA padlock please can you fill out the membership form which was attached to the April edition of CAWN. Please return the form to Anne Luttmann-Johnson at 3 Foxwell Court. If you no longer have the form then please can you email the names of all your family members, your address, phone number and email address to Anne at **anne.luttmanjohnson@gmail.com**

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Observation

by Stephen Wright

After eleven long months of VAR, injuries, poor defending and Coronavirus, we've finally got Premier League relegation over and done with here at Norwich! I've worked in the league since 2016 when I began a part time job at AFC Bournemouth, but next season I'll be swapping the glitz and glamour of the Premier League's stunning stadia for Millwall and Wigan. At least they don't have VAR down there.

At Norwich City's first game behind closed doors, my boss asked me to direct members of the local and national media to their new seats at the stadium before kick-off. My Blenheim Palace Visitor Services Assistant experience finally paid off as I put the 'Ste' in steward to get all the media in position so they could report on how bad our team is.

Whilst it's hard to be proud of the football club on the pitch at the moment, I am still a fan of the city of Norwich, so much so that I recently applied to appear as an extra in an advert for the fine city. Don't be mistaken, I'm not pursuing a career in acting despite my stellar performance of Baby Face in Mandy's Buggy Malone play back in 2003 at the Cassington Village Hall. Rather, I'm just trying to get out and about to meet new people. Many members of the public looked rather confused as I and a selection of other amateur actors were filmed in the streets of Norwich, but it turned out that a couple of the camera crew went to Bournemouth University in the same year as me, so it was nice to reminisce about the days of living ten minutes from the beach (here it's 30-40 minutes). I would tell you to go and

watch the advert, but it's not out yet and I haven't seen it, so it might be rubbish, in which case you'll have to do your own digging if you possibly care that much.

Speaking of Bournemouth University, I recently went to see a couple of friends from BU at their new places in Earlsfield in London (socially distant, of course). The adult life has got the better of them, their days now revolving around visiting the swans at a local park like an old married couple.

Back in NR3, we've had a few new housemates move in. One of them is a girl called Christie, whose boyfriend actually viewed the house and met us before she did and then chose not to move in! He is actually very nice, but before I met him for the second time he suggested we all have a Mario Kart tournament, and I had never been more determined to rinse someone on Rainbow Road, although I'm no veteran.

The other new housemate is a Greek girl called Eve, so I've been learning a fair bit about the country of Greece recently. Apparently, they typically choose to name a child after one of their grandparents, so a lot of families in Greece end up having multiple people with the same name, which seems needlessly confusing to me. If that were the case here in England, I'd either be Ian or Barry.

I've also now begun giving English lessons to Eve, as she told me she struggles to differentiate the words dairy and diary as well as pitch and peach, which is fair enough. I just hope she never ends up milking a cow on a football field when she had intended to keep a written record of her nectarines.



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Our Church is now OPEN FOR PUBLIC MASS but only on Saturday night at 5.00pm and Sunday Morning at 10.00am. Everyone has to be masked and appropriate hygiene and social distancing measures are in place with stewards on duty to make sure everyone keeps to the Regulations. Capacity is limited so the Church only opens 15 minutes before each Mass and it is possible that if you come at the last minute there might not be room for you.

Father Mark, the Parish Priest, still says Mass privately every weekday inside the Church and Father Martin, the retired Priest also says Mass every day in his home in Eynsham. This means that you can always contact one or other of them by email or phone to ask for special prayers. Just remember that you are being prayed for.

You can also watch Mass from many other Churches live or recorded online.

Churchservices.tv is a platform that connects communities and provides churches with a space to broadcast – particularly Mass, Adoration and prayer.

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/> is another platform that does the same and includes Corpus Christi, Headington in Oxford.

Blackfriars, Oxford is the Catholic House of Dominican Friars in Oxford and the advantage of going to this site

<https://www.youtube.com/user/Godzdogz> is that instead of seeing a single priest you see the whole religious community taking part and you can either view this live or view it when it suits you as they are all recorded.



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Parish Council News

the Parish Council minutes can be found online at
<http://www.wospweb.com/site/Cassington-Online/Parish-Council.htm>

July 2020

Parish Council

The Parish Council had a closed meeting on the 16th July 2020 to conduct necessary business. Minutes of the meeting will be available. A meeting has been provisionally booked on the 3rd September 2020 when it is hoped that a meeting will be held with the public in attendance.

Horsemere Lane.

Councillor Mathew continues to ask questions on the progress of the Bus Lane. If villagers are concerned, he is the best person to contact. Oxfordshire County Council are aware of the villages position in that closure of the lane goes in tandem with the slip road and changes to the traffic lights. The Parish Council have not received an update.

Website

The Parish Council have decided on a format for the web site. It is hoped that over the coming months the website will be up and running. The Parish Council have gone with a comprehensive site which will be available for village groups to add content. The Clerk would be pleased to receive high resolution images of the village to add to the website.

School crossing/ 20mph zone

The Parish Council have been gathering views and information. It is important that any decisions have input from all and this item will be discussed in detail when we have an open meeting.

Tree Planting

Two areas have been put forward for two small trees (Rowans) and the clerk will be getting quotes. This work will be carried out in the Autumn.

Land in Church Lane

By the time of the August edition the land should be cleared and seeded ready for 2 trees in the autumn.

Dog Waste.

Despite the article in the last CAWN dog mess continues to be a problem. The Parish Council are looking to the process of fining offenders. If you know of offenders, please let the clerk know and the appropriate action will be taken.

Coffee Kiosk

Samantha Hatwell will continue selling coffee and cake on Fridays throughout the Summer holidays in the car park of the village hall. It is great to see how well the facility is used.

Children's playground

The playground is now open again. Notices are posted in the playground regarding use with the Coronavirus outbreak. Please read the advice before using the facility.

War Memorial

After the report last CAWN on the condition no comments have been received regarding the cost of paying for repairs. The item will be discussed in detail at the meeting in September.

Parish Council work

The clerk continues to deal with the day to day matters and if any residents have a question please do not hesitate to contact her.

Clerk contact details

Email cassingtonclerk@gmail.com
Tel 01993 622750

Parish Council meeting for September is provisionally set for Thursday 3rd September 2020 7.30pm at the Village Hall (subject to Government guidelines)

Hugh Thomas, Chairman, Cassington Parish Council
20th July 2020

Chairman: Cllr. Hugh Thomas, 20, The Green
Cllr. Julie Perrin, Triwood, 44 Eynsham Rd
Cllr. Barbara King, 9, St Peter's Close
Cllr. Dave Butlin, The Squirrels, Bell Lane
Cllr. Chris Metcalf, 2 The Tennis

noticeboard

Cassington Bookworms

Next Meeting is
is to be arranged online
and will discuss
'Fruit of the Lemon'
by Andrea Levy.
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Run by volunteers, this is available by phoning Sheila Nelson on 880740 or Pat Vereker on 880693

Please give us as much notice as possible

Unfortunately we are now unable to offer transport to hospitals for routine outpatient appointments. For these please contact the patient transport number 0300 100 0015 or Volunteer Link Up 01993 776277 (there may be costs with this service).

The Lost Hero of Science

Travel has always been a big part of my life and I have been lucky to have a job which has allowed me to journey reasonably far and wide. In some ways it has become something of an obsession with me, not necessarily the travel but the adventures that go with it. Far too often I settle down to watch a TV programme which has at its heart what I consider to be “an adventure”. Whether it be a flamboyantly dressed ex-politician riding the world’s railway lines, or a bunch of celebrity OAP’s exploring the possibility of retirement in a new continent. I enjoy tuning in to share their experience with them. Perhaps my favourite is Simon Reeve, whose journeys have taken him to some mouth-watering locations – the Balkans, Russia, Burma to name a few. Envy!

But my real passion is to read about the lives and adventures of those intrepid explorers from times gone by. There are so many to choose from but without question my favourite is Alexander von Humboldt. Humboldt was a German scientist, born in the late 1700’s, who made it his life’s work to explore the (then) largely uncharted Americas. A world of discovery awaited him and that is exactly what he did – discover! Today there are numerous places, plants and animals that bear his name. Many of you will know of the Humboldt current or possibly even the squid that is found there (the Humboldt squid, obviously) but his name is everywhere. There is simply nobody who has ever walked this planet who has more things named after them. Mountain ranges, rivers, towns, literally hundreds of plants and animals. The list is long and diverse. He is even in outer space – a region of the moon and a couple of asteroids are named after him.

Like all explorers Humboldt was a bit ‘unhinged’. Some of the challenges he set himself were truly mind-boggling. An example of this was his ascent of what then was thought to be the highest mountain in the world (Chimboraza in Ecuador – 21,000 feet).

Humboldt was obsessive about measuring stuff and so not only did he climb the mountain with absolutely no equipment, he took all his scientific instruments with him. No support team or Sherpas – just him and his mate lugging the whole lot as they went. Prior to this he and his companion paddled 1700 miles up the Orinoco river, Humboldt mapping the whole journey as he went. On that journey he “discovered” electric eels by grabbing hold of them. Electric eels generate around 600 volts – way more than comes through your wall sockets. Nuts!

Humboldt was a polymath – a man of extraordinary perception. He was the first environmentalist, identifying deforestation induced climate change as a significant threat to the planet. He was also a passionate humanitarian, defending the land rights of the indigenous people of the Americas. Unsurprisingly he had a huge impact on many who were to become influential in their own right – Thoreau, Darwin and Bolivar all cite him as their hero. It is important to acknowledge his contribution to our understanding of the planet. His holistic yet meticulous science was before its time and laid the foundations for what we now call the environment movement.

It is perhaps a little strange to be reflecting on travel and adventure at a time when our current opportunities remain limited. Things will come good again and we can all think about our next journey and what it might hold. One of my proudest achievements is to have worked with somebody who discovered a mountain that had never been accessed or scientifically explored. Imagine that! My friend is a modern-day Humboldt and I like to think that there are plenty more young people waiting to make their own discoveries. Why not find out a bit more about Humboldt – the lost hero of science. The book of his life “The Invention of Nature” is a fascinating account of the adventures of an amazing trailblazer.

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RECYCLING MADE EASY

Key developments lined up for garden village planning process

Outline planning permission for the Oxfordshire Cotswolds garden village is expected to be submitted to West Oxfordshire District Council this week. (This article dated 22 June 2020)

The move by Grosvenor Developments, land promoters acting on behalf of the owners of the site near Eynsham, has been highly anticipated and will represent a major milestone in the planning process.

It comes as a key piece of legislation for the site, the Area Action Plan (AAP), nears completion.

The AAP is the culmination of comprehensive work involving public meetings, events and consultations along with the compilation of expert reports showcasing the concept, vision and proposals for the garden village.

It will provide the legislative framework against which the outline planning application will be measured.

The final public consultation relating to the garden village AAP will take place this summer once approved by full Council on 29 July. A planning hearing is anticipated in the autumn with adoption by the Council by the end of the year.

The official name of the garden village will also be unveiled at the Council meeting following a competition which generated more than 100 suggestions. (see front page article update)

Cllr Jeff Haine, Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning, said: "Public consultation and community engagement has been at the heart of this process since we lodged our bid with the Government for a garden village to be sited here.

"We intend to continue with that process of engagement as the planning process progresses. It is important that everyone appreciates there will be two lots of consultation running closely together – one for the Area Action Plan and one for the outline planning application

from Grosvenor Developments. They serve different purposes and if you want your views to carry maximum weight please respond to both.

"These are exciting developments which will help bring the Garden Village project to life in the not too distant future."

For more information see:

www.thegardenvillage.org

and

<https://www.westoxon.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/oxfordshire-cotswolds-garden-village/>

A key element of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031 is the establishment of a new garden village to the north of the A40 near Eynsham.

It will be a new standalone settlement of 2,200 new homes and a new science business park which will give local people an alternative to driving to work in Oxford.

In addition, the nearby Hanborough railway station together with a new Park and Ride facility to the north of Eynsham will give people an alternative to using their cars.

It will have its own village facilities, such as a school and community resources, whilst taking proper account of environmental considerations and planned infrastructure improvements.

The new garden village will make a major contribution towards providing much-needed homes and jobs in a high quality living environment. It will also unlock funds to improve infrastructure and boost the case for improvements to local transport links, including upgrades to the A40.

An Area Action Plan is needed for any location or area of significant change; it sets out how a new development will be taken forward, what it will look like and how it will function.

It was stipulated that there should be an Area Action Plan for the Garden Village as part of West Oxfordshire's Local Plan.



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Survey results give insight into residents' views on climate action

The results of our Climate Action Survey are in and paint a revealing picture of how residents are tackling environmental issues and how they want the Council to help them do more.

A total of 446 people responded to the online questionnaire of which an overwhelming 334 said climate change was a high priority for them.

Residents said they were already taking action with the most popular being gardening for wildlife and changing what food and drink they were buying. Least popular was driving an electric vehicle, reflecting their current expense and worries over driving range.

In terms of how the Council is tackling the Climate Emergency, 241 said they had "some knowledge" of its work.

Top priorities for residents are biodiversity and a green transport infrastructure while the least important area is the reduction and recycling of waste, perhaps highlighting the success of the Council's existing waste and recycling collection service.

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Cllr David Harvey, Cabinet Member for Climate Change, said: "To have so many people engaging with this survey was extremely encouraging and shows how strongly people feel about the environment and tackling climate change which is why it is a key priority for us.

"We have learned a lot from this exercise and it will help us shape our Climate Change Strategy going forward."

As a result of the survey, a large database of people looking to engage with the Council's work on Climate Action has been formed.

If people would like to add their details to this database, they should email Climate.Action@westoxon.gov.uk

Anyone wanting to see more detail on the survey and the Council's work on Climate Action should see:

<https://www.westoxon.gov.uk/environment/climate-action/climate-action-and-what-we-are-doing/>

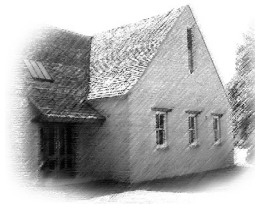
Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators

The aim of Neighbourhood Watch in our village is to look out for one another, keep everyone safe and bring all sections of our community together. Please find below list of NHW co-ordinators with contact details.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Eynsham Road | Julie Perrin | 07599 371930 |
| Hollow Furlong & Manor Cl- | Rebecca Clare | 07816 192493 |
| Mill Lane & Pound Lane | Sara Bolton | 07930 307298 |
| Church Lane | Nav Dey | 07989 527835 |
| The Green & Williams Ct | Emily Osgathorp | 07795 143140 |
| Elms Rd & Foxwell Court | Sally Britton | 07962 177221 |
| Barrow Ct | Nicola Jeeves | 07930 888664 |
| The Tennis & Bell Ln (to Bell Cl) | Vicky Thomas-Clarke | 07917 403976 |
| Bell Cl & Orchard Cl | Carol Conway | 07789 534456 |
| St. Peter Cl | Cate Sirkett | 07968 720241 |
| Lynton Ln & Bell Ln (small green) | Kathryn Teal | 07964 726843 |
| Horsemere Lane | Stacey Noton | 07717 874552 |

what's on?

VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS



For information, and to book the Village Hall, contact:

Kathryn Teal, 07964 726843 or email
cassingtonvillagehall@gmail.com

Don't forget ... When you book the Village Hall you can make use of our wireless broadband connection – ask Kathryn for details when you make your booking

cassingtonvillagehall.org.uk

**Charles Mathew - Oxfordshire County Councillor
for the division of Eynsham**

Charles.Mathew@oxfordshire.gov.uk or 01865 882 205



Village contact list

| | |
|--|---------------------------------|
| Allotments, Cassington..... | 01993 882590 |
| Bartholomew School, Eynsham..... | 01865 881430 |
| St Peter's Church Cassington | 01865 883325 |
| Chemist, Eynsham | 01865 881283 |
| Dentist, Eynsham | 01865 880047 |
| Fire Station, Eynsham | 01865 881337 |
| Flooding, WODC | 01993 861000 |
| Gas Leaks | 0800 111 999 |
| Library, Eynsham | 01865 880525 |
| Medical Centre, Eynsham | 01865 881206 |
| Pest Control, WODC | 01993 861060 |
| Play Area Repairs, Parish Council, cassingtonclerk@gmail.com | |
| Red Lion, Cassington | 01865 881371 |
| Sports Pavilion bookings (Graham Mills), Cassington, cassingtonsport@millsclan.force9.co.uk | |
| St Peters School, Cassington | 01865 880443 |
| The Chequers | 01865 882620 |
| Waste Collection, WODC | 01993 861020 |
| Village Hall bookings | cassingtonvillagehall@gmail.com |

Sports & Social Club

With the pavilion having gone through a big transformation, we are now ready to hire it once again for small or large events. We have had weddings in the past with a marquee and even a big top on the playing field. Please do get in touch if you would like to hire it or know of other sports teams that

need a place to train or play.

- Cassington Sports and Social club pavilion hire prices.

| | Weekdays per hour | Weekends per hour |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Village rate | £10 | £14 |
| Non-village rate | £12 | £16 |
| Commercial hire | £18 | £20 |
- Muga hire £22 per hour
- Adults grass football pitch and pavilion £35 per game
- Cricket pitch and pavilion £50 per game
- Tennis court £10 an hour or free if you have a Muga annual pass (June-September)

Please email Graham on for all enquiries and bookings
cassingtonsport@millsclan.force9.co.uk

CAWN Advertising rates

Village events and fund-raising stuff is free. Simple local services, 'for sales' etc., are also free on the "noticeboard" page/section. However donations towards printing costs welcomed.

Suitable commercial businesses are invited to support our community by buying advertising space at the following rates:

| | |
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| 1/8 page, £6 (£60 per year) | (portrait) |
| 1/4 page, £10 (£100 per year) | (portrait) |
| 1/2 page, £15 (£150 per year) | (landscape) |
| Full page, £25 (£250 per year) | (portrait) |

Technical details for artwork are available on request.

All material included at the discretion of CAWN. Any surplus will be passed to the Cassington Parochial Charities to support our community.

Kingfisher Quest



Send us your Kingfisher sightings!
1st June – 31st August 2020

The Lower Windrush Valley Project is coordinating a Kingfisher survey during Summer 2020. The survey will:

- increase our understanding of Kingfisher numbers in Lower Windrush Valley and identify any Kingfisher 'hotspots'
- Encourage local communities and groups to engage with their local water environments and promote interest in local wildlife
- identify locations for potential Kingfisher habitat enhancements

How to send us your sightings:

By email to LWVP@OXFORDSHIRE.GOV.UK

Make sure to include: The date of your sighting and the location (preferably a grid reference, but a description is fine too). We're interested in sightings in, or close by to, the Lower Windrush Valley (see map).

Other non-essential information: Notes on behaviour, habitat, a photograph...if you're quick enough to capture one!

How to find a grid reference for a location:

- At your current location using an Ordnance Survey map, hand held GPS or mobile phone app
- Online, using a website such as gridreferencefinder.com

All records collected as part of this project will be shared with the Thames Valley Environmental Records Centre, as well as published on our website.



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What to look out for:

Kingfishers are small, distinctive birds, often seen as a quick flash of blue and orange as they fly past. They are usually found by slow moving or still waters and often perched on a branch, where they may be hunting for fish. Their numbers can be impacted by hard winters and habitat degradation through pollution or unsympathetic management of watercourses.

In spring, Kingfishers excavate a nest burrow into sandy soils of a low stream bank, usually about 0.5m from the top. It is usually within a vertical bank clear of vegetation, since this provides some protection from predators. If you see a Kingfisher nest please report it to us but **do not disturb it**. Kingfishers are a Schedule 1 species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act and it therefore an offence to intentionally or recklessly disturb an active nest.

what's on?

Dates for your diary

Unless shown, events are in the Village Hall

August 2020

Monday 3rd, 10 am - 12 noon **NO** Cassington Cafe
Thursday 6th, 7:30pm **NO** Parish Council Meeting
Friday 7th, 7pm for 7:30pm **NO** Cassington Movies
Thursday 20th, 7:30pm (tbc) Cassington WI
Thursday 20th, September CAWN deadline

September 2020

Thursday 3rd, 7:30pm (tbc) Parish Council Meeting
Friday 4th, 7pm for 7:30pm **NO** Cassington Movies
Monday 7th, 10 am - 12 noon **NO** Cassington Cafe
Thursday 17th, (tbc) Cassington WI
Sunday 20th, October CAWN deadline

Tickets for films and shows from:
Ruth Bakewell (01865 883512)

FRIDAY MOVIE NIGHT Cancelled until further notice

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BURLEIGH ROAD CLOSURE

The work date of the following TTRO is now amended as per applicant's request. Now the amended start date of this TTRO road closure will be 01/09/2020 (day closure and each day from 09:30hrs to 15:30hrs)



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Prohibition of Through Traffic
Date of Order: 6 July 2020
Coming into force: 1 September 2020

This Order is being introduced because of rail-side fencing works which is anticipated to take 12 days to be completed.

The effect of the order is to temporarily prohibit through traffic using a section of Burleigh Road (near railway over-bridge).

Appropriate traffic signs will be displayed to indicate when the measures are in force. Exemptions are included for emergency services and for the works.

The alternative route for traffic is via Cassington Road – A4095 – Lower Road – A40 – Eynsham Road – Yarnton Road & Burleigh Road and vice-versa.

This Order will remain in force for a maximum period of 18 months or until the works have been completed whichever is the sooner.

Traffic Regulations Team (Ref.T7573/MR) for the Director for Infrastructure Delivery, County Hall, Oxford OX1 1ND. 03453101111.

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Cassington Village Group

An informal group for anyone living or involved with Cassington village. Anything of interest can be posted such as events, tips, local news, request for information or advice or anything that may be of interest to the local residents.

Cassington Sports and Social

Sports and social club that organises events to upkeep the field, muga, pavilion and play equipment.

Cassington Players

A page originally set up for anyone involved in the village panto Sleeping Beauty back in 2013 and subsequent productions by the village drama group.

Cassington, then and now

Interested to see how Cassington has evolved over the years? Or do you have any old photos of the village you wish to share? If so, search 'Cassington, then and now' on Facebook and feel free to join the group!

Cassington NHW

The local Neighbourhood Watch group.

Red Lion, Cassington

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Some online correspondence about Cassington and neighbouring villages can be found on

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