

DRAYTON ST. LEONARD

NEWS AND

VIEWS

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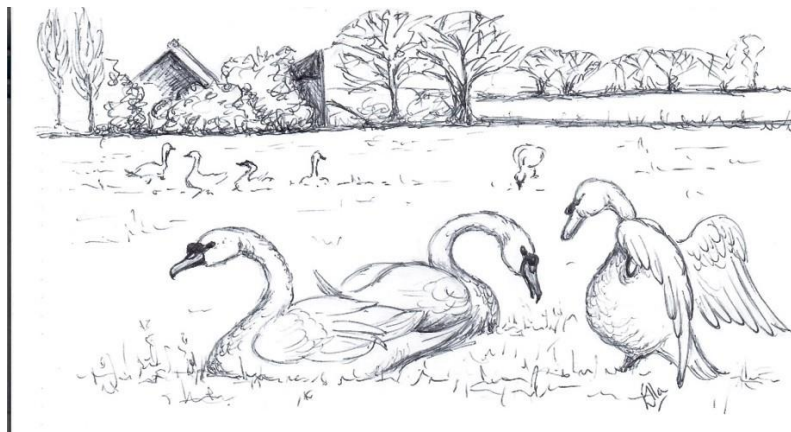
EDITORIAL

As I look back on last October's News and Views, I see that we were happily celebrating the Coronation of King Charles and Queen Camilla. But now, I am sure we would all like to send the King our very best wishes for his speedy recovery from cancer. Luckily, it appears that it has been caught in the very early stages, and he will, of course, receive the very best treatment as speedily as possible.

We are suffering a tremendously wet winter and spring, but there is a group of birds who are really enjoying it, and that is the swans, who have happily settled themselves on the waterlogged fields and presumably finding lots to eat.

In spite of the dreadful weather and the depressing news both here and abroad, our hearts should be lifted by the wonderful displays around the village of aconites, snowdrops, crocii and some early daffodils.

The new houses are still not finished, and as you come into the village from Berinsfield they loom up rather large and red. However, they do apparently have Solar Panels and Air Source Heat pumps, so that is all good news.



Update from the Chairman of the Parish Council - Edward Hayter

A winter rainfall record

This winter has seen the wettest weather on record. South East and Central Southern England broke the winter rainfall record on 11 February when a total of 439.2mm rainfall was exceeded. The previous record had stood since 1914-15. Across the whole of the winter period so far, the South East of England has recorded double the average rainfall. The latest UK-wide figures also show the heavy rain in February led to South East and Central Southern England receiving 133.3mm. This is almost two-and-a-half times the monthly average, with still a few days to go as I write.

As a result of this unprecedented rainfall, we have seen the River Thame over the Stadhampton Road near the bridge on at least 6 separate occasions so far this winter, and it has seemed at times that it has been flooded more often than not. The highest river level so far this winter was reached on 6th January, although this did not exceed the height reached on 8th February 2014.

Drainage issues

Fortunately we have not heard of any homes actually being flooded. However everyone will be aware of the issues of drainage in the village, which have been obvious to see for anyone walking down Water Lane.

A number of villagers have been in direct contact with Thames Water in relation to this issue. As many will know, the issue is that the pipe from the pump on Water Lane to the sewage works at Stadhampton is too narrow for the volume of water that has to be pumped during very wet weather when the village sewage system becomes overwhelmed with flood water. The cost to replace the pipe with a larger gauge would obviously be a huge one and Thames Water will evidently have taken the view that the cost of sending tankers to our village whenever the water table is very high, is less than the cost to replace the pipe.

The multiple tanker visits over the past few weeks has left the section of Water Lane between the pub and the White House in a real mess. Thames Water have assured several residents in response to their letters and emails, that the verges on Water Lane will be restored once the tankers have left for good. Let's hope that the presence of tankers in the village doesn't become a regular winter feature.

Other infrastructure issues

The Parish Council has been busy recently in relation to getting other local infrastructure issues addressed: the potholes on Haywards Bridge and the blocked drain gully on the corner by the Brookhampton sewage works. We are still awaiting news of the timing of the major works to the bridge but temporary patches are

being made to the tarmac surface as and when potholes appear. The blocked drain gulley is also due to be cleared but again we have no news on when this will be carried out.

A new speed limit

Following a survey of residents in August 2021, like many villages Drayton St Leonard applied for a 20mph speed limit through the village when the most recent scheme was launched. This application has been approved and signage is expected later this year. Hopefully this will help to encourage drivers to take more care through the village.

The Local Plan 2041 and Berinsfield

The SODC Local Plan 2041 has been in consultation recently and residents were encouraged to respond. One of the site allocations under the local plan for an additional 1,700 homes is of course Berinsfield. Following a petition by the Parish Council, 391 signatures were received. Thank you to everyone who signed it, this is an impressive result given that fewer than 250 people live in the village. The Parish Council has since engaged directly with the promoter of this site, Ptarmigan Land. A meeting of Parish Councillors and others was held on Wednesday 21st February with representatives of Ptarmigan Land and their transport consultants JTL. The issue of safety has now been raised with Ptarmigan Land in relation to the significant

increase in traffic through Drayton St Leonard that can be expected from more than doubling the size of Berinsfield. Ptarmigan Land and Robin Bennett (our District and County Councillor) are now very aware of our concerns and we have invited them to visit our village to see for themselves the issues we have here with the narrowness of the roads through the village and with several houses, the Church and the pub, all opening directly on to the narrow road, with no pavements and several blind bends.

A Village Meeting to understand residents' concerns about the risks of increased traffic through the village will be held around Easter and the date will be promulgated on the village email. This will be an important next step in the process of developing our case for Ptarmigan Land to consider viable solutions to the issues this development will create.

We will continue to work hard on behalf of all residents of the Parish to ensure that this issue does not get ignored as the planning process gets underway later this year.

Gravel Extraction

On the gravel extraction front, no further information has been forthcoming regarding the County Council's plans for further gravel extraction sites, although we are aware that the land to the East and North of Drayton St Leonard towards Stadhampton, remains

under consideration, as indeed it has been for 20 or more years.

I would like to thank my fellow councillors for giving freely of so much of their time to work on your behalf on local issues. If you are interested in putting yourself forward to join the Parish Council, please let me know.

Finally, I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the **Village Litter Pick on Saturday 9th March**. We are meeting at 10am at the War Memorial. If you've never done it before, please do join us - it's more fun that you might think, and will only take two hours of your weekend. Tea, coffee and cake will be available afterwards (from 12pm) at the Old Rectory for all volunteers. If you'd like to just pop in to show your appreciation for those who have been out collecting litter, please do. If you can join the litter pick, that would be much appreciated, volunteering really does lift the spirits!

Edward Hayter
Chairman
Drayton St Leonard Parish Council

Welcome to the Village

“Hello everyone. We're very excited to have moved in to Drayton St Leonard (we're in Well Cottage -

do come and say hello!) from Cumnor, Oxford. Rachel Hawthorne is a surgeon specialising in Urology (no, sadly she didn't do the King's operation) and Jonny Alden works in Risk Management for a law firm based in Jersey but manages to spend the majority of his time working from home or various cafes in the region. When not working, we love to spend time with our friends and family, to keep active (we are very poor tennis players, but improving!) and travelling. We are greatly looking forward to getting to know you all in the DSL community. “

Rachel & Jonny

Drayton St Leonard Local History Society

“Drayton St Leonard as it used to be”

To open this year's Local History Society programme, we are doing something a little different.

You are invited to the village hall at 7:30 pm on Friday 15 March to hear a panel of people who've lived in Drayton St Leonard for a long time chat about the village over the years. There'll be the opportunity to ask them questions - and to chip in with your own memories.

Alison Gomm

Just One of Drayton St Leonard's Many Famous Residents.

The Artist Sydney William Carline (1888-1929) was a British sculptor, medallist, painter and printmaker. He was born in Oxford and spent his last year in “Ford Cottage” Drayton St Leonard. Oenone Bonniksen, former resident of Ford Cottage tells us that Sydney Carline bought the cottage from the famous civil engineer -Basil Mott.*



Sydney William Carline- self portrait

To put him in family and career perspectives, both his brother Richard (1896-1980), and his sister Hilda (1889-1950) were also artists; his sister married Richard's friend, the artist Stanley Spencer (1891-1959). The three siblings were children of the pastoral and landscape painter, George Carline (1855-1920). Between 1907 and 1910, Sydney Carline studied under the famous Henry Tonks at the Slade School of Art, London, and was also

a pupil of the Royal Academician John Seymour-Lucas. His appointment in 1921 (until his death in 1929) as Master of Drawing at Oxford's Ruskin School of Art was just one episode in a remarkably distinguished career.

During World War I Sydney Carline served with his brother Richard in Italy and the Near East and was appointed Official War Artist with the R.A.F. in 1918. It was this phase of his career that first got me interested in his life and work.

Already a well- established artist he was by 1918 an experienced fighter pilot. He had survived being shot down in France and was piloting a Sopwith “Camel” aircraft over the Italian front. He remained in Italy, but from August 1918 served exclusively as an official artist. In this role he had to undertake preparatory work for his paintings in flight. This was difficult in an open cockpit, because of the extreme cold and the buffeting of air currents; one can only imagine the difficulties- not least the chance of being shot down!

Writing of one of his encounters he captured the grim truth of air warfare. I quote:

“On patrol with two others we saw a Hun two-seater taking photos 5,000 feet below us (we at 10,000) and on our side of the line, we dived on him; he put up no show, the pilot

was shot, and the observer leaning over tried to dive for home but he was shot and the machine crashed into the river. There is a large library of his WW1 pictures, the one example below gives an idea of his style and skill:



Carline's first one-man exhibition was at London's Goupil Gallery in 1920; (he held another exhibition there in 1929 but died that very year). In 1911 Sydney had moved to 3, Park Crescent, Oxford, later to "Ford Cottage", Drayton St Leonard, while continuing to maintain a London studio in Hampstead.

At this point I'd like to mention one other of Carline's many and varied skills- his remarkable etchings: I'm pleased to say that I have one example, printed in 1913 and signed by the artist. It shows a horse-drawn tram heading down Oxford High Street from Carfax tower. Sydney Carline produced several etchings of Oxford scenes, but this is a striking example of how lifelike his depiction of pedestrians, etc. going about their business could be.....



In 1928 Sydney Carline married Gwendolen Harter but how tragic it was, that he died suddenly from pneumonia on 15th February 1929. He was buried here in Drayton St Leonard. Both their names are inscribed on their unusual gravestone- have a look when you are next in the Churchyard. ...



Footnote:

** See "Drayton St Leonard Our Village" Millennium Book.*

Works by the Carlines are held in various public collections in Great

Britain, including those of the Tate collection, the Imperial War Museum, London, and the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, and in many private Collections. For much more info. on the fascinating Carline family, consult the Oxford Dictionary of National Biography:

<https://doi-org.ezproxy-prd.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/10.1093/ref:odnb/64713>

And this article from the Sunday Telegraph:

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/history/world-war-one/inside-first-world-war/part-six/10607758/sydney-carline-artist.html>

Charles Dickerson

UPCOMING EVENTS

2 nd March	Safari supper
9 th March	Village Litter Pick
15 th March	History Society Meeting
12 th April	Quiz night in the Village Hall. Bring your own Drinks, Nibbles and glasses
18 th May	Wine Tasting in the Village Hall
29 th June	Church Fete
30 th June	Duck race at the ford
17 th August	Garden Party at Red

Tile Cottage in aid of CS Disabled Holidays

13th Sept. Bring your own Drinks and Nibbles evening in the Village Hall

13th Oct. Games afternoon for all ages in the village hall

5th Nov. Bonfire and Fireworks 6th

Dec. Festive event in the Village Hall

Details of the annual tennis tournament and bicycle polo competition to be provided later. Dates may be subject to change

Church Bellringing

We continue to practice twice a month on a Wednesday evening, and welcome ringers from Litte Milton and Marsh Baldon which allows us to practice variety of methods. We can be found inside the church at the back! We also ring for services on a Sunday. We would be happy to chat to anyone interested in finding out what we do, please get in touch. And if you want to know about bellringing in general, visit this page:

<https://cccbr.org.uk/bellringing/what-is-bell-ringing/>

Hilarie and Christopher Rogers
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A DAY IN THE LIFE OF CLEO **CAVENDISH**

Some of you will know me as an annoying little dog who stands at the gate of Red Kite House barking my head off. The point is, I have to look after the property for my Mistress, and as she lives alone, I have to make sure that no potential riff raff come in.

I am a creature of habit, with a strong sense of time, so the day usually begins with me jumping on the bed to see if She is ready to get up. If She is, we usually have a little love in, or if not, I know, as She puts the sheet over her head. So, finally, She lets me out, and I have to rush round to see if there have been any incursions in the property, human or otherwise, then She lets me in and I have my breakfast, which is biscuits and some sort of meaty stuff.

The next excitement will be when She gets ready to take me for a walk, which She thinks I will enjoy for the exercise, but actually what I really enjoy are the delicious sniffs, something new every day. Walking is a bit boring at the moment, as we can't go down to the water meadows as it is too wet, and there She generally lets me off the lead as we see many fewer people. On our walks we sometimes meet my friend Tig, or Rosie Hardingham, who I like very much, and occasionally Moses Atkinson who is my all time favourite. Most other dogs I don't

like at all, so I bark at them, which I know annoys Her. My least favourite dog in the village is Molly Farrant, but she doesn't like me either. Sometimes, we meet a cat, so although I am actually terrified of cats, I have to put up a show of going after them, but I know in a fight, the cat would come off best. For the rest of the morning, I usually potter about or do my patrolling at the gate. After She has had lunch and settles down to read the paper, I get up on Her lap and we have a cuddle. Then we will probably go for a short walk, then it's time for my tea, and depending on what's happening outside, I either settle down or let Her know that I have a job to do outside. I have developed a new game, if I can smuggle a ball into the house, which I know She doesn't really like. I put it in my basket then shake the basket about vigorously until the ball bounces out, and so on.

I have lots of friends in the human world: I don't like men very much, but there are a few exceptions, as of course I love Her son and grandson. Almost my best friend is Linda, who sometime has me to stay and spoils me rotten, but she does also discipline me a bit. When I go to other people's houses I can relax and don't feel the need to bark.

I was born in this house six years ago and have 7 brothers and sisters, some of whom I see on a fairly regular

basis. I came back to live here permanently when I was 10 weeks old. I am not a bit like my mother, except physically, as when she was younger she would kill any small animal or bird that she could, but that is not my form at all, although I do enjoy chasing grey squirrels if they come into the garden. So I am very lucky and have a lovely life.

DSL WINTER FILM NIGHTS 2023/2024

This season saw a particularly wide variety of films, both in terms of geographical settings and in style. We started with a 1966 Western comedy- in full colour and with dramatic orchestral music - and went to a quietly poetic depiction of human connections, filmed in black and white and set in Mexico City (*Roma*, 2018). November was for *Frantz* (2016), with the main action taking place just after the Great War, and in December we saw *April 9th* (2015), a Danish film about the German invasion of 1940.

Biggest “box office success” by far was January’s *As Good as it Gets* (1997), with Oscar winning performances of both lead actors - and embarrassingly outdated jokes. There is no doubt that the evening’s main appeal was guest speaker Paul Salkovskis, who, as a professor of Clinical Psychology, provided some



background to several of the leading character’s mental health issues. Paul took questions from the audience - and explained why Drayton St Leonard is a particularly good place to live for people who struggle with their mental health: there is plenty of space for exercise, fresh air and, perhaps most importantly, it is a village where people look out for each other. Thank you, Paul, for your insightful and compassionate words. At the time of writing, there is one more film to come in the DSL Winter Film Series of 2023 - 2024

Linda Blansjaar

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FOOD BANK

‘The Berin Centre continues to be our main point of contact for the Wallingford Emergency Food Bank, although it is still possible to donate food or set up a Direct Debit at their office in Wallingford in the Ridgeway Community Church also accessible through the Fountain Bookshop and Café in St Mary’s Street.

Anyone who notices the donation basket in church is full is welcome to take the gifts either to the Berin Centre (use the Abbey Sports Centre car park) or to the Bookshop.

Thanks to those who already help out, especially in December and January when I was away.

This month’s email from Bank the Food says the following are urgently needed:

- **Deodorant**
- **Shampoo**
- **Shower gel**
- **Squash**
- **Toothpaste**

I can see from the food donations that some donors must already be reading the Bank the Food reports, thank you all for your generosity.

More at:

www.wallingfordfoodbank.org.uk

www.BankTheFood.org

www.theberincentre.co.uk

If you need help contact Teresa our vicar or look in the Church website, www.acny.uk/95 click on ‘Food Bank’ or ‘Get in Touch’.

Steve Cox

OBITUARY



Reginald James Hodge

22nd March 1940 – 23rd October 2023

Reg Hodge (well known in the village as ‘Reg-the-Wedge’) died peacefully at home, leaving his widow Joan and his two dogs.

Drayton dog owners will have known Reg because before he fell ill, he might have been seen every day walking the dogs either up The Marsh or just round the village, and always eager to pass the time of day chatting.

Reg was born in Hanwell (London), the son of a carpenter. When he was 15, he joined the firm where his father worked, also as a carpenter and worked his way up in the company. Reg and Joan came to Drayton St Leonard many years ago, living in Church End Bungalow. His interests at that time were the fishpond in his garden, golf, bowling and motorbikes.

Later, his retirement passion was vintage motor cars. He owned a Ford Model A and a 1924 Dodge Brothers Tourer. This was sometimes seen on display at the Summer Fete.

David Watkin, Robert Sellar

RECIPE

Tex-Mex 5 Layer Dip:

1 tin Old El Paso Refried Beans
2 ripe Avocados, S&P, garlic
powder/granules, lime or lemon juice.
1 jar Salsa, choose how spicy you
like it
1 Tub Sour Cream
4-6 oz Grated Cheddar Cheese (100-
175g)

Choose an attractive largish, glass
serving bowl, oval or round about 2.5
inches (6cm) tall.

Mash the refried beans and spread
across the base.

Make the guacamole by mashing the
avocado in a dish and season with
S&P, garlic and either lime or lemon
juice. About a teaspoon full.
Spread the guacamole over the refried
beans.

Spread the salsa over the guacamole.

Mix the sour cream in its tub, then
spoon over the salsa till it covers it.
Smooth with the back of a spoon or
spatula. Sprinkle a good covering of
grated cheese.

Refrigerate until ready to use. Then
serve with Doritos or crudité- or

both! An easy to make dish which
will become a family favourite at any
gathering, especially garden BBQs.

Tina Cox



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Cllr Robin Bennett: District Councillor's Report, Berinsfield Ward, February 2024

Berinsfield Garden Village

The Berinsfield Garden Village Community Delivery Plan is overseen by a steering group, which I currently chair, and has helped us to get extra funding from the UK Shared Prosperity fund, which is funding community arts projects and decarbonisation reports for community facilities, and from OCC Public Health, which will be funding a part time Health Development Officer and launching a grant scheme in July.

Officers have also secured funding (around £250K) from UK Shared Prosperity Fund to construct a Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) – site options are being explored and there will be engagement with local residents and groups on potential uses.

We also had updates on Berinsfield PC's Neighbourhood Development Plan and Ptarmigan/JTP's draft masterplan for the Mount Farm site.

The draft masterplan information is at their site
<https://berinsfieldgardenvillage.com>

Joint Local Plan

Please note that the consultation on the South and Vale Joint Local Plan remains open until February 26th.

This is a good place to include comments on the Berinsfield strategic site policies as the plan will, when in it's final form, update the existing policies for this and other sites.

The consultation is at <https://theconversation.southandvale.gov.uk/jlp/> or you can see print versions at Berinsfield library.

Successful recycling district urges residents to reduce and reuse first!

Residents in South Oxfordshire are officially the best recyclers in the country, according to a government league table published yesterday.

The district council are now encouraging residents to further boost this good work by turning their efforts to reducing and reusing where possible and are now working to create a new waste strategy – which will aim to further this good work and move towards becoming as environmentally sustainable as possible.

The Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) officially published the [recycling performance league table](#) on 31 January. South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils were placed in the top three of the recycling tables for English local authorities. South Oxfordshire had been ranked the highest for household waste recycling rates in 2022/23 at 61.6%,

having already been in the top 5 for the last five years.

Council budget

After much work from officers and members, SODC will consider the cabinet's budget proposal on Thursday 22nd Feb. Thanks to improved business rate collection, transformation work to make services more efficient, and strong investment returns, the council is in a much better position than many comparable councils and we have not had to make any unwanted cuts to services.

Get ready for The Great British Spring Clean

SODC are once again supporting the [Keep Britain Tidy 'Great British Spring Clean'](#) with litter pickers, high-viz jackets and bags available for loan to community litter picking groups and individuals, from Friday 15 March to Sunday 31 March.

Equipment is limited and it's first-come-first-served, so bookings should be made as soon as possible by completing and returning the booking form and declaration document available at <https://www.southoxon.gov.uk/litter-picking/> to waste.team@southandvale.gov.uk

We must receive completed forms at least two weeks before a litter pick takes place.

Do you know a business looking to be more 'green'?

We're urging local businesses and organisations to take part in a survey to find how best to help them find new markets, make potential cost savings as well as becoming more environmentally-friendly.

If you can, please help us spread the word. The survey, created in partnership between the councils and Oxford Brookes Business School, takes just 15 minutes to complete. Businesses, local groups, charities, town and parish councils, public sector, social enterprises and other organisations are invited to have their say via this link:

https://brookes.fra1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_dcyRh6kNAmKuz0q

Introducing 'Join the Conversation'

The council is introducing ['Join the Conversation'](#) – a new consultation and engagement system, making it easier for people to have their say – with everything now conveniently located in one place.

<https://theconversation.southandvale.gov.uk>

The new site is hosted on a system called Citizen Space – which is used by many other local councils and organisations.

We've launched with our first consultations including the [Joint Local Plan](#) preferred options for

South and Vale, which is now staying open until February 26th.

If you are interested in finding our more contact the consultation and community engagement team: Jointheconversation@southandvale.gov.uk

We will soon be consulting on the Council's corporate plan for the next 4 year period.

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Cllr Robin Bennett, County Councillor Report: February 2024
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OCC budget

Oxfordshire County Council cabinet has proposed measures to close its remaining £900,000 budget shortfall for 2024/25. The proposals form part of the final budget which will be decided at the annual budget setting meeting of all 63 county councillors on 20 February.

Although a track record of responsible financial management means that Oxfordshire County Council has been in a more resilient position than many other authorities, the overall position remains extremely challenging.

Councils of all political hues throughout the country have made clear to central government that more funding was needed this year and in following years due to the

high levels of pressures in areas such as social care, special educational needs and other services.

While the government has subsequently announced an increase to council funding of a further £600 million nationwide, following warnings of an impending crisis, we won't know how much Oxfordshire will receive or any further details until later this month.

Health and Wellbeing Strategy

More than a thousand people in Oxfordshire have helped OCC to prepare a [new strategy to improve health outcomes](#) for local people over the next five years. Three new principles for health success lie at the heart of the strategy: addressing health inequalities; preventing ill-health; and closer collaboration. It's been developed by Oxfordshire's Health and Wellbeing Board – the partnership between local NHS services, the county council, the city and district councils and Healthwatch Oxfordshire. This links well to the Community Profile being developed for Berinsfield, which comes with some public health funding.

Road safety and Vision Zero

I have met with officers and asked them to investigate ways to improve safety on the A4074 Dorchester bypass with urgency. Further, the county council has written to the

Thames Valley Police and Crime Commissioner (TVPCC) to call for more police action to improve road safety, after the number of people killed or seriously injured on Oxfordshire's roads rose in 2022 – the first increase for many years.

Oxfordshire County Council has made a commitment to [Vision Zero](#) – the elimination of road deaths and serious injuries by 2050 – and is currently progressing with a strategy and associated action plan to deliver this ambition.

Have your say (before March 10th) on the Council's Vision Zero strategy here:

<https://letstalk.oxfordshire.gov.uk/vision-zero>

The Town and Parish Charter also remains out for consultation (until 11th Feb).

<https://letstalk.oxfordshire.gov.uk/draft-ox-councils-charter>

Fix My Street changes

Changes have been made to simplify and improve FixMyStreet. This remains the best way to report potholes, faulty streetlights and a host of other street defects and queries.

<https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk>

The updated version also includes an aerial map of the county, as well as a

regular map, to help people pinpoint the location of the problem.

The changes will be monitored over the next three months to see what impact they have, and the views of users will be sought.

Note, all current highways works including those by Thames Water, broadband providers etc can be located live at <https://one.network>

100 Together conference

Earlier this month, Oxfordshire County Council organised a conference called '100 Together', investigating possibilities for investment needed to deliver environmental activity at scale in Oxfordshire, which featured an opening talk by acclaimed Oxford economist Kate Raworth.

In this article, Cllr Pete Sudbury reports that the day highlighted the massive opportunities that are available if we think differently about how we can finance a just, safe, and fair transition:

<https://www.themj.co.uk/Oxfordshires-green-future-Failure-is-not-an-option/233636>

Didcot HIF1 planning inquiry

In July 2023, the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities called in the planning application for the HIF1 Didcot and surrounding areas major infrastructure project, following the county council's planning and

regulation committee's vote to refuse the application.

A conjoined planning and Orders public inquiry will take place at [Bee House in Milton Park](#), and will sit for 26 days across a 12-week period.

The sitting dates of the inquiry will be:

- 20 to 23 February
- 27 February to 1 March
- 5 to 8 March
- 26 to 28 March
- 16 to 19 April
- 23 to 26 April
- 8 to 10 May (set as reserve days)

Sessions will start at 10am and run until 5pm Monday to Thursday, with finish times at 3pm on Fridays. Members of the public can attend the inquiry.

If you'd like to follow the government planning inquiry online, the streaming link is:

<https://gateleyhamer-pi.com/en-gb/didcot-garden-town/>



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USEFUL CONTACTS

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Apart from her other duties, the Village Tents can be booked through her.

VILLAGE HALL

This can be booked through **David Herlihy**

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Tables and chairs can be booked separately by arrangement.

Thanks to Ella Chapman for the Drawings

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Parish Council

Parish Councils are responsible for managing their own budgets. They are financed through the precept, money calculated as an estimate for the coming financial year and collected as part of your Council Tax. If you want to find out more about the work of the Parish Council, visit the village website, where you will find all the agendas and minutes of meetings.