

# SUTTON COURTENAY NEWS

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## VILLAGE DIARY

The Diary is compiled from entries in the Village Diary kept at Burgrey Stores. Please enter your events in this Diary.



<b><u>SEPTEMBER</u></b>				
Saturday	1st	2.00pm	Village Produce Show	Village Hall
Tuesday	4th	7.30pm	Spiritual Fellowship	Village Hall
Tuesday	4th	7.15pm	Parish Council	Village Hall
Saturday	8th		Ride and Stride, Oxon Historic Churches	
Wednesday	12th	9.30am	Stay and Play	Village Hall
Thursday	13th	10.30am	Community Cafe	Church
Tuesday	18th	7.30pm	WI The Lone Soldier	Village Hall
Wednesday	19th	9.30am	Stay and Play	Village Hall
Wednesday	19th		<b>COPY DEADLINE SC NEWS</b>	
Tuesday	25th	7.30pm	SC Local History Society 'Lost Villages of Oxfordshire'	Village Hall
Wednesday	26th	9.30am	Stay and Play	Village Hall
Thursday	27th	10.30am	Community Cafe	Church

### VILLAGE CONTACTS

Each month, on the inside cover of SC News appear the contact details for the parish council, the village hall, the church, many local and village groups, as well as some other useful numbers. If you run a group or organisation based in the village and we have not included your contact details and you would like them included, please contact the editors.

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## ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

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### Services of Worship

1st Sunday: Family Service at 10.30am

2nd Sunday: Parish Eucharist at 10.30am (with Junior Church)

3rd Sunday: Morning Worship at 10.30am (with Junior Church)

4th Sunday: Parish Eucharist at 10.30am (with Junior Church)

5th Sunday: Special services across the DAMASCUS Parish – please see church noticeboard for details

Wednesday: BCP Holy Communion at 9.45am

## SUTTON COURTENAY VILLAGE HALL



The village hall is a registered charity available for hire for community related recreational activities. It is located in Hobbyhorse Lane (post code OX14 4BB). It has a large main hall, a smaller meeting room and kitchen. There are regular activities that take place on some weekday evenings.

To find out more or book the hall please contact the Secretary to the Village Hall Management Committee **Rita Atkinson** on **01235 848694** or email [svillagehallbookings@gmail.com](mailto:svillagehallbookings@gmail.com) or telephone **Jackie** on **01235 847817** Hire Charges vary depending on the use of the hall. The maximum hire charge for the main hall is £16 per hour. Commercial bookings and regular hire are negotiated separately. Visits prior to hire are welcomed.

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## Planning Inquiry

In the last issue, the Council referred to the Public Inquiry in July into the appeal by Redrow Homes for 200 houses off Hobbyhorse Lane. Shortly before the Inquiry was due to start, Redrow withdrew the appeal, so the Inquiry as planned did not take place. The Parish Council had spent funds in securing the advice of consultants, so has lodged a claim with the Planning Inspectorate to recover the costs involved.



## Inconsiderate parking on pavements

The Council is receiving reports regarding inconsiderate parking on pavements. Such action makes it very difficult for pedestrians, those with wheelchairs and pushchairs, and the partially sighted to use the pavements, as the vehicles cause obstructions. The Parish Council is very sympathetic and supportive of the frustration and distress caused to residents, and would ask motorists to think carefully about where vehicles are parked in the village, and asks that courtesy and respect to other villagers is shown.

## Drayton Road – build out

Cllr. Richard Webber has agreed to allocate some of the County Councillor's community budget towards the costs of the Drayton Road build out. Cllr. Webber and the Parish Council have been speaking with the County Council to try and advance this long outstanding project. Confirmation has been received that the County Council is holding some funding for the project, and we are trying to find the balance locally, before the costs escalate excessively.

## Poppy Project 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2018

The Royal British Legion is marking the centenary of the First World War (2014 to 2018) with commemorations in the UK and elsewhere. The local Poppy Appeal organiser is aiming to turn the section of the village green by the war memorial, red with poppies to mark the centenary, and to raise funds for the Royal British Legion. The Parish Council is supporting the event, and would encourage residents to do the same particularly in the week leading up to Remembrance Sunday.

## Parish Council meetings

On occasions there are speakers at the Parish Council meetings, or presentations from developers about future planning applications. The Notice of business for Council meetings is always displayed on the noticeboard outside Burgrey stores. It is not always possible to immediately add news to the Council's website as it is hosted and managed externally. If anyone is interested in knowing exactly what the agenda items are, and whether there will be a guest speaker at a Council meeting, then please check the noticeboard a few days before the Council meetings, which are held on the first Tuesday of the month.

## The following planning applications have been considered :

**P18/V1349/FUL** Erection of 2 warehouses off Sutton Courtenay Lane. Council objected owing to the impact on local residents and traffic movements through the village.

**P18/V1164/HH** Dropped kerb at 5 Milton Road. Council had no objection

**P18/V1615/FUL** Erection of 3 new additional dwellings at Peewit Farm, 95 Drayton Road. Council objected owing to the traffic impact on Sutton bridge, and the coalescence of Sutton Courtenay and Drayton.

**P181714/FUL** Variation of condition 2 on previous permission to erect 3 dwellings at Peewit Farm, 95 Drayton Road, Council had no objection.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2018, at 7.15 p.m. in the village hall, Frilsham Street. Clerk: Mrs. L. Martin 90 Howard Cornish Road, Marcham Tel: 01865 391833 or [email:info@suttoncourtenay-pc.gov.uk](mailto:info@suttoncourtenay-pc.gov.uk).

## Parish Council Vacancy

Parish Council elections will take place in May 2019, when all 11 seats will be available for election. Currently there are 10 members of the Council, so there is space for one more person. Are you interested in local current affairs? Do you wish to serve your Community? Could you provide a voice for the residents?

Why not give, being a councillor, a try for a few months until the next elections, to learn what the Council does, and what its commitments are.

For further information please contact the Clerk to the Council, Linda Martin at

[info@suttoncourtenay-pc.gov.uk](mailto:info@suttoncourtenay-pc.gov.uk) or telephone 01865 391833

# MISSING

PLEASE CHECK GARAGES / SHEDS



Ruby is a tabby spayed female Domestic short-haired cat who went missing on 16 July 2018 at around 12:00hrs. She is microchipped.

**LAST SEEN:  
BRADSTOCKS WAY, SUTTON COURTENAY,  
ABINGDON OX14 4DB.**

**If you have any information:  
Call 07544974095**

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## LOST & FOUND

The following have been reported to the Editors of Sutton Courtenay News. If anyone has information or would like any further information about them please contact the Editors on

[editor@suttoncourtenaynews.co.uk](mailto:editor@suttoncourtenaynews.co.uk) or 07778 284193

**A Young Cat:** A pretty young black fluffy cat with green eyes has adopted residents on Milton Road. They are feeding it but cannot keep it. If anyone has any information that can help reunite the cat with her owners please get in touch.

**A Purse:** A purse was found outside The Old Vicarage on Saturday 14th July around 5pm. The purse has a distinctive design and contains some cash and keys.

## SUTTON COURTENAY NEWS YOUR VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Please keep sending us your contributions. It's your contributions that make your newsletter. Thank you also for the donations that have kindly been left at Burgrey Stores. We are very grateful. Don't forget we also have a website:

[suttoncourtenaynews.co.uk](http://suttoncourtenaynews.co.uk)

On the website you can view each edition in colour, find details of any last minute events that have been notified to us and more.

## THE ABINGDON DAMASCUS YOUTH PROJECT

The Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project  
Registered Charity 1098966



Youth & Community Acting Together

Weekly event:

Sutton Courtenay Drop-ins (@ the village hall:

Wednesdays

School Year 6, 7 & 8 – 5-6pm

School Year 9+ - 6-7pm

## SUTTON COURTENAY STAY & PLAY GROUP



### Sutton Courtenay Stay and Play Group

Parents, grandparents, carers - please join us with your babies and toddlers for fun and games and a cup of tea



**Wednesdays 12th, 19th, and 26th September**

**9.30 - 11.30 am**

**Village Hall, Frilsham Street, Sutton Courtenay**

**Cost now only £2 per family (includes kids' snacks and tea/coffee)**

First visit free - come give it a try!

For more information

Facebook @SCstayandplay

Tel Sally 848664 or Ann 847662

# SUTTON COURTENAY PRIMARY SCHOOL



## SATs Results!

We are very proud to share our Year 6 SATS results with you. 70% of our children reached the expected standard in reading and maths, and 74% in writing. 65% of our children achieved this in reading, writing AND maths, which is higher than the national average of 64%. We are incredibly proud of how hard they worked and the mature way they approached the challenge. It was a real team effort – all the staff were involved in some way, helping to make drinks and tea for after school lessons, giving up planning time to work with groups, and helping out with breakfasts during the week. The children worked hard with us, and now they are enjoying the results. Well done everyone!

At Sutton Courtenay however, we believe children's education is about so much 'more than a score'. A rich curriculum underpins their success. The school was alive with music, art and drama at the end of term as Year 5 and 6 performed 'Dream On', a specially adapted version of Shakespeare's Midsummer Night's Dream. The lines were based on Shakespearean language but the children delivered them with confidence and timing to create an impressively funny show. They had created their own scenery and many of the costumes in their art lessons – do have a look on the website to see! Year 3 and 4 performed a concert on their recorders for us, and you may have seen that our artists made it to the BBC news painting the builders' fence with a design showing their dream school. Next year we have lots of new initiatives planned too. But for now, it is time to celebrate a great year and we are all enjoying the summer break as I write.

## Joining Ridgeway Education Trust

You may remember that we recently had a consultation regarding our conversion to academy status to join Ridgeway Education Trust, which is the trust containing Didcot Girls' School, St Birinus School and the Didcot Sixth Form. The period of formal consultation regarding our move to join

Ridgeway Education Trust is now over, and the response has been overwhelmingly positive. There is now much work to do in the background on the legal aspects of this transition, but while this is happening the children are benefiting directly from the close partnership we are forming. Next year, there will be new initiatives in Mandarin Chinese, music, art, drama, history and PE, as well as continued support for English and Maths in our year 6 classes. It is an exciting time to be part of our school!

## Enjoying the weather

We really enjoyed the glorious weather in the run up to the end of term, and made the most of it. On the 5th July, Robins class went to try to find Pirate Pete at Mudeford beach. The beach cannot be reached by road, so they had to take the ferry across. They then went on to the sand and had a wonderful time eating their picnics, building sandcastles, finding shells and of course, paddling. They did not see Pirate Pete, but he must have been there earlier because they found lots of shiny golden coins buried in the sand! All that treasure hunting made them very hot and hungry, so everyone had an ice cream from the small café on the beach. The weather was just perfect as we were fortunate to have light cloud cover. It was a very memorable day for everyone.

We had a fantastic Sports Day. It was hot - we managed to keep the children in the shade nearly all the time but it was very hot in the sun for the spectators and many of the staff. The children were as always a credit to our school with their attitude, effort, drive and above all else excellent sportsmanship supporting their team mates.

## Progress with the building work

The builders are working hard all the way through the summer holidays and we are optimistic that we will start the new school year with Year 5 and 6 pupils in their brand new classrooms!

*Rachel Hornsey*, Headteacher

*Lisa Knight and Louise Tristram*, Assistant Headteachers

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and Sun 09.00 -12.00.



# ALL SAINTS' CHURCH



The  
**DAMASCUS**  
Parish  
Drayton | Appleford | Milton  
Sutton Courtenay | Steventon

## New beginnings!

She was standing, eyes brim full of excitement and anticipation. New shiny black shoes, bright white ankle socks, a pink lunch box clutched with both hands held in front of her ... a uniform a size too big ... my daughter was ready for her first day at Reception. Many of us at this time of year have children/grandchildren or know of children going into a new class, a new school/college or university. For some it is a time of excitement, as it was for my daughter. For some like my son, it is a time of nerves and apprehension of needing to be brave. It can be all these things for parents and carers too! In the Bible, especially in the first part, there are many festivals to celebrate and at this time of year around September/October, there is one for 'New Beginnings' – the Feast of Trumpets where Jewish people mark a spiritual new year. It is a time for them to remember the Kingship of God, to consider everyone's place in the world and their own part in the unfolding of God's universal plan, a time for a spiritual

awakening. There is much that we can take from this Jewish festival to help us with the new beginnings of the academic year.

It is good to remember in all the changes taking place, that God is still the same, He doesn't change. Especially that He is so close to each one of us that He knows our joys and anxieties. As we consider those we know going to school or further education, let's find ways of being able to support them in fulfilling their potential, to take their place in the community as the people God has in mind for them. Let's enjoy and celebrate their achievements and come alongside them in their disappointments. As we do this for those around us, let's not forget that God wants to do this for us too! We also need a fresh revelation of God's love for us and His world – and the part that we can play in the unfolding of His Kingdom in our families and communities.

At this time of new beginnings, may we all be aware of God's loving gaze and His presence alongside, ready to help us. As Jesus said, 'Remember, I am with you always.' Matthew 28:20

Meg Heywood, Associate Minister, *DAMASCUS Parish*

All Saints (now part of The DAMASCUS Parish) prays for all those who live and work in Sutton Courtenay, by each road on a weekly basis. As roads are of different lengths, some are prayed for twice (on consecutive weeks) and some for three weeks. There is a printed Rota in the Prayer Space of the Lady Chapel at All Saints' Church. In addition to the Rector's prayers as she travels round the village, the specific roads are prayed for by name at Sunday Services and at each Wednesday Morning Prayer, and of course we can all remember each specific area as we move round Sutton Courtenay!

In September 2018 we will pray for those who live and work as follows:–

Sunday 26 August to Saturday 1 September – Lady Place, Katchside, Hobbyhorse Lane

Sunday 2 September to Saturday 8 September – Lady Place, Katchside, Hobbyhorse Lane

Sunday 9 September to Saturday 15 September – Milton Road, Tullis Close

Sunday 16 September to Saturday 22 September – Milton Road, Tullis Close

Sunday 23 September to Saturday 29 September – Spring Field Way, Tyrrells Way

Sunday 30 September to Saturday 6 October – Spring Field Way, Tyrrells Way



## EDUCATION SUNDAY

A Special Service to Celebrate the Gift of Education and the Life of our Village School

**"Pearls of Life"**



**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30am**

Sutton Courtenay CofE Primary School

*Please note there will be no service in the church*

**All welcome!**

## COMMUNITY CAFÉ

NOW every 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month  
10.30am-12noon

Thursday 13th September &  
Thursday 27th September

Run by the church for the whole community



**All Saints' Church**

Why not drop by for coffee, delicious homemade cake & conversation and to browse the books on offer? Open to all – a good place to meet with friends. If you need transport to and from the church please 'phone Helen on 848297.

# CHURCH DIARY

## CHURCH DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER

- **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>** – 7.30pm Baptism Preparation in St Michael & All Angels, Steventon
- **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>** – 7.30pm Sutton Courtenay Local Church Committee Meeting
- **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>** – 7.30pm Abingdon Deanery Synod, St Michael's Abingdon
- **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>** – Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride - why not walk or ride your bike around the local churches to raise money for this worthwhile cause? (50% goes to OHCT and the other 50% comes to your local church).
- **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>** – 10.30 Education Sunday – service in the school - **PLEASE NOTE NO SERVICE IN CHURCH**
- **Monday 10<sup>th</sup>** – 7.30pm DAMASCUS PCC, St Blaise Milton
- **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>** – 10.30-12 noon Community Café – serving coffee, tea, cakes and books for the whole community in All Saints' Church

- **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>** – 11.30am Courtenay Society visiting All Saints Church
- **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>** – 10.30-12 noon Community Café – serving coffee, tea, cakes and books for the whole community in All Saints' Church

## CHURCH DIARY FOR OCTOBER

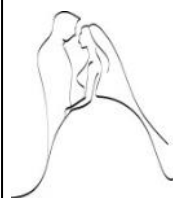
- **Monday 1<sup>st</sup>** - 7.30pm Baptism Preparation in Drayton Church Room, St Peter's Drayton
- **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>** – 10.30am Harvest Festival in All Saints' followed by a Community Harvest Lunch – all welcome – more details coming soon!
- **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>** – 2.30pm Sutton Courtenay Duck Race – provisional date (subject to water levels) – look out for publicity nearer the time!
- **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>** – 5pm - Film Night @ All Saints' – A Special showing of the film, "In Search of the Real Jesus" followed by a Q&A Session with the Director and refreshments. Adults £7.50 and children free!



We send our best wishes and congratulations to the following who were welcomed into the family of the church through baptism:

Hallie Louise REEVES (5th August 2018) service conducted by the Reverend Helen Kendrick

Sophia Rose BOURTON (12th August 2018) service conducted by the Reverend Karen Hyde



We send our best wishes and congratulations to the following who were married in All Saints' Church recently:

Peter James DANNATT & Sarah Natasha Penelope WARNE (2<sup>nd</sup> June 2018)



### Invitation to all

### "In Search of the real Jesus"

On Sunday 28th October at 5.00pm in All Saints Church, "In Search of the real Jesus" will be screened

Starring no less than seven Academy Award winners, the 1977 miniseries Jesus of Nazareth was a global television event - one of the most celebrated TV biographies of Jesus ever made. Now, 40 years later, the actor who portrayed the Son of God, Robert Powell, is returning to the Holy Land to seek out clues to the real historical figure who inspired Christianity.

In the final episode of the series, guided by the Gospels and the latest archaeological and historical research Robert Powell examines the story of Jesus' death and believed resurrection,

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet Executive Producer and local resident Jonathan Drake and watch the final episode of his series "In Search of the real Jesus".

Many of you will already know Jonathan - he will introduce the screening, and answer questions on the history and archaeology surrounding the production.

A contribution to church funds of £7.50 at the door includes a drink and nibbles.

## REST IN PEACE

**JAMES (JIM) MATHEWS** who died on 16th May 2018 in Australia was born at 2, Harwell Road on 20th January 1940 to Lawrence & Jackie Mathews. Jim was the oldest of the six Mathews children. He attended the old school in Sutton Courtenay and then went to Larkmead and then to the Cheney School in Oxford where he proved to be good at maths. He enjoyed school and throughout his life was always keen to learn new things – developing a curious and questioning mind from an early age. Jim joined the Merchant Navy at 16 and for two years travelled all over the world. This experience provided him with a wealth of stories throughout his life – most of which are not repeatable here! He then went into the family business with his parents and stayed there until December 1985 when he decided to emigrate to Melbourne, Australia where he became the Produce Manager for Safeway. Apparently he had been on holiday to Australia and liked it so much that that

**JOAN CALVER** who died on 19th June 2018 aged 79 was born on 7th April 1939 and grew up in Risinghurst with her parents Norman and Ena Collett. Joan attended school in Risinghurst and Forest Hill. When her parents moved to Radley Joan remained in Risinghurst with her grandparents to finish her education. She had several jobs – in Coxeters, Woolworths; the Pavlova Leather Factory in Abingdon and at the RAF packing depot at Milton. Later in life she went onto work the night-shift at a plastic factory in Radley and did various cleaning jobs at Cowley Concrete and Radley College. Eventually she went to work for a department store where she became the Invoice Control Manager. She was always a hard working, loyal and diligent employee. It was at a dance in Abingdon that she met her husband to be. For Alan, then in the Parachute Regiment and on basic training at RAF Abingdon, it was love at first sight. Alan's persistence paid off and they were married on Easter Monday 1958 in Radley Church. It was very much an attraction of opposites – Alan a sociable extravert and Joan a reflective introvert – but it obviously worked as they formed a long-lasting partnership of over 60 years. Their first home together was in a 16ft caravan on a

was where he decided to live, although he frequently returned to Sutton Courtenay and always regarded this as home. Jim had married Caroline in April 1962 and they had four children – Andrew, Richard, Jackie and Susie. Richard has fond memories of his father playing games with them in the back garden at Harwell Road and trying to keep up with Jim on Sunday evening strolls by the river, as he had such an enormous stride. All the children remember working alongside him in the greengrocer's shop and on the van. He supported both Swindon Town and Oxford United and loved to watch his grandson, Elliott, play cricket. But his major love was dog racing and he enjoyed a flutter! Perhaps it was inevitable, being part of the Mathews family, that he always loved to garden and enjoyed helping his brother Richard in the business every time he came home. He loved to chat – and would walk and talk his way around the village. He was always very social and, as

farm where they had their first daughter, Chris, at Christmas, followed not long after by Sue. They moved in with Joan's parents in Radley and then to Headington and Swinburne Road in Abingdon where they lived for four years. By that time Joan's parents were renting an old farmhouse owned by the Baker Brothers in Sutton Courtenay and Alan and Joan decided to buy 63 High Street. They rebuilt and restored the house – Joan even helping Alan build the roof - and she was constantly redesigning the garden to create a delightful series of outdoor rooms. She was a self-taught tailoress and dressmaker and would blindfold Sue and Chris to try on outfits so they would still have a surprise at Christmas! She was a good cook and has passed her Christmas pudding recipe to the next generation so all is well for this Christmas. For many years Alan was actively involved in the Freemasons which gave Joan the excuse to go to the Ladies Night where she could dance. Joan and Alan even managed a slow dance at home on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary despite Joan not being well. The family had four Labradors and two collies over the years plus a series of rabbits and guinea pigs, and school rats! Their first holiday with the children was at Butlins in Bognor

Andrew said to me, once met never forgotten! He liked nothing better than telling a story – often against himself. One of his favourites from childhood was when he and some accomplices were trying to throw a bicycle chain over the electricity wires and they managed to bring down the wires and disrupt the supply in the middle of a football match – much to the dismay of the neighbours. And, more recently, he loved recounting how he ended up with the wrong suitcase whilst travelling to visit his Mum and found himself in possession of a case full of ladies clothes instead of his own! Jim was very much a man who lived life his own way and could be very stubborn – not always easy for those closest to him. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends who attended the Memorial Service held in All Saints' Church on 6th July 2018. *This is an edited extract from the address given by The Reverend Helen Kendrick*

Regis and lasted one night as Sue developed measles as soon as they arrived. They had a VW Camper van which was always breaking down but they still had some memorable family holidays all over the country. Later on they were camping in the New Forest when the wild ponies trampled and destroyed Sue's tent! Joan managed the home, the children and Alan extremely efficiently. She supported Alan in his career as an Athletics Coach following him to Northern Ireland and Scotland. But she loved being at home with her garden. Even when ill she would instruct Alan about alterations she wanted in the garden. Joan spent 12 years looking after her Mum and lovingly looked after her until she died. This took its toll on her health which began to decline following an attack of shingles in 2000. She was very proud of all her family and loved being Nan to six grandchildren and a Great Nan to nine great grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by her family and her friends who gathered for her funeral on 12th July at South Oxfordshire Crematorium. *This is an edited extract from the address given at the service by the Reverend Helen Kendrick.*

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**DOUGLAS (DOUG) ADIE** who died on 7th June 2018 was born on 29th September 1941 in Shetland. His parents died young and Doug, and his sister Caroline, were brought up by their grandmother, Gaga, in Edinburgh. Doug would spend terms at school, paid for by his father's old regiment, The Gordon Highlanders and most holidays with Gaga and spend the summer in Shetland with his wider family. He'd often talk of Shetland as a time of halcyon days. He worked in the family tweed mill, helped on the sheep farm, crewed the fishing trawlers and spent leisure time sailing and walking. He became an excellent seaman and sailor but he also learned to love nature and animals, something that never left him. After school he trained to be an accountant in Edinburgh. While working there he met and married Jane. They moved to London where he joined Formica as an accountant and got to travel across Europe visiting the factories in Spain, France, Germany and Switzerland and at the same time fitting in ski trips and visits to friends. They decided they didn't want to bring their children up in London so Doug took a job working for a bus company in Birmingham. He initially thought buses were all about transport, logistics, diesel, metal, garages, route planning, but quickly realised that they were actually about people. They transported people, employed people, negotiated with trade unions, dealt with councils and

government and were a part of the community. For a man like Doug, it ignited within him a 50 year love affair with the bus industry. His career progressed and he moved to Alder Valley as general manager running buses in Berkshire, then become regional director for the National Bus Company, which was then privatised. He then started bus companies in Preston and Manchester. He then moved to London Buses and was M.D. of London Central which ran 2000 buses in South London, including a large fleet of Routemasters. London Buses was also then privatised (a theme of his professional life) and London Central was bought by GoAhead. Doug continued to work for the firm, and joined the main board as a director. But he soon returned to his real love, running bus companies in communities and he joined the Oxford Bus Company (owned by Go Ahead) as M.D. He wryly said that it was the first time in his life that he'd had a decent commute. He and Jane lived in Sutton Courtenay for 35 years and he'd drive every day to the job in London and commute weekly when he was working in Manchester and Preston. At 60 he took early retirement and he and Jane spent several years travelling round the world, and the UK, especially Northumberland and Suffolk. They were proud parents of Andrew and Alastair and of grandchildren Eve, Leo and Alex. Doug loved life, he loved his family and his friends, he loved being at

the heart of a party. He was a man with an extraordinary general knowledge and would always be interested in what people had to say to him. He also had huge natural charm and charisma and he was very funny. All qualities that helped him make many friends through his life. Despite his many accomplishments he was actually quite a simple man. He had enormous integrity, believing that his word should mean something and striving to always do as he promised. He was a man of quiet faith who cared deeply about All Saints' Church and did much to support it over the years – including serving as Treasurer of the Friends of All Saints'. Indeed, he helped in the local community in a variety of ways – and most notably in his support for the DAMASCUS Youth Project as Treasurer – generations of young people from this village owe a great deal to Doug. When he saw a need he responded to it – quietly and generously, without fuss. He devotedly cared for Jane as she became ill with Alzheimer's Disease and he remained cheerful and upbeat in the face of adversity and the ill-health that afflicted him towards the end of his life. He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends and work colleagues who attended the Memorial service held in All Saints' Church on 24th July 2018. *This is an edited extract from the tribute given by the family and the address given by The Reverend Helen Kendrick at that service.*

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### Long Wittenham School Favours Auction

28 September 2018 at 7pm

The Pool Room

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Little Wittenham

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Tickets available from the school office

Call in or email office. [3233@long-wittenham.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:3233@long-wittenham.oxon.sch.uk). (Tickets allocated on a first come first served basis.)

Also tell us if you can donate a favour

Auction starts

7.30pm



# COUNTY COUNCILLOR

## Privacy, Openness and Transparency

Last week, we met a friend, to whom we have not spoken for some time over the garden wall. We spent a happy twenty minutes catching up. Within the hour, we received a phone call from the same friend to tell us that she had just received a message from Google asking her to rate her visit to Orchard Barn (our home). The first reaction was to laugh, the second was to wonder how Google knew of our conversation. The third was to realize how much Google (and others) can find out about us via mobile phones, emails and social media. There was absolutely nothing in our conversation which would have interested anyone else, but it was a private conversation. It's a scary world.

Whilst I believe, passionately that Privacy is an important principle that we should do everything possible to protect, Privacy is too often a defining principle in Government – both national and local. On a recent visit to Nottinghamshire County Council to find out how they run themselves, we were told that they are now passionate about openness and transparency. Everything they say, think and do is put in the public realm. No more secret papers. All salaries, plans for the future and failings of the Council are published alongside their successes. The only papers kept from public view are those that concern commercial confidentiality (while bids for contracts are coming in) otherwise everything is open to public scrutiny). They claimed that this approach had already had three major benefits.

One : There was a noticeable increase in trust of their Council by Nottinghamshire residents.

Two : There were now no time-consuming and costly Freedom of Information requests.

Three : Their relations with the local Press had improved immeasurably.

To be fair to Oxfordshire, it is probably more open and transparent than many local authorities. Its new Corporate Plan will contain not only a list of the Council's success, but also a list of its failures and what it intends to do about them. This is all commendable. Not so transparent are the conversations around shared services and management with Cherwell District Council, or the discussions around the Growth Deal and the Oxford to Cambridge Expressway.

Until Government treats those who elected it as wholly deserving and capable of being involved in discussions and considerations of policy, they can hardly be surprised if they are not trusted.

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## ED VAIZEY MP



The Prince's Countryside Fund is now open for grant applications of up to £50,000, available to support community led projects that improve the quality of life in rural areas and that help to support farming families. The Fund is committed to supporting projects which will reinvigorate and sustain community networks by providing services and amenities. It is open for applications until June 14th. You can apply at [princescountrysidefund.org.uk/grants](http://princescountrysidefund.org.uk/grants).

RWE Generation, the operators of Didcot B power station, are looking for apprentices to work in the gas-fired power station. They are looking for enthusiastic science, maths or engineering students to take up positions as engineering apprentices, including working on non-destructive testing. You can find out more here [rweukjobs.com/entry-level-schemes/engineering](http://rweukjobs.com/entry-level-schemes/engineering).

Congratulations to Didcot Railway Centre, which has been given a Queen's Award for Voluntary Services. The award is equivalent to an MBE for voluntary groups and only 30 organisations have received it since it was created 15 years ago. Very well done!

Similar congratulations to Williams Advanced Engineering in Grove for a Queen's Award for Enterprise in Innovation. The award is for the Company's innovation in successfully transferring technology into commercial applications from

designing, developing and delivering the batteries for all the cars racing in the Formula E championship. Excellent work.

This month I attended a meeting of Didcot First, an organisation that promotes Didcot positively and ensures it is a good place to work and live. You can find out more about their work at [didcotfirst.org.uk](http://didcotfirst.org.uk). I also met with GARD, the Group Against Reservoir Development about the proposed new Upper Thames Reservoir and took part in a BBC Oxford discussion on Didcot.

In April I received 623 items of correspondence (emails and letters) from constituents. Subjects raised with me include local rail, infrastructure and Brexit.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any pressing issues that you would like help with. You can contact me on any matter at the House of Commons, SW1A 0AA, [dicksonc@parliament.uk](mailto:dicksonc@parliament.uk) or 01235 768 888. Email is the quickest and most reliable way to get in touch, as I keep a very close eye on my emails and can reply very quickly. Details of my activities in Parliament can be read on my website, <https://www.vaizey.com>. I also send out occasional general interest emails about developments in the Wantage and Didcot Constituency. You can sign up here: <http://bit.ly/EdVaizeyMP>.

# ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL UPDATE

## Volunteers required for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Last year's appeal in Sutton Courtenay and Appleford was our best, totalling £3,242.82. House to house collections play a vital role in the amounts raised and I need additional house to house poppy collectors to help with this year's appeal. The collection period this year runs from 25 October to Armistice Day, 11 November. Please contact me if you can spare a few hours of your time during the collection period to help with the forthcoming appeal.

## Sutton Courtenay Field of Remembrance update

To mark 100 years since the end of WWI, groups in the village are making poppies to create the Sutton Courtenay Field of Remembrance around the war memorial. For more information go to [facebook.com/scfieldofremembrance](https://www.facebook.com/scfieldofremembrance)

The response from the village groups has been amazing. The groups who are taking part are: Fine art mosaics, the Brownies, the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts, the Stay & Play toddler group, the SC Craft Group, the Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project, SC Primary School, The Shed and with poppies donated by Swindon Academy. All with great support from the Parish Council and the SC church. Each group are using their skills and we will have poppies made from mosaics, recycled plastic, ceramic, acrylic wool, felt and more. It is going to look beautiful and a wonderful representation of the varied craft skills of the village.

There will be a village poppy making event on Saturday 27 October in the village hall from 1-4pm in aid of the RBL and in partnership with the Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project. Come make a poppy to help turn the village green red or sponsor a poppy made by one of the groups. For details of the event please contact Georgia Broome RBL Poppy Appeal Organiser and Event Organiser or Roxy Elford, DAMASCUS Youth Worker (07875649008).

## Sutton Courtenay Field of Remembrance

# POPPY MAKING EVENT

Saturday 27 October 2018

Sutton Courtenay Village Hall, 1pm - 4pm

- Poppy making stations - all ages and skills welcome
- Activities for all ages - poppy face painting and quick on the draw poppy
- Poppy displays from the village groups
- An amazing poppy-themed raffle
- Refreshments for sale

Event in aid of the RBL and in partnership with the Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project



## WE NEED YOUR PLASTIC BOTTLE TOPS!

We need your plastic bottle tops: please can you collect any red or black bottle tops and drop them by the front door at 1a Frilsham Street (between 6th August and 6th October). They will be made into poppies. Thank you.

Georgia Broome, Poppy Appeal Organiser

[poppyappealsca@gmail.com](mailto:poppyappealsca@gmail.com) OR 07880 627726

## THE ABBEY, SUTTON COURTENAY

### Rest & Renewal Retreat : September Tuesday 11th 10am arrival to Thursday 13th 2pm departure

Our monthly Rest & Renewal Retreats run from Tuesday to Thursday, two nights full board, with delicious freshly prepared vegetarian food.

Contact Wendy: [admin@theabbey.uk.com](mailto:admin@theabbey.uk.com)

Call: 01235 847 401 or visit our website for more details:

[http://www.theabbey.uk.com/?page\\_id=217](http://www.theabbey.uk.com/?page_id=217)

### Monthly Meditation Sunday : September 2nd 5pm to 6.30pm.

First Sunday of the Month Monthly Meditation. Open to All Faiths & None. Connect with The Abbey Community through Silent Meditation & Prayer. Every month will be a new experience, a chance to meditate in a group, honouring the season or simply connecting in silence. This is a Free Event, however donations for refreshments are welcome.

Contact Wendy: [admin@theabbey.uk.com](mailto:admin@theabbey.uk.com)

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### Circle Dance at The Abbey Sutton Courtenay : Monday 10th September 7.30pm to 9.30pm.

Join us for an evening of gentle dancing to beautiful music from around the world.

Second Monday of the month.

Dancing in The Abbey's Great Hall and gardens.

New Dancers welcome, no experience or partner needed.

Suggested donation £4 to £8 per person.

No booking necessary.

### Sacred Songs around the Year - The Autumn Equinox Thursday 20th September 7.30pm to 9.30pm

An evening of singing together and feeding the soul led by Marguerite Wallis, Composer of sacred music and a Physiotherapist.

Cost of the evening including light refreshments £10

No need to book, pay on arrival.

# NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION GROUP 5 (NAG5) SAFETY CORNER

## Reporting non-urgent crime and incidents

- You can now report non-urgent crime and incidents using the Thames Valley Police website. This system allows the report to be logged immediately and you will be contacted by a police officer within 24 hours of the report.
- Visit the Thames Valley Police website at <https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/> then click on the 'Report' button, select the type of crime or incident and the site will guide you through the process.
- If you don't have online access you should call 101 for non-emergencies.
- Always call 999 for emergencies.

## Safe Places Scheme in Vale of the White Horse

- The Vale's Community Safety team is Working with Thames Valley Police, Oxfordshire County Council's Fire and Rescue Service, Oxfordshire Family Support Network and local communities to launch the nationally recognised 'Safe Places' scheme across the Vale and South Oxfordshire.
- The Safe Places Scheme aims to help vulnerable people feel confident and safe whilst out and about. If someone is feeling lost, anxious, confused, bullied, abused or harassed they can go to a Safe Place.
- Safe Places offer support to elderly people, people with dementia, those who may have a physical or learning disability, people with mental health needs and people who feel unwell.
- Safe Places are identified by a nationally recognised logo which will be visible on a sticker in the window of participating shops, cafes and community centres.
- Cards can be carried by the individual with contact numbers on for family members, adult social care and the police. You can pick



up a 'Safe Place' card from a Safe Place location or by emailing

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- If you have a Safe Places card, a member of staff can phone your nominated person, whether it be a carer or family member. Whether you have a Safe Places card or not, you can enter a participating location and ask for assistance. A trained member of staff will be able to help you.
- To find out where the Safe Places are in the Vale of White Horse please see the interactive map on the national Safe Places website at <https://www.safeplaces.org.uk/member-schemes/south-oxfordshire/>
- If you are interested in becoming a Safe Place please email [communitysafety@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:communitysafety@southandvale.gov.uk) Premises will receive a resource pack and free training on how to help vulnerable people.



## Health and Safety notice - dog fouling

We have learned that some people are not clearing up after their dogs and some are hanging full dog poo bags on branches of trees or shrubs. There are bins throughout the village. Please use them.

**To contact the police call either 101 (for non-emergencies) or 999 (for emergencies).**

Contact NAG5 by calling 01235 848694 or e-mail [neighbourhoodactiongroup5@hotmail.com](mailto:neighbourhoodactiongroup5@hotmail.com)

# SUTTON COURTENAY SPIRITUAL FELLOWSHIP

On Tuesday June 5th we welcomed Jackie Day from Wales. She was good and it was a great evening for all, and thanking you all for your kind attention.

Queries to Pat & Sam. 01235 847460

## DIARY

Tues. Sept 4th Spiritual Meeting with Sue Ellis

All meetings held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

# SUTTON COURTENAY CRAFT AND PRODUCE SHOW



This year the show will be on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> September. As well as the usual classes for children, we have added a class for 12 to 18 years old for a piece of original craft work of metal, ceramic or wood. Also we have included a class for all those who like to do quilting - for an item not to exceed one metre square. We would love to see any of our new residents to the village taking part. We would also like to encourage any grandparents caring for grandchildren in the summer holidays to look at our classes for children. The show is open to anyone and you do not need to have exhibited before. Entry forms are available to download at [suttoncourtenaynews.co.uk](http://suttoncourtenaynews.co.uk) or from Burgreys or contact Sally Furze 848924 or Val Dalby 848633.



The committee would welcome additional help with setting up the hall for the show as many of us are finding the tables seem to be getting heavier each year! Any offers to 01235 848633 please.



## DIDCOT & DISTRICT U3A



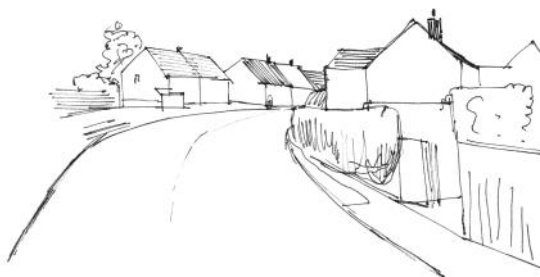
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Didcot & District U3A meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 2:00 pm at Didcot Civic Hall. Please arrive 15 minutes before the start time to ensure you are all seated before the start at 2:00 pm. Membership is £25 per year

Visitors are welcome to come to one monthly meeting as a taster before joining. For more information do not hesitate to contact our events organiser by

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## CHURCHMERE POOL CARP SYNDICATE

There is as I sit here, some long awaited rain, thank goodness. Not only have the gardens suffered but also the lake, the water level is well down, and the weed problem exaggerated, to add to that an explosion of blanket weed which comes to the top and makes things very difficult. Many waters have been closed, even some rivers through this heat wave, because of low oxygen and harmful algae. We have had one sad fatality, those of you who walk the lake may have noticed Naiades, a bright golden orange carp. I bought her four years ago when she weighed 8lb, she was 18lb when she died, spawn bound and the stress of the hot weather may well have been the cause.

Now for the positives, the register of members is now full. There are plenty of fish showing, with most anglers catching in the mid twenty's, Chinese and Crinkly Tail, our best known thirty's have been in evidence. Kingfishers and herons along with the other usual residents and visitors abound. The lilies have been plentiful, though we have lost quite a few shrubs and trees due to the weather, I have replacements ready for the Autumn.

Roger Rance



## S.C.I.D.S

### “Alice in Wifiland”

SCIDS is going for another world premiere, the story is in real pantomime style, old jokes, romance and adventure all set in the world of Alice’s computer! Our apologies to Lewis Carroll – falling down a rabbit hole was simple compared to this!

We need a cast – aged from 7 to 70+ (yes adults too!)

Performances will be Friday March 22<sup>nd</sup> & Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2019.

We need a great deal of help, backstage, on stage, wherever you can help you will be welcome, it is for fun and is a Sutton Courtenay special.

Watch the Newsletter for details but the diary date to note is

**Sunday 2nd December from 3.30 until 5.00pm**

**30, Chapel Lane OX14 4AN**

This is sign up and casting Sunday!

For any more details please email Morna on [morna28whitlock@gmail.com](mailto:morna28whitlock@gmail.com)

or telephone 01235 848335

## SUTTON COURTENAY HISTORY SOCIETY

**Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> September**

**Village Hall, 7.30pm**

### “LOST VILLAGES OF OXFORDSHIRE”

**Illustrated talk by Deborah Hayter**



There are over 120 “lost” villages in the county – but why? Are there any such villages in this area? Deborah Hayter’s research had led her to explore the life and death of deserted villages and the reason for their decline. Deborah Hayter has an MA in Local History and is a tutor at the Oxford University Department for continuing education and has taught many courses on rural and landscape history.

Everyone welcome: Members free, Visitors £3

In July members enjoyed a visit to Nuffield Place, home of Lord Nuffield, which followed a talk earlier about his influence, the Morris Motor works and their impact on the Oxford area.

The History Society is involved in a project by the Sylva Foundation in Long Wittenham. In 2016 the remains of a large Anglo-Saxon house or hall were excavated there by the Oxford University School of Archaeology. With the aid of a Heritage Lottery grant the aim is to reconstruct the building in authentic materials. It will be a valuable educational resource for schools and the public. Starting in Sutton Courtenay, a Kingdom of Wessex trail will be created to link the building with the important Anglo-Saxon sites at Sutton Courtenay and Dorchester.

For more information about the History Society see our website, [sclhs.org.uk](http://sclhs.org.uk)

Mary Thompson

## SENT TO THE EDITORS

The Editors have been notified of the publication of the following book which may be of interest.

***Our Boys 1914-1918: who were the fallen of one Oxfordshire valley?*** by Julie Ann Godson

It traces the very varied lives of the 48 Oxfordshire boys and men who fell in the First World War. There are two chapters on servicemen with Sutton Courtenay connections. Sergeant Harry Talbot, 58th Battery, 35th Brigade, Royal Field Artillery, who came from Sutton Courtenay, and Private Frederick Allen, 5th Oxfordshire & Buckinghamshire Light Infantry, whose mother Rosa Alder came from the village.

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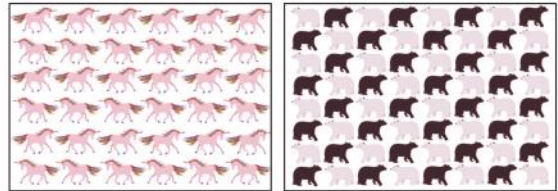
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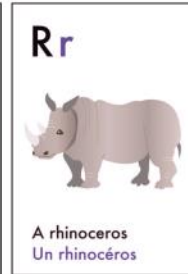
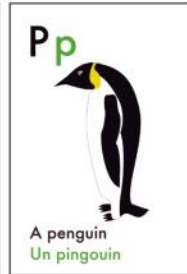


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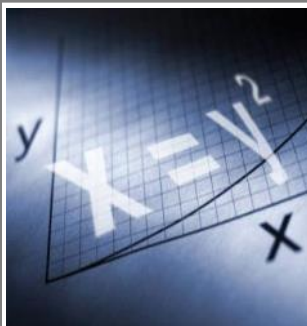
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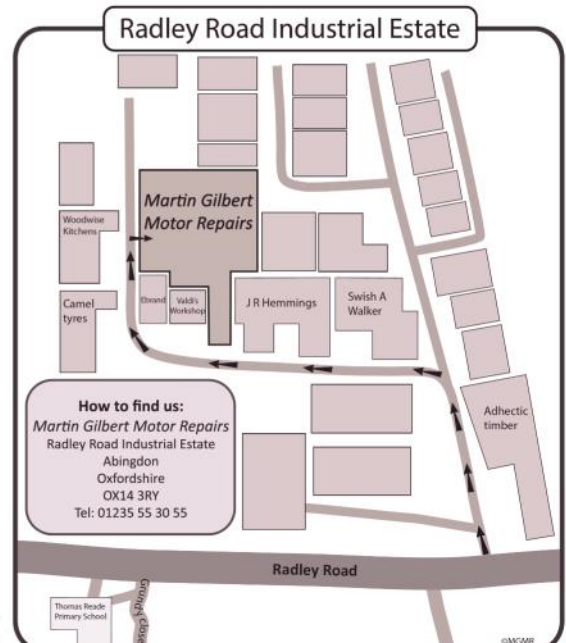
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