

# The Mouthpiece

## Culham's Newsletter

July/August 2015



### *For your diary*

<b>July</b>			
9th	Mobile Library <b>(note change of day to Thursday)</b>	Culham Science Centre Nursery & Pre-school <b>(note change of venue)</b>	3.30 to 3.50 pm
11th	Culham Parochial School Summer Fete	The School	1.00 to 4.00 pm
12th	Family Communion	St. Paul's Church	10.00 am
13th	Parish Council Meeting	The School	7.30 pm
23rd	Mobile Library	Culham Science Centre Nursery & Pre-school	3.30 to 3.50 pm
19th	Evening Prayer	St. Paul's Church	6.00 pm
<b>August</b>			
6th	Mobile Library	Culham Science Centre Nursery & Pre-school	3.30 to 3.50 pm
9th	Family Communion	St Paul's Church	10.00 am
15th	<b>DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER'S MOUTHPIECE</b>		
16th	Evening Prayer	St. Paul's Church	6.00 pm
20th	Mobile Library	Culham Science Centre Nursery & Pre-school	3.30 to 3.50 pm

## CHURCH SERVICES IN JULY & AUGUST

	DATE	TIME	PLACE	SERVICE
<b>SERVICES AT CULHAM</b>				
<b>July</b>	Sunday 12th	10 am	Culham	Family Service
	Sunday 19th	6 pm	Culham	Sung Evening Prayer
<b>August</b>	Sunday 9th	10 am	Culham	Family Service
	Sunday 16th	6 pm	Culham	Sung Evening Prayer

Join us for coffee and a chat after Sunday morning services at Culham Church! All welcome

Come along for informal prayers with Revd Anne Ilsley at Culham Church on Thursday mornings between 8.15 and 9.00 am

<b>SERVICES ELSEWHERE</b>				
<b>July</b>	Sunday 5th	8 am	Clifton Hampden	Holy Communion
		10 am	Long Wittenham	Family Service
	Sunday 12th	10 am	Clifton Hampden	Holy Communion
	Sunday 19th	10 am	Long Wittenham	Holy Communion
<b>August</b>	Sunday 26th	8.30 am	Little Wittenham	Holy Communion
		10 am	Clifton Hampden	Family Communion
		10 am	Long Wittenham	Holy Communion
	Sunday 2nd	8 am	Clifton Hampden	Holy Communion
		10 am	Long Wittenham	Family Service
	Sunday 9th	10 am	Clifton Hampden	Holy Communion
	Sunday 16th	10 am	Long Wittenham	Holy Communion
	Sunday 23rd	8.30 am	Little Wittenham	Holy Communion
		10 am	Clifton Hampden	Family Communion
		10 am	Long Wittenham	Holy Communion



## Talking Point given by Canon Sue Booy

I was lucky enough to attend a performance of the opera La Traviata just yesterday evening – it was a very special treat! It got me thinking about communication. If you don't know the plot here's a quick sketch! In Act One the heroine (Violetta) is taken aback by the protestations of love by a young admirer, Alfredo who challenges her to leave her life as a courtesan and through this, although initially reluctant she finds herself convinced that a better life is possible and they move and set up home in a quiet suburb of Paris away from her previous life.

In Act Two However Alfredo's father visits Violetta in secret and puts pressure on her to leave because his daughter has been rejected in marriage on account of the relationship her brother has with a prostitute. Violetta makes up her mind to break the relationship and leaves without telling Alfredo the reason though assuring him of her love. His father comforts him but also fails to communicate the real reason behind Violetta's flight and Alfredo draws the conclusion that she has returned to her former lover and protector – anger, retribution, muddle and sadness ensue in Act three and the couple are reunited mere moments before Violetta's death at the end of Act four.

All good dramatic stuff and beautifully sung and staged but there was still a bit of me that wanted to shout "But why don't you TELL him!" I might say that this is just make believe and yet that cry 'But why don't you TELL.....' Isn't an unusual one in so-called 'real life'. There are so many times when we don't say something important. This may be in order to protect some-one or to stop ourselves feeling bad, maybe we misjudge the importance of something or sometimes we simply forget to mention it and then the moment passes. Yet these missing links in our communication - however they might arise – can cause major misunderstandings.

Like Alfredo and Violetta when we are new in a relationship or want something badly we tend to work harder at our communication. Communication becomes poorer when we get so used to places, people and situations that we take them for granted and even poorer when we don't tell the whole story – whether our intention in that is good or bad! Funnily enough communication can also become poorer when we see more or less of one another than we are used – so holidays and reunions are times to have special attention paid!

Centuries ago St Augustine wrote that every person has a God-shaped gap in their lives – the only way to fill that gap is to communicate with God. That doesn't sound very easy but it couldn't be easier – make space to listen. Listening is at the heart of ALL good communication – in fact if Violetta and Alfredo had listened carefully I suspect we wouldn't feel like shouting 'Why don't you TELL him / her'

This holiday why not take some time off to listen to yourself, to one another and to God! Happy Listening!

## Village News

The Village Web site is at: [www.culhamvillage.org.uk](http://www.culhamvillage.org.uk)



### CULHAM PAROCHIAL SCHOOL



### SUMMER FETE

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July

1pm til 4pm



Stalls    Bouncy Castle    Raffle    Jumble Sale    Fun & Games    Tombola

Tea & Cakes

BBQ

### Culham Parochial School

At the end of term we will be saying goodbye to our current Head Teacher, Mr Matt Attree and we wish him all the best as he takes up his new post at Watlington School.

We will also be saying "goodbye" to our current Year 6 children, Toby, Liam, Joe, Izzy and George and wish them all the very best in their new secondary schools.

From September until Christmas we have been fortunate to secure the leadership team from Dunmore School, Mr Bob Pattenden and Mr Ricky Emms to cover the head teacher vacancy temporarily. The staff and pupils look forward to welcoming and working with them in the autumn. The Governors are furthering plans and continuing their efforts to secure permanent leadership from January 2016.

The children are all enjoying the summer term and are looking forward to their day trip to Bournemouth as well as practising hard for their Summer Performance – The Pirates of the Currybean! Much excitement was had when the Robins class (Foundation Stage and Year 1) were host to 8 hen's eggs which successfully hatched into chicks. We eagerly await the emergence of the butterflies next.....

### An act of kindness to strangers

John Storrs received the following letter via the village website, it is from a Mrs Vickie Amsler from St. Louis, Missouri, USA

"Dear Mr. Storrs,

My husband and I are from the U.S. and were on a lifetime trip to the UK a couple of weeks ago. We had a rental car and got terribly lost while trying to find our way to Burford, we found ourselves in Culham. We pulled into someone's driveway and the gentleman there and his wife were very kind to us and brought us a map and pointed us in the right direction. Unfortunately, we didn't get their name or address and would very much like to thank them for their kind help in a foreign land. I thought perhaps you could put something in your newsletter and if they saw it, they would know it was them..... it would make me happy to let them know their kindness was appreciated."

### Culham Parish Council (CPC) notes – June 2015

From the District Councillor, Jon Woodley-Shead.

The move of the SODC to offices within Milton Park has started and should be complete by the end of June. Grant schemes are available and should be pursued before the deadline of 31 July 2015. Grants for community development between £15,000 and £100,000 are available.

Jon has decided to use his councillor allowance for the direct benefit of the 7 parishes he represents.

## Other items

April Jones was nominated and seconded as Chair of the Culham Parish Council as from Monday 08 June 2015

Gordon Gibbs also joined the council on that date.

The proposed hole in the wall between the churchyard and the cemetery was discussed and is now very close to creation after agreement with the church.

The British legion flag, currently in the church, could be renewed at a cost of £525. Possible fund raising events to secure this money were discussed. The proposal is to place the flag within the church and make it available for use during events.

The state of footpaths around the village will be reported to OCC with a view to getting them both cleared and, in the case of the Burycroft, cut back closer to its original width.

The mower and chipper owned by the CPC is up **for sale**. Offers around £200 will be considered -please contact any Parish Councillor or the Clerk for details.

The trees on the Green are under review and a further report will be made to CPC at the July meeting.

The annual audit of the finances has been undertaken, is fully compliant and has been agreed by CPC.

## Next meeting

**Monday 13th July 2015** at 19:30 at the school.

As ever all villagers are welcome to attend - please come along even if you have no specific items to present/discuss.

## **September – early warning!**

### Harvest

There will be a Harvest Service at St Paul's Church on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 5pm to be followed by a Harvest Supper at 6pm.

### Ride & Stride

Ride a bike or a horse or just walk! The aim is to visit as many churches as possible between 10am and 6pm on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September and get people to sponsor you to do so! The money raised is split 50/50 between the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust (which St Paul's Culham has received grants from) and a church of your choosing (how about St Paul's?!).

Money can also be raised by sponsoring a church directly or those helpers who welcome the visitors, i.e. an amount per visitor.

Sponsorship forms are available from Andrew Churchill Stone, 18 High Street, 01235 533011



## Other News

### **From County Councillor, Lorraine Lindsay-Gale**

#### County Council and central government budgets

In 2010 Oxfordshire County Council received £120 million pa from central government. This sum has reduced to £62 million pa in the current year, further reducing to zero by 2022. Since 2010 the council has saved £204 million, with a further £88 million of savings to be made by 2018. A report to the Cabinet on 24<sup>th</sup> May stated that there could be another £50 - £60 million of saving to be found. This will be a challenge to the County Council, particularly with the increasing pressure on both adult and children's social care – currently around 50% of the budget is spent on just 2% of the population. The Government Budget on 8<sup>th</sup> July, along with the spending review later in the autumn, will provide more details about the impact of central government cuts on local government.

#### Supported transport programme including bus subsidies

A report to Cabinet started the consultation process, to be carried out by the independent Oxfordshire Rural Community Council, for the Supported Transport Programme including bus subsidies. A message must go out to communities concerning local buses: 'use them or lose them.'

#### Devolved powers

There is a government commitment to devolve powers and budgets down to a more local level. OCC welcomes this move and the Leader is working with Buckinghamshire and Northamptonshire County Councils to promote 'England's Economic Heartland', which has a similar size to the Greater Manchester area, to ensure that Oxfordshire does not miss out on infrastructure-funding opportunities. This is not about a Super Unitary or a Mayoral system but about areas working together to deliver economic growth. If more powers were to be devolved down to the County Council, it is likely that more powers could be devolved down to large Town Councils to enable decisions to be made locally.

#### Woodlands: owners and managers asked to take part in survey

Oxfordshire County Council and the Sylva Foundation are working together to identify what support woodland owners need to get the best out of their woodlands in the future.

An online survey has been launched to gather views and opinions that will be used to improve existing and develop new support services for woodland owners and managers within the County. Details here:

[www.sylva.org.uk/oxwoodsurvey](http://www.sylva.org.uk/oxwoodsurvey)

#### Work internships for young people with special educational needs

Oxfordshire County Council is launching supported internships for young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). It is an exciting venture between local colleges, Oxfordshire Employment Service and Mencap. The project aims to increase the number of education providers offering supported internships, resulting in more young people with complex SEND getting work placements leading to paid employment. It is funded by the Department for Education as part of the budget for colleges and aims at providing real life skills and foster independence in trainees. The pilot scheme, to be implemented in September 2015 involves four colleges: Henley, Banbury & Bicester, City of Oxford and Abingdon & Witney. These will provide the learning support, particularly with English and maths to 20 trainees. The launch events later this month will help strengthen the network, recruit trainees, and get the support from carers and employers. The unpaid internships will last for 12 months and will expose the interns to different roles within a large private company environment with the potential for a permanent job at the end of it or a progression route. These personalised internships differ from traineeships and apprenticeships with extra workplace and learning support. Details here:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/news/2015/jun/work-internships-young-people-special-educational-needs-and-disabilities>

#### Fostering awareness programme

Oxfordshire residents are being urged to 'have a conversation' about fostering and to consider whether they could change a child's life by becoming a foster carer. A series of public information events hosted by the council's recruitment team is being held as part of Foster Care Fortnight (June 1 to 14) for anyone interested in finding out more.

Foster carers provide a range of placements from emergency and short-term to long-term and specialist placements. The council would like to attract more local foster carers - particularly people willing to care for brothers and sisters, teenagers and children with special needs - to enable them to remain in-county and maintain links with their families.

The council offers excellent training, support and allowances to foster carers and would welcome enquiries from potential applicants who can call 0800 7835724.



**Mobile library - new timetables and routes from 6 July**  
(extract from OCG website)

In a recent review of our mobile library service we identified that we can better serve the needs of people who find it difficult to get to library buildings by joining up our mobile services and providing better stopping places with longer stops.

The new routes and timetables will be introduced on 6 July.

The consultation on our proposed changes ran from October to the end of December and you can read a copy of the consultation report on [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk) and following the path [Home](#) - [About your council](#) - [Have your say](#) - [Consultation](#) - [Closed Consultations](#) - [Mobile library service consultation](#).

The responses to the consultation allowed us to amend our proposals to take account of local knowledge, about use and viability of suggested stops.

No stop that was proposed to be retained and that is currently visited by customers has been withdrawn and the mobile library service model that will be introduced on 6 July will now include 229 stops rather than the 200 stops that were proposed in the consultation.

Mobile library users are encouraged to talk to their mobile library manager if the stop they currently use is to be withdrawn. The manager will explain the options available to them. No one will be without a library service. There will be an annual review of mobile library routes and stops in order to consider the impact of any



demographic or other locality changes and local communities will be able to submit requests for a stop in their locality.

It seems that our speaker in May has stirred some of our members to start researching their family trees. Many of us attended a group meeting in Drayton where Frances Benton gave a lively and entertaining talk about herds and mollys. She also runs pearl knotting courses at Denman College.

**Sutton Courtenay WI - Beryl Davies**  
(berldavies@btinternet.com)

Another inspiring speaker at Denman this month was Minette Batters who, despite her father sending her to catering college because of her family circumstances changed and she is now the first female Deputy President of the National Farmers Union. She spoke passionately about British beef and in support of the Red Tractor mark. There was an abundance of questions from the audience; we could have listened to her all day, but after a delicious beef bap for lunch we then had a tour of the beef unit at Cumber Farm, Marcham, learning more about animal welfare.

One of our members was fortunate to have been selected to attend the Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace this month, and we look forward to hearing about her day at our next meeting. Also we have a representative attending the AGM at The Royal Albert Hall, where I do believe the guest of honour is to be the Queen herself! She actually joined the WI in 1943.

On 21 July our speaker is Angela Panrucker. She is going to share with us her passion for the history and pageantry of the annual event held at Windsor Castle - the Order of the Garter.

Our Oxfordshire federation teams have organised trips to the National Memorial Arboretum and the City of Gloucester. We have an evening with John Craven and a Mendelssohn music taster day on the calendar too.

Whilst on a Royal note, I understand that the president of Anmer WI has recently written to the Duchess of Cambridge asking if she would like to join the WI. If you are new to the area, I confess that our President will not be writing to you to invite you individually to our meetings, but you can be sure that you will be made very

welcome. We meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in Sutton Courtenay Village Hall. (In August



we meet in one of our member's gardens for a BBQ.)

## What's On

Introduction to Scything Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July, 9.30am-4pm  
The Earth Trust – Programme for July & August  
Learn the traditional way to tackle long grass and tall weeds with Clive Leeke. Practical but not back-breaking!  
All specialist tools provided. £50 (discount for Friends); booking essential: [admin@earthtrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@earthtrust.org.uk) or 01865 407792.

Pond Dipping and Wild Art Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July, 10am-2pm  
Drop in to the Earth Trust and find out what's living in our pond, plus create your own creature to take home.  
£4 suggested donation per child, accompanying adult(s) free.

Summer Fruit Tree Pruning Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July, 10am-4pm  
Discover how to maximise your fruit crop with Andy Howard. Including both theory and hands on application in the Earth Trust orchard. £30; booking essential: [admin@earthtrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@earthtrust.org.uk) or 01865 407792.

Woodland Adventure Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> July, Wed 5<sup>th</sup> August & Wed 19<sup>th</sup> August, 10am-12pm  
An expedition for 5-8 year olds. Use your detective skills to discover our site, where we'll explore, build and play. £4 suggested donation per child, accompanying adult(s) free. No need to book.

Discover and Play Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July, Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August & Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August, 10am-12pm  
Forest School for pre-school children. Come and join us for a morning of play and discovery in our woodlands. Forest School offers hands on learning experiences in a natural environment. £4 suggested donation per child, accompanying adult(s) free. No need to book.

Clumps Club Monday 27<sup>th</sup>-Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July, 9am-5pm each day  
Wild adventures for children aged 8-12yrs. Join us for outdoor fun as we build dens, cook on fires and make new friends! A different exciting activity each day. £30 per child per day, book all five and get one day FREE!  
Booking essential: [admin@earthtrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@earthtrust.org.uk) or 01865 407792.

Heritage Skills Taster Session: Frame Basket Weaving Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August, 9.30am-4.30pm  
Learn to make your own frame basket from willow in just two hours. Three sessions available: 9.30am, 12pm and 2.30pm; FREE but booking is essential: [admin@earthtrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@earthtrust.org.uk) or 01865 407792.

Marvellous Moths at Paradise Wood Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August, 9pm-11pm  
Join Marc Botham, local moth enthusiast, and spend the evening catching, identifying and learning more about these fascinating night-time creatures in our woodland in Little Wittenham. £5 adult, £2 child; booking essential: [admin@earthtrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@earthtrust.org.uk) or 01865 407792.

Moths and Grasshoppers Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 10am-2pm  
Drop in for a morning with moths and/or an afternoon with grasshoppers, and discover more about these interesting insects. £4 suggested donation per child, accompanying adult(s) free.

Little Explorers Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August, 10am-11.30am  
Sensory buggy walk for babies and toddlers. We will use our senses to learn about the natural world around us – stopping to smell, touch, taste, listen and look! £4 suggested donation per child, accompanying adult(s) free. No need to book.

Bats of the Clumps Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August, 8pm-10pm  
Take a peek into the mysterious world of these amazing animals! Meet some bats and enjoy a short talk by Dave Endacott from Oxfordshire Bat Group, followed by a sunset walk to look for local bats in flight. £8 adult, £4 child; booking essential: [admin@earthtrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@earthtrust.org.uk) or 01865 407792.

Heritage Skills Taster Session: Pewterwork Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> August, 10am-2pm

Imagine making your own beautiful pewter ornaments over an open fire. Drop in to find out how and have a go yourself. More information: [volunteering@earthtrust.org.uk](mailto:volunteering@earthtrust.org.uk) or 01865 409413.

### Heritage Skills Taster Session: Prehistoric Painting

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2pm-4.30pm

Learn how to make paints using natural geological pigments, just like ancient cave painters, during this FREE taster session. Booking essential: [admin@earthtrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@earthtrust.org.uk) or 01865 407792.

### Introduction to Bike Mechanics

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2pm-5pm

Cycling is great for the environment and your well-being, and you're never too young or old to learn how to look after your bike. The team from Broken Spoke will teach essential maintenance like fixing a flat and sharpening your brakes. No previous experience necessary, just bring your own bike! £30; booking essential: [admin@earthtrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@earthtrust.org.uk) or 01865 407792.

### Family Bushcraft

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August, 10am-4pm

Bring the whole family and go wild in the great outdoors! Explore the woods, make shelters, learn how to make a fire and use a knife safely. £20 adult, £15 child; booking essential: [admin@earthtrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@earthtrust.org.uk) or 01865 407792.

## **Music at The Unicorn**

Thurs 17th Sept Lady Maisery

"Lady Maisery are women with ideas, purpose and urgency." Songlines Magazine



Fri 6th Nov The Askew Sisters

Fri 4th Dec Steve Tilston

Hazel and Emily are a force to be reckoned with!" Stirrings Magazine

"One of the great voices of English music, one of the great composers of English music." Bob Harris, BBC Radio 2

Music at the Unicorn (MATU) is a charity organisation who stage concerts in the beautiful Unicorn Theatre, part of the Abingdon Abbey Buildings in Abingdon-on-Thames. We will bring amazing professional musicians to an intimate and stunningly atmospheric venue.

All profits go into improving the facilities and into bringing an even greater variety of talented bands, singers and instrumentalists to Abingdon. Your support is greatly appreciated.

TO FIND OUT MORE: [www.musicattheunicorn.org.uk](http://www.musicattheunicorn.org.uk) or [info@musicattheunicorn.org.uk](mailto:info@musicattheunicorn.org.uk)

## **Abingdon Drama Club**

[www.abingdon-drama-club.com](http://www.abingdon-drama-club.com)

**proudly presents The Elephant Man** By Bernard Pomerance Directed by Terry Atkinson

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 7:30pm**

**Matinee - Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2.30pm at the Unicorn Theatre.**

Based on the real life story of Joseph Merrick (Duncan Blagrove) - called John in the script, The Elephant Man tells the story of the 19<sup>th</sup> century Merrick who became the star of the travelling freak show. When the respected Dr. Treves (Tony Green) takes Merrick under his wing, he is astonished by the man's brilliant intellect, unshakable faith and, most of all, his resounding desire for love and understanding. He introduces Merrick to the beautiful actress Mrs. Kendal (Rebecca Peberdy), who is deeply touched by this pure and genuine soul. As a complex friendship grows between the three, Treves and Kendal struggle to protect Merrick from a world of dubious intentions. So begins a story of love as unique as "The Elephant Man" himself.

The director, Terry Atkinson, demonstrates his understanding of the sensitive material with his deft touch.

"I've always been fascinated in man's inhumanity to man and how difference is often perceived as something to fear", says Terry. "Bernard Pomerance's play brings these, our, frailties to life in The Elephant Man. It has been a pleasure to work with such a great cast and crew".

**Tickets:** £10, £8 concessions (60+, students, ADC members)

**Group Bookings:** Groups of 10 and over - All tickets £8 (£8.25 when booked online - Just select the concession rate ticket and choose the number you require). Please get in touch if there are any problems with your booking.

**Tickets will be available from:** The Bookstore, The Abingdon Precinct (15 Bury St), Abingdon.

Email: [tickets@unicornboxoffice.org.uk](mailto:tickets@unicornboxoffice.org.uk)

Telephone: 0845 4636638

## Star Power comes to Abingdon Museum

In 1965, a new laboratory opened near Oxford to propel Britain's quest for a source of unlimited energy – nuclear fusion. Fifty years later, as the world comes together to build the first commercial-scale fusion machine, ITER, in France, Culham is still leading the way in fusion research.

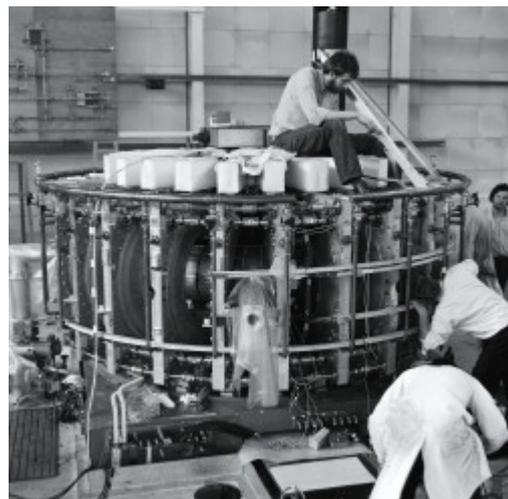
To celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the opening of the Culham site, Abingdon Museum is hosting an exhibition on the history of the lab. 'Star Power' runs from 13 June to 18 October and looks at how scientists and engineers have brought fusion, the power source of the universe, down to Earth.

The exhibition covers the whole story from Culham's days as a wartime airfield, the beginnings of British fusion research at nearby Harwell and the early days at Culham which saw over 30 experiments built in less than two decades. Then in 1983, JET – the European project responsible for so many breakthroughs in fusion – opened on the site. Lastly there's a look at what's happening at Culham today; how researchers are helping to ensure ITER's success, and how fusion could revolutionise the way we get our electricity in the future.

There's a mixture of exhibits: artefacts from Culham, multimedia items and even the odd LEGO model to illustrate the technology.

CCFE's Sarah Fell, who is co-ordinating the exhibition, said: "We're looking forward to telling the story of Culham in the beautiful setting of Abingdon Museum. Lots of local people will know the distinctive JET buildings but perhaps not everyone realises what goes on here. This is a chance for the community and visitors from further afield to find out about fusion and the world-leading science that's making 'star power' a reality."

More information is available at the [Abingdon Museum website](#).



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**If you would like to try editing an issue of the Mouthpiece, please let us know – it's not *that* difficult!**

## **Post Script**

If you have any suggestions about or contributions for photos the front cover, please get in touch. We felt that The Mouthpiece needed a little bit of updating (not too much though!). Another suggestion is to invite the school children to design a cover. It may be worth bearing in mind that we are constrained by black and white printing which is not high definition! We look forward to hearing from you.

The Mouthpiece Team