

The Mouthpiece

Culham's Newsletter

November 2019



For your diary:

Sun November 3rd: 11:00 - Parish Communion, St Paul's

Sun November 10th: 16:00 - Remembrance, St Paul's

Tuesday November 12th: 19:30 - Parish Council Meeting, Culham School

Sun September 17th: 16:00 - Parish Communion, St Paul's

Church service times



Culham

Sun November 3rd 11:00 Parish Communion
Sun November 10th 16:00 Remembrance
Sun November 17th 16:00 Parish Communion

Clifton Hampden and Burcot

Sun November 3rd 08:00 BCP Communion
Sun November 10th 10:30 Parish Communion
Sun November 24th 11:00 Messy Church (child-friendly, children's activities at 10:30)

Long Wittenham and Little Wittenham

Sun November 3rd Long W 09:30 Family Service, crafts and breakfast
Sun November 10th Long W 09:30 Parish Communion
Sun November 17th Little W 08:30 BCP Holy Communion
Sun November 24th Long W 09:30 Parish Communion

Events in the Abbey

Sun 10th 7.00pm Do not go gentle: Concert for Remembrance with the Chamber Choir of London

You are invited to join members of Radley College Chamber Choir and Chamber Choir of London directed by Dominic Peckham, perform with a youth choir of the best young singers from the Oxford area perform a reflective programme of choral music for Remembrance. Tickets available from:

<http://radleyevents.eventbrite.com>

Adult Christmas Craft workshops

Come and get in the mood for the festive season in the Abbey Guest House by crafting something new for your Christmas decorations!

Mon 18th Nov 10.00am to 1.00pm Book Angel

Tues 26th Nov 1.30-4.30pm Angel Garland

Sessions cost £15 each including all materials and refreshments. To book (by 11th Nov) please contact Margaret education@dorchester-abbey.org.uk or tel: 01865 343164.

Sat 23rd 7.30pm OSJ Music in the Abbey Mascagni Intermezzo Cavalleria Rusticana

Rachmaninov piano concerto no 2 soloist Maki Sekiya (see www.makisekiya.com);
Rosauro marimba concerto soloist Gregor Thomson; Verdi Prelude from Traviata and
Bizet Suite from Carmen Tickets from www.osj.org.uk

Sat 30th 7.30pm BCS Concert The first concert of our new season focuses on those three masters of the Baroque period, Bach, Handel and Vivaldi. Bach's setting of the Magnificat is a splendid ceremonial piece with grand choral gestures and brilliant orchestration, contrasted with a selection of solo arias and duets. Handel's Chandos Anthem O praise the Lord with one consent is similarly contrasted, one of the first works to display his inimitable choral style. Vivaldi is represented by two less well-known works, Beatus Vir for choir and soloists, and one of his many concertos for Strings. Tickets from www.bensonchoralsociety.org.uk

Talking Point by Revd Michael Lakey

I am writing this early October and by the time you read it we may or may not have begun Brexit. This has dominated our news coverage seemingly for ever. One of the sticking points seems to have been respecting the Good Friday agreement and preserving the fragile peace in Ireland. This seems particularly poignant now as we approach Remembrance Day.

In John 14 Jesus says "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. But what does this mean? True peace is more than the absence of fighting. What is the true peace that Jesus has promised us? "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you". The word Jesus used for peace would have been the ancient Hebrew word "Shalom".

"Shalom" carries with it a great deal of meaning. "Shalom" means completeness, it describes a condition of society in which there is total harmony. When you wish someone Shalom you wish him or her completeness, wholeness.

In the Bible the biblical idea of Shalom has been summed up in many of the glorious passages from the prophets. Among them, this passage from Isaiah is my favourite.

"And they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
And their spears into pruning hooks;
Nation shall not lift up sword against nation
Neither shall they learn war anymore"

If only nations could learn war no more. For Isaiah this time belongs in a glorious future not yet realised. It belongs to the time that Isaiah is prophesying when God's kingdom has been established. Jesus says this is my gift, not only in the future, but here now, in the breaking in of God's kingdom amongst us.

There is something elusive about peace; it is a bit like grasping a blob of jelly, something always evades our grasp. We desire it deeply and pray fervently for it but somehow our human frailty gets in the way of our best intentions. This should never stop us striving for the peace that is Jesus gift.

Part of the motivation for founding the EU was the fervent hope that conflicts would never be fought on European soil again. I hope and pray that, whether inside or outside EU, such peace will be preserved. During Remembrance tide we give thanks for those who offered their lives in hope of a more peaceful world. Alongside giving thanks for their sacrifice let us continue to pray and long for lasting true peace and commit ourselves to living alongside our neighbours in a spirit of Shalom.

Comings and Goings

In the Dorchester Team we have enjoyed beginning to get to know our new Team Vicar Rev Teresa and her husband Jon who have come to live in Berinsfield. At the end of October we said goodbye to Jon Roberts who has completed his training and is taking up a new post as Vicar of Southmead in Bristol. His licensing service there is on 23rd November – if you are interested do ring the office (01865340007).

Unfortunately, the first round of advertising for a House for Duty Team Vicar in the Bridge Group did not receive any applicants. There is a real dearth of clergy at present so we are trying again – do pray for the right person to come forward.

Village News

Village website: www.culhamvillage.org.uk

Culham Parish Council Update – October 2019

Wagon and Horses – In further discussions between Morrells and SODC, the District Council is not yet convinced that the proposed green belt 'special circumstances' put forward are special. Morrells will deal directly with Sharon Crawford of SODC to try and resolve this.

There is no update available on the local plan as the housing minister has directed SODC not to discuss the matter while he considers the options. (Please see the recent SCGB group email concerning the current position)

The 40mph limit has been installed on the Burycroft and on the A415 between Abingdon Bridge and the Culham lights where the speed limit is 30mph.

Culham School – CPC will chase up deed information about the use of school and how it relates to the CPC use of the building.

CPC will write to adjacent Parish Councils about installing high speed broadband via the GIGACLEAR company.

The new fence across the playing field is now in place.

Some items of play equipment have been removed from the playing field on safety grounds.

An amount of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) money has been made available to CPC (£3973) – It is essentially to be used on 'infrastructure' but its use yet to be decided.

CPC will ask OCC to investigate installing a speed recording strip or two in the village, probably on Tollgate Road and Thame lane. This will give some definitive information about speeding on those roads.

CPC has donated £150 to the children's club

Tree planting – The costs of planting several new trees will be to be investigated.

Next meeting

Tuesday 12th November 2019 at 19:30 at the school.

NB – CPC has changed the meeting day from the second Monday to the second Tuesday of each month

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

Carol Service – St Paul’s

St Paul's Carol Service will be on Sunday 15 December at 4.30pm. As last year we are hoping to organise a choir for children as well as an adult choir. We would rehearse with the adults immediately before the service and with children on two occasions beforehand.

If you are interested in being involved in either please contact Andrew or Anne Churchill Stone on 533011 or at churchillstone27@gmail.com.

Culham Festival 2020



The Culham Show committee has held its review meeting for the 2019 show. It was agreed that it was a successful show and was enjoyed by those who attended. The organisations who the show supports all made money on the day and there are enough funds to fund the show for 2020. A date towards the end of June is being considered. If the show is to be a success in 2020 more help is needed to organise different aspects of the show. If you are able to help with something, however large or small, please get in touch. We will start to plan in the new year. In particular, we need someone to take over as Treasurer to deal with the finances as Andrew Churchill Stone has had to step down due to other commitments. Please help us to make the 2020 show our best yet!! Kit Thomas, Tasha Isaacson, Jude Owen

District Councillor’s Report - Sam Casey-Rerhaye

The Local Plan

We live in interesting times! At the time of writing (16th Oct) the Council has been effectively gagged by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, Rt Hon Robert Jenrick MP, who wrote to the Leader (Sue Cooper) at the last minute to prevent any further discussions or decisions on the controversial draft Local Plan. This meant that we were unable to hear the views of the 35 members of the public who had registered to speak at the Full Council meeting on 10th October, and we were unable to hold any debate or to take any decisions on whether to withdraw the draft plan.

In a statement made on 11th October, Sue said, “This last-minute move from the government is an unacceptable intervention of national government into local democracy. The Secretary of State removed the democratic right of South Oxfordshire councillors and residents who turned out in great numbers to exercise those rights through listening, debating and voting in public on a matter of great importance to our district, and who have now been unfairly silenced.”

I believe we have acted reasonably and responsibly throughout the process of reviewing our options since the local elections back in May, and we are dismayed that the Government now seems to want to prevent us from making decisions about important planning issues in South Oxfordshire. It seems ironic that the Minister himself has publicly stated how important it is to respect the democratic wishes of the British people over the Brexit referendum, and the MHCLG’s own website states “The Ministry’s job is ... to give

more power to local people to shape what happens in their area.” By the time you read this, maybe things will have moved on, but at the moment we can only wait for more directions from Mr Jenrick.

One interesting result of this is that the draft Local Plan has lost ANY weight it had (and that was limited) when considering current planning applications, so all applications while the draft Plan is in this frozen state will rely entirely on the current adopted Local Plan (called the Core Strategy). This is the Plan that government and others have argued is not robust enough regarding the currency of its evidence base to fend off speculative development, despite it offering a healthy housing land supply. Let's hope the Minister's action doesn't bring these warnings to pass.

A number of residents have written to John Howell, MP, as this is his constituency, protesting against this, but he has made it clear that he supports the actions of the Minister. In one letter he said 'a group of new councillors, who have very little experience of planning and who seek to undermine totally the interests of the wider community, take actions that are not credible '. He said this despite the new councillors gaining our seats through a legitimate election!

Protecting the rights of EU Citizens

A motion we were able to pass (unanimously) at the Full Council meeting was to offer as much support as possible to EU citizens living and working in our area regarding their status. We are lucky to have two EU citizens as District Councillors, both of whom have successfully applied for Settled Status, but there are many thousands residing locally who may be unaware of the risks of not applying, or who may find the process daunting and distressing. Council voted to write to EU citizens directly where possible, and to publish more information on its website to help them during these uncertain times.

If any EU citizen in my ward has questions about this, I will try and give them guidance and point them in the right direction, so please get in touch with me.

A carbon-zero district?

The newly formed cross-party Climate Emergency Advisory Committee has set out an ambitious workplan to achieve a carbon-zero Council by 2025 and a carbon-zero District by 2030. While we all understand that this will be extremely challenging, we believe it is our duty to show leadership by setting such targets and doing all within our power to achieve them. It may seem that this is just 'virtue signalling', but setting these targets is actually a powerful tool that can be used as a 'golden thread' throughout Council policy and actions, with each and everything we now do checked against these targets.

The first thing we can do is ensure that the new Council offices in Crowmarsh will be constructed using sustainable materials and by installing renewable energy sources to reduce our annual operating costs dramatically. Importantly, we will also be saving a huge amount each year by not paying rent for the current offices in Milton Park and the utility bills there. We are now moving into the design phase for the new building, after the Full Council meeting gave a majority backing to properly finance a truly sustainable new building, 5 years after the old one burnt down.

Wallingford Neighbourhood Plan

The pre-submission consultation for the Wallingford Neighbourhood Plan is underway and concludes on Sunday 20 October. You can view Wallingford Town Council's draft plan here

<https://www.wallingfordtowncouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan>

Vacancies to work at elections

South and Vale District Councils organise and run all elections in the Districts and need people to work on a casual basis at election time. I have done this myself in the past and it gives a fascinating insight into how elections work. If you're interested, give me a ring/email.

Safe Places

Even more locations across South and Vale are now signed up as 'Safe Places', these are venues where

people can go and receive assistance if they are feeling confused, anxious, abused or harassed while out in the community.

The scheme is already available in Abingdon and all four market towns in South Oxfordshire. Now all of our leisure centres are registered as Safe Places, with trained staff available to help if someone requires assistance, as well as 16 shops, cafes and community venues in Faringdon, Wantage and Grove.

For any queries, information or if you need my help on District council matters, please contact me on Sam.casey-rerhaye@southoxon.gov.uk or on 01235 799489.

District Councillor's Report - Lorraine Lindsay-Gale

Councils commit to cutting traffic congestion and improving public transport into Oxford

Oxfordshire County Council and Oxford City Council announced bold plans to tackle congestion on all major routes into Oxford and improve public transport connections into and across some parts of the city, particularly the city's eastern arc.

The key points of the 'Connecting Oxford' proposal are:

- Restricting car traffic by introducing additional 'bus gates' (similar to the restriction on Oxford's High Street) across the city to improve journey times for people travelling into and around the city, and so road space can be reallocated to improve walking and cycling routes
- New high frequency fast bus routes connecting neighbouring towns and the Park & Rides to Oxford's eastern arc, which is seeing the greatest growth in employment but is currently less well served by public transport, particularly around the ring road
- New and improved cycle and walking routes, including utilising space created by removing vehicles from the road to provide safe and attractive alternatives to driving into and around the city
- A charge for workplace parking provided by larger employers in the eastern arc, which would help fund the proposed transport improvements and create a disincentive to drive to work. Discounts for the new bus services would be available for staff of employers paying the workplace parking levy
- Improved journey times for commuters driving into and around the city as a result of less congestion

The combination of traffic restrictions and the introduction of a workplace parking levy create positive incentives for commuters and residents to use other modes of transport, and for employers to reduce the incentive to provide free or subsidised parking for staff. Nottingham introduced a workplace parking levy in 2012 that continues to fund improvements to its local bus and tram network.

The two councils are now asking for comments and ideas from residents, commuters, businesses, transport operators and other organisations to feed into the detailed development of the proposals. The feedback will be used to develop a detailed project proposal, including a full business case that sets out the costs and benefits of the scheme.

People with hidden disabilities to benefit from Blue Badges

People with hidden disabilities, including autism and mental health conditions now have access to Blue Badges, removing the barriers they experience when they travel. This is a national change to the service being introduced by the Department for Transport as part of the governments Inclusive Transport Strategy. The County Council administer this service locally on behalf of the Department for Transport. Under the new guidance, Blue Badges will be extended to those with hidden disabilities, including:

- People who cannot travel without risk of serious harm to their health and safety or someone else's
- People who cannot travel without "very considerable psychological distress"
- People who have very considerable difficulty when walking, meaning "both the physical act and experience of walking"

To be eligible for a Blue badge an applicant must meet one of the two eligibility criteria set out in the legislation which governs the scheme.

- 'Eligible without further assessment' (Previously known as 'automatic')
- 'Eligible subject to further assessment' (previously known as 'discretionary').

Full details of the Blue Badge service in Oxfordshire, including eligibility and how to apply can be found [here](#). Contact: Mark Peet, Service Manager – Customer Service Centre, Mark.Peet@Oxfordshire.gov.uk

Roadwork permits will reduce delays for road users

New powers have been approved that will give Oxfordshire County Council more control over roadworks. From December the council will introduce a new system that means companies wanting to work on roads around Oxfordshire will have to apply and pay for a permit in order to work on the highway.

These will clearly set out how the work will be done, the duration, times of work and how traffic will be managed. When there are clashes between different sets of work the council will also require companies to collaborate more closely to minimise disruption. Companies that need to work on the roads will benefit from the fact that securing a permit means that they have effectively booked the road space that they need. The permit scheme operates to conditions that are the same across the UK, meaning it will be easier to work consistently across council borders.

While the council will have the power to refuse permission for planned work to take place if it believes the proposed timings or planned approach will cause unnecessary disruption, emergency unplanned work needed for things such as pipe bursts will be unaffected.

The council's highways team hope to achieve a reduction in roadwork duration - removing around 8,900 days of work from Oxfordshire's roads annually – around a 10% reduction.

Oxfordshire County Council works on action plan to go carbon neutral

Following last week's climate strikes, Oxfordshire County Council has confirmed its commitment to reducing its own 'carbon footprint' to zero by 2030.

The council started a long-term programme five years ago to cut carbon emissions but accepts that young people have challenged organisations such as the county council to move faster.

Since the county council motion in April 2019 acknowledging the climate emergency, the council has been working on a new action plan to accelerate the climate action programme to become carbon neutral by 2030.

The council has already delivered an average 6% per year reduction in carbon emissions since 2011 – double its target - but is determined to do more. Oxfordshire County Council is delivering a series of 'green' initiatives, including helping install more solar panels on schools.

Project LEO – local energy Oxfordshire – is another example of partnership working, with the county council joining a consortium led by Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks, together with the

universities and Oxford city council to develop a localised approach to sustainable energy generation and use.

As part of its 'big switch', the council is committed to replacing street lights with low energy lighting over the next four years. This will reduce Oxfordshire's greenhouse emissions from streetlighting by 70%. The investment will also include a communications system between streetlights, allowing dimming of groups of lights when they're not needed.

The council supports a 65-strong network of Community Action Groups (CAG) at the forefront of community-led climate change action. They organise events and projects on issues including waste, transport, food, energy, biodiversity and social justice.

Groups are working to establish community fridges to reduce food waste and share surplus. They run workshops, teaching residents how to repair items, keeping products in use for longer. Working with local businesses, they help them reduce their impact on the environment and set up refill stations for water and detergents to reduce waste from single use plastics.

Volunteer for Advertising Role Needed – The Mouthpiece

A volunteer is still needed to manage The Mouthpiece advertising. Access to email essential, any skills relating to publishing an added bonus! You would be contacting advertisers to invoice them (usually annually) and dealing with any enquiries relating to the advertising. It is not a heavy workload!

If you are interested, please contact generalmouthpiece@gmail.com or call/text Anne on 07826 360402.

Green Recycling Bins - The Railway Inn



Green Recycling bins are situated at the end of The Railway Inn Car Park. This is to raise funds for Children's Air Ambulance. There is also a green bin for media. All items should be bagged.



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Other News

Oxfam Christmas pop-up store at St Ethelwolds House in Abingdon

From 10 till 4 on Saturday November 30th, Oxfam Abingdon will be holding a one day only Pop-Up Christmas store at St Ethelwold House, 30 East St. Helen Street. Along with Christmas music, there will be vintage stalls, Fair Trade food, lots of new and nearly-new gifts, wreaths and stocking -fillers, wrapping paper and Christmas cards.

Come and take a picture in our twinkling festive Sleigh! St Ethelwolds will also be providing teas, coffee and cake throughout the day. As an extra Christmas treat, anyone bringing a flyer for the Pop Up Store (you can pick one up at Oxfam shop at 30-32 Stert Street) with their name and telephone number written on the back to St Ethelwold House between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. on November 30th, will be entered into a special Prize Draw.

WW2 Collections Day Event at Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum



On 2nd November 2019 Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum, the county's only dedicated military history museum, will be holding their *We'll Meet Again* event, celebrating the museum's WW2 collections and appealing to visitors to share their own military stories and objects with the museum. The event will run throughout the museum's opening time, 11am to 5pm.

The museum is preparing a reminiscence display and is looking for local people's stories from the outbreak of the Second World War to the 1980s, which will focus on key moments and memories of Oxfordshire life throughout the decades.

Items recently donated to the museum following appeals include an evacuee's coat, a wedding dress made from a WW2 parachute and an extensive range of diaries, photographs and drawings from a member of the county regiment who was held as a POW.

On the day visitors can come along and share their reminiscences, photographs and objects with SOFO Museum volunteers, some of which could feature in the reminiscence display in the future. The day will also feature a range of 1940s-themed activities, displays and experiences for all ages.

Families will get the chance to handle real WW2 objects from the museum's own collection and take part in a 'Make Do and Mend' activity while discovering what objects can tell about life on the Home Front, or even craft their own gas mask.

A pop-up Gin Bar and 'Iron Rations Café' will cater for adults while children enjoy the many workshops and activities available throughout the day. Local living history groups will provide small displays and interact with visitors, as they portray members of 1st Battalion, Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry and the Oxfordshire Home Guard.

Oxfordshire County Council Music Serve Youth Orchestra, will also play music of the era throughout the day.

Admission to the museum will be free for the duration of the event, but there will be a small fee (£2.00) for some of the workshops on the day. A full schedule can be found at www.sofo.org.uk/wellmeetagain

Music at The Unicorn



The next concert at the beautiful Unicorn Theatre in Abingdon is on Thursday 14th November and stars the swirling violin and intricate guitar of Ric Sanders & Vo Fletcher.

We all know Ric Sanders from Fairport Convention and Music At The Unicorn are delighted he is finally coming to play at the Unicorn Theatre. Ric is bringing the wonderfully talented guitarist and vocalist, Vo Fletcher.

Over the years Ric has worked with Rick Wakeman, Dave Cousins of Strawbs, Jethro Tull, Robert Plant, Roy Harper, Gary Brooker of Procol Harum, Pentangle, Gordon Giltrap, Andrew Cronshaw, June Tabor, Martin Simpson, Charlie Landsborough, All About Eve, The Mission, Fred Thelonious Baker, Catherine Howe and John Etheridge (guitarist with Soft Machine and Stéphane Grappelli) with whom he co-led the group 2nd Vision.

Vo is a composer, television presenter and jazz/ folk guitarist with years of experience writing and performing activity songs for young children. He has worked both in the studio and live with artists as diverse as Nigel Kennedy, John Etheridge, Andrew Cronshaw, Rik Mayall, Fred T. Baker and David Lowe. Vo is a member of the 'Ric Sanders Group'.



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Rural Crime Week

The team have been conducting targeted patrols in support of #TVPRural week (7th-13th October) with the hope to cause disruption to those intent on committing crime that is detrimental to the rural community.

We have focused on engagement with farmers and landowners to address their crime concerns, high visibility patrols in rural areas, visiting beauty spots known for vehicle breaks and churches that may be subject to metal theft. As a result of the team's effort and findings, the Didcot and Wallingford Neighbourhood Team were responsible for four arrests on suspicion of hare coursing, and the seizure of £500 cash, two vehicles and seven dogs. We are thankful for the resilience of the rural community and their support of our investigation and reporting their suspicions promptly.

We have had many questions on social media relating to what happens to the dogs that we seize in these circumstances. Some of the dogs are reunited with their owners through either proof of ownership or detection of a microchip. If owners cannot be identified, the majority of the dogs are then rehomed. In a case of an offence leading to a criminal trial, the court can also order forfeiture of the dog.

Offenders brought to justice

Last month the vigilance of Didcot and Wallingford PCSOs throughout their daily patrols identified a drug dealer. Uniformed and non-uniformed officers attended the area around Ladygrove, Didcot before the subject was arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply a Class A substance that was also recovered from the area.

Beggars

The team have been made aware of beggars in Wallingford and Didcot as well as other local towns. Before handing over any money please consider whether your spare change will be able to make a real change. We believe that offering shelter, emergency food, clothing and specialist support for substance abuse is a bigger help than giving money to those begging on the street and we work with a number of local organisations and the local council to help those in need on our streets. If you see someone begging

please report this to us online or by calling 101 so that we can visit them and refer them to our partner agencies for any support they may need.

What the neighbourhood team have been doing

Fear for welfare: On Friday 13th September our Didcot and Wallingford PCSOs attended what appeared a routine fear for welfare but ended up forcing entry to the property to find that unfortunately the occupant was deceased. The community support officers took control of the scene until Constables and Sergeants attended to confirm a crime had not taken place.

Closure orders: The role of the Police Community Support Officer, and policing overall, continues to focus resources based on Threat, Harm Opportunity and Risk. Our team are regularly visiting four properties protected by closure orders. These closure orders are put in place in response to significant crime and anti-social behaviour. They make it a criminal offence to enter a property if you are not listed on the closure order. This protects our vulnerable community from exploitation particularly from county lines drug gangs who travel to Didcot and Wallingford Neighbourhood Policing November 2019 Team Newsletter an area and take over a property to distribute drugs in the neighbourhood. If you think this may be happening in your community please contact us or Crimestoppers. Repeat domestic violence victims and areas of anti-social behaviour are also priorities for all of our team.

Staff updates from Sgt Maris

I would like to say a particular thank you to a number of officers moving on. PC Stu Betts moves to a career in the MOD Police. Stu has been supporting the Henley Neighbourhood team most recently as has PCSO Chris Wyatt who is legendary amongst the Didcot community. Chris will take a well-earned retirement continuing his voluntary work in the Didcot community. PCSO Clare Beale has been a significant part of the policing of Wallingford for over 12 years and moves on to a career outside of the police.

PCSOs Lewis Symm and Tyler Lewis have been successful in their applications to join as constables and we wish them well and I'm sure will appreciate the experience and contacts they have gained as community support officers in Didcot and Wallingford.

Police Recruitment

As we thank and wish well PC Betts, PCSOs Beale, Wyatt, Lewis and Symm it has never been a better time to consider a career in the police and make a difference in your community. Please visit www.tvpcareers.co.uk to see descriptions of the roles available, vacancies available and maybe even a familiar face or two in the promotional material!

Christmas Party at the Railway Inn – Pauline Davidson

I would like to invite senior citizens of Culham, aged 65+, to The Railway Inn on **Saturday 7th December 2019** for a Christmas Party, from **2 to 5.30pm**. This offer is limited to 30 people who must be Culham residents. It will include:

- Free 4 Course Turkey Meal and refreshments.
- Entertainment, Bingo and Raffle

If you want to come, please fill in and return the tear-off reply slip below. Please note that we need to know if you have any special requirements, such as :-

*do you need to be picked up?
will you be in a wheelchair?
are you on a special diet?*



To Pauline Davidson, The Railway Inn, Culham, OX14 3BT (tel. 528046)

I would like to come to the Senior Citizens' Christmas Party at The Railway Inn on **Saturday 7th December 2019**.

Name

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*Special needs – please **CROSS OUT** if **NOT** needed*



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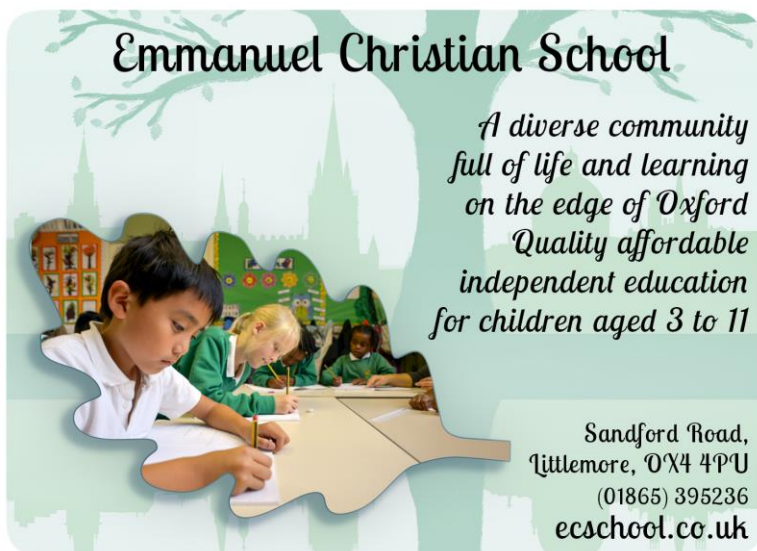
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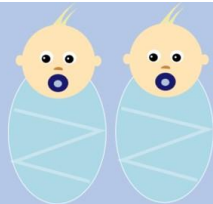
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