



Culworth Newsletter

February/March 2019

Diary dates

Regular events;

Coffee and Chat in the Village Hall 10 till 12 (every 2nd Tuesday of the month).

Culworth Gang Contact: Judith Robbins on 07799 846313 for more information.

Parish Council Meeting **second** Tuesday every other month

Village Hall Committee Meeting Tuesday 14th March

Circle Dancing (every 3rd Thursday). Contact Joan Gottowik on 760737 for more information.

Village Cafe 1st Saturday in the month.

Culworth Snappers

Tai Chi noon every Tuesday Village Hall

Culworth Book Club Thursday 4th April

Other Events

Tuesday 19th February 2-4 Grass Track Races and Riding

Saturday 2nd March Village Litter Pick

Tuesday 5th March Shrove Tuesday Quiz Village Hall

Friday 8th March Culworth Film Night – The First Man

Saturday March 9th Culworth School Auction of promises Thorpe Mandeville Manor

Thursday 21st March 12 till 2 Frugal Lunch Village Hall

New emergency numbers

105 power cuts

101 for Police

111 for NHS

Congratulations

To Alice and Fred Warren on the birth of Otis, brother for Arthur

To Rachel and Rupert Rowling on the birth of Lily, brother for Archie and granddaughter for Martin and Josie.

Culworth Film Night

First Man (12A)

A look at the life of the astronaut, Neil Armstrong, and the legendary space mission that led him to become the first man to walk on the Moon on July 20, 1969.

CULWORTH VILLAGE HALL FRIDAY 8TH MARCH

DOORS OPEN 7PM FISH & CHIPS SUPPER & FILM - £11

FILM ONLY - £5 TO BOOK CALL JUNE 01295 768184 OR JULIE 760855 OR EMAIL jules.tinn@gmail.com BRING YOUR OWN LIQUID REFRESHMENT & GLASS

Culworth Book Club

The next book club will be on Thursday 4th April. Book is Woman in the Window by A.J.Finn

Culworth Snappers

2019 Club Nights

26th February

28th March

23rd April **19.30 hrs in the Village Hall**

For further information contact

John Emmett 07867 918960

Litter pick

Saturday March 2nd 2019 10am starting at The Forge

For a number of years we have had a litter pick on the first Saturday in March. Last year there was a significant covering of snow making it impossible to see the litter. The litter pick was cancelled.

Hence this year there is two years accumulation to pick up and from my observations there is quite a lot.

If you would like to take part in this exercise to keep the village tidy, please come along. It is better to work in pairs so bring a friend or you may be given a partner.

It wouldn't be necessary to pick up litter if it hadn't been deposited in the first place. Some may have been thrown from vehicles.

There are a number of litter bins around the village emptied weekly by SNC. Dog poo bins located at the allotment gate to rear of school, along Concrete road off Banbury Lane, at gate into Recreation Field along concrete road, at entrance to Cricket Field off Banbury Lane, and at Junction of Sulgrave Road and Barley Hill. These too are emptied weekly, paid for by the Parish Council, costing approximately £960 per year.

SNC provide Hi-vis jackets, litter pick sticks, black bags and gloves which I will issue from the Forge. Do let me know if you can help and I look forward to a good team.

Children must be over 8 years old and accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Afterwards there is tea, coffee and delicious cakes at the Village Hall

Martin Rowling 01295760571

Lent Lunches

There will be 2 Frugal Lunches this year in the Village Hall. The first will be on Thursday 21st March and the second on Tuesday 2nd April, from 12 till 2. As with previous years there will be a choice of home-made soup, home-baked bread and a choice of puddings. Cost will be £5 each and all the money will be given to Banbury Food Bank.

Village Hall Quiz

The Shrove Tuesday Quiz there will be in the Village Hall on 5th March starting at 7.30pm. Bring your own Nibbles and drinks. Cost will be £3 per person. Teams of 4 to 6. Any profits will go to the Village Hall and St Mary's Church.

Village Directory

It is some years since the village directory was updated. Many people find this invaluable especially if they are newcomers to the village. If you wish to be included or be deleted, please let Sarah know. (We intend to reprint this in the next couple of months.) sarah.izzett@hotmail.co.uk

Dear Neighbour,

Now we are at the start of this new year, a number of us are anxious to make sure that everybody in Culworth has the village help he or she needs. We realise that January and February can be rather difficult months for those of us who live on our own, are elderly or have difficulty in getting out for any reason or whose family is not local.

It seems a good time to ask anyone who would like a friendly, neighbourly hand with things to let us know. Between us we would be more than willing to pop in for a chat or provide help with, for example, doctor and hospital appointments or a bit of shopping or babysitting. We are very keen to make sure nobody in Culworth feels isolated or alone or without someone to call on for a bit of support.

Please do let us know if you would like us to lend you a hand and we will see if we can help.

Obviously we cannot provide professional services but we may be able to help you to contact people who can and we are certainly very good at putting the kettle on and making a cup of tea.

We understand you may not be comfortable for someone to call on you whom you may not know and we would therefore make sure you are properly introduced to one or more of us able to help by someone you do know.

Please don't feel isolated or alone this winter. We would love to see you and offer a helping hand.

Just ring one of the people below and we will take it from there.

Alternatively, if you are in a position and have time to help others in the village, and would like to join us in providing help when it is needed, please do let us know. We would greatly appreciate that.

We wish you a very happy New Year.

Sarah and Mark Izzett **01295 760640**

Cath and James Jefferies **01295 768555**

Diana Langdale **01295 760222**

Juliet McKenzie **01295 768131**

June and Mick Oxley **01295 768184**

Jose Rowling **01295 760571**

If a resident needs transport they can contact Margaret Watts on 01295 768118 or Sarah Izzett 01295760640

Culworth Hill Field Trust Update February 2019

Thank you to villagers who took the time to examine our latest plans for the new recreational facility to replace the existing village hall and cricket pavilion and to attend the public meetings. This was your opportunity to have your say. Progress to date and the latest plans for the new recreational facility were presented at the public meetings by the Culworth Hill Field Trust (CHFT) trustees and the architect Jim Gosling. 27 villagers attended the Thursday public meeting and 18 (including Mrs Trott) attended the Saturday meeting. The latest plans were on display in Forge Coffee and the Church from January 16th until 2nd February. Boxes were provided for residents to leave their written comments. Comments were also received by e-mail. A total of 74 comments were received in all. Peter Keenan, Treasurer, Eydon Community Sports Field, acted as an independent invigilator, who supervised the collection of residents comments including e-mail comments. His report follows after this note. A full list of individual comments, with names removed, will be posted on the website and a hard copy will be available on request.

We are committed to delivering a new building that the village can be proud of and will be well used by Culworth Villagers, present and future. We are endeavouring to design a building that is in keeping with the character of the village, fit for purpose and low cost to operate. As stated in the public meetings the plans presented at the public meeting are still "work in progress" and the design process is ongoing. After consideration of all your comments and suggestions, and in consultation with our advisers, amendments will be made to the plans that are consistent with maximising our chances of getting planning permission and will minimise costs to build and operate the new building.

It is in everybody's interest to increase the number of car parking spaces and to keep the size of the building to a minimum. Discussions are ongoing with SNC Planning officers and representatives from Sport England to address these issues.

As explained at the public meetings, once planning permission has been obtained, the next stage is the technical and detailed design of the building. This is when most of your detailed design comments and suggestions will be considered and addressed. Neither the design nor the cost can be firmed up

until this process is complete and any appropriate changes that arise as conditions from certain funding sources are accommodated. We are also aware that build costs have increased due to inflation over the last two years and are likely to continue to do so. It is imperative that we get on with this so we can keep costs to a minimum. Our prime focus is to get planning permission in order to be able to take advantage of funding sources whilst they are available, particularly from SNC and HS2. We will then approach other funding sources, and to give you some idea of what is involved in this process, Westbury who raised £850k over two years ago made 55 applications to potential funders out of which 5 actually came up with the money.

Thank you once again for your comments and suggestions. This is a challenging project and we need your continued and enthusiastic support to deliver this exciting new facility for the village. We will keep you updated on progress via the Culworth Newsletter and the website.

John Duggan
Chair CHFT and Coordinator

Chair of Culworth Hill Field Trust (CHFT)

Sutton House
65 High Street
Eydon
NN11 3PP
03rd February 2019

To Whom it May Concern

I can confirm that on the above date I undertook an informal independent review of the process behind, and the response to, a consultation exercise for Culworth parish residents regarding their views on plans for a new combined village hall and cricket pavilion.

The objective of the exercise was principally to:

Review the activities that have been undertaken as part of the consultation process

Document the above

Witness the opening of three comments boxes

Review email comment facility

Collate comments and provide a high level, subjective summary of their content.

The consultation exercise comprised:

Distribution, on 3 January 2019, to every household within Culworth parish boundary, of an A5 note explaining the process and timescales for consultation.

The same note (A4 format) was posted to the village hall noticeboard.

Architect drawings of the field plan, village hall / pavilion building plan and village hall / pavilion elevation / artists impression were posted in Culworth church and Forge Coffee shop.

Two public meetings were held

Comment boxes were placed in Forge Coffee shop, Culworth Church and also at the public meetings.

An email account was setup (culworthhillfieldtrust@gmail.com) for capturing online comments.

Collation of a list of attendees at the public meetings.

The consultation period closed for comments on Saturday 2nd February 2019.

Comment box contents:

Box 1 – Forge Coffee Shop

3 sheets of printed commentary

39 handwritten comment slips

Of the 39 handwritten slips, 14 were very positive and enthusiastic of the proposed facility without discussing details issues. None were overtly negative towards the project.

The large majority of the remainder of the handwritten slips, plus the 3 printed comment sheets offered questions, suggestions or opinions generally covering the following issues / categories (in no particular order):

Emphasis on village hall or cricket pavilion (bias to the latter)

Inclusion of a play area

Parking

Possibility of badminton in hall

Heating / running costs / eco issues / ground source and solar

Changing rooms and toilet access

Hall capacity

Location of emergency exits

Toilet facilities

Window frontage and protection from cricket balls

Size of the building – too big for village needs

Cost of the building too great / Parish Council funding

Sustainability and ongoing running costs

Building design vs function

Signage

Air conditioning

Delivery access

Online booking

Wifi availability

Car charging point

Projector

Interior layout

Cycle storage

Bin / waste areas

Box 2 – Village Hall

This box was empty

Box 3 – Church

This box contained 24 comment slips, (including 3 that had originally been stuck to the outside of the box) and broadly covered the following issues:

Parking

Building size and cost

Toilets

Village hall vs cricket pavilion emphasis

Security

Solar / eco issues for heating and sustainability

Noise / light pollution

Email account

8 comments were submitted by email (including one to the parish council email address).

Issues raised were largely in line with those above, but more detailed and somewhat less supportive, costs and funding issues were noted several times.

Note - the review did not include documenting verbatim each comment submitted. All comment box slips have been retained and email account comments collated into a word document for inspection if required.

Observations

My subjective summary of the overall picture of comments provided would be:

About 20% of comments were universally and enthusiastically supportive of the project as a whole without offering any detail.

The vast majority of the remainder were of the form of queries, suggestions, ideas for improvement or "wish lists".

The two most frequently raised issues of concern were very clearly:

Parking – amount of, impact of overflow, access issues etc

Toilets – unisex, locations

There were a (statistically very small) number of strongly expressed comments suggesting that:

The facility is too large / not what the village needs / biased towards cricket rather than a village hall

Not what was promised or envisaged earlier in the project

Too expensive

Summary

So far as I was able to tell, the consultation process has been well publicised and managed with due propriety.

Peter Keenan

Treasurer, Eydon Community Sports Field

01327 261570

Village Café

Culworth Village Hall
1st Saturday of the month
10 till 12

Flower of the Month

Snowdrop

It was classified by Carl Linnaeus in 1753 as *Galanthus Nivalis*.

'Gala' from Greek means milk, 'anthos' means flower, and 'Nivalis' from Latin means snow.

They originate from Europe and Asia Minor.

There are about 20 different species, and over 2000 distinct cultivars. The leaves are usually 6"



long and have enforced tips which ensure successful growth through the snow. They usually flower between January and April.

They contain a natural anti freeze. Even if they collapse in freezing weather, they recover once the temperature rises.

Snowdrops are poisonous, but an extract, called Galantamine, is now used medically to treat Alzheimer's.

They are regarded as symbols of spring, hope and purity.

Some bulbs are so precious that they are kept locked up and guarded.

One bulb " *Gallanthus Plicatus*" /Golden Fleece was sold for £1,390.

Since 1995 international trade has been banned unless you have a special license,

People who are keen on snowdrops and/or collect them are known as 'Galanthophiles'. Their avid interest/addiction is known as 'Galanthomania'.

Nurseryman James Atkins (1804-1884) of Northamptonshire was one of the earliest galanthophiles, and gave his name to *Galanthus Atkinsii*.

Colesbourne Park in Gloucestershire boasts more than 250 varieties, and is known as " England's greatest snowdrop garden ".

Some galanthophiles equip themselves with a special walking stick with a mirror attached to the base. Thus they can look under the flowers without having to bend over or strain their backs!!

During WW2 the US Military Police were nicknamed 'snowdrops' by British civilians. This was because their olive green uniforms with white cap or helmet and white gloves made them resemble snowdrops.

Tricia Donati

CULWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 13th

November 2018 at 7pm in Culworth Village Hall

Councillors present: S. Rolt (Chair), C. Lamb, N.

Guinness,D. Mumford,M. Rowling, B. Leadbeater

and the Clerk Mrs J. M. Rowling

Apologies for absence Cllr Koster (unwell)

10 members of public present

Declarations of interest Cllr Rolt for funding

request Culworth Hill Field Trust

OPEN MEETING

Topics raised were;

Tree Plaque on Green- requested amendment
HS2 –

Public transport

Newsletter

Request from Culworth Hill Field trust

Cricket Field- new facility

Minutes of 11th September, 26th September, 9th

October were confirmed as correct by all
councillors present.

No matters arising not on agenda

Parish meeting 16th October. The Clerk reported
that the vote of no confidence in the chair was
unsuccessful, with 9 votes in support and 51
against, one abstention and two non voters.

Minutes of that meeting were signed at the
conclusion by Cllr Lamb dated and timed.

The Chair read out the final paragraph of the
Monitoring Officer's response to a complaint about
the chair, in which the Monitoring Officer stated he
had found no breach of the code of conduct by the
Chair, but recommended Councillors who hold
different positions for different organisations
should make it clear when writing and when
discussing issues in which capacity they are doing
so. This recommendation was noted and accepted
by the council.

Cricket Field-Cllr Rolt stated that the Parish Council
and Culworth Hill Field Trust had applied to SNC for
third preapplication.

Newsletter- Positive response from residents

NCC Grit Bins- those at Sulgrave Road and top of
Banbury Lane would be maintained by NCC. The
remainder will be taken over by Parish Council. Cllr
Mumford to list present state of bins. Clerk to
check with insurance company any liabilities.

Street Lighting

Western Power had reconnected Light 8 outside
church damaged by vandals. Cllr Mumford was
delegated authority to find a satisfactory solution
to a resident's concerns about street light intrusion
into their house, provided this resolution was at no
cost to the parish and any change continued to
provide satisfactory lighting in the area of the
school path.

Blackbird Hill Bridge NCC state that work will
commence on 19th November 2018 and last four
weeks. Gigaclear may close the road for further
two days to complete their work.

Defibrillator checked on 18 October. No problems.

Speed Monitoring and HS2 funding. Cllr Rolt to set
up meeting with Cllr Mumford and Leadbeater,
and to submit application to NCC highways for
financial assistance from HS2.

HS2 update. Cllr Rowling reported on meeting 6th
November. Drop in day/morning to be arranged
locally.

Local Government Reorganisation. – request for
name. SouthWest Northamptonshire to be
forwarded to SNC.

Remembrance Service 10am 11th November
Culworth Church. Cllr Lamb represented the Parish
Council and laid the wreath.

FINANCE

Internal controller report- None

Receipts

Second half of precept from SNC received £9200

Payments

Mumford Mowing Burial Ground 24/8,30/8 £44

G.Taylor Mowing Village Green 27/8 11/9 £140

HMRC 2nd instalment £249

Culworth Parish Church Hire 29/1,13/6,19/9 £18

Culworth Village hall Hire 7/11/2017-

26/7/2018=£89

3/10 Complete Weed Control Annual treatment

Burial Ground and Berry Hill Close £260, Recreation
and Cricket Fields £260

JGPMK Ltd Professional services for Cricket Field

£1200 +VAT £240=£1440

Aylesbury Mains Emergency call Street light 8

£87.30+£17.46=£104.76

9/10 EON Unmetered street lighting 1/7-30/9

£263.65+£13.18=£276.83

A.M. Mumford Mowing Sept £164 Burial Ground

+ Hedge cutting, Recreation Field £110=£274

G. Taylor last mowing Village Green and Barley Hill

9/10 and 19/10 £240

Texprep Newsletters £93.30, Photocopying £17.22

VAT £3.44=£113.96-£5.44 error from previous
account=£108.52

RBL wreath (section 137) £17 outstanding

Cartwright Landscapes last mow Berry Hill Close

including mound £316, Cricket field perimeter prior
to Fete £110 + VAT £85.20= £511.20

Mrs Rowling 11th edit Charles Arnold Baker £109.44

Current Account £16826.91

Deposit Account £19,051.95

BUDGET for 2019-2020 Draft for consideration-
attached. Request from Culworth Hill Field Trust
£10000 funding in 2019-2020 . All councillors
agreed to support request. Draft budget to be

included in newsletter. For confirmation at January meeting.

Planning

Local Plan part 2 .available on SNC website .Cllr Guinness stated that all requests to SNC had been agreed.

For Information only ;

S/2018/2487/TCA Fell one white willow, one ash, one sycamore, one plum East Wing Danvers House

Correspondence mostly emailed.

Clerks councils direct

Update NCALC – noting advice on budgeting

Public transport- letter from Andrea Leadsom MP, Letter from Chair of Sulgrave PC. Cllr Guinness will liaise with Sulgrave and spokesperson for Culworth.

Any other business for January meeting

Next Full council meeting January 8th 2019

Meeting closed 8.05pm

CULWORTH VILLAGE HALL

Minutes of Culworth Village Hall Committee Meeting

Tuesday 15th January 2019

Those Present: June Oxley (Secretary) Julie Tinn(Chair) Sarah Powell, Michelle Koster, Margaret Watts, Martin Rowling and Mark Izzett. Apologies: John Emmett.

Visitor: Josie Rowling.

The Minutes of the last meeting were signed as correct.

Matters Arising: The cleaning products have now been removed to a high cupboard, out of the reach of children and JT has confirmed that a PAT test on the electrical appliances is not obligatory.

Extra Agenda Item; Josie Rowling supplied copies of the proposed plans for the new hall which were viewed by the Committee prior to the public meetings. Thanks go to Jim Gosling for their preparation.

Conflict of Interest: As from now this should be included in the future Agendas. JT declared a conflict of interest.

New Treasurer: SP proposed and MK seconded that Mark Izzett should be elected as the new Treasurer. This was carried unanimously.

Chairmans Report: Welcome to MI who will notify the banks, utility companies etc. of the change of details. I have sent a letter to Jane Field thanking her for her support and hard work in her role as treasurer. The last film Children's Act made a profit of £175 and King of Thieves is being shown on 25th January. 8th March has been booked for the next showing but no film has yet been chosen. I contacted BWB (Charity Lawyers) , they have applied a Charity Discount to our account so their bill has now been paid. **BWB** Should we get another quote for legal advice? I contacted Shoosmiths who put me in touch with a Charity Lawyer in Manchester who would have to start the procedure again from the beginning. As we have spent time with BWB, met with them and recommended by Acre it was decided to stay with them.

Agents to market VH site and how to market I hope you have had time to peruse the figures John gave us. He would like all members to decide and it



HS2

Culworth Parish Council

Invites residents to a 'drop in' session
On

TUESDAY 26th February 2019

Forge Coffee

16.00 hrs to 20.30hrs

HS2 is coming- how will Culworth be affected?

What would you like to know about HS2?

* How is the project improving the environment? Is it destroying it?

* Are HS2 concerned about the residents of Culworth?

* Where will the route be?

* Will I be able to get to Banbury? All those signs saying HS2 works... are they staying until railway finished? Its mud everywhere.

* What about the security of our property with all those construction people about? Where are they living? Where is the plant being kept?

* Anything you wish to ask

Jose has a village network list of emails. She sends any news or information out to all people on that list, including missing dogs, break-ins, 'What's On' etc. etc. in fact anything to do with village life.

If you would like to be included, please email her...

Josephine.rowling@gmail.com

is proposed that we hold a special meeting early in February to decide. I asked Jim Gosling, the architect for the new building, how much he would charge to draw up plans. He said he thought we should have pre-app or full plans as then we would be in control. Nick Rudge from Savills has Emailed his interest in representing the Trust in marketing the site. **Update on CHFT project.** Following a pre-app meeting and input from Sport England the plans for the new building will be displayed in the Church and Forge Coffee from 16th January. Public meetings on 24th January and 26th January have been arranged for villagers to comment and ask questions. CHFT has agreed to pay for the Letter of Intent.

Treasurers Report: Monies in hand are £22,222.30, £1,365.30 in the Current A/c, £20,795.28 in Savings A/C (including £5k from Brian's estate) and £61.72 in petty cash.

Buildings and Renewals: Thanks to SP for preparing the notices asking hirers to make sure all lights and heaters are switched off after use. One of the strip lights is not working (MR will investigate). The urn has also been reported as not working, (JO)

JO will ask for the new hiring rates to be changed on the website and change the names of the officers on the form.

The special meeting to discuss the marketing of the site was fixed for Thursday 7th Feb at 7pm.

Would you please all confirm.

The next meeting was arranged for Thursday 14th March at 7pm.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.15pm.

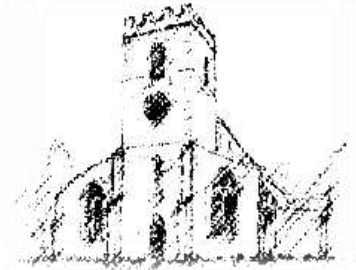
The village hall is now used 5 times a week by Julie Russell and her Pilates class. For more information phone Julie on 07778 673677 or email j.russell2006@btinternet.com

Village Hall

If you are looking for a local venue for your party, celebration lunch, meetings or any other get-together, why not think about our Village Hall? The hall is well equipped with all crockery, plates, glasses, etc. and is kept very clean and warm. Our rates are very competitive at only £15 per hour for occasional bookings

To book just ring me (June) on 01295-768184.
juneoxley99@gmail.com.

News from St Mary's



Services for February and March 2019

February

Sunday 3rd 10am Benefice Holy Communion
Sulgrave

6pm Evensong

Wednesday 6th 10am Midweek Holy
Communion Moreton Pinkney

Sunday 10th 11.00am Family Service

Sunday 17th 10.00am Matins

Sunday 24th 9.30 Holy Communion

March

Sunday 3rd 10.00am Benefice Holy
Communion Moreton Pinkney

6pm Evensong

Wednesday 6th Ash Wednesday 6pm Holy
Communion and imposition of Ashes Chipping
Warden

Sunday 10th 11.00am Family Service

Sunday 17th 10.00am Matins

Wednesday 20th 10am Mid week Holy
Communion Culworth

Sunday 24th 9.30 Holy Communion

Sunday 31st Mothering Sunday 10am

Benefice Holy Communion Chipping Warden

Christmas 2018

Carol Service Culworth Church 23rd December.

Jenny Howse, churchwarden, had arranged a delightful Carol Service with traditional bible readings read by a number of children and adults interspersed with Carols. Hospitality afterwards by

courtesy of Nancy Guinness started the Festive Season.

Christmas Eve Carols on the Green ably arranged by Simon Theobald with Justin Thurgur (trombone), Ian Sanderson (Violin) John Macree (guitar) Jacob Stone (saxophone) and Mavis Lamb (recorder) leading the Carols joyfully. Mulled wine, provided by the Fernandez- Armesto and Martins, was served with Mumford's sausages to a large number of people. Thank you to all of those for giving up their time

Christmas Day Holy Communion 11am saw the church well filled. The tradition of Memorial candles, started by the late Mrs Rosemary Courtney has continued. Over the years, funds raised from these have purchased new door mats alter linen and a generous donation to the clock fund. Candles were lit as people requested and those names read out by Gerald Cadogan at the start of the service which was led by Paul Franklin from Middleton Cheney.

Church Roof Update

You may wonder why nothing appears to have been done to replace the lead stolen from the south aisle last September. Because we have to abide by so many rules we first had to apply to the Diocesan Advisory Committee for a change of roofing. We had hoped they would allow concrete tiles which already cover the Nave roof. This would have been the cheapest option. However they consider this unsatisfactory and suggest we now consider terne-coated stainless steel which is the only other alternative if we do not wish to replace the roof with lead again. We now have to apply for a faculty from the diocese before we can apply for planning permission from South Northants County Council to replace the roof with this material. Nothing can be done quickly. At the moment we have not been able to apply for any quotes since we are not sure what we are allowed to put on the roof. It is frustrating and time consuming. Hopefully when we do have some figures available we will be able to call on the generosity of the village so that the roof can be repaired. The insurance cover for stolen lead from church roofs, does not cover the cost of replacement. In the meantime we are very grateful to Tim Scott who has made the roof watertight with tarpaulin

and is keeping an eye on it to make sure we don't have any more weather related damage done.

Jenny and Martin

Help needed to mow the churchyard!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to mow the grass last year. The rota has worked really well for the past 3 years and all slots were filled.

Dates for the new rota are now in the church.

Please help us by volunteering to take on one of the sessions. Mower and petrol provided.

Thanks

Jenny

Now We Are Six

This goes out to all 6 villages in the Benefice and so is read by a lot of people. If you would like to advertise your business in this, our rates are very competitive and start at only £60 for a whole year.

For more information, please ring June Oxley on 01295 768184 or Email

juneoxley99@gmail.com.

SOUTH NORTHANTS **NEWS**

You can do it online;

Report highway problems online or use your mobile Problems such as potholes, overgrown verges and cracked pavements can all be reported online in just 5 easy steps and you will receive regular updates.

www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor

From the 14th January

SLOW DOWN HIGH SPEED TRAINS?

Have I really just read that the chief executive of the HS2 project said that they can slow trains down (and also reduce the number of them) to reduce costs? And the HS stands for what? This is proof of the absolute farce that is HS2. (Mike Farmer

Stourbridge)

Joan Gottowik

Go-Ride fun Grass Track Races and Riding



Tuesday 19th February 2019, 2-4pm

Cricket field, Queen Street, Culworth

Everyone that wishes will have the opportunity to do fun activities to improve the skills of existing riders and develop new riders.

Track Races will run and these are individual and team events throughout the afternoon

Balance bike co-ordination skills will be offered to new young riders

Helmets must be worn, and the coach will have spare to borrow and a limited number of bikes for use if you are unable to bring your own.

Coach:- Catherine Ruffley (07940 738285)

Cost- Donation of £3 towards the New Pavilion to be built on the Field

Free Children's Tennis again this Spring!

Byfield Tennis Club will be offering a **FREE** 5 week course for children in *Reception, Year 1 & Year 2* who have not previously attended any regular weekly courses at the club.

Dates: Fridays 26/4 to 24/5 - 4.00 pm to 4.45 pm

To book a place(s) please email child's name, DOB, mobile contact number and child's school to:

pwhcowley@hotmail.com

Rusty Racquets coaching for adults

Starting tennis or needing to brush up your skills? Then join in 5 sessions with our coaches

Dates: Fridays 26/4 to 24/5 - 8.30 pm to 9.30 pm

Cost: £35 for the five weeks. Contact:

pwhcowley@hotmail.com

All the above courses will be run by LTA Qualified and Licensed coaches.

Already a player or want details about membership and our activities?

Then contact Sue Waterhouse, BTC secretary via suzette.waterhouse@gmail.com

Sulgrave Manor

Thinking of volunteering?

Our regular and flexible opportunities with the house, garden and learning teams are a great way to;

become part of a dedicated and friendly team, learn about this unique house and garden, and it's stories,

use your skills and gain new experiences, have the opportunity to make a real difference.

Contact us on

enquiries@sulgravemanor.org.uk or 01295 760205 to find out more!

Volunteer Car services

There are several organisations which can provide transport for those people, particularly the elderly and disadvantaged, who find it difficult to get to essential medical or social care appointments, as they do not have ready access to public or private transport.

All the drivers are volunteers and give their time without charge. Passengers pay a mileage charge to help cover the driver's fuel cost

Brackley Area Volunteer Car Service

BAVCS provides a service based in Brackley at the SNVB (South Northants Volunteer Bureau) 01280 841099

TADD (Towcester Area Door to Door) runs a similar service 01327 701665 or 701666

Volunteer Connect, based at Citizens Advice in Banbury provides a service for people in or very close to Banbury. Call 0300 3030 125 to book a journey or find out more.

Towcester Door to Door

Volunteer Drivers Urgently Needed

Can you or anyone you know spare a few hours a week to help people in YOUR community?

Due to an unprecedented lack of volunteers, TADD (Towcester Area Door to Door) is unable to meet demand from people in Towcester and surrounding villages for journeys to health and well-being appointments. The service is invaluable

in helping the elderly, disabled and others in need to remain independent in their own homes as well as combating loneliness and isolation. We have a long waiting list for membership and desperately need to recruit more drivers.

Drivers use their own cars, insurance is not affected and mileage is reimbursed. Please help us continue to provide this essential service in YOUR community.

<https://www.towcesterareadoor2door.com/>
volunteer@towcesterareadoor2door.co.uk

Shrove Tuesday Quiz 5thth March 2015

Culworth Village Hall

Starts 7.30

Bring your own Nibbles and drinks.

Cost will be £3 per person.

Teams of 4 to 6.

Any profits will go to the Village Hall and St Mary's Church.

Any info ring Jenny 01295 768110

Culworth Film Night

First Man (CER 12A)

A look at the life of the astronaut, Neil Armstrong, and the legendary space mission that led him to become the first man to walk on the Moon on July 20, 1969.

**CULWORTH VILLAGE HALL FRIDAY 8TH
MARCH**

DOORS OPEN 7PM FISH & CHIPS SUPPER &
FILM - £11

FILM ONLY - £5 TO BOOK CALL JUNE 01295
768184 OR JULIE 760855 OR EMAIL
jules.tinn@gmail.com BRING YOUR OWN
LIQUID REFRESHMENT & GLASS

Lent Lunches

Thursday 21st March and Tuesday
2nd April, from 12 till 2 in the Village Hall

Choice of home-made soup, home-
baked bread and a choice of puddings

£5

All the money will be given to

COFFEE MORNING for CHILDREN'S SOCIETY - calling all BOX HOLDERS!

Kate Miles ,Garden House, Manor Road, Sulgrave,
local box collector for the Children's Society, is
holding a coffee morning at her house on
Thursday, 28th February between 1030-1230 for all
box holders and anybody interested in becoming a
box holder for the charity. I would be grateful if
you could bring your collection box along with you
so that I can empty it and return it to you either on
the day or within a couple of weeks.

The Children's Society works to support
disadvantaged and vulnerable children throughout
England so that they can have better lives,
providing a range of services so that no child
should ever feel alone. Every penny that we collect
helps so please consider becoming a box holder for
this first rate charity.

Look forward to seeing you!

Kate Miles 760957.