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CHRONICLE INFORMATION

The next **Drayton Chronicle** will be the **July 2021** issue.
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July 2021	Friday 11th June - Adverts Monday 14th June for contributions	Friday 25th June

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NOTES for CONTRIBUTORS

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However, please also note that the editor has to ensure that each Chronicle fits exactly into an even number of printed pages. The editor therefore reserves the right to place, edit, shorten or even reject contributions as required.

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If you cannot send your contribution by email, send us a good quality paper version, using fairly large, simple black typescript, without underlining on white paper, A4 or smaller.

Finally, we do accept hand-written items. However, in this case please write the names of people and places in capital letters. This does save a lot of mistakes.

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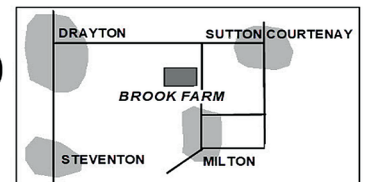


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N.B There will be **NO** Thursday morning Holy Communion Service until further notice.

For everyone's safety, once in the building we will all be expected to wear masks (unless exempt) and sanitise our hands and remain socially distant from those who are not in our bubble.

We look forward to welcoming you.

As we open up from Lockdown, some of the online services will be coming to an end for the time being. Oxford Diocese online services finished on 23rd May and the last DAMASCUS Parish online service will be on June 13th

But you can continue to listen to 'Sunday Worship' on Radio 4 at 8.10am. Also watch Songs of Praise, (usually BBC1 at 1.15pm, but just check for times!). There is also the Church of England free phone line, 'Daily Hope' 0800 804 8044, offering a selection of prayers, hymns, songs and reflections.

Still please let us know if you are self-isolating and need help of any kind, so that prayer and practical support can be offered in a safe way.

PARISH REGISTER

No funerals, weddings or baptisms in the month of May.

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Obeying the Rules?

This time last year we were still wondering how many of us would be obeying the new Covid rules.

There had been quite a bit of posturing by those who seem to regard rules as challenges to be confronted: "Rules are there to be broken". However, recent studies have shown that we've all been remarkably good!

Of course, lockdown was effectively unenforceable because the police couldn't be outside every house and on every street corner – but it seems that disapproval from other people played a big part in whether the rules were being obeyed. The law has helped by making the rules clear and helping people to work together, and there has been a sense of common identity in trying to protect the NHS.

But now, we might ask, are people going to follow the social distancing rules when it won't be against the law to mix, and they are just being asked to be careful? Or are they going to throw their masks away on June 21? There's much talk now about "Getting back to normal". But the guidelines, the rules about how to care for each other while the pandemic lasts, will still be there. It will only be a 'new normal'.

The thing about quotations such as "Rules are only there to be broken" is that they are usually a part of longer quotations which have been very well thought out – and not a call to blind disobedience, but a call to think; like this quote from Terry Pratchett: "Look, that's why there's rules, understand? So that you think before you break 'em."

Reason tells us that, sometimes, we need to obey rules to live in a safe and ordered society. Reason tells us that if we don't obey the road safety rules, we, or someone else, might get seriously injured or killed. Reason may tell us that the Covid danger might not be over by June 21, and that the logic behind the rules remain.

Jesus gave us an illustration. He got into real trouble with the religious authorities one day because his disciples had picked ears of corn to eat on the Sabbath - because they were hungry. But, said Jesus, the rule to rest on the Sabbath was made for the benefit of the people, not to make a rod for their backs (or words to that effect). He went straight to the original intention of the rule, and he applied it. We need to do that with the Covid rules.

Sometimes, by mindlessly applying a rule – or mindlessly dismissing it - we can completely miss the greater truth it is pointing towards. The greater truth here is the love of God, and his love and care for all people – and their safety and well-being.

Now that all our churches are open for Services again, we continue to be careful with our social distancing precautions. People report that they feel safe, and we are always delighted to welcome any who would like to join us.

Alex Landsbert

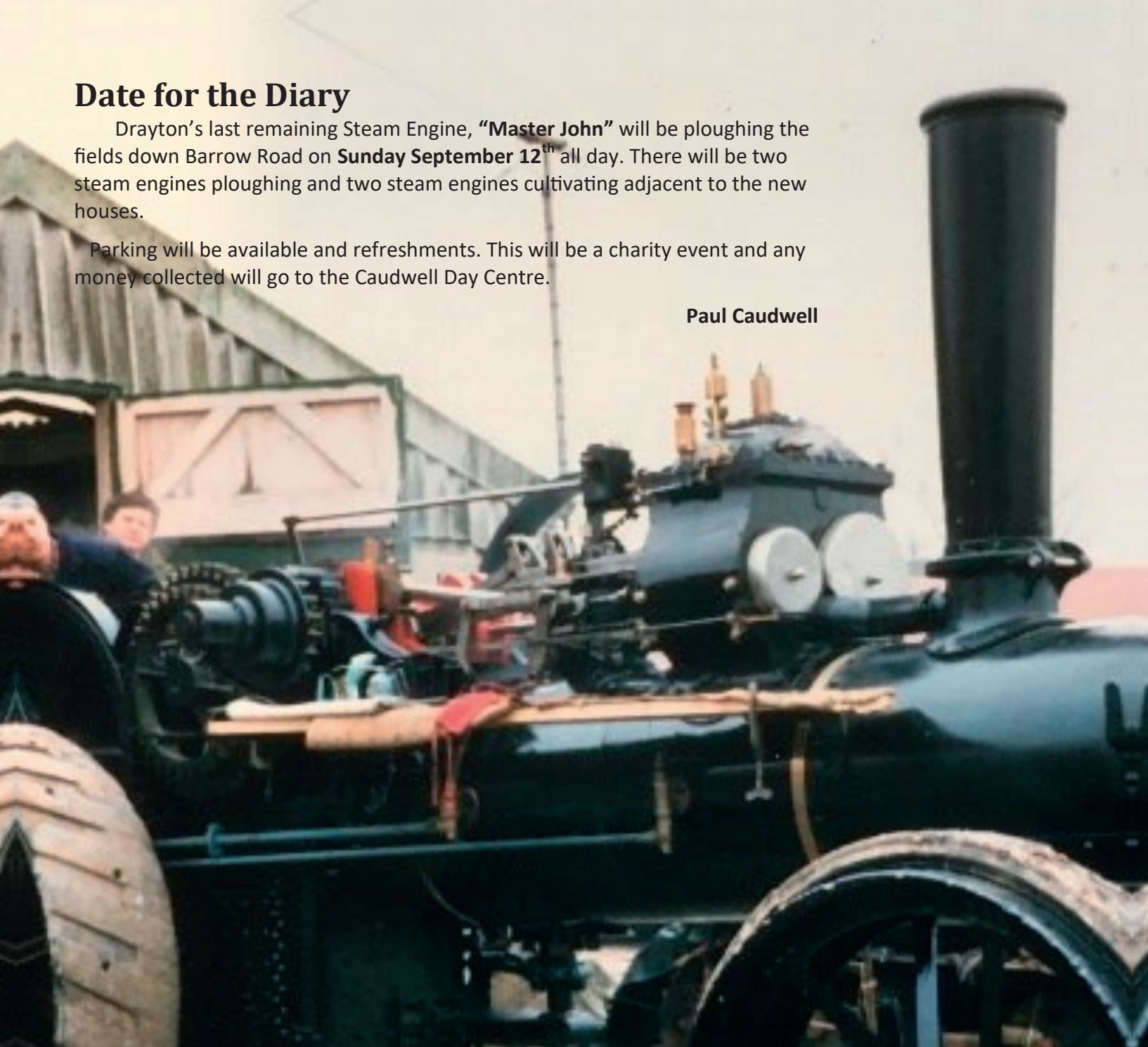
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Date for the Diary

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The Reserves squad just missed out on promotion by 3 points, finishing 4th out of 11 teams, with striker Matt Stephens finishing the season on 8 goals. Next season they will remain in Division 3.

Overall, it has been a rollercoaster season as you can imagine with many lockdowns, as well as injuries, but both sides have had enjoyable games and look forward to challenging the top sides next season. If you are interested in playing for Drayton next season, please like our Facebook page and send us a message. We begin our pre-season training late June/early July for the next campaign.

In relation to our renovation, we had to take a break with it over the last lockdown, however, our next steps are to patch up our clubhouse ceiling and put some new flooring in. We hope to get this done by the end of the summer.

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Post Election Article



Editors of the Parish newsletters and Parish Council Chairmen have been very patient and understanding after the upheaval at OCC resulting from the May 6th elections. For me, it has been a surreal few weeks resulting in back to back meetings and negotiations leaving me with

little time or energy for anything else. Whilst I need to ask for the forbearance of the few people waiting for responses to various pieces of casework, (I will be catching up in the next couple of weeks), there are some things I should say now.

First, many thanks to all those who voted for me to be your County councillor for another four years. Secondly, a reassurance to those who did not vote for me, that I hope that I can reassure you that I will strive to represent everyone in my Division with equal commitment. Thirdly, to thank my political opponents for their participation and making it a very fair fight as these things go. And finally to reassure everyone that my main focus for the immediate future will be on those issues that affect my particular area which is under particular pressure from the impacts of new infrastructure.

And on a light-hearted note...

Of many doorstep conversations I have had over recent weeks, the one that gave me most cause for thought ran something like this...

"Hello, my name is Richard Webber. I am your County Councillor for the next two weeks anyway"

" Ah yes, good to see you. So you will be wanting my vote then."

" Er yes, I suppose that is why I am here. Is there anything you would like to discuss. Any concerns? Any problems?Any issues?"

" Well look then, will you promise to wash my car?"

" Hang on a minute, there are more than 2000 cars in this village."

" Well that's the point. You need to sort out your priorities."

I am still not sure what he meant..

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Andy Cooke (Councillor) News Letter



Coronavirus

Still on this subject, with the recent (at the time of writing) kerfuffle about the India Variant (B1.617.2): For all the sound and fury in the media, it does look like the brief “spike” in cases, hospitalisations, and deaths from this (I put “spike” in quotes as the number of each at the top of the spikes was low in comparison to what we saw as routine

just a month ago) ... came almost exclusively from cases brought into the country, rather than community transmission.

Of course, by the time this is published, a week from the time of writing, I could look a bit foolish, but as it’s proven susceptible to our vaccines (the spikes were in groups that either refused the vaccine or hadn’t yet been offered it), I strongly suspect that this will fade away like the previous variant fears. It doesn’t mean that we’re wrong to be looking at it carefully; that’s what gives us an early start in combatting any real problems, but the takeaway message seems to be “Keep Calm And Carry On Vaccinating.”

Covid levels in Oxfordshire have remained low and steady recently; we’ll have had more than a week since the 17th of May relaxations when you read this and have a decent idea of how things are unfolding. I believe the best guidance is to remain sensible and use our common sense as things unfold – by the time you read this, we should have had over 37 million first doses given, and 22 million second doses given; we are in an ever-improving situation and staying sensible should be all we need to continue on the roadmap.

Potential Waste Collection Disruptions

Biffa, who drive our bin trucks, are facing a shortage of drivers due to a number of factors (including travel restrictions for workers from abroad, a lack of driving tests over the past year due to Covid-19 and many drivers switching to fill the increasing number of jobs doing online delivery work). There have been a handful of cases across the District where waste collection services have been disrupted. They are on a recruitment drive to try to see off the problem before it develops further.

Proceeds from the White Horse Lottery central community fund will be spent on providing vital support to a wide range of local organisations and community initiatives which have a beneficial impact on the local community.

Dovecote and drains

We have recently had reports of multiple drains on the new Dovecote estate being seriously clogged up by works carried out (sand and silt that was not cleared). This has been flagged up to both the Vale (for Environmental Health) and County (for roads). I have found that there are limited powers available beyond strongly advising Bloors to rectify the situation, as they still own the roads and drains; we can’t issue enforcement notices on them (yet). They have been advised that the roads are unadoptable without rectification work; speaking with both councils, they have a snagging list prepared that is being shared with Bloors.

In discussion with residents there, I noticed a little confusion about what a councillor is and does. To remove confusion – I am not an employee of the council (and therefore have no compunction whatsoever about being as awkward as necessary towards them about issues raised, although I very rarely have to be; they’re usually as helpful as possible). I was elected as the representative of the community to the council, and of the council to the community. Please do not hesitate to email me with issues relating to the Vale of White Horse District Council (planning, environmental health, leisure centres, waste collection) – my role is to follow up on those issues and ask the awkward questions. It may very well be that the Vale doesn’t have the power or remit to sort certain things out, but if we don’t raise them, the chances fall to zero.

On this, I have learned in my two years just how limited are the Council’s powers, especially in enforcement (If they can’t

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demonstrate that they have taken every opportunity to resolve issues without legal measures, it damages their standing in court, and some (not all!) developers are skilled at inching along just enough to show apparent movement towards resolution in the apparent hope that people will get sick of it and just let them go). However, my philosophy is that it’s the squeaky wheel that gets the oil, as they say, and being stubborn and sticking at it is often the way to overcome the “inching along” issue (eventually it looks more expensive to do that for the developers than just getting on and doing it right).

Accordingly, I’m going to be prodding the council weekly about these drains, giving them the ammunition to prod the developer about it in their turn, which underlines to the developer that it’s not just going to go away so they have to do something about it.

Walnut Meadows

In addition, by sticking at it methodically, the developers can run out of road in trying to inch along. I'm hopeful that this may have finally happened at Walnut Meadows. After a far-too-long drawn-out series of arguments, ably and extensively supported by the Parish Council, we appear to have reached a point where a very specific instruction to lower the land levels on the future sports pitches *all the way to the original levels* has been formally issued. Crucially, this instruction is supported by specific and supportable environmental requirements, meaning that enforcement action should be properly (and finally!) available if they do not comply.

However, I've thought before that we've got there, so I won't yet be holding my breath, but will be keeping an eye on this keenly. I understand Miller Homes are very eager to leave the site; well, all they've got to do is finally complete what is outstanding. The land level reduction should unlock the rest of what needs to be achieved to get the sports pitches and sports hall created.

Grants

A reminder that the Restart Grant is open for applications until 30 June and final payments will be made by 31 July. More info at svbs.co.uk/restart-grant. This grant is for "restarting" business delivering in-person services for the general public are now available, paying up to £6,000 for non-essential retail businesses, and up to £18,000 for hospitality businesses, accommodation, leisure, personal care and gym or sport business premises. If you run a local business, please check svbs.co.uk and sign up for the newsletter there to get early visibility of any grants.

Community Lottery

The Vale of White Horse District Council's new lottery, the White Horse Community Lottery will launch in June with a special virtual event.

Organisations from the district's voluntary and community sector will be invited to attend the event on Monday 14 June to find out how they can benefit from income raised through the Vale's new community lottery.

The lottery will have a weekly jackpot of £25,000 and will be available for residents to play online. The draw will take place every Saturday, with a jackpot going to anybody who matches a sequence of six numbers. The other prizes are £2,000, £250, £25 or three free tickets.

Residents can get involved by buying tickets which will cost £1 per week with 50p going towards the player's chosen local good cause. 10p of the remaining money goes into the central community fund, 20p to the prize fund, 17p towards the administration of the lottery, and 3p on VAT.

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Air Quality Superhero Competition for primary school children

Vale of White Horse and South Oxfordshire district councils have launched a competition for primary school children to design a superhero to tackle air pollution. The councils will be giving a new Micro scooter as a top prize to one winner in each district.

Children can draw their superheroes or create them as models. The judges are looking for a hero who can easily get about without using cars and whose superpowers can help make our air cleaner and clearer.

The competition is part of the councils' air quality campaign called Turn It Off which is primarily aimed at drivers who let their vehicles engines idle while they are waiting for passengers – often waiting outside schools.

To take part, entrants must be 12 or under, and use the activity sheet from <https://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/vale-of-white-horse-district-council/environment-and-neighbourhood-issues/air-quality/air-quality/turn-it-off/our-air-quality-superhero-competition/>

And include their superhero's name and superpowers, as well as their own name, age, and contact details. Entries to be sent **by post** to Air Quality Superhero Competition, Air Quality team, 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, OX14 4SB (check to see if your school is already doing this; you can send it via them). The deadline for all entries is World Environment Day – 5 June.

That's it for this month. Take care, and stay safe,

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Youth & Community Acting Together

As we head towards the midpoint of the year the team once again are planning for another half term and the summer holidays so keep an eye out on the team's social media accounts for when the news breaks. We are happy to finally announce our new website has launched with a fresh new look and feel – go take a look!

At 6pm every Monday we are on the village hall field with our gazebo and sports equipment we then head inside with the 14+ group to challenge perceptions and provide an informal safe space for the young people to talk. This session is well attended but we are always looking to support more young people so if you have a young person aged 10+ please do come along and meet the team and see what we can do for you!

Our Spinning Wheel Game Decider

We have been busy working with the young people in the village this month we focused on healthy relationships and sexual health. The young people were very much engaged, and the conversations were enlightening for both the team and young people.


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We've had 2 Cabinet Ministers visit the constituency in the past month. First up was Priti Patel, Home Secretary, in support of Matt Barber's (successful) campaign to be the Police and Crime Commissioner. She visited Great Western Park, where residents have had considerable problems of unauthorised traveller camps. This is something I have raised in the House of Commons on more than one occasion and something that Matt has campaigned against with people like Cllr Ian Snowden. GWP residents appreciated meeting her as she is bringing forward the new laws on this problem.

The second was Kwasi Kwarteng, Secretary of State for BEIS. This came about after I told him about Johnson Matthey's new flagship site at Milton Park to develop and test the next generation of electric vehicle batteries; he said he'd be pleased to visit. After the official opening I took him to Greencore Construction's Springfield Meadows development in Southmoor. I have already brought the Minister for Science, Research and Innovation to see their impressive homes and set up Greencore to meet the Government's Net Zero Champion, too, but I am keen for as many in government as possible to see how they've built not just net zero but carbon-positive homes.

While on the subject of the environment, I am holding a pre-COP26 summit for constituents on 1st July at which we'll talk about some of the key issues we need to make progress on, showcase some of the great local organisations we have locally – including Greencore – and agree ideas to send to Alok Sharma, President of COP26, ahead of the summit.

It has been good to be able to have more face-to-face meetings and visit more places as lockdown has eased. I have had very enjoyable visits to all sorts of shops, pubs (such as the Radnor Arms in Coleshill) and restaurants (such as the Fish in Sutton Courtenay). Other highlights have included Tom Brown's School Museum in Uffington, still in its original 1617 school building, and Flowers from Molly in Faringdon, which allows you to nominate someone to receive a bunch of flowers or a letter of hope if you think they could do with a lift.

I have secured the cross-party support I needed to be able to hold a debate in parliament on the performance of Royal mail; it is clear we are not the only area that has been having problems. It is now just a question of when the debate can be scheduled. I read in the paper that in Wantage and Grove some residents have just received post from up to 13 years ago as a former postal worker had it in their home this whole time, but I don't think that accounts for the problems we've had!

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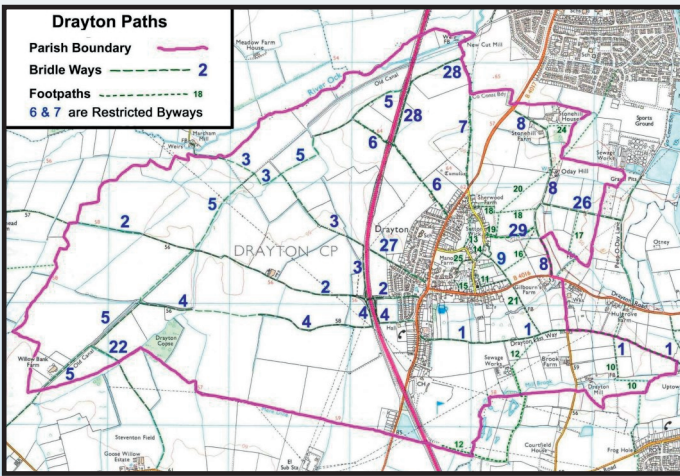
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Improvements to Cycle Paths and Footpaths in Drayton

Anyone who uses the bridleways and footpaths in and around the village will be aware that a number of them have become very muddy in recent years. Some routes have become difficult to use, particularly during winter but also during some of the wet weather we have been having lately.

Fortunately, as a result of the housing developments in the village over the past few years, the Parish Council has access to a sum of money specifically earmarked for the improvement of cycle paths and footpaths in the village. Our initial thinking has been to focus our attention on some key routes that are popular for recreational use and provide links to other footpath and cycle networks but which suffer particularly badly during winter months.

With reference to the footpath map (also available at <http://www.draytonvillage.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/Footpaths-map.pdf>), we are currently looking at improvements to bridleways 7, 9, 29 and the section of East Way that borders the Dovecote development. Bridleway 7 is badly rutted and we would hope to be able to improve this. The other three are in need of improved drainage and surfacing. Bridleways are intended to be used by walkers, cyclists and horse riders and we plan to provide a surface that is suitable for all of these users. Note that the idea is not to replace rural pathways with tarmac or concrete but to use a more natural compacted gravel surface, where appropriate. We have been particularly careful to ensure that the surface used will be suitable for all users.

We are now seeking your views on our initial priorities and suggestions for further projects. For example, as well as upgrades to a number of heavily used footpaths within the village, there is the possibility of doing some work on the section of East Way that runs towards Sutton Courtenay, linking to a future Abingdon to Milton Park route.

Please send comments and suggestions to deputyclerk@draytonpc.org.

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Letter to the Editor

Donkathon June 2021

'Donkathon' is the latest idea I have had as a fundraiser, with plans to take my two donkeys, Wizard and Muffin, on a month long, 200 mile adventure from South Oxfordshire to North Wales to raise money for the MS Society. My nephew has MS.



I have previously flown solo, twice around the world, in a single engine aircraft, including over the North pole and the Antarctic. I have raised over £500,000 for the charity and 'Flying Scholarships for Disabled People'.

Following unsuccessful eye surgery, I am no longer able to fly. Keen to find another fundraising project, I come up with 'Donkathon'.

Our donkeys Wizard and Muffin, live with my husband and I at our farm in North Moreton.

Starting on 21st June 2021 from Drayton, the journey is expected to take four to five weeks, covering a maximum of 10 miles on travelling days. I am encouraging people to get involved with the journey, particularly those with MS who may wish to ride along for a day, and anyone who might like to help in some way.

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Update on the Caudwell Day Centre

The committee of the Caudwell Day Centre would like to say thank you very much to South Oxfordshire District Council and the Parish Council for their generous grants, which were used to refurbish the toilets at the Caudwell Day Centre, also to upgrade the lighting and to redecorate. We should also like to thank the following contractors, who worked on the project:

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The hall is looking lovely and now has a toilet for the disabled. We are now open for business and welcome back our regular clubs and organisations. These include the Parish Council, Bingo, Whist groups, Drayton Wives, Bridge, Foot Clinic, Wild Life group, Friday Club, Art group and WI. The hall is also able to be used for private functions.

If you would like to book the hall, please contact Mrs Vicky Malin.

Telephone number: 01235 539625

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Thanks, are also given to Vicky for co-ordinating all the refurbishments.

Sian Middleton.

Secretary Caudwell Day Centre.



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Hall Report

As we go to print, the Govt's 'Step3' date has just come round, and some groups have indeed re-started.

Quite a few others can't yet, the more energetic exercise groups have trouble as the Civil Service's Covid rules still mostly limit the number of attendees in a Hall.

Others have National Associations who've set tough rules for them. See the 'Regulars Diary' for more clues, though it's not a full list yet!

We have though gained a new group, the 'Heights' Gym & Trampoline club (for youngsters), with sessions on Tues & Thurs afternoons (just fitting in-between other slots), and they have a longer session on Saturdays, although we have some long pre-booked events that will take precedence (a couple of weddings later in the year, postponed several times now!).

We've also gained a 'Dance Fitness' class (Laura's), Friday evenings at 6pm, which I may have mis-labelled as Line-dancing before! (Check her on 07443 630939 to see if spaces are available?).

Another new daytime group have started with 'Short Tennis', refugees from a closed Sports Centre – this form of the game just fits into the Hall, played with a low net, and a big soft relatively slow-moving ball.

Tony Holmes

DRAYTON DIARY

With the Govt's 'Step4' date of June 21st getting closer (& hopefully not delayed by any Covid variants!!) here's a little reminder of what the village USED to be doing, updated for the likely present-day schedule! Please note that several groups await confirmation ("TBC"), others likely to be back in due course.

NB – Caudwell Day Centre cannot yet confirm their bookings, hopefully they'll appear next month.

REGULARLY OCCURRING EVENTS

Weekly in Drayton Hall unless stated otherwise

NB PLEASE – if an entry is wrong – DO tell an editor (page 2)

MONDAYS

- 2.00 pm Short Mat Bowling Club (Mon sessions - TBC)
- 6.00 pm 'Bounce Fit' (1hr - Sophie 07791 778388)
- 6.00 pm Damascus Youth (Small Hall)
- 7.15 pm Badminton (Private Group)
- 7.45 pm Bell-ringing (for 1½ hours) *St Peter's*

TUESDAYS

- 9.30 am Pilates (via Alexandra Merson 07788 248925)
- 12.30 pm Short Tennis (new)
- 4.00 pm 'Heights' Gym Club
- 7.00 pm 'RockBox' (to book, see Clubbercise – both June 22nd)
- 8.00 pm Clubbercise (run by Gemma Pearce, see her F'book)

WEDNESDAYS

- 10.00 am Pebbles (Baby, Toddler, Carer group) *Church Room*
- 2.00 pm Drayton Wives (Last Wednesday in the month - ???)
- 2.15 pm Badminton
- 6.00 pm Brownies (term-time / Laura 07916 459435)
- 7.00 pm Short Mat Bowling Club Session (*may restart in June*)

THURSDAYS

- 9.30 am Parent & Toddler Group (NB Check if not Term-time)
- 2.00 pm Short Mat Bowling Club (Thurs Sessions - TBC)
- 2.00 pm U3A Crafts (Small Hall, 2nd Thurs – TBC)
- 4.30 pm 'Heights' Gym Club
- 5.30 pm Rainbows (girls 5 to 7 yrs)
- 7.30 pm Sequence Dancing (Brian - 01235 531701)

FRIDAYS

- 6.00 pm Dance Fitness (with Laura - new group)
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