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Parish Council News

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Want to make a difference to your village?

Come and join us

Your Parish Council is looking for two new members to fill current vacancies. All our existing Councillors are listed on the parish website with their contact details; they would be delighted to hear from you for an informal chat. You can also look at our past agenda and minutes or sit in on a meeting to get a fuller flavour of our activities.

Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill

The PC voted to support the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill at its last meeting. This Bill was drafted independently by scientists, lawyers, economists, and environmentalists. It asks the UK to: take responsibility for its fair share of carbon emissions; to actively restore biodiversity and habitats in the UK; and to stop damage to the environment through the production, consumption, and transportation of the goods we consume.

The climate and nature crisis is an exceptionally difficult challenge for any Government to face. That's why this bill does not come from a single party, but it has support from Parliamentarians belonging to all the main political parties, and also from Oxfordshire County Council and district, town and parish councils across Oxfordshire. Businesses such as Lush, Ella's Kitchen, Greencore Construction, Brakspear, and Shaw Gibbs have declared their support for the Bill along with celebrities such as Ben Fogle. Have a look at this website to add your support as a local business or group or as an individual:

<https://www.cebillaallianceoxon.co.uk/>

Adopt-a-Tree

'Plant a Tree for the Jubilee'

Hailey PC has applied for 30 trees from the Woodland Trust and are giving them away to residents of Hailey Parish. If you would like one for your garden (free of charge) then please email the clerk. The choice is between a wild cherry, silver birch or rowan. They are available from March 2022. First come first served!

Public Meeting

There will be a public meeting to discuss the current proposals for the **New Village Hall** on Sunday 6th February. More details to follow.

There is no January edition of the Hailey Herald. Items for the February Hailey Herald should be emailed to thehaileyherald@gmail.com by **20th January** or sent to Hayesfield, Middletown, Hailey (next to school car park).

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Hailey Herald Team

St John's Church

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Looking back over the last month shows that it has been a time of Remembrance in so many ways. We had a lovely evening for the **Lights of Remembrance** with people coming to the church to light their lanterns, place them somewhere special, either on a grave or in the church, or in a special part of the churchyard. The **Tree of Remembrance** was decorated with leaves and the names of family and friends, and, as I write, it is still available in the porch of the church. **Remembrance Day** itself was very special, with the Act of Remembrance, together with the Last Post, at the War Memorial, the dedication of the Armistice Stone, followed by a lovely service in the church. Quite a day. The names of all those from the village killed in both wars are on the memorial, and also, currently, at the back of the church. They make for sobering reading.

Recently there was a visit from a small choir called **Hexachord**, of which Clare Musson is a member. They came to rehearse in the church, and it was a treat and delight to hear them. We hope they will be back in Hailey next year to contribute to one of our services.

We continue to welcome our friends from **Middletown Grange** to our Thursday services in church, and we go in there for a service on the first Thursday of the month. There were over 20 residents attending the last service we held there.

There have been several **Churchyard Working Parties** over the past months and we would like to thank everyone who has contributed to these, and to keeping the churchyard in good order. It is a big task. Special thanks go to Clare Musson, our great leader(!), and to Roger Cantwell for all he has done for the churchyard over the past years.

Looking ahead....

We plan to have our **Christingle service on Sunday 5th December at 4pm**. Donations will be for the Children's Society.

We shall be recreating our **Large Nativity Scene** in the churchyard during December, as we did last year. If anyone would like to add a character to this crib scene we would be very pleased, be it human or animal, the more the merrier.

The **Village Christmas Lunch will be on Wednesday December 15th at 12 noon**.

We hope to hold the **Carol Service on Sunday December 19th**. Details will follow nearer the time. Please look out for posters, Facebook, and the Parish website.

There will be **No Midnight Service on Christmas Eve**, but a service at **9.15am on Christmas Day**. And then it is January 2022, when we hope to have a new venture starting in the church but more of that anon.

The Friends of Hailey Church invite you to an **OPEN CHURCH** on **Sunday 16th January 2022 from 2.30pm to 4.00pm**. Tea/Coffee/Cakes will be served. Find out more about St John's Church, its history and how the "Friends" help. Further information from John Haskell on 07935 763 224 or jch179@outlook.com

Updates around the village

Burial Ground

We are looking to be part of the Queens' Green Canopy by planting some trees at the Burial Ground and uploading them to the QGC map showing all trees planted across the country.

Allotments

There are still a few allotments at Hemplands, available to rent (residents of Hailey parish). Please apply to the clerk if you are interested.

Playground

Would anyone be willing to keep the playground looking attractive? This would mean keeping it weed free and cleaning some of the equipment as necessary. A payment is available for this, and it would only be required two or three times a year.

Joan Smith Educational Charity

This charity exists to help young people under the age of 25 who live in the Parish (or have a parent who does) with the costs of educational expenses or to assist with entry into a profession, trade or calling. Examples of help previously provided include contributions towards computer equipment, musical instruments, expeditions, music lessons, tools, specialised clothing, etc. Requests for grants are NOT means tested. **Grants will only be awarded with proof of payment.** The next meeting will take place following the Parish Council meeting on **Monday 13th December**. If you would like to find out more, please contact the Parish Clerk or download an application form from the Joan Smith section of www.haileywestoxon.org

Date of Next Parish Council Meetings

The next Parish Council meetings will be held at 7.30pm at the village hall on Monday 13th December and Monday 10th January 2022.

Members of the public are welcome to attend. Any items for the agenda must be received in writing by the Clerk at least seven clear days before a meeting, and a short time is allowed at the start of each meeting for comments from the public.

Please note that all councillors and members of public attending the PC meeting will need to access the committee room through the back door and **not** the front entrance. This is for safeguarding purposes.



Views wanted on 20mph roads

Oxfordshire County Councillor Liam Walker is seeking the views of local residents ahead of any planned rollout of 20mph roads. The County Council is now exploring ways to reduce speeding in our communities and are simplifying the process for rolling out 20mph roads for those areas that want them. Cllr Liam Walker said, "Over the years I have helped set up Community Speedwatch Groups, including more recently in Long Hanborough, in villages within my County Council division to help tackle the issue of speeding.

I now want to hear the views of residents about whether they support having a 20mph limit in their village. The results of this consultation will determine if people feel the new speed limit is appropriate so please make sure you add your view whether it's for or against." People can fill out the survey on 20mph roads by going to:

www.liam-walker.com/have-your-say by the 31st January 2022.

[www.haileywestoxon.org/village hall](http://www.haileywestoxon.org/village_hall)

HaileyVillageHall@gmail.com

Bingo is back on **Saturday 27 November. Eyes down at 7.30pm**. This may just arrive in time as a reminder! Join in **Deck the Halls** for wreath-making on **Friday 3 December at 7.30pm**, tickets £3 and already selling well. Contact Dawn on 776471.

Another welcome return is the **Christmas Concert with Witney Town Band** on **Monday 6 December at 8.00pm**. Numbers are slightly restricted this year so tickets (£6) are almost sold out. If you've been thinking about it, don't wait much longer. Contact Dawn on 776471. All the above events will be run in a safe and appropriate manner.

Various village events are returning to the hall and we ran a very successful and enjoyable Quiz Night in October. We will have a new bit of equipment in the hall soon – a CO2 detector - which will help take the guesswork out of running a safe and warm event during the winter months.

This week also sees the start of work on the flat roof which will last approximately 4 weeks. There will be some inconvenience in the car park. Please avoid parking against the scaffolding during working hours. The small committee room will be off-limits during working hours but it will largely be business as usual, with extra caution in the car park.

The Village Hall Committee has to say a huge "thank you" to Bill Barfoot who stepped in to do a horrible job – and much bigger and longer than he thought – when no one else would. Thanks to him, the hall's front doors and windows will last a bit longer and look a lot smarter than they did. We finally had to admit that at the moment, we could not commit the kind of money needed to do a full replacement, which is what they really need.

Please stop fly-tipping in the village hall car park. We have done everything we can think of to keep this expensive, paid service available to our hirers, including now having a locked bin. It was broken into(!!) on Monday evening and whoever decided his work van needed a clear-out, dumped the considerable amount of rubbish generated on us. This is a new one on us – breaking into a rubbish bin. After all the work, we will be having a quiet January and hoping that next year things will continue to improve. On behalf of the Management Committee, I would like to thank all Hailey residents for their support in the last year and wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Lamb and Flag - 01993 700694 Matt Cantwell

Every Thursday at 3.00 pm the Lamb and Flag will be hosting Mrs B's Cookery School selling her delicious homemade cakes and cookies. Why not come along and try some mouth-watering treats.

With the colder weather upon us, we have now introduced our winter menu including some hearty warming meals but also keeping some old favourites.

We are now full for Christmas Day lunches but are still able to take bookings for the pre-Christmas Day menu.

Finally we would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from myself and all the staff at the Lamb and Flag.

For enquiries about the Village Hall email **HaileyVillageHall@gmail.com**

To book online go to **www.haileywestoxon.org/villagehall** and follow the link

Christmas Quiz?
+ Christmas Lottery Draw
Sunday 19th December
Lamb & Flag Hailey
7.30pm
Everyone Welcome
£2.50 per person
Extrapoints for Christmas jumpers
Proceeds in aid of Project Hailey

Christmas Lottery

Prize draw at 7.30pm in the Lamb & Flag. Thank you BP Service station, Millets Farm, Bakers the Butchers, JAG Timber, and others for donated prizes. Cheques payable to Project Hailey. Many thanks in advance for your support. Then stay for:

Christmas Quiz

Don't miss the **Christmas Quiz** on Sunday 19th December. There will be extra points for the best Christmas jumper

Project Hailey



Payments & Counterfoils
to Hayesfield (next to school car park)

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2021 (Our 100th Anniversary)

It is with real pleasure that I write to let you know that we raised an amazing £1,430 this year during the House to House/School Collection for the RBL Poppy Appeal. An increase of £368.49 from our last collection in 2019. Our Parish have always had a reputation for being generous and this amount just proves the point.

In addition, can I also thank our dedicated RBL volunteer/collectors who go out in all weathers to collect for this national charity plus all of you who have donated so much. Thank you once again. Pam Simpkins, Royal British Legion Co-Ordinator, Hailey

Hailey Singers

Firstly, thank you to everyone who sang at our wonderful Remembrance Day Service.

It was a fitting commemoration and your singing greatly enhanced the occasion.

Clearly the pandemic is not over and we will have to follow guidance for the Village Carol Service, (19th December) but whatever is possible I am planning to rehearse and enjoy some Christmas Music in the month ahead. Ugly ducklings with tinsel eh what?

Our grateful thanks to St John's for allowing us the space and acoustics of the Church for rehearsal.

There will be rehearsals on 9th and 16th December at 7pm in John's, half of which will be Christmas music and a "dress" rehearsal at 10.30a.m. on 19th.

Come the New Year provisional singing dates are Jan 6th, 29th and Feb 3rd. Newcomers welcome!

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Hailey Village Hall
Vacancy for part-time cleaner.

Some flexibility in the schedule depending on bookings.
Max 4 hours/week, previous experience preferred. Would suit someone local.
For more details and job description, contact Dawn on 776471.

Hailey F.C.

Martin Friend

Hailey are still unbeaten in all competitions. In the league their only game came against Carterton Rangers, winning that 3–2. A seesaw game, Hailey scored the winner with two players in the sin-bin due to dissent after a goal was disallowed for off-side. A qualified referee watching the game said the decision was wrong. Despite being reduced to nine men, we scored the winner and created a number of other chances in that period.

In the Oxfordshire Junior Shield, Hailey played Deddington 2-0. In the Fred Ford Memorial Cup they played a team from Lechlade (Fratero), the origins of the name are not clear. The latest fixture came in the Oxfordshire Charity Cup against Hardwick Park from Banbury, winning 6-1 to reach the semi-final.

The Reserves are still struggling, losing to Bletchington Sports 1-0 and Minster Lovell 6-0. The Third team have won games against Leafield 2-1, Milton under Wychwood Reserves 2-0 and a draw at Farringdon 2-2. A defeat came against Eynsham Sports 2-0, their first league defeat in two seasons.

A belated 'thank you' for the surprise of my life

Brenda Perigo

The secret of the splendid leaving party in the Village Hall in early October was well kept and I was very moved by the occasion so well organised by Nyree and many others. It was not simply a very kind farewell from so many friends and acquaintances. In these difficult times it provided an opportunity for Hailey to demonstrate what an outstanding community of warm, kind, gifted and generous people John and I were fortunate to join when we moved into Wayside over forty years ago.

Hailey is a very special village which enriched our lives. Cookham is not far away so my sadness in leaving is ameliorated by being able to replace farewell with 'au revoir'.

Tea party for Ann Evans

We are having a tea party for Ann Evans in Hailey Village Hall on Sunday, 23rd January. This is a chance to share the joy of her receiving her British Empire Medal (BEM). For more details, please contact Monica on 772969.

Do you have any good jokes?

Not rude ones of course, but here is an example:

Why are football grounds always cold and draughty?

Because there is a fan in every seat!

If you have any good jokes please send them to John Haskell at jch179@outlook.com or Robin Carr at robin.carr39@icloud.com for a proposed HAILEY JOKE BOOK. Publication is scheduled for 2022.

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Alan: 07591 756206.

Back by popular demand
Christmas Bingo!
 Saturday, 27th November
 Hailey Village Hall



Doors Open 7:00pm
 Eyes Down 7:30pm

Tea, coffee &
 homemade cake

Plenty of great prizes
 to be won!

Contact: Dawn Franklin 776471

*Deck the Halls
 is back!*

*Friday 3rd December
 Hailey Village Hall
 7:30pm*

*Create your own
 Christmas wreath!*

*£3 each, to include mulled wine
 & mince pies*

Pre book with Dawn (776471)

*Bring scissors/secateurs, greenery,
 Christmas decorations etc.*

Oasis available to buy on the night.

**Christmas
 Coffee Morning**

Friday 3rd December

Hailey Village Hall
 10 – 11:30am



Come and join us for a
 tea/coffee, slice of
 homemade cake and
 warmed mince pie.

This month we are raising money for
 Katharine House Hospice.

A charity close to me after they recently
 cared for a friend in her final days.

**Any donations of raffle
 prizes for the Christmas
 Bingo and Band Concert
 would be greatly
 appreciated.**



**Drop off at Stepping Stones
 or Dawn's Shop.
 Many thanks!**

**Hailey Annual
 Christmas Concert
 with
 Witney Town Band
 Monday, 6th December
 Hailey Village Hall**

**Tickets are selling fast,
 don't miss out!**



Doors Open 7:30pm

Tickets £6 (including mince pies)

Beer, Wine & Soft Drinks for sale

Contact: Dawn Franklin 776471

Dawn's Shop

Hailey Village Hall
 Tuesday & Thursday
 12 - 4pm



Christmas:



Open as usual Thursday 23rd Dec.

Re-open Thursday 6th January

Christmas
 goodies for your
 four-legged
 friends now in
 stock!



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 of MS) & Inkjet
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 School)



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Sunday: 12:00pm – 9:00pm

Food Times

Wednesday: 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Thursday: 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Friday: 6:00pm – 9:00pm

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Diary Dates

27th Nov **Christmas Fayre & Jumble Sale** - Village Hall - 13.30pm

27th Nov **Bingo** - 7.30pm - Village Hall

3rd Dec **Coffee Morning** - 10:00am

3rd Dec **Deck the Halls Wreath Making** - 7:30pm - Village Hall

5th Dec **Christingle service** – 4.00pm – St John's church

6th Dec **Christmas Band Concert** – 7.30pm - Village Hall

9th & 16th Dec **Hailey Singers** – 7.00pm – St Johns' church

13th Dec **Parish Council meeting** - 7.30pm - Village Hall

15th Dec **Christmas Lunch** – 12.00pm – Village Hall

19th Dec **Christmas Carol Concert** - 6.00pm St Johns' church

19th Dec **Lottery Draw and Christmas Quiz** - 7.30pm - Lamb & Flag

6th & 29th Jan **Hailey Singers** – 7.00pm – St Johns' church

10th Jan **Parish Council meeting** - 7.30pm - Village Hall

16th Jan **Open Church** - Friends of Hailey Church - 2.30 - 4.00pm - St Johns'

3rd Feb **Hailey Singers** – 7.00pm – St Johns' church