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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.cebillallianceoxon.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!

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.

Items for the March Hailey Herald should be emailed to thehaileyherald@gmail.com by **20th February** or sent to Hayesfield, Middletown, Hailey (next to school car park).

St John's Church

Team Vicar: The Rev. Ness Brunner Ellis
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Regular Services:

Sundays: 9.15am: Holy Communion
Thursdays 10am Holy Communion

Looking back..... Things have been rather quiet over the last month. We have held our regular services but other activities have been put on hold for the time being. Let's hope for better times soon. If anyone would like to receive the weekly Benefice News please let us know and we will add you to the mailing list.

Looking ahead.... Services will continue as above, and we hope soon to be able to consider our other activities returning.

Village Lunch:

We plan to hold the February Village Lunch on Wednesday Feb 16th at 12 noon in the Village Hall. So, unless new precautions are put in place before then, this will go ahead. We much look forward to seeing you there. Any questions please contact Elpie, as above.

What's on in the Village Hall?

Judith Knaggs

www.haileywestoxon.org/village_hall

HaileyVillageHall@gmail.com

After a very busy November and December, things have quietened down in the hall. If you are planning an event, now would be a good time to make a reservation. Government restrictions regarding events in the hall are about to relax but common sense should still prevail for some time. The events in the run up to Christmas were very successful, well attended in the circumstances and much enjoyed by everyone.

The Committee was very pleased that the work on the flat roof was completed very successfully, ahead of schedule and with minimum disruption. There are still several other maintenance issues to be dealt with but these will have to wait a bit for some slightly less awful weather!

Looking to Spring and better things, we will be organising another **Quiz Night on Saturday 12th March**, plus a **Bingo session on Saturday 2nd April**. More details next month. The Parish Council is beginning to plan events for the Platinum Jubilee weekend which will take place in the hall on 4/5 June. A Big Lunch is planned for the Sunday and ideas are being put forward for the Saturday. Watch this space.

The next big task for the Village Hall Committee is to work with Gigaclear to ensure the installation of internet and then decide how to capitalise on this, no doubt requiring some financial investment on our part. The Committee is always looking to attract new hirers and this will hopefully inspire groups who have not previously been able to use us.

Updates around the village

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.

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 14th March 2022**. 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

Update of Piece of Land Priest Hill Lane adjoining Giernalls Triangle

This is still ongoing, and the Parish Council have decided to move to Strutt and Parker in order to get the request resolved.

Date of Next Parish Council Meetings

The next Parish Council meetings will be held at 7.30pm at the village hall on Monday 14th February 2022 and Monday 14th March 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.

Breach Wood News

David Musson

Walkers to Breach Wood will have seen evidence of winter work in the woodland: the Wychwood Forest Trust volunteer hedge layers have made good progress laying the hedge on the ride down to Whittings Lane; other hedges have been trimmed; and we have begun to fell some dead ash, victims of the ash-dieback fungus, and thin out some oak trees.

We will be having a work morning on **Saturday 12th February 10.30-12.30**, to continue this work, and some other tasks. Helpers are most welcome. Please wear warm clothes and thick boots; and bring loppers, pruning saws and shears if you have them.

Contact: David Musson - 01993-772403 - davidstmusson@gmail.com



SAVE THE DATES – PLEASE GET INVOLVED!

This year Her Majesty The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth.

To celebrate this unprecedented anniversary, events and initiatives will take place throughout the year, culminating in a **4 day UK bank holiday weekend from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June**. The bank holiday will provide an opportunity for communities and people throughout the United Kingdom to come together to celebrate this historic milestone. Hailey is planning to celebrate with several events currently being planned, including:

- **Thu 2nd June – Beacons will be lit across the nation (more than 1,500 of them) including here in Hailey.** You may remember something similar at the Lamb & Flag for the Diamond Jubilee in 2012.
- **Fri 3rd June – GrooveTown party with DJs playing disco, funk, house, etc. and a LIVE BAND the amazing “Aliko Edwards Band” (think Earth, Wind & Fire, James Brown, Jacksons, etc covers).** This will be in the Lamb & Flag garden with a marquee set up especially and BBQ available (fancy dress always welcome!)
- **Sat 4th June – Platinum Party at the Palace** to be televised on BBC. We are intending to put this up on a big screen in Hailey, but this is still “to be confirmed”
- **Sun 5th June – The Big Lunch.** These will be held across the nation (more than 1,400 of them currently registered) including here in Hailey. The village hall (in case of bad weather) and recreation ground have been booked for a huge community “bring your own picnic” event. This was amazing for the Diamond Jubilee, with fun and games for all ages. We hope to see you all there with family and friends!

We will update progress in the Hailey Herald as well as on the Hailey Village page on Facebook and on our Hailey website.

We are looking for volunteers to help, especially with the Big Lunch. Please email andy@adbsmith.com to hear how to get involved in some way – The more the merrier!

In the meantime, there are plenty of other exciting initiatives you could consider getting involved in, including:

- The Queen’s Green Canopy <https://queensgreencanopy.org/> which is a unique tree planting initiative inviting people across the UK to “Plant A Tree For The Jubilee”
- The Platinum Jubilee Pageant <https://www.platinumpageant.com/> will tell the story of the Queen’s 70-years reign. It will feature a River of Hope section to be made up of hundreds of silk flags designed by students to capture their hopes and aspirations for the next 70 years, especially focusing on climate change, which will be paraded down The Mall. More info at <https://thamesfestivaltrust.org/river-of-hope/>
- A Fortnum & Mason competition to invent a “Jubilee Pudding” to be featured at the centre of celebrations <https://www.fortnumandmason.com/platinum-pudding>

What's happened so far? From 2017-2021 Hailey's Infrastructure Development Planning working group (IDP) looked at potential Hailey infrastructure requirements into the future to feed into the Hailey Neighbourhood Plan; this included the village hall as an important community amenity. This work included a consultation throughout Hailey (in 2018) and ultimately a referendum (in 2019) from which it was agreed that West Oxfordshire District Council should use the Neighbourhood Plan "to help decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area". In the meantime, the parish council discussed and decided (in 2018) to explore a potential new village hall project (as opposed to ongoing renovations) and a New Village Hall working group (NVH) was established in 2021.

What's the current status? In 2021, the NVH developed an Architect's Brief document setting out some potential options as a start point with which to potentially engage architects to invite them to tender for a potential new village hall. This document sets out some requirements (facilities, capacity, etc.) but only as a framework to allow potential responses to be compared against each other consistently – it is non-binding and non-exhaustive. The requirements are based on earlier IDP and NVH work, including the consultation mentioned above.

So, what's next? If the parish council agrees (at its 14/2/22 meeting) to issue an invitation to tender, the Architect's Brief will be made available to interested architects, seeking responses as to how they might approach such a project. It is important to note that there is no cost involved at this stage. Responses would then be reviewed and discussed openly at parish council meetings before any further decisions are made regarding next steps, or indeed any spend commitment.

And then what? This project will follow established Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) stages, with decisions on whether and/or how to progress to be made by the parish council at each key stage. This will include whenever there is any spend commitment, so that residents will have full visibility at all times and an opportunity to ask questions.

There are clearly a number of external factors that are likely to have an impact on how this project progresses. This includes the North Witney development of ~1,400 houses (within Hailey Parish) and the ongoing impact of Covid-19. This project therefore has numerous opportunities built in for all involved to take stock of progress, consult with residents, and decide the best way forward, whilst always considering any significant spend commitment.

We would like to thank all of the residents involved in the IDP and NVH work to date and we look forward to seeing how this develops for the benefit of the whole community.

For enquiries about the Village Hall email **HaileyVillageHall@gmail.com**
To book online go to **www.haileywestoxon.org/villagehall** and follow the link

The Lamb and Flag - 01993 700694 Matt Cantwell

After all the excitement of Christmas and New Year come the dark, gloomy days of January and February. Cheer yourself up at the weekend with a cooked breakfast on a Saturday morning or a Sunday roast. Food always tastes better when someone else is doing the cooking.

Also please don't forget we are hosting Mr B's Cookery School on Thursday afternoons at 3.00 pm. Come along and try some delicious locally baked cakes and cookies to eat in or takeaway.

We look forward to seeing you.

HAILEY SINGERS

Well, our recent gatherings could be described, though enjoyable as sporadic at best, but happily the warmth of St John's Church has provided a welcome venue. Though the sunlit be-horseboxed piano is never far from my thoughts!

However we are told things are getting better and (to be confirmed) I am looking at Tuesday 8th and Thursday 24th as singing dates, both in St John's.

So, with new material in production let us go forth with courage, fortitude, melodious joyfulness and "oh, darn it, where's my music?"

JEREMY LEWIS

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Hailey F.C.

A few games have been played over the last two months or more. In that time the **First Team** have played one game with one game against Stonesfield being cancelled for some reason. The one game that was played was in the Oxfordshire Junior Shield against Donnington Sports and Social Club. Hailey winning 3 – 1 to reach the quarter finals.

The **Reserve Team** have played two games – one league and one cup. In the league game they won 1 – 0 at Kingham All Blacks. They also won the cup game in the Jack Busby Memorial Cup at Witney Royals Reserves 6 - 2.

The **Third Team** have also played two games, winning both – Leafield 4 – 1 and Wooton Reserves 5 – 0, maintaining top position in Division 4.

Martin Friend

Carer/Personal Assistants needed

We are looking for carers to support with the morning and evening routine for my parents in Poffley End, Hailey, Witney from March. Support will be needed from 9am-12 midday and then 3pm-5pm Monday-Sunday from March onwards. We anticipate will likely need 2-3 carers to cover all the required times. Please contact me on 07881 940806 or pippacapel@gmail.com for full details.

Pippa Capel



Pop up **Haberdashery Shop** and advice on all things sewing, in Dawn's Shop, Hailey Village Hall on **Thursday 24th February**
12 - 4pm

Coffee Morning

Friday 4th February
Hailey Village Hall

10 – 11:30am



This month we are raising funds towards the replacement of the damaged internal doors in Hailey Village Hall.


Come and join us for a coffee and slice of homemade cake.

Last month we raised £34.50 for Mind mental health charity.





Dawn's Shop

Hailey Village Hall
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Saturday: 10:00am – 11:00pm

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

4th Feb **Coffee Morning** - 10:00am - Village Hall

8th Feb **Hailey Singers** – 7.00pm – St Johns' church

12th Feb **Breach Wood** work morning – 10.30 – 12.30pm

14th Feb **Parish Council meeting** - 7.30pm - Village Hall

16th Feb **Village Lunch** – 12.00 – Village Hall

24th Feb **Pop-up Haberdashery Shop** – 12.00-4.00pm – Dawn's Shop, Village Hall

24th Feb **Hailey Singers** – 7.00pm – St Johns' church

12th Mar **Quiz Night** – Village Hall

14th Mar **Parish Council meeting** - 7.30pm - Village Hall

Regular Church Services – St Johns' church:

Sundays: 9.15am: Holy Communion