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Dear Villagers,

As we approach Autumn let's hope the next few months are kind on us to take us over the winter months and back into Spring!



Our Shutford Village Hall: In this edition we have a message from our VHC committee on the Parish Council's recent decision to turn down the village hall loan. Please read.

Alkerton Refuse Centre: Your views are required! An important consultation on the future of local household waste recycling centres has been started by Oxfordshire County Council. This will run until the **5th October**, with the results to be published by the 31st January, 2016. Any subsequent decision has important ramifications for the future of Alkerton refuse centre.

Please therefore visit the OCC [website](http://www.oxfordshirecountycouncil.org.uk/) (<http://www.oxfordshirecountycouncil.org.uk/>), in order to digest the information and proposals available there.

A link to the response questionnaire can be found by copying and pasting this link:
<https://consultations.oxfordshire.gov.uk/consult.ti/HWRCstrategy/consultation>
[Home](#)

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rita".

Rita Livesey
Editor Shutford News E: rita@rlmarketing.co.uk

Open letter to Shutford Parish Councillors from The Chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee and Trustees

Village Hall Development Plan part funded by a Public Works Loan

I attended your meeting held in the Village Hall on the evening of 16th September 2015 to hear the outcome of our request for an application for a Public Works Loan of £150,000 to part fund the rebuilding of the Village Hall on the existing site. Other members of the public were also present. This request was the culmination of more than 3 years of work to devise a plan to improve the 60 year old facility and bring it up to date and provide for the future needs of our community in Shutford.

The original impetus to do this came from the village survey to create a village plan for the next 25 years held two years ago, showing an overwhelming community support to either renovate or rebuild the village hall. The Village Hall Committee had already obtained a grant to part fund an energy audit which was carried out by Oxford Brookes University in summer 2012. The outcome of this was predictable, suggesting low energy lighting, attention to heat insulation and draughts etc. The former was attended to immediately, but wall insulation was very expensive and would change the appearance of the building. A better heating control system was installed in January 2014 with the help of a Council grant and local expertise while lower electricity costs were achieved through a much better deal from a local energy supplier.

All of this was not getting to grips with two overarching and much more fundamental problems. The hall has no disabled access, which had already caused it to lose valuable income from use as a polling

station, and the building with its asbestos roof has a limited life anyway.

Rebuilding eventually seemed the only way forward, but this would be very expensive and the Trustees felt that even with grant assistance, this would never exceed more than 50% of the capital required to undertake the task. Local fund raising to meet the cost would probably take decades, time that we didn't have.

Then last year three events came together that changed everything. Firstly a new design of rebuild that provided three advantages at very little extra cost reinvigorated the Trustees to pursue this more fundamental solution. Firstly, by dropping the footings and providing a lay by in front of the building, disabled access becomes possible, a higher roof is achieved and loading and unloading no longer interferes with traffic flow. These are tangible, real and permanent benefits to the viability of the facility. Secondly, a pledge of £100,000 was made by two incredibly generous village residents and thirdly the possibility of using a Public Works Loan, for a village hall project, was amply demonstrated by a number of organisations in Oxfordshire and is advocated by Oxfordshire Rural Community Council. This led the SVH Committee to apply for planning permission, for which the Parish Council agreed to be the applicant to reduce the cost. Planning permission was granted and the design praised by the planning authorities with a proviso regarding usage, which being primarily for villagers, is not a problem.

Presentations were made to your council by another community building management, demonstrating the way that their new building had attracted increased usage and how a PWL had facilitated their project. It was after this event that the SVH Committee asked the Parish Council to go ahead with an application for a PWL. The SVH

Team were also supportive of a second independent village survey to ascertain backing for our project that produced 57% in favour.

The SVH Committee is also confident that all the building costs likely to be encountered would be covered by known resources plus the PWL of £150,000. The future prognosis also shows that all the running costs of the new hall would be easily covered by rental income and a good margin generated even if only a small fraction of the new expected usage actually materialised.

At the previous Council meeting indication was given that an application would be made following satisfactory answers to a list of questions that went well beyond the requirements of the loan board and included a number of questions that could only be answered speculatively, such as prospective future use. The questions were received less than a month ago, leaving our Committee little time to reply. The SVH Committee spent two weeks compiling the answers which would have satisfied the most exacting standards, so you can appreciate the shock we had when your council voted 5 – 2 against applying for the loan. It is the basis for this rejection that I and the Trustees respectfully request a detailed explanation. The Village Hall Management Committee is surprised and disappointed by your decision, which would not appear to be in accordance with the wishes of the village.

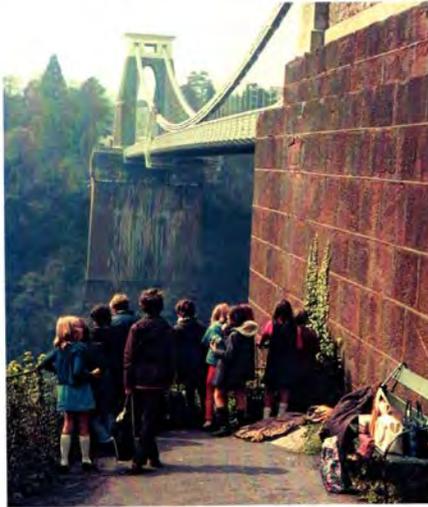
It was agreed at the meeting that I would meet with your chairman as soon as possible with a view to attaining a better understanding of why this decision was made and potentially address all of your concerns. Without a viable plan for the future the Trustees have grave concerns about the future of a community building in our village.

Trustees of Shutford Village Hall, Charity No. 304364:-
Roger Bancroft, Geraldine Bancroft, Christine Yarborough

What they don't tell you about Education

... or why I feel sorrier for those who think they succeeded!

Mervyn Benford MSc, BA, Adv. Dip. Educ. Management



We need to return education to its roots in families and communities

New Book by Mervyn Benford of Shutford

“What they don’t
tell you about
Education”

The book describes the years of wasted time, talent and taxes Mervyn has seen in over 50 years active in the business as teacher, Headteacher, Ofsted inspector and consultant.

He argues for urgent changes especially in view of the radically different future likely to face today’s youngest children by mid-century.

Persons interested in the book or the subject are invited to make contact by e-mail to mervynbenford@gmail.com.



SIBFORD GOWER PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA
BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS

SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER
Gates open 5.00pm

Advance tickets available until Thursday 5th November
from Emma Wood: shutfordgrounds@gmail.com

Advance ticket prices: Family £12; Adult £5; Child £3
Prices on the night: Family £20; Adult £6; Child £4

Email confirmation will be sent and names and payment due
will be added to a list on the gate

Sue Allen and husband Henry (pictured below on the left) did the Ride & Stride in September. They walked 11 miles and visited 18 Churches with their Grandson Daniel and friend Theresa.

Their sponsors sponsored them to the tune of £875 which half will go to the Church St. Joseph's Catholic Church where they attend,

Sue has been doing the Ride & Stride for 30 years usually cycling.



XMAS BINGO

Friday 4th December 2015

**In Shutford Village Hall
Eyes Down 7.30pm**

**Any Donations, Prizes etc. to either
JOAN WRIGHT: 788336 or
MARGARET HOLLOWAY: 788396**

In aid of Shutford Village Hall Funds

Kineton Art Group will be holding their Members' Art Exhibition
and Sale of Paintings
Kineton Village Hall
Saturday and Sunday 10th & 11th October 2015

Doors will be open from 10-00 am until 5-00 pm each day.
Adults, 50p: Children, free.

Please come and enjoy the variety of paintings by our members.
Home-made cakes are available throughout each day, along with
other refreshments.

We are pleased to say that we will be sponsoring *PAINTING FOR PLEASURE*, a not for profit organisation for disabled people and those living with or recovering from illness including carers needing some respite. If you need any other information please let me know.

E.mail: enquiries@kinetonartgroup.co.uk.

SHUTFORD WI

After the summer break, our members enjoyed a social morning in August during which some nearly new clothing was sold in aid of the RSPB and WI funds. The unsold items were donated to the Sue Ryder charity shop in town.

At our September meeting, Trevor Wood told us about the origins of the RNLI which, like the later Air Ambulance service, is not government funded, although it was in its early days. The various designs of lifeboats over the years were illustrated and tales of disasters and rescues told.

On September 15th, Joan & Geraldine attended a Centennial Celebration service in Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford. The Banners of each WI were paraded into the cathedral at the beginning of the service, making a colourful spectacle.

Visitors will be made very welcome if they wish to join us at any of our forthcoming meetings, held in the Village Hall at 10am, when the speakers will be:

October 6th - Peter Preece - Every Picture Tells a Story
November 3rd - Patricia Justice - Quiz on Bygone Objects
December 1st - Christmas Social (at 11am) with buffet lunch

Contacts: Geraldine on 780579 or Jenny on 780570.

SHUTFORD VILLAGE HALL
100+ CLUB RESULTS

AUGUST	£35.00	£10.00	£5.00
	Anne & Stuart Caro	Gillian Holliday	Andrew Sabin

The draw for September will take place at the Harvest Supper
on Monday 28 September.
The venue for the October draw has yet to be decided.

GOOD LUCK!

VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS TO
Geraldine & Roger Bancroft - 780579

BANBURY GUARDIAN CORRESPONDENT
Joan Wright, 32, The Dairyground, Shutford
Tel: - 788336

www.shutfordvillage.com

Shutford Festival 2016 – News Update!

Following a very successful Summer Festival we are now commencing the planning for next year's event, our expectations being an even bigger and better experience. We hope that all the villagers that took part last year will again support the event. If you have not previously, but would like to be involved please contact Rita or myself or come to our meetings in the village hall (to be scheduled shortly). Even better if you have an idea that would be beneficial then come along and share it with us. From my personal experience helping prepare and serving teas on the day is a pleasure and the feeling of being part of a community is great!

The challenge to having something more spectacular is the need to raise increased funding to support the increased activities. So far many of our loyal supporters have already committed to increase their donations/sponsorship for next year's event and a few people who cannot provide their support in the preparation of the event due to personal or employment commitments have promised donations, all of whom have now become '**Friends of the Festival**'.

The proceeds from the festival are equally shared between:

- The Community Association – who provide enhancement to the village environment and activities
- The Village Hall – for the upkeep of the hall that provides a facility for a variety of social events
- The Church – for the maintenance of the fabric of the church, the regular worshipers fund the clerical support, your extra funding is essential in keeping the church open.

The event was a success this year as a result of all of the villagers that supported and attended and we thank you for being involved. We will be reaching out to everyone to get involved in some capacity and for those who are not able directly to become '**Friends of the Festival**'! More updates to follow. Best Wishes

John (Hodgkins), Shutford Festival 2016 Chairman

News from Katharine House Hospice! Christmas Knitted Novelties

We've got some fab new patterns to add to our collection for this year's Christmas knits, including a Christmas tree, Santa sack and festive hedgehog and we'd love to hear from any supporters willing to knit some for us! Last year's Christmas novelties raised almost £5,000 towards Hospice care- wouldn't it be great to match that again this year? Whether you knit us five or fifty, we're grateful for your support and every penny really counts. Please call Fundraising for our new pattern booklet on 01295 816484 or email sarah.brennan@khh.org.uk

Christmas Cards

This year we have 16 beautiful new designs on offer this year, including local scenes and these are now on sale at our 7 charity shops and Hospice reception. Application forms can be downloaded from our website at www.khh.org.uk .

Make a Will Week -12th – 16th October 2015

Have you made a Will? Does your existing Will need updating? Local solicitors and will writers are generously donating their time and expertise and will write a basic or standard Will or update your existing Will in return for a donation to the hospice. **Please be guided by their usual fee when making your donation.**

Act now, make a Will and at the same time benefit Katharine House. Last year's campaign raised almost £20,000 to help fund the hospice services. For further information and details of participating solicitors and will writers, please phone Daphne Robertson on 01295 816484.

JS Auctions Charity Auction and Open Day

Viewing from 9am, auction 2pm, Saturday 17th October- JS Auctions Sale Room, Oxford Rd, Bodicote.

JS Auctions are holding a special charity auction in aid of Katharine House and The Blue Cross. Auction staff will be on-hand during the morning to offer information on buying and selling at auctions, and wine, coffee and refreshments will also be on offer.

JS Auctions would be delighted to receive further items to be auctioned on the day. For more information on donating items or about buying at the auction please call them on 01295 272488 or email enquiries@jsauctions.co.uk .

Banbury Camera Club Exhibition

Tuesday 20th October – Sunday 25th October, The Michael Heseltine Gallery, Chenderit School, Archery Road, Middleton Cheney.

This annual event offers supporters the opportunity to view a delightful collection of photographs and purchase prints in aid of the Hospice. Entry is free and opening hours are 9am – 5pm (Tuesday-Friday) and 11am- 4pm (Saturday and Sunday).

Matalan KHH Promotion Day

9.30am, Monday 26th October, Matalan, Cherwell Street, Banbury.

For this Hospice promotion day we are looking for volunteers to hold a collecting tin and to man the KHH Information Stall. We have 1.5 hours slots available from 9.30am and would be delighted to hear from anyone who'd like to volunteer. Please call Wendy in Fundraising on (01295) 816484 or email wendy.crosse@khh.org.uk

Santa Fun Run

Why not kick-start the festive season with this family fundraiser?! Our 6th Santa Fun Run will be taking place at 11am on Sunday, 6th December at Spiceball Park, Banbury. Entry fee is £13 for adults, £7 for children aged 6 – 16 years and free for under 6's. This includes a Santa suit, mince pie and medal and you are asked to raise a minimum of £20 per adult or £40 per family. To take part, apply online at www.khh.org.uk or call the Fundraising Office on 01295 816484 and we can pop an application form in the post.

KHH Lottery

Our lottery is a vital income source for Katharine House, having raised over £1 million since May 2000. If you're stuck for a birthday present idea, we have a variety of Lottery Gift Membership solutions. For £1 per week you might get a phone call on a Friday morning from Wendy our Lottery Administrator telling you that you've won £1,000. For more information call the Lottery Office on 01295 816484 or email lottery@khh.org.uk.

For fundraising information, please contact Sarah in the Fundraising Department at the Hospice, tel:01295 816484, email: sarah.brennan@khh.org.uk or visit our website: www.khh.org.uk

**NOTES FROM THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday 16th September 2015**

Present: Cllrs. Hancock, Duffield, Parsons, Gibbs, Taylor, Goldie and Yeomans

Cllr. George Reynolds (OCC & CDC)

12 members of the public

Highways: The parking at Malthouse Lane/West Street junction, the employer will make sure his employees are aware about parking considerately. The position will be monitored.

The potholes around the village have been filled.

Grass Verges: Quotes will be obtained for cutting grass verges and OCC will give a grant of £311.

Dairyground: The ROSPA report has found that nothing needs to be done, however it was agreed to keep a watch on the swing uprights for any sign of rot.

A report was given on the state of all village amenities. Once again the children were thanked for keeping the Dairyground free from litter.

Allotments: A report has been made showing some allotments are not being looked after properly. A letter will be issued to the people concerned advising them that they must be looked after or given up. There are 2 people on the waiting list.

Flower tubs: There is one tub at Jame Corner without anyone to look after it. The Clerk would like to hear from anyone who would like to take it over.

Finance: The External Audit has been agreed. The Grant from the Solar Farm has not been received, a letter will be sent to find out why.

Correspondence: The Cherwell District Plan is now held by the Parish Council, anyone wishing to see it can contact the Clerk.

Village Hall: The Chairman read out the work done by the Village Hall Committee to answer the questions required before the council could vote on whether to go forward with the Public Works Loan. The vote was taken with 5 against and 2 votes in favour, therefore the Loan will not be applied for.

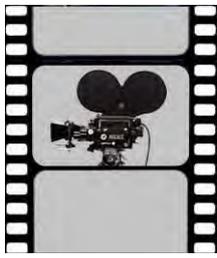
After much discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council and the Village Hall Committee would meet to discuss further options.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th November 2015 at 7.30pm.

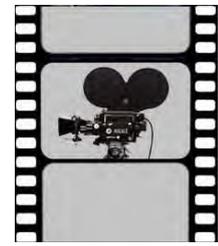
The Parish Council Official Minutes are on the village website.

SHUTFORD'S PARISH COUNCILLORS AND PARISH CLERK

Barbara Reynolds (Clerk)	-	780479
Ashley Taylor (Chair)	-	788788
Malcolm Goldie	-	788538
Athene Duffield	-	788332
Rose Hancock	-	780622
Lynne Parsons	-	780649
John Yeomans	-	780564
Helen Gibbs	-	07500937390



NORTH NEWINGTON VIG SCREEN



Films for Sept 2015 to Feb 2016

Fridays at 7-30pm

(door opens 7-00pm)

School Hall on Park Lane (park in school yard)

Friday 16th October

The Imitation Game

2014 film

8.1/10 · [IMDb](#)

89% · [Rotten Tomatoes](#)

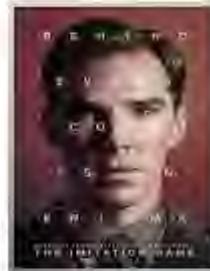
73% · [Metacritic](#)

In 1939, newly created British intelligence agency MI6 recruits Cambridge mathematics alumnus Alan Turing (Benedict Cumberbatch) to crack Nazi codes, including Enigma – which cryptanalysts had thought unbreakable. Turing's team, including Joan Clarke (Keira Knightley), analyze Enigma messages while he builds a machine to decipher them. Turing and team finally succeed and become heroes, but in 1952, the quiet genius encounters disgrace when authorities reveal he is gay and send him to prison.

Initial release: [January 7, 2015 \(Egypt\)](#)

Director: [Morten Tyldum](#)

Running time: 1h 54m



Friday 20th November

Far from the Madding Crowd

2015 film

7.2/10 · [IMDb](#)

84% · [Rotten Tomatoes](#)

71% · [Metacritic](#)



A headstrong Victorian beauty (Carey Mulligan) has her choice of three different suitors: a sheep farmer (Matthias Schoenaerts), a dashing soldier (Tom Sturridge) and a prosperous, older bachelor (Michael Sheen).

Release date: May 1, 2015 (United Kingdom)

Director: Thomas Vinterberg

Running time: 1h 59m

Costume design: Janet Patterson

Music composed by: Craig Armstrong

Cast

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Carey Mulligan
Bathsheba Everdene



Matthias Schoenaerts
Gabriel Oak



Michael Sheen
William Boldwood



Tom Sturridge
Sgt. Francis 'Frank' Troy



Juno Temple
Fanny Robbin

Friday 4th December

Girlhood

2014 film

6.8/10 · [IMDb](#)

95% · [Rotten Tomatoes](#)

85% · [Metacritic](#)



Marieme joins an all-girl gang in the projects of Paris and is slowly turned out of her shell by her three sassy neighbors. As she falls further under their bravado and volatile energy, she begins making brave and foolish choices.

Initial release: October 20, 2014 (France)

Director: Céline Sciamma

Running time: 1h 53m

Cinematography: Crystal Fournier

Music composed by: Para One



CHURCH NEWS

Rector - Revd Ronald Hawkes - 780555

Church Wardens:

Mr Ken Jeffs – 788308

Mr John Hodgkins - 788609

SERVICES: Most Sundays 9.30am but see Wykeham News & Benefice website for details.

The PCC has not met since 14th July with the next meeting scheduled for 13th October. Parishioners who wish to raise any issues for discussion at the meeting should contact the vicar or churchwardens.

Helen Gibbs and Hywel Morse were married in St Martin`s Church on 24th July when the church was full with family and friends to witness this special occasion. The church was beautifully decorated by Sue Gibbs with flowers and greenery with some agricultural accessories! Charlotte Holliday married Phillip Beer on 15th August in Broughton church. We wish both couples every happiness in their married lives.

During August we had two baptisms: Harriet Rigby on 9th August and Annabelle Bailey on 29th August. Both girls were supported by their family and friends and we welcome them as members of the church.

We have recently received £1250 from this year`s Shutford Festival which will be used towards our annual building insurance premium which is £1770. We are grateful to everyone involved with the Festival. We hope to raise the remainder from a Christmas Raffle in December.

Sue Roe-French hosted a coffee morning at her home on 22nd August which raised £252 for church funds. Many thanks for those who supported the event and donated generously and the lady star bakers who made the delicious cakes.

September`s Benefice Service was held in Shutford: it was good to have a large congregation with visitors from our benefice villages including the choir. The next benefice service here is Christmas Eve at 11.30pm. This year`s Ride and Stride attracted just 11 visitors to Shutford. As usual refreshments were provided in church. No one took up the challenge to raise funds for our village church but Sue and Henry Allen did for their church in Banbury. They took part for the 30th time and

with two others raised a magnificent figure of £900 walking around Banbury visiting 18 churches and clocking up 11 miles. Well done!

This year`s Harvest Ploughman`s Supper and Sale will raise funds for the church and Katharine House Hospice.

Organised worship has continued as scheduled during the summer with our usual worshippers and with lots of visitors supporting the weddings, baptisms and benefice services. Sadly our monthly service organised for families on the third Sunday at 11.00pm has only attracted one family with children this summer. Unusually, there were only 8 people (no children) at the Pets Service in July so the 6 dogs and family of swallows in the porch outnumbered the humans. We have had two broods of swallows this year, the second is still here in late September: we think about six young have fledged.

There will be some Messy Church Events aimed at junior school age children and their guardians again this autumn: 14th November in Tadmarton and 12th December in Shutford. There may be other dates and perhaps another Beetle Drive for youngsters and the young at heart!

There is to be a Pilgrim`s Course for anyone wishing to explore and deepen their Christian Faith. This will run for six weeks in Tadmarton and Sibford. Details are available on the Wykeham website.

The Remembrance Service in Shutford is on 8th November at 6.00pm. A retiring collection will be given to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Their house to house collection starts on Saturday, 24th October until Sunday, 8th November. Please be prepared for the collectors call.

St Martin`s church is supported by our core congregation financially and by the wider community in various ways including the Illuminate and Celebrate initiative. See details elsewhere in this publication.

To keep in touch with church news, services and events visit: www.wykehambenefice.org.uk or the church which is open every day.

Illuminate & Celebrate in 2015!



Don't forget to get your special dates in for 2015!

If you have a special celebration, maybe a birthday coming up, or a loved one you would like to remember, a christening or some other occasion in 2015. How special it would be for the church tower illuminated specially for this occasion.

It only costs £10.00 per occasion:

Please get in touch with Ken Jeffs on

KJJ@kennyjohn.co.uk. Below is a list of those who have been or will be remembering a special day:

Date	Name	Occasion
24 th July	Hywel Morse & Helen Gibbs	Wedding Day
Various Dates	Ken Jeffs	Family birthdays and anniversary
8 th August	Jamie Rigby	Harriet's Baptism
15 th August	David & Jenny Lake	Lizzie's safe return from Katmandu
18 th August	Steve White	Sharon's birthday
22 nd August	Jenny Lake	Birth of grandson Henry Whitehead
30 th August	Janice Bailey	Annabelle's Baptism
16 th September	Debbie Pitt	Isabelle's birthday
22 nd September	Sue Roe-French	Family birthday
30 th September	Debbie Pitt	Nicholas's birthday
12 th November	Lorraine Wakelin	In memory of Nan
16 th November	Kirsten Parrish	Tom's birthday

Any other donation details received after Shutford News publication day will be included in future issues.

Abattoirs are seeing increasing numbers of lamb carcasses being rejected due to *Cysticercosis* a disease which stems from the canine adult tapeworm *Taenia ovis*. The tapeworm is transmitted to sheep when infected dogs or foxes shed eggs via their faeces onto pasture which can survive for months. As soon as the sheep ingests the eggs the infected cysts start to develop.

Once a sheep is exposed to tapeworm eggs it is impossible to prevent the cysts developing, so preventing the exposure is the important step.

What can dog walkers do to help:

- *Worm your dog regularly
- *Keep your dog on leads (especially in grass fields)
- *Keep to the foot paths
- *Always clear up after your dog and dispose of their dog poo in appropriate bins

The George+Dragon

COMEDY NIGHT

Saturday 31ST October – 8.30pm



Starring

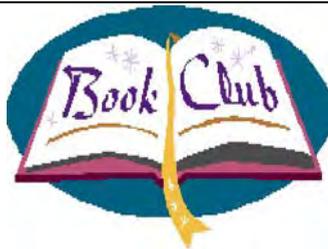
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Shutford Book Club



The **Shutford Book Club** has a regular monthly attendance of up to 15 people, meeting on the last Monday of each month at 7.30pm in the George & Dragon restaurant.

Although membership is currently full as space is limited, you can always take part virtually. The books we are reading are regularly published in the Shutford News and on the village website, so feel free to read them alongside the Book Club. You can volunteer your thoughts via email or a note in the door of "The Nook" in Church Lane if you'd like to, and we'll share them at the meetings!

Forthcoming book is:



Monday 26th October, "**My Brilliant Friend**" by Elena Ferrante, hosted by Carolyn Rann.

Contact details: Kirsten Parrish kirsten@kdpr.co.uk or 780412

Shutford Calendar 2016!

Last call for photos!



Remember this?

This great photo was taken at our 2015 Shutford Festival. Just one of many taken this year.

We are now looking for photos taken in and around Shutford for inclusion in the **2016 Shutford Calendar**.

The photos can be of anything for example, your garden, wildlife, pets, weather etc etc.

Please send in your photos to be considered for next year's Shutford Calendar before 23rd October to: rita@rlmarketing.co.uk

Thank you to all who look after the amazing flower displays in and around the village!

Great work goes into maintaining the flowers during all the seasons!

Here are some photos:



There is one tub at Jame Corner without anyone to look after it. The Clerk would like to hear from anyone who would like to take it over. Contact Barbara Reynolds on 780479.



We operate every week day, including evenings for grooming, training and home visits, and can take advance bookings for weekends and bank holidays. We are able to take regular, long term and one off bookings. Discounts can be offered for multiple or bulk bookings of services.

Dog Day Care

Walking

Bathing & Grooming Services

(Also other domestic pets and livestock catered for)

Baths Start at £15

Dog Day Care - £15

Dog Walking - £10

Discounts given when booking for more than one service.

Please email us on: premierpawsandpets@hotmail.com

Tel: T: 01295 788 183

M: 07920 030 102

www.premierpawsandpets.azurewebsites.net

PUMP HUNT FOR SEWAGE STATION OWNERS

- **Thames Water to take on the responsibility of 4,000 sewage pumping stations from property owners and managers**
- **Utility will take over electricity and maintenance costs under new legislation, potentially saving customers thousands of pounds**
- **Firm appeals for help tracking 1,800 'missing' stations**

Thames Water is appealing to customers to help identify privately owned sewage pumping stations.

The utility, which serves 15 million customers across London and the Thames Valley, will take responsibility for around 4,000 pumping in October 2016, but needs to track down 1,800 currently off its radar.

New legislation means sewage pumping stations, which power wastewater away from properties and out into the public sewer pipe network, currently owned and maintained by customers will become legally owned and operated by the local water company.

The pumping stations are found in all shapes and sizes, and can be in places where there are a number of properties needing to connect to the public sewer network. Customers will know they have one as they'll be paying to maintain and power them.

Jerry White, of Thames Water, said: "This is really good news for customers. We'd urge anyone who thinks they may have one to get in touch so we can check they are eligible for the transfer of ownership. In some cases, as well as electricity savings, maintaining and replacing pumps can cost thousands of pounds so it's an excellent deal for them.

"We believe we know where approximately half of the stations we need to take over are, but really need help to find the other 1,800. Please get in touch if you think this applies to you and we can take on the responsibility forever."

Anyone with a private pumping station can make Thames Water aware at thameswater.co.uk/pumphunt

Notes to editors

A sewer pumping station is likely to be 'adopted' by Thames Water if it:

- was in use before July 2011 (and)
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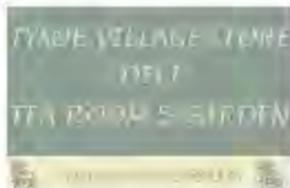
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Wednesday	7	Mobile Library – West Street, fortnightly 9.30-9.50am	
Friday	9	CDC Normal Waste Collection fortnightly	
Tuesday	13	PCC Meeting	
Monday	26	Book Club The G & D – 7.30pm	
November			
Tuesday	3	WI – Patricia Justice -Quiz on Bygone Objects, Village Hall 10am	
Tuesday	3	Shutford News Planning Meeting, 3, Church Lane- 7.30pm.	
Sunday	8	Remembrance Service in Shutford 6:00 pm	
Saturday	14	Deadline for Shutford News	
Wednesday	18	Parish Council Meeting – Village Hall, 7.30pm	
Monday	30	Book Club The G & D – 7.30pm	
December			
Tuesday	1	WI- Christmas Social Time, 11am , Village Hall	
Tuesday	1	SCA Meeting, The G & D, 7.30pm	
Friday	4	Xmas Bingo – Village Hall, 7.30pm	

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