# SHUTFORD NEWS

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### Onion, Olive and Tomato Tart

### Ingredients

1 tbsp olive oil

3 large onions, sliced

1 tsp caster sugar

handful oregano leaves, roughly chopped

320g cherry vine tomatoes

50g pitted dry black olives

1 tsp nigella seeds

1 egg, lightly beaten

1 x 375g pack ready-rolled puff pastry





Heat the oil in a large saucepan. Fry the onions, sugar, oregano and a pinch of salt over a medium heat for 25 mins, stirring occasionally, until golden. Take off the heat. Stir in the tomatoes and olives. Cool.

Preheat oven to 220°C, and slide in a large baking tray.

Unroll the pastry onto a large sheet of baking paper. Using a sharp knife, score a 1-1.5cm border around the edge of the pastry, taking care not to cut all the way through. Brush a little of the beaten egg on the border to glaze it. Scatter over the nigella seeds and set aside.

Pile the onion mixture into the centre of the pastry, taking care to avoid the border. Remove the hot baking tray and slide on the baking paper. Bake for about 25-30 mins until golden and crisp.

Rest for about 10 mins, then slice and serve.

Profits raised to date from the sale of the Village Hall Recipe books have been distributed as follows:

£40 to the Village Hall £40 to the church £10 to Katharine House Hospice

There are a few copies left, makes a great present, please contact Helen on helennixseaman@gmail.com

# Dear Villagers...

Thank you to those who submitted a Shutford Flag design and to everyone who voted. As the Shutford News was going to print at the time of the voting, the winner will be announced via the village emails and also you can go onto the website to view the wining flag after 31 March: <a href="https://www.shutfordvillage.com">www.shutfordvillage.com</a>



We are starting to pull together plans for this year's festival, more details to follow in the next edition. If you have an idea for a stall, please do get in touch by emailing: <a href="mailto:shutfordvillagenews@gmail.com">shutfordvillagenews@gmail.com</a>. We will of course be in touch during April/May re plans and where we need our festival helpers. Finally, a big thank you to Jane King who has been amazing in re-designing our festival poster and logo. It looks super!

Remember to keep up with all the village news simply sign up to our newsletter by visiting <a href="www.shutfordvillage.com">www.shutfordvillage.com</a> and completing the on-line sign up form to receive village news.

Looking forward to keeping you in touch with news and events throughout the year!

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Rita Livesey, Editor

Email: <a href="mailto:shutfordvillagenews@gmail.com">shutfordvillagenews@gmail.com</a>

### **Shutford Calendar 2020**

Please send your village photos to: <a href="mailto:shutfordvillagenews@gmail.com">shutfordvillagenews@gmail.com</a>
Photos ideally need to be landscape and in hi-res jpeg / png format. Last date to receive photos is 31 October 2019.

### SHUTFORD VILLAGE HALL

### 100+ CLUB RESULTS

FEBRUARY £35.00 £15.00 £10.00

John Hodgkins Paul Hughes Rosemary Neal

MARCH £55.00 £15.00 £10.00

Miles Ash Marion McClellan Martin Norrington

The next draw starting the new membership year will be on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April at the Community Lunch in the Village Hall.

### **ANNUAL REPORT 2018/19**

The income for 2018/19 was a total of £1,580 from 158 members. This income is split with £790 going to prize money and £790 to the running of the village hall.

The first prizes were £55 for Sept and March, £50 for June and Dec and £35 for the remaining months. We were able to increase the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize money by £5 monthly. Winners are published each month on the village notice boards and in the Shutford News editions.

There were no expenses during this period due to the generosity of Mail Boxes Etc. who printed the membership cards for free.

Since 1998, Members have raised an amazing total of £14,432.49 for the village hall

Many thanks to everyone who is a member and helped to raise funds for our fantastic village hall.

**GOOD LUCK TO EVERYONE!** 



The next dates for a Sunday breakfast in the Village Hall served from 9:30 - 11:00 am:

> Sunday 28 April Sunday 26 May

We are looking for volunteers for July & August:

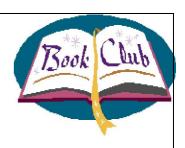
Are you handy at doing a breakfast? Or happy just to help serve and tidy up?

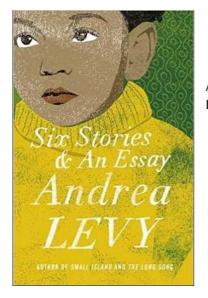
Simply email: <a href="mailto:shutfordvillagenews@gmail.com">shutfordvillagenews@gmail.com</a> or pop along to one of the breakfast dates above and leave your details.

Thank you.

# **Shutford Book Club**

The Shutford Book Club meets on the last Monday of each month in Shutford Village Hall 7:30 pm.





April 29<sup>th</sup>, Six Stories and an Essay by Andrea Levy, hosted by Wendy Hall

May 27<sup>th</sup>, The Sealwoman's Gift by Sally Magnusson, hosted by Christine Yarborough SEALWOMAN'S

Richly Imagened GIFT

SALLY MAGNUSSON

Currently the book club is full, however, 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 to Kirsten Parrish or a note in the door of "The Nook" in Church Lane if you would like to, and we'll share them at the meetings!

### **Contact details:**

Kirsten Parrish: Kirsten@kdpr.co.uk or 780412





# Kineton Art Group Open Exhibition Kineton Village Hall, CV35 OLB Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th May 2019 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sale of Paintings and original cards

Refreshments Entry 50p

Raffle Children free

(www.kinetonartgroup.com)

### **Art & Craft Workshop Programme**

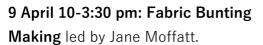
Hornton artist, Chris Woodcock, has launched an art and craft workshop programme at her home studio in Hornton, offering friendly tuition by Banburyshire experts in skills ranging from photography to printing.





# 4 April 2-4:30 pm: Easter Card Making led by Sally Moret

For each of your designs, we will provide card (plain pastel colours and patterned) and envelopes as well as silhouettes, motifs and decorative embellishments. You take away as many cards as you can design and make in the time!



Make some beautiful bunting for your home, garden or party - or as a special personalised gift! In our relaxed, light



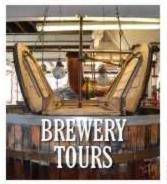
garden studio setting, Jane will guide you, step by step, through planning your project, selecting your fabrics, assembling and sewing.

For more information and the full programme - plus a mini series of art history talks - contact Chris.

Email: chrisawoodcock@btinternet.com Tel: 01295 670795

# HOOK NORTON BREWERY AWARD WINNING ALES AND MORE

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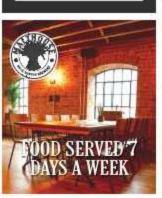
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### **CHURCH NEWS**

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 met on 5<sup>th</sup> February to prepare for the church Annual Meeting in March. Items on the agenda included the annual report and accounts, benefice activities, Lent talks and lunches, fund raising and the Deanery plan which will decide the future of ministry in Banbury and surrounding villages. The Diocese of Oxford is developing a common vision – to become a more Christ-like church, more contemplative, compassionate and courageous, a local plan will include this vision.

We were pleased to welcome Lucia Rigby as a member of the church as she was baptised on 10<sup>th</sup> February. She was well supported by her family and friends. The church tower was illuminated to celebrate the occasion. See elsewhere in this publication for other illuminations.

The Community Lunch on 28<sup>th</sup> February was hosted by church members and £85 was raised for St Martin's Church. There were 16 people for lunch: we are grateful to them for attending and those who donated, prepared and served the food. These lunches, usually organised by a village hall team, are open to everyone and are an ideal time to meet, eat and chat: good company and food guaranteed. The next church hosted lunch will be on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> April raising funds for Katharine House Hospice. This Lent Lunch will be a bit more frugal than usual with soup, bread, cheese, cake and buns on the menu.

45 people celebrated communion in St Martin's Church on 3<sup>rd</sup> March with the benefice choir in attendance. Reverend Ronald led worship with excellent hymns, address and refreshments to finish.

The Oxford Diocese has published a new quarterly magazine, Pathways, which replaces The Door monthly newspaper.

Copies have been distributed to our core congregation but there are some available in church. The first magazine has an introduction from Steven, Bishop of Oxford with articles about everyday faith, human sexuality, ways to reduce carbon footprint, church schools and prayer......

God of Compassion, you meant us to be both fragile and ordinary. Silence the voices that say we are not good enough, haven't achieved enough, haven't enough to show for our lives, that we are not enough. Help us to know that we are treasure, we are prized, we are cherished, we are loved. Infinitely. By you.

So be with us in our corrugations of feeling: When our hearts are in downward freefall, be with us when our minds race with anxiety, be with us when our throats close in fear, be with us when sleep will not come, be with us when waking hurts, be with us. Amen.

Churches can play an important role for those experiencing distress or mental ill health: for resources visit inclusive-church.org/mental-health.

The annual church meeting took place on 19<sup>th</sup> March. John Hodgkins and Ken Jeffs were re-elected as churchwardens for the coming year. The annual report and accounts for 2018 were adopted – copies are held in the church and will be available on the village website for all to see. There were only 7 people at the meeting and existing members of the church council were re-elected. Church finances are is a positive state with the core congregation covering the cost of ministry, which in 2018 was £8566. Fund raising, donations, collections and £3500 from the Shutford Festival covered other costs which totalled £6183. The core congregation is small, about 25 of whom 15 worship once a month, some come to church for special occasions and other support our outreach to the community through social and other initiatives. To ensure the survival of a church community in Shutford we need younger villagers and families to become part of it.

We have 4 Messy Church Events in 2018 in Shutford Village Hall to encourage some involvement with younger children and less formal worship is held monthly. The church is a village asset, please use it or lose it: people of all denominations or none are welcome in church.

Contact <u>KJJ@kennyjohn.co.uk</u> or visit the church website and notice boards for event and service information.

### Illuminate & Celebrate in 2019!



# Don't forget to get your special dates in for 2019!

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 2019.

How special it would be for the church tower to be illuminated for this occasion for a donation of only £10. 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
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Jamie & Claire Rigby	Lucia`s Baptism
1st March	Anon	St David`s Day
4 <sup>th</sup> March	John Bailey	to dear Henry
16 <sup>th</sup> March	Debbie Pitt	Fin`s 5 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Rita Livesey	In memory of Mum
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Linda Gunn	Wedding Anniversary
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Ken Jeffs	St George`s Day

Any donations received after deadline will be mentioned in the next SN issue: where more than one donation is received for a specific day, illuminations will take place on following days.



# SHUTFORD WI

Our February meeting took the form of a Mosaics Workshop with Jane Wimbury. Members created a coaster on a square base, with 100 small ceramic squares of various colours, to their own design. A bag of grout with written instructions on its use was given to each member to apply later when the coaster had dried.

In March, we held our AGM when the presentations of the Annual Report and Financial Statement were followed by the election of the committee and President. Duties for the next year were also agreed. Voting for the Board of Trustees for the NFWI & OFWI were carried out. A venue for our annual outing was discussed.

In April, several members will be attending a Group meeting hosted by Bloxham WI when we will learn about 'The History of Punch & Judy'

Visitors will be made very welcome at any of our forthcoming meetings, held in Shutford Village Hall on Tuesdays at 10am, when our future speakers will be:

April 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Payne - History of Pinewood Studios

May 7<sup>th</sup> Resolutions Meeting (no speaker)
June 4<sup>th</sup> Julia Miles - Ragbag and Cocktail

For further information on our WI, please contact Geraldine on 780579 or Jenny on 780570



# Shutford Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in Shutford Village Hall

# The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs Debbie Pitt, Helen Nixseaman, Ashley Taylor, Carolyn Rann, George Reynolds, Sandy Forrester and David Best, Parish Clerk. Also present were 2 members of the public.

Apologies for absence: Cllr Tom Parrish

18/064	Declarations of Interest: None.
18/065	<b>Minutes of the last meeting:</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the meetings held on 9 <sup>th</sup> January were a correct record and signed. Proposed by Cllr Carolyn Rann, Seconded by Cllr Ashley Taylor.
18/066	Matters arising from the minutes: Actions List – The actions list was reviewed. Who collects scrap metal still needs to be finalised. Oxfordshire County Council have not yet pruned the Ash tree in Church Lane and Cherwell District Council has not yet replaced the faded road signs. The Clerk will chase these items. The actions list will be published on the website.
18/067	Parish Matters:
18/067/1	Allotment Agreement – The new draft agreement was reviewed and after some minor changes it was RESOLVED to adopt it. This was proposed by Cllr Ashley Taylor and seconded by Cllr Debbie Pitt.
18/067/2	<b>Allotment Rents –</b> the proposed new rents were reviewed and it was RESOLVED to implement the larger of the two proposed increases. This will generate extra revenue of £135 per year if all plots are rented. This will be reinvested in the allotments. Allotment holders had previously agreed to an increase in the allotment holder's meetings. This was proposed by Cllr Carolyn Rann and seconded by Cllr Sandy Forrester.
18/067/3	<ol> <li>Dairyground Status – the following were reported and discussed:         <ol> <li>A parishioner had expressed concern at the playground fundraising. Other neighbouring Parish Councils have sought funding for playground repair and development and in was RESOLVED unanimously that fundraising was appropriate and would continue.</li> <li>A working group has prepared the area for the replacement swings (phase1) and the order has been placed with the supplier, T Stewart.</li> <li>Plan of playground changes – It was agreed that a plan of the proposed changes should be published to Shutford residents. The supplier will be asked if they can supply this.</li> <li>Fundraising – Funding has been received from The National Lottery and an application has been made to Cherwell District Council, Tesco, Waitrose, Calor and a number of other companies.</li> <li>Family Fun Day – This is planned for the 6th May (Bank Holiday) and will include a treasure hunt. This is to raise money from Shutford residents.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
18/067/4	Mailing List – It was RESOLVED that the Parish Council will invite Shutford residents to be included in a mailing list. This will be separate to the existing mailing list as the Parish Council has different information to share with residents. Proposed Cllr Helen Nixseaman, seconded Cllr Sandy Forrester.
18/067/5	<b>Minute Recording</b> – It was RESOLVED to discontinue recording minutes in the existing book. Proposed Cllr Debbie Pitt, seconded Cllr Helen Nixseaman. It was agreed that the minutes will be printed on good quality paper and bound every year or 5 years.
18/067/6	<b>Village Clear Up</b> – The date set for this is Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> April. The Parish Council wishes to formerly record thanks to Ken Jeffs and other residents who pick up litter.
18/067/7	<b>Flag Pole</b> – It was agreed that this would be added to the Parish Council Asset List. The Village Hall co-ordinates flying flags.
18/067/8	<b>Bus Service</b> – The Parish Council would like to thank Mervyn Benford for all his hard work trying to get a bus service reinstated. A proposed timetable has been received but the service has not yet been confirmed.
18/068	Finance: Statement of Receipts and Payments and Bank reconciliation – These were reviewed. The documents can be viewed at <a href="http://www.shutfordvillage.com/parish-council-meetings">http://www.shutfordvillage.com/parish-council-meetings</a>

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18/069	Correspondence:	
	None. All emails were forwarded to the Councillors.	
18/070	Planning:	
	There have been no planning applications since the last meeting and there are no outstanding applications awaiting approval.	
18/071	Any Other Business:	
18/071/1	<b>Malthouse Lane Road Surface</b> – The road surface of Malthouse Lane is very poor and it is considered dangerous for pedestrians. The Clerk will ask Oxfordshire County Council to rectify it.	
18/071/2	<b>Defibrillator Pads</b> – These will require replacing soon. Cllr Ashley Taylor will enquire with the supplier.	
18/071/3	<b>Dairyground Noticeboard</b> – This and the posts require repainting. This will be done when the weather improves.	
18/071/4	Jame Corner Posts – These will also be repainted when the weather improves.	

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall The next Parish Council Meeting will be held after the Annual Parish Meeting.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.40 pm

Minutes are marked as draft until the Parish Council agrees that they are a correct record at the next meeting.

# Did you know?

The **Parish Council** now has its own email mailing list. The reason for this is that there is a variety of information that isn't necessarily Shutford village related but that we feel you might be interested in.

Things such as Thames Valley crime alerts, road closures, Oxfordshire County Council information and surveys, as well as Shutford Parish Council business including agendas, minutes of meetings, finances and general information that we feel that parishioners have a right to know.

We will not flood you with everything that comes to Councillors but just information that is relevant to residents! If you would like to be on this new email mailing list, please email <a href="mailto:shutfordpc@gmail.com">shutfordpc@gmail.com</a>. We will, of course, not pass your details onto anyone else and will send you a form to comply with the new general data protection act.

**Johnson's coaches** were approached about the loss of our bus service. Johnson's bus manager was very understanding and has worked really hard in official negotiations with Warwickshire County Council who subsidise these services for their citizens. In his commitment to us he has shifted one back to Shutford/North Newington. We suggested the timing could connect with the bus to Gateway trading estate, but he has done better than that by routing our bus onto Gateway after town centre.

One persuasive argument was a growing difficulty using cars in Banbury. It seems very important now to use the service as much as possible- even if we still drive now and again. Both Balscote and Epwell lost services when Oxfordshire stopped subsidies but could catch a bus from Shutford.

The proposed timetable gives similar time (midday) in Banbury as before but on Saturdays and WCC school holidays there is a later bus back. There are also buses to Banbury or Stratford that would be one-way but may help in some situations - station, or with lifts the other way. The No.7 service still serves Wroxton so again one-way possibilities with lifts. It begins **Monday June 3**<sup>rd</sup> (times to be confirmed)

Let's make it economically worthwhile for Johnson's or the service might go again. The **Parish Council** would like to thank **Mervyn Benford** for his help in contacting Johnsons, with our authority, and his persistence and patience in seeing it through when many would have given up a long time ago.

# A new playground is coming to Shutford...

Following the recent survey results we are delighted to announce that work has already begun on replacing the swings on the Dairyground and by the time you read this probably the work will be completed.

This work has been funded by Shutford Parish Council. (pictured opposite are Ashley, David & Gordon who helped with the initial works)



In addition, and again

following the results of the survey where the majority were in favour of more new equipment and picnic tables, the Parish Council has raised an amazing £10k from the lottery with applications pending for a further £15k.

If all applications are successful, we only need another £5k. We are therefore running a series of fund raising activities and need your help to get this extra funding.

The working group have set-up a funding platform for you to donate, simply copy and paste this link to donate:

https://www.gofundme.com/shutford-village-playground/donate

Please dig deep and help us raise this extra few pounds. Thank you

**Shutford Parish Council** 



Relaxed Restaurant & Bar at Feldon Valley now open for bookings – only 7 miles from Shutford!

Join us for Sunday Lunch, order from the Bar Menu daily, enjoy the stunning balcony views or book dinner from April – Everyone is welcome.

Our golf course is looking fantastic and with a 25 bedroom hotel due for launch in May we hope to create a real destination for the local communities.

We also have a small gym with memberships available at £20 per month for the first 50 members.

Visit our website at <a href="www.feldonvalley.co.uk">www.feldonvalley.co.uk</a>
Call us on 01608 685 633
Email us on david@feldonvalley.co.uk

Community – Nature - Cotswolds



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We are delighted to present the **Shutford Kids Film Club** in the village hall. Next film is...



Sunday 28 April Doors open at 2:30 pm

Membership for a calendar year (October 2018 – September 2019). Films are every 6 weeks. Membership costs £5.00. Popcorn & ice cream available on the day. Contact Zoe: wellszoe@hotmail.com



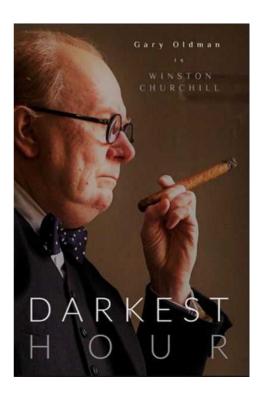
# **Shutford Village Hall**

Doors open 7:00 pm / Film starts 7:30pm



Saturday, 25 May "Darkest Hour"

Wednesday, 24 April "Bohemian Rhapsody"



Membership (calendar year September 2018 – August 2019) only costs £12.00 for adults and £6.00 young adults (12-18).

# **Broughton Castle**



# 2 Adult Admissions to the Castle for £15

(Please bring this page with you) ends 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

The house, gardens, tearoom and shop are open to the public from 2-5pm from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> September on Wednesdays, Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays.

Groups welcome by appointment, throughout the year.

Tel: 01295 276070

Website: <u>www.broughtoncastle.co.uk</u>



As part of the 'Keep Britain Tidy' campaign the Parish Council will be holding its annual Spring Clean on Sunday 7 April to Spring clean the village!

Meet at 10:00 am at the bus shelter and we will go off in groups.

If you are able to spare an hour then please do come along and help out, we really do need volunteers so this is your opportunity to keep your village looking 'spic and span'.

Gloves, bags, hi-viz jackets and litter pickers are provided, if you don't have your own.





Featuring, this year....

# Shutford's Interesting & Classic Vehicle Event

for all types of enthusiast.

Those owning or interested in cars, tractors, stationary engines, motor cycles, farm implements and machinery, the list is endless "Bring it along."

Tell your friends to come along and bring their pride and joy.

This is your personal invitation to "Bring it along."



The first 50 arrivals will receive a Rally Plaque (Please try to arrive before the start @ 13:00)

Sponsored by: S.K. Auto Repairs

No need to register, just turn up! If you have any questions, please contact Bill: <a href="mailto:crew@marymo.me">crew@marymo.me</a>
<a href="mailto:www.shutfordvillage.com">www.shutfordvillage.com</a>



# **MAY MADNESS**

**Village Family Day** 

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2-5pm Children's Treasure Hunt registration 2.00pm (village hall)

PRIZES TO BE WON!

FACE PAINTING, GAMES, LUCKY DIP,
TEAS & TREATS AT THE VILLAGE HALL

All funds raised will go towards new playground equipment

# Adapting to a Warmer Climate - #Fridays for Future

This February was the warmest since records began. England, Scotland and Wales all recorded the warmest February day as well as the warmest winter day. In London at Kew Gardens, 21.2C was recorded on 26th February – which is also now the UK record.

Unseasonably warm weather feels good on one level but on another it's disturbing - we know it shouldn't be happening. The climate is changing faster than predicted and the Met Office records show that, in the UK, the top 10 warmest years on record have all occurred since 2002. Warming air temperature may not seem like such a problem but along with warming sea temperature it causes turbulence in world wide weather systems that leads to local extreme weather events - extreme cold spells, rainfall and flooding as well as extreme heat and drought.



Photograph: Dennis van de Water

In the past few years warmer winters that have often been followed by a freezing cold start to spring. This year the weather in February was unprecedented and could cause a crisis for wildlife. Warm weather in winter encourages some birds to nest early but if it's followed by extremely cold spring months they can get caught out and struggle to find enough food for themselves and their young. The same applies for butterflies, bees and other insects that come out of hibernation too early, sudden cold weather can kill off early flowering plants which are a source of nectar and an exceptionally cold spring like that in 2018 makes it hard for emerging hedgehogs to survive.

Some species are able to adapt to the early arrival of spring. In Wytham Woods in Oxford, a great tit study has been running since 1947 making it one of the longest single species studies in the world. Wytham Woods is an ancient woodland, dating back to the last Ice Age, and one of the most researched woodland areas in the world. For more than 70 years scientists have been studying the behaviour and breeding biology of great tits, using Wytham Woods as an ecological laboratory. Their research data shows that great tits are able to control the timing of egg laying to coincide with emerging oak tree buds so that chicks hatch at the same time as their favourite food – the Winter moth caterpillars that feed on oak leaves. Chicks need thousands of caterpillars in the few weeks that it takes for them to fledge so if early spring weather turns very cold and wet, caterpillars won't survive and neither will the chicks.

Scientists agree that the average global temperature has increased by around 1°C. In 2009, the year of the Copenhagen Climate Summit, the figure was .8°C. So the climate has warmed .2°C on average in the past decade. If it continues to warm at that rate we could reach 1.5°C by around 2050. That is the limit that the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has calculated we need to sustain to the avoid catastrophic weather events and sea level rise that climate breakdown will cause.

The IPCC also says we have until 2030 to make the changes necessary to achieve that limit. Many scientists think this is within our grasp if Governments act urgently and treat climate breakdown as the crisis that it is by implementing bold strategies such as radically changing our transport, energy and food producing systems and developing carbon capture technology.

It might be that the force required to make change happen can be generated by our children. On August 20th 2018 a 15 year old Swedish school girl went on strike from school and sat outside the Swedish Parliament with a few homemade flyers and a painted sign saying 'school strike for climate'. She continued her strike every day until Sweden's general election on September 9th, demanding that the Swedish government reduce carbon emissions in accordance with the Paris Climate Agreement. Since then she has continued to strike, every Friday, gaining worldwide media attention and inspiring a global network of student School Strikes - using the social media tag #FridaysForFuture.



Students on the march in Oxford

In December 2018 Greta was invited to speak at the latest UN climate conference, COP24 in Poland, and the World Economic Forum 2019 in Davos where she told forum delgates:

"Some people, some companies, some decision makers in particular, have known exactly what priceless values they have been sacrificing to continue making unimaginable amounts of money. I think many of you here today belong to that group of people."

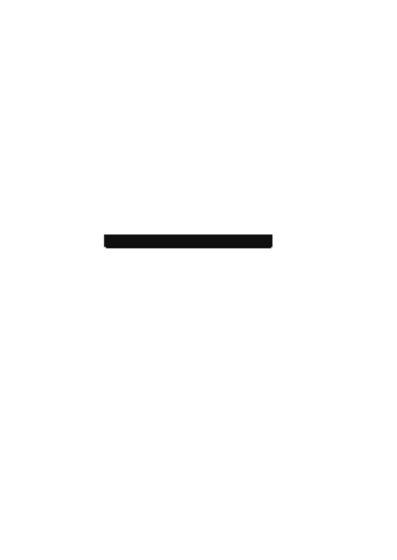


The second mass School Strike for Climate event took place on Friday 15th March with an estimated 1.6 million people taking part, at 2000 events in 125 countries across the globe, including thousands in Oxford.

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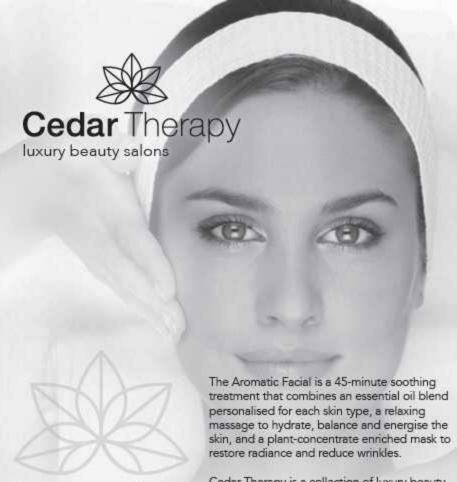
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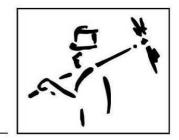
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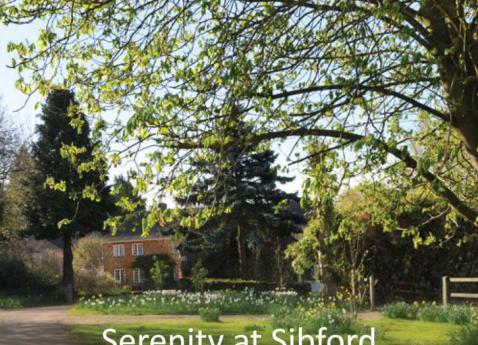


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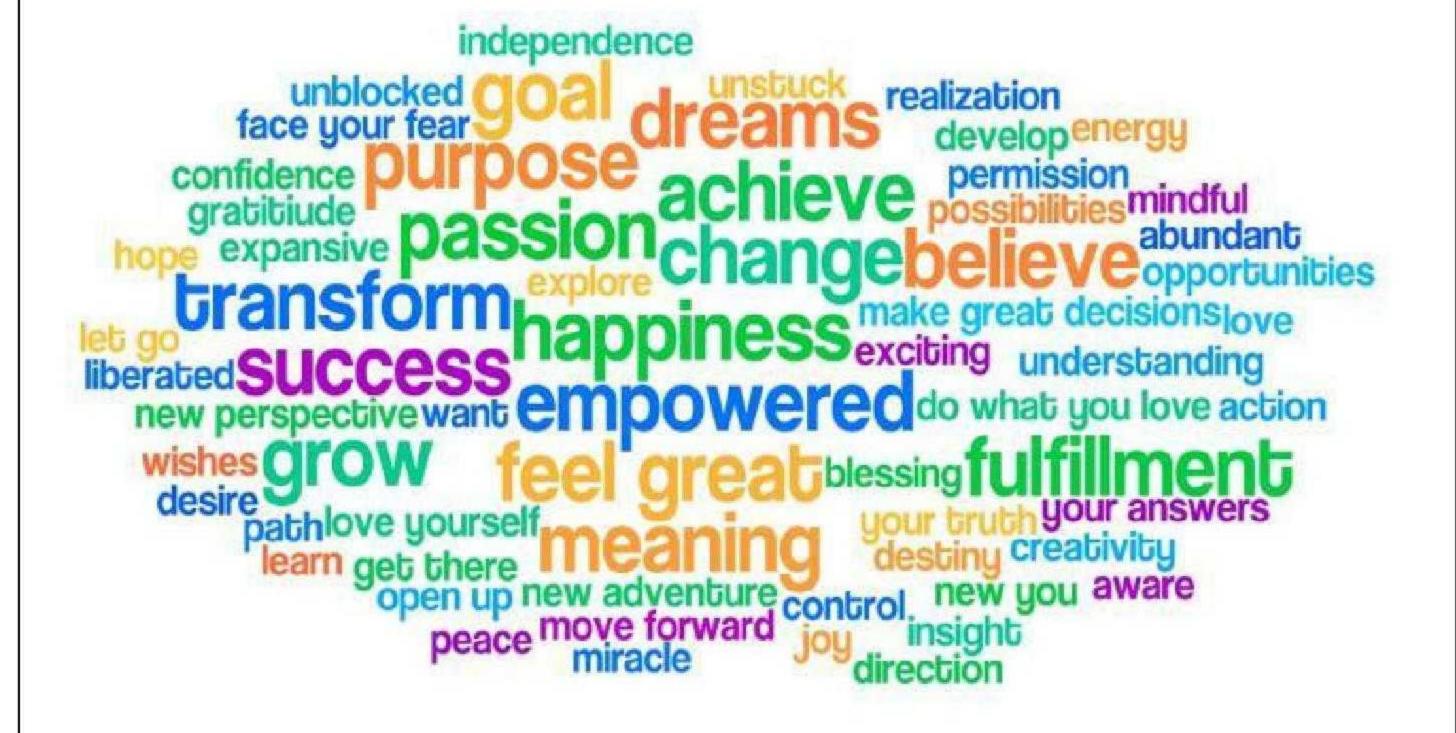
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April		
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Thursday	4	Meet & Eat, Village Hall, 12:30-2pm (weekly)
Monday	15	Lent Lunch, 12-2pm Village Hall
Sunday	7	Village Litter Pick, 10:00 am bus shelter
Monday	22	Easter Egg Competition, 2pm Village Hall
Wednesday	24	Shutford Film Club, 7:30 pm
Sunday	28	Breakfast, Village Hall, 9:30-11:00am
Sunday	28	Kids Film Club, 2:30 pm
Monday	29	Book Club, Village hall, 7:30 pm
May		
Thursday	2	Local Elections, Village Hall
Monday	6	May Madness, 2-5 pm, Village Hall
Tuesday	7	WI: 10:00 am Village Hall
Wednesday	8	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 7:30pm
Thursday	9	Meet & Eat, Village Hall, 12:30-2pm (weekly)
Saturday	18	Beetle Drive, Village Hall 4-6pm
Saturday	25	Film Club, Village Hall, 7:30 pm
Sunday	26	Breakfast, Village Hall 9:30-11:00 am
Monday	27	Book Club, Village Hall 7:30 pm
Saturday	22	Shutford Summer Festival 1-10:30pm
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Curry night - First Tuesday of the month, next on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May. Booking advised.

Saturday 13th April 8pm - Live music from The Red Onions

Game of Thrones viewing from Monday 15th April, see website to confirm timings. Winter is coming......



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