

Kempsford

(with Whelford, Dunfield and Dudgrove)

Parish Newsletter

**MAKE A CHANGE
BECOME A
LOCAL COUNCILLOR**



**IF YOU CARE ABOUT
WHERE YOU LIVE AND ARE
PASSIONATE ABOUT YOUR
COMMUNITY, WE NEED YOU**

**JOIN US AND MAKE A
LOCAL CHANGE**

Local Council Elections will be held on the 2nd May 2019. The Election Timetable and further information will be included in next month's Newsletter

February 2019

KEMPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Teresa Griffin, Winterwood, Whelford, Fairford, Glos. GL7 4EB

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Parish Council and other Meeting dates

Tuesday 19th February 2019	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm, Whelford Village Hall
Tuesday 19th March 2019	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm, Kempford Village Hall

Cotswold District Council Planning

Planning applications lodged or new details received:

Reference	Development	Location
17/02224/FUL	Appeal Reference—APP/F1610/W/18/3217581 Appeal under Section 78 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 re refusal of full planning application for the erection of 62 dwellings (50% affordable) and associated works <i>(The Parish Council's response will be available to view on our website shortly)</i>	Land Parcel North of The Knoll, Whelford Rd, Kempford
18/04826/LBC	Listed Building Consent for External works to include; insertion of No.1 roof-light and Internal works to include; removal of internal partitions, closure of fireplaces & insertion of new door openings to first and second floors	Kempford Manor, High Street, Kempford
19/00150/ TCNR	Works to trees in conservation areas for Lime Trees	Lorien, High Street, Kempford

Please visit www.cotswold.gov.uk for further information

KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL UPDATE



Exciting news on our village hall refurbishment!

Despite many unforeseen setbacks excellent progress is now being made and the work is nearing completion. We will have new toilets including disabled and baby changing facilities, a new multi-function room, changing room and shower and a new, modern kitchen. The painting has been started, the new kitchen units are about to be fitted and the vinyl flooring laid. The new sanitary wear then has to be installed and after a good clean up and sort out we'll be ready to reopen.

This phase is only the beginning, with further improvements planned for the main hall when sufficient funding permits.

Our provisional re-opening date is the beginning of March. We will keep you informed of our progress via our Facebook page with photos and the official start date... watch this space!

So, if you would like to hire our hall for a one-off event or a regular booking please contact us via email villagehallbookings@kempsford.net or phone 01285 810478.

**For Bookings, contact Kate Collins on 01285 810478 or email:
villagehallbookings@kempsford.net**

Kempsford Village Hall Committee Members

Hannah Dickens (Chair) *	Tel: 07597 625284	Pete Wolfenden (Vice Chair) *	Tel: 01285 810477
Caroline Gooch (Treasurer) *	Tel: 07826 939718	Pete Robinson (Fundraising) *	Tel: 01285 810356
Joy Cross (Secretary) *	Tel: 01285 810439	Mark Strange (PC Rep)	Tel: 01285 810635
Kate Collins (Booking Sec.) *	Tel: 01285 810478	Ruth Gray	Tel: 01285 810747
Mark Britt *	Tel: 07771 506527	* Denotes Trustee Member	

New members are always welcome!

NEW YEAR – NEW YOU?

Looking To try a different, fun, exercise class?

Why not try

ZUMBA

Monday evenings 6 – 7 pm

Currently in the School Hall

Then at Kempford Village Hall

From March 2019

£6 per session

For more information contact

Donna on 07891660089

ST MARY'S KEMPSFORD WITH ST ANNE'S WHELFORD

Clergy

Nick Scott – revnickscott@gmail.com

John Partington – 01285 750332; john.p@sctm.church

Lay Preacher – Rob Mitchell (01285 712821)

Churchwarden – Elizabeth Emberson (dizzylizzie@sky.com)

The month of February is upon us, and after the excitements offered by the previous two it can be a good time to take breath and re-centre oneself. The Old English term for this month was Solmonath, meaning “mud month”. Although there are a number of other months that could lay reasonable claim to this title, it does seem to suit this one well.

For the Church, we have the Feast of Candlemas on the 2nd. This remembers Christ being presented in the Temple, and the prophecies of Simeon. It is one of those which can pass people by, so don't worry too much if you haven't heard of it. Much better known, but of less import in the Church calendar, is the Feast of St. Valentine.

We know very little of Valentine himself, other than he seems to have been put to death for his Christian faith in the 3rd Century. There are some references in Chaucer to the beginnings of the practice of sending a loved one a note on Valentine's day, but nothing too definitive. Other bits and pieces accumulate over the centuries but it is clearly the creation of the postal service and stamps in the 19th Century that created the mass market appeal of the Valentine's cards traditions.

Though the Valentine's Consumerism of the current day bears little or any relation to Christianity, its prime ideal of love is very much what our faith is about.

“Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.” 1 John 4:7

This verse is read at the beginning of the Marriage Service in the Church of England and sums up beautifully the inter-relation of God, love and people. I have had the privilege of joining many people together in marriage, and this celebration of love is one of the highlights of being an ordained minister for me. Last year I also blessed a marriage for Sarah and Michael and renewed marriage vows with Jessica and Bryant who were visiting the UK from the USA on their tenth wedding anniversary and wanted to celebrate their love in this way. These are just some of the examples of how the Church and Christianity celebrates love between people.

I don't really know what St Valentine would think about his name being associated with teddy bears holding hearts and people selling roses round pubs, but as one willing to give his life for a faith that values love so supremely, he would rejoice in the celebration of human love that it is his lot to be remembered by.

God bless and love you all,





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Whelford Village Hall

FREE fast broadband available to all Hirers
For bookings, contact Sue Griffin on
01285 712979 or
email—374croft@gmail.com



Whelford Social Club

A small, friendly club, welcomes new members and guests

What's on -

Saturday 16th February —Live Music

Plus regular Bingo on Wednesdays and Sundays

Opening Hours:

CHURCH SERVICES IN FEBRUARY

Sunday 3

8.30 am	Holy Communion	Whelford	<i>NS</i>
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Kempsford	<i>NS</i>
10.00 am	All-Age Worship	Castle Eaton	<i>AJ</i>

Sunday 10

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Castle Eaton	<i>MB</i>
9.30 am	Morning Worship	Kempsford	<i>RM</i>

Sunday 17

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Whelford	<i>MB</i>
9.30 am	Morning Worship	Castle Eaton	<i>JP</i>
4.00 pm	All-Age Service	Kempsford	<i>NS</i>

Sunday 24

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Kempsford	<i>JP</i>
9.30 am	Morning Worship	Castle Eaton	<i>DA</i>

Sunday 3 March

<i>8.30 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>	<i>Whelford</i>	<i>NS</i>
<i>9.30 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion</i>	<i>Kempsford</i>	<i>NS</i>
<i>10.00 am</i>	<i>Morning Worship</i>	<i>Castle Eaton</i>	<i>AJ</i>

We also hold Morning Prayer in Kempsford church at 9.30 am every
Wednesday

AJ – Toto Jones; DA – Dennis Archard; JP – John Partington;
MB – Margaret Bettis; NS – Nick Scott; RM – Rob Mitchell.



The League of Friends of Fairford Hospital

(Reg. Charity No: 1006416)
President, Earl St Aldwyn



ACTIVE IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

Serving Fairford, Lechlade and the surrounding villages.

News and information from The League

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Curry Night: 7.30p.m. on Tuesday 26th February at Khushi in Lechlade. An Indian buffet meal - cost £15.00 per head (excluding drinks) with 50% being donated to the League.

Tickets available from: Ros Godden on 01367 250322 or Ruth Berridge on 01367 252706.

House-to-House 2019 Dates

The League of Friends House-to-House fund raising event will take place from the 1st to the 14th April 2018. Our thanks to all our existing volunteer co-ordinators, and collectors. With the new housing in both Fairford and Lechlade we urgently need more volunteer collectors to deliver and collect the envelopes in your local area.

We need more Volunteer Drivers, particularly in the Lechlade area and surrounding villages.

We do over 750 drives a year helping people get to their medical appointments at their GP surgery or hospital. Running costs for the trips are paid. **Do you think you can help?**

If you can spare sometime to deliver and collect the envelopes for the House to House fund raising event or become one of our volunteer drivers please get in touch with the League Administrator, Christine Barker, contact details below.

If you need further information about The League of Friends please contact Christine Barker on: 07767 408409 or email: fairford.lof@hotmail.co.uk.

Your continued support is very much appreciated

Graham Hewitt, Chairman

www.friendsoffairford.org.uk



Paint it Pink to deter Battery Thieves

Country Watch officers are urging rural communities to Paint it Pink as part of a crackdown on battery thefts.

A new flyer gives advice about etching your unique postcode onto any high value batteries and painting them pink.

Batteries such as those used in vehicles and for electric fences can be a popular choice for thieves, who sell them at scrapyards for their lead content.

The team is writing to scrap metal merchants to ask them to reject and report any pink batteries offered to them.

For further info: <http://news.hampshire.police.uk/news/paint-it-pink-campaign-to-deter-battery-thieves-348132>

MARCH 2019 NEWSLETTER

Copy for the above Newsletter to Teresa Griffin by

MONDAY 18TH FEBRUARY PLEASE

Email: clerk@kempsfordparishcouncil.net

Do You Know About The Herbert Protocol?



Gloucestershire Constabulary

Are you looking after someone who suffers from dementia, and have concerns about what will happen if they go missing?

You can help by signing up to the Herbert Protocol, a scheme which enables police to have quick access to a range of relevant details about the missing person which may help locate them - things like previous addresses and special locations, hobbies and regular routines.

These may be hard to recall in the panic of realising your loved one is missing, but could save vital time.

All you have to do is download a form from our website, fill it in, keep it safe and hand to police in the event of having to report the person missing.

Gloucestershire Constabulary is working with the Alzheimer's Society to promote this scheme, named after war veteran George Herbert who died whilst missing and trying to return to his childhood home.

For more details visit our website:

<https://www.gloucestershire.police.uk/staying-safe/the-herbert-protocol/>

and fill in this form:

<https://www.gloucestershire.police.uk/media/6223/herbert-protocol-form.pdf>

You could save a life!



Gloucestershire Constabulary

The Herbert Protocol is a form that contains vital information about someone with dementia who is at risk of going missing.

The form is filled in by the person with Dementia, their family or carers.

Your local Police can use the information in the form to find someone quickly & bring them back to safety.

For more information and to fill in a copy of the form visit:
www.gloucestershire.police.uk



Advice from Cotswold District Citizens Advice

Save on Energy Costs

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At the end of 2017 according to Ofgem, the energy regulator, 57% of customers with the 10 largest energy suppliers (around 13 million people) were on a non price-protected Standard tariff and were paying up to £300 per year more than the cheapest on the market.

If you are an energy customer on a Standard tariff, Citizens Advice can help you check if there is a better energy deal. Freephone 0808 800 0511

Citizens Advice Stroud and Cotswold Districts provides advice about a range of problems. The most common enquiry areas are housing, money, welfare benefit, family and employment problems. If you need confidential advice you can ring, email or visit us. Freephone 0808 800 0511

Opening hours and details can be found at www.citizensadvice-stroudandcotswold.org.uk

LECHLADE HISTORY SOCIETY

Monday 18 February, 7.15 for 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.
The Wilts and Berks Canal: Past, Present and Future. Talk by Martin Buckland including an update on the Cotswold Canals.

Guests welcome £4.

Contact Marian Winckles 01367 252851 or visit
www.lechladehistory.co.uk.

Village Organisations & Useful Contacts

Church Warden	Elizabeth Emberson	Email:dizlylizzy@sky.com	
Church Choir	Mrs Cathy Stanford		713033
Church Bells	Iris Lewis		810770
Kempsford School	Mr Richard Mendum	(Head Teacher)	810367
Chairman of School Governors	Darren Jeffrey	1 Holford Crescent, Kempsford	810875
Farmors School	Mr Matthew Evans (Head)		712302
Kempsford Village Hall Bookings	Kate Collins	villagehallbookings@kempsford.net	810478
Whelford Village Hall & bookings	Sue Griffin	374croft@gmail.com	712979
Kempsford Angling Club	Mr J Hussey		810446
Dance Classes at Kempsford V.Hall	Ms Gillian Shearing		01793 875934
Kempsford Brownies	Philippa Griffin	https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/	
Cricket	Anthony Axel-Berg		07766222951
Royal British Legion	Mr A Hill		810035
Soldiers, Sailors & Airman's Acc. (SSAFA)	Mr & Mrs A Hill		810035
Scottish & Southern Electricity			0800 072 7282
Thames Water			0800 316 9800
Non-emergency Police Contact			101
NHS 111 Service		(when less urgent than 999)	111
Environment Agency	Floodline—0845 9881188	General Enquiries -	03708 506 506
Bulk Refuse	(phone to book)		01285 623000
Highway Matters & Street Light Faults			08000 514 514
Kempsford Hand Bell Team (Beaubells)	Iris Lewis		01285 810770
Fairford Sports Centre			713786
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'Kempsford Mums & Dads'