

# Kempston

(with Whelford, Dunfield and Dudgrove)

## Parish Newsletter

### JULY/AUGUST 2022

**AIR TATTOO RESIDENTS' NEWSLETTER & CAR STICKERS ENCLOSED IN THIS NEWSLETTER.**

PLEASE NOTE - There is an error in the start time for the Kempston one-way loop on Friday 15th July printed in the Residents' Newsletter. **It should read 'commencing 6.00am'** and not 9.00am.

#### **REFUSE COLLECTION**

**FRIDAY 15TH JULY**

Cotswold District Council has agreed to bring the Friday's refuse collection forward to Thursday 14th July to help reduce congestion.



# *KEMPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL*

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## **PARISH COUNCIL & OTHER MEETING DATES**

Tuesday 19th July 2022 at 7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall

Tuesday 16th August 2022 at 7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall

### Annual Parish Meeting

Thank you to all the organisations/clubs that reported on their activities at the recent Annual Parish Meeting. It was disappointing that only a couple of residents attended.

## **SEPTEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER**

Copy for the above Newsletter to Teresa Griffin by

**MONDAY 22ND AUGUST 2022 PLEASE**

Email: [clerk@kempsfordparishcouncil.net](mailto:clerk@kempsfordparishcouncil.net)



## Possible Telephone Scam Alert

Scam Alert (Sent on behalf of Cotswold Neighbourhood Inspector, Simon Ellson)

*Cotswolds Police have been made aware today by local residents in Cirencester of a potential telephone scam.*

*Residents have informed Police that they are receiving a phone call from people pretending to be Police Officers and asking them to move money into a "safe account" Residents are told it is to "protect your money". You may be told you will be arrested if you don't do it.*

*Please don't do this, this is a scam. A Police officer would not call you and request you to move money, or threaten you with arrest for failing to pay money.*

*Please report any suspicious activity to us.*

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

0115 924 5517

[support@neighbourhoodalert.co.uk](mailto:support@neighbourhoodalert.co.uk)

## Community Speed Watch

Gloucestershire police have now confirmed their involvement and support for villages to install Autospeedwatch devices.

Gloucestershire County Council has also launched a £600,000 Community Speed Watch Safety Fund in partnership with the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. This fund will provide communities with the tools they need to combat speeding in their area, helping to make our roads safer for everyone who uses them to walk, cycle, and drive. It includes funding for Community Speedwatch cameras to help enforce speed limits, as well as vehicle activated signage.

However before such devices can be installed, the village is required to set up a Community Speedwatch Group to run alongside the ANPR camera.

The Parish Council has discussed obtaining AutoSpeedWatch devices for both Kempford and Whelford.

Whelford residents are in the process of setting up a new Speed Watch Group for the village and the existing group lead by Andy Lee at Kempford is looking to attract new volunteers.

If you have a few spare hours per month and would be interested in joining either Speedwatch Group please contact the Parish Clerk or:

Andy Lee (Kempford) - [alee32@btinternet.com](mailto:alee32@btinternet.com)

Cllr Karen Saunders (Whelford) - [karensaunders@kempfordparishcouncil.net](mailto:karensaunders@kempfordparishcouncil.net)

The more volunteers we have, the less time involved for all, and hopefully we can make our roads safer for everyone.





KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL CAFÉ  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 12 – 2pm

Try our locally produced Ham and Cheese Ploughmans,  
Homemade Soup, Bread and Delicious Cakes  
Fresh Coffee and Speciality Teas

Meet your friends and neighbours, enjoy the friendly  
atmosphere and keep the village hall alive!

There will not be a café in August  
the next one will be the 8<sup>th</sup> September

## Kempsford Village Hall booking for the month

	Sunday	Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays	Saturdays
AM		10:00 - 11:00 <b>Pilates</b> Rona Bennett 01865 820754					
PM		15:30 - 16:30 <b>Rainbows</b> Caroline Gooch		17:30 - 18:30 <b>Youth Club</b> (Term time only)	12:00 - 14:00 <b>Post Office</b> <b>Monthly Café</b> (Café 2nd Thurs of the month)		
Evening			20:00 - 21:30 <b>Village Hall</b> <b>Meeting</b> (monthly, 2nd Tuesday)		15:30 - 17:00 <b>Brownies</b> Philippa Griffin 01285 810754/ 0779 3562704		
	20:00 - 21:00 <b>Yoga</b> Charlie McKenna		19:45 - 21:45 <b>Parish Council</b> <b>Meeting</b> (monthly, 3rd Tuesday)				

## **CAN YOU HELP?**

**KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL urgently needs new committee members due to the 'retirement' of some long-standing members. Can you spare a few hours a month? Do you have ideas for new village events or fundraising? If so please contact one of us - email [infokempsfordvillagehall@kempsford.net](mailto:infokempsfordvillagehall@kempsford.net).**

### KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

\*Hannah Dickens, Chair

\*Kathy Woodward, Secretary  
Rev Kim Brown

Luke Fry, Bookings Secretary

\*Amy Durban, Health & Safety  
Karen Saunders, Parish Council Rep

\*Jo Colson, Treasurer

Louise Jeffrey, Safeguarding  
Louise Edwards

*\* Denotes Trustee*

To contact any Committee Member email [infokempsfordvillagehall@kempsford.net](mailto:infokempsfordvillagehall@kempsford.net)

New members are always welcome!



# Kempsford Village Hall

**WE ARE DELIGHTED TO CONFIRM THAT  
COMMUNITY EVENTS WILL BE TAKING PLACE SOON.  
PLEASE SEE POSTERS AND SOCIAL MEDIA  
UPDATES WITH FURTHER DETAILS.**

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON 12TH JULY. IF YOU  
WOULD LIKE TO BE INVOLVED IN SUPPORTING  
YOUR VILLAGE HALL PLEASE JOIN US.**

**THANK YOU TO ALL NEW MEMBERS WHO HAVE  
RECENTLY JOINED. WE CAN'T DO THIS WITHOUT  
YOUR SUPPORT.**

**COME AND JOIN US !**

# ST MARY'S KEMPSFORD WITH ST ANNE'S WHELDFORD

## Contact details for the parish

Rev Kim Brown - 01285 810954 or revkimbrown10a@gmail.com

Lay Preacher – Rob Mitchell 01285 712821

Church wardens: Elizabeth Emberson [dizzylizzie@sky.com](mailto:dizzylizzie@sky.com)

or Keith Howlett - 01285 712268 [churchwarden@kempsford.net](mailto:churchwarden@kempsford.net)

or there is a Facebook page The 5 Villages

**We recently celebrated Queen Elizabeth's 70 years of service to our nation.** She has spoken about her Christian faith in the past, how it has helped sustain and uphold her through the ups and downs of life. The example of Jesus Christ has inspired our Queen to live a life of service, turning outwards and working for the common good. This impulse is at the heart of British life where many volunteer for the good of others.

In Whelford, many people worked hard to create a wonderful event for the village to celebrate the Jubilee. 5 miles of bunting was made in the village hall, hundreds of sandwiches were made, 17 wonderful cakes were baked for the Bake Off Showstopper contest, and most of the village came along to enjoy the brass band and afternoon tea.

Sadly, in Kempsford there were not enough people to help organise a village event for the Jubilee. This has given rise to a fruitful conversation on the village Facebook page about the kind of village we want to be, and several new people have joined the Village Hall committee to help make things happen. I know Kempsford used to have a thriving village social life, and it would be wonderful to have that again. We have a village hall garden project that will enable many to garden and explore nature together in the heart of the village. There is also a village fete planned for Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September that will need helpers for stalls, teas and games. Lots of opportunities to do things together for our village life!

We may be facing a tough time as a nation as we move towards autumn and winter, due to rising household costs. For young families and people who live alone, this may be especially difficult. In thinking about how we might support one another during this time, one idea is for the school hall to open after school once a week as Kempsford Community Hub, where a hot meal will be served from 3.30pm to 6pm for anyone **who would like to come along, on a 'pay as you can' donation basis.** There may be bingo, music, activities for children, and a warm place to be together and share a meal through autumn and winter. A number of volunteers will be needed on a rota basis, to prep, serve and clear away. We are exploring this further with a local Stroud charity who run The Long Table <https://www.thelongtableonline.com> and an open meeting with Will and Tim from the Long Table will take place at the school hall on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm for anyone who wants to get involved, know more or sign up to come and eat! Please come along - **let's rebuild our community spirit together.**

Rev Kim x



Dates Ahead - Our Youth Club Taster Sessions begin this term for children coming into year 4 in September and take place on Wed 29<sup>th</sup> June, 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> July 5.20 to 6.30pm, with our final session on 20<sup>th</sup> July. All are welcome to come and see what we get up to.

We also have more Fun Days in the Muga with World Jungle, booked for the summer holidays - provisional dates August 4<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> from 10am onwards.

There will be a family trail in the churchyard over the RIAT weekend in lieu of our usual family service, **to follow at your leisure, and we don't run a family service in August** as many of our families and helpers are away or taking a break. Back on September 18<sup>th</sup> for the next one.

### St Mary's, Kempford with St Anne's, Whelford Church Services

Sunday 3 July	9 .30 am Kempford	Holy Communion
Sunday 10 July	8.30 am Whelford 9.30 am Kempford	Holy Communion Service of the Word
Sunday 17 July	NO SERVICES Family Trail in St <b>Mary's Churchyard to</b> follow at your leisure	Due to RIAT
Sunday 24 July	9.30am Kempford	Holy Communion
Sunday 31 July	9.30am Castle Eaton Village Hall 5 Villages Service	Prayer and Praise
Sunday 7 August	9.30 am Kempford	Holy Communion
Sunday 14 August	8.30 am Whelford 9.30 am Kempford	Holy Communion Service of the Word
Sunday 21 August	9.30 am Kempford	Holy Communion for all 5 villages
Sunday 28 August	9.30 am Meysey Hampton	Holy Communion for all 5 villages

Morning Prayer continues to take place every weekday at 8 am via the 5 Villages Facebook page. **St Mary's** is open every day for prayer and reflection 9 am to 4 pm. **St Anne's** is open on Fridays for prayer and reflection

# Inglesham Lock Open Day



**Saturday 23rd July 2022**

**10am - 4pm**

**ARRIVE BY  
BOAT!**

**A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE THE RESTORED LOCK**  
*not usually accessible to the public*

**Park for free**

**at Riverside Car Park, Lechlade**

**take boat *Inglesham* by river (£5 each)**

*or walk around a mile on foot via riverside path and bridge*

- Souvenir merchandise
- Refreshments
- Discover the project
- Mobile bookshop
- Arrive by boat
- Make history!

**JOIN US for a big moment in our history**

***The first chance to access the Cotswold Canals from the  
River Thames for over 100 years!***



Her Majesty's Charities  
Commission



**Cotswold Canals Trust**

Reg Charity No. 269721



regulated with  
FUNDRAISING  
REGULATOR

**Latest updates: [www.cotswoldcanals.org](http://www.cotswoldcanals.org)**

**With thanks to Cotswold Lakes Trust for providing parking**

# Calendar Photo Competition



**Free to enter**

**Send us a photo that captures  
autumn, winter, spring, or summer  
in our area**

**Photos:** can be taken with a camera or phone

**Prize:** for each photographer whose entry is  
published in the 2023 calendar

**Categories:** Adult; Under 16

**Closing date :** 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022

Full details from:

[churchfundraising@kempsford.net](mailto:churchfundraising@kempsford.net)



FRIENDS OF FAIRFORD & LECHLADE COMMUNITIES  
Serving Fairford, Lechlade and the surrounding villages.  
(Formerly League of Friends of Fairford Hospital)



News and Information from your Community Friends

### LECHLADE CHARITY SHOP

We are delighted to welcome our new Shop Manager, Linda, **and to report that we've** received excellent feedback following our recent redecoration. Buying pre-loved clothing and other items helps sustainable living so be sure to come in and have a look at the excellent quality items available. We are looking for more volunteers to help in the shop for a few hours a week - if you can help please come in and speak to a member of the team, call 01367 252189 or email Linda on [shop@friendsoffairford.org.uk](mailto:shop@friendsoffairford.org.uk).

We are open Monday to Friday 10am – 4pm, Saturday 10am – 1pm.

### PRESCRIPTION SERVICE

The Friends of Fairford and Lechlade Communities and the Lechlade Lions have teamed up to offer a free prescription delivery service in our local area. If you, or anyone you know, is entitled to free prescriptions but is unable to collect them, please call or email our patient transport coordinator who can provide more information: Val Harvey on 07540 798226 or [transport@friendsoffairford.org.uk](mailto:transport@friendsoffairford.org.uk).

### 2022 EVENTS

8<sup>th</sup> July: Cheese and Wine evening at Whelford Mill, Whelford. With kind permission from Mr and Mrs Arkell, it is our pleasure to host an evening with cheese and wine. Indulge in this beautiful garden bordering the River Coln. Please pre-book by emailing [admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk](mailto:admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk) or calling 01285 707300.

29<sup>th</sup> July: Open Gardens at Eastleach. These inspiring gardens cover 14 acres and include a walled garden, a stone rill, south-facing lawns and a 10 acre park. Tickets available on the gate, no need to book.

25<sup>th</sup> September: Pamper Afternoon at Fairford Community Centre. Indulge yourself in a mini treatment, products also available to purchase. Booking in advance recommended: [admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk](mailto:admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk) or 01285 707300.

15<sup>th</sup> October: Quiz and Chilli Night: Round up a team and get your brain into gear for an evening of fun! Enjoy a delicious homemade chilli too. Fairford Community Centre.

27<sup>th</sup> November: Festive Craft Fair and Annual Raffle. A host of small local business stalls offering festive delights, light refreshments and homemade cakes.

## BEREAVEMENT CAFÉ

Run by the Friends of Fairford and Lechlade Communities Nursing Team. A drop in café for anyone that has suffered a loss and would like to talk. First Friday of every month in The Heritage Room, Fairford Community Centre, 10:00 to 12:00. No booking required. Donations welcome. If you have any questions, please call 07938244335 or email [admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk](mailto:admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk)

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If you would like to make a donation you can do so online through our website [www.friendsoffairford.org.uk](http://www.friendsoffairford.org.uk) **or by sending cheques made out to 'Friends of Fairford' and posting to Ms Andrena Miles, AMM Bookkeeping and Accountancy, 2nd Floor, 11 High Street, Fairford, Gloucestershire GL7 4AD.**

Information on what we do can be found on our website [www.friendsoffairford.org.uk](http://www.friendsoffairford.org.uk) and the names of our existing team of trustees are **listed on the Charity Commission's website.**

Shelley Welsh, Chair  
Friends of Fairford & Lechlade Communities (Reg. Charity No. 1180059)

## THANK YOU

Thanks so much to everyone who supported the 12 hour Piano Marathon, to everyone who played and for all the donations I've received for Pulmonary Fibrosis. The current total is £2060 which is fantastic. It was a tiring day but having friends/neighbours from the village sat listening throughout the entire day kept me going. Feel very lucky to live in such a supportive community.

Sharon

VOLUNTEERS



# WE NEED YOU!



Can you help in  
our Lechlade  
Charity Shop  
for a few hours  
a week?

[shop@friendsoffairford.org.uk](mailto:shop@friendsoffairford.org.uk)  
01367 252189



**“ I come home  
with glue in my hair,  
and a feeling that I  
have empowered  
young women.**

**SHEENA**  
Brownies volunteer

**”**

Inspire girls in Kempsford Brownies today  
Volunteer at [girlguiding.org.uk](http://girlguiding.org.uk)



## Village Organisations & Useful Contacts

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Church Bells	Iris Lewis		810770
Kempsford School	Mr Richard Mendum	(Head Teacher)	810367
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Farmors School	Mr Matthew Evans (Head)		712302
Kempsford Village Hall Bookings	Luke Fry	villagehallbookings@kempsford.net	
Whelford Village Hall & bookings	Sue Griffin	374croft@gmail.com	712979
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		Reporting of power cuts	105 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	GLOUCESTERSHIRE	highways@gloucestershire.gov.uk	08000 514 514
	WILTSHIRE	northernhighways@wiltshire.gov.uk	0300 456 0105
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**Online**



'Kempsford Village'  
'Kempsford Mums & Dads'