## Kempsford

(with Whelford, Dunfield and Dudgrove)

## **Parish Newsletter**



**June 2018** 

## KEMPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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

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Parish Council and other	r Meeting dates	
Tuesday 19th June 2018	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall
Tuesday 17th July 2018	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall

#### **PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

#### **POLITE REMINDER**

Please can you ensure that hedges and vegetation (especially prickly varieties), that border public footpaths and your property are cut back in the interest of safety and convenience of footpath users.

Thank you

#### **JULY/AUGUST 2018 NEWSLETTER**

Copy for the above Newsletter to Teresa Griffin by

#### **MONDAY 18TH JUNE PLEASE**

Email: clerk@kempsfordparishcouncil.net

## **Kempsford Village Hall**



#### Kempsford Village Hall Regular Bookings

	Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
AM	10:00-11:00			12:00-14:00	
	Pilates			Café	
	Rona Bennett			(monthly,	
	01865 820754			2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday)	
PM	16:00-17:00		16:00-17:30	12:00-14:00	
	Rainbows		Dance Classes	Post Office	
	Karen Cornish		Ms Gillian Shearing		
	07837 785666		01793 875934		
	18:00-19:00			15:30 to 17:00	
	Zumba			Brownies	
	Donna			Ms Philippa Griffin	
	07891 660089			01285 810754/	
Ev				0779 3562704	
Evening		19:45-21:45	20:00-21:30		
ng		Parish Council	Village Hall		
		Meeting	Meeting		
		(monthly,	(monthly, usually		
		usually 3 <sup>rd</sup>	2nd Wednesday)		
		Tuesday)	_		

See <a href="http://kempsford.net/villagehall/calendar.php">http://kempsford.net/villagehall/calendar.php</a> for the up to date Events Calendar.

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

#### Kempsford Village Hall Committee Members

Hannah Dickens \* Tel: 07597 625284 Pete Wolfenden (Vice Chair) \* Tel: 01285 810477

Caroline Jacobs (Treasurer) \* Tel: 07921 725402 Pete Robinson \* Tel: 01285 810356

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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!



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

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

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

### Thursday Club

It is with regret that as of Thursday July 12th, Thursday Club will be finishing for good after 40+ years as the 4 volunteers who currently run it are standing down.

If there is anyone who would be interested in running it and keep it going, please contact Barbara Ockwell 01285 713261, Pat Crew 01285 810338, Anne Caddick 01285 810359 or Anne Kilminster 01285 810424 for more information and details by Wednesday June 13th

#### **Cotswold District Council Planning**

Planning applications lodged or new details received:

Reference Development Location

18/01600/FUL Full application for Proposed side extension 1 Holford Crescent,

Kempsford

Decisions made:

Reference Development Location Decision

18/01091/FUL Full application for Oak garden Spearpoint Chase, Application

room and first floor extension Whelford Road, Permitted

with balcony. Fairford

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

#### **Gloucestershire County Council Planning**

Planning applications lodged or new details received:

Ref. No:	Location:	Proposal:
18/0039/ CWMAJM	Manor Farm Quarry, Washpool Lane, Kempsford	Retrospective installation of 5 x prefabricated units to form a two-storey site office/staff welfare facility to replace single-storey office and welfare units

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

# Whelford Village Hall



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

## 'Poppy Fest'



Urgent Appeal for talented people of all ages!

Can you crochet, knit or sew?

We need as many Red Poppies as you can make - any size, shade or shape as long as they are red with black centres

Patterns can be found if you google 'Red Poppy Pattern'

The idea is to create collages of all our poppies to commemorate the 100 anniversary of the end of WW1. Also it is the 100 year anniversary of the RAF

Our intention is to display this at the Whelford Cafe during RIAT and then continue to make more to add to the collages and then exhibit them around the Whelford and Kempsford Churches on 11th November.

If you can help, please let us know - we need 10,000 or more....

Thank you in anticipation

Lindsey Knott - <u>knottspice@aol.com</u> or phone / text on 07775 698265 And

Christine Nugent – <u>christine.nugent1@btinternet.com</u> or phone / text on 07715 669087 or 01285 810306





#### Dog walking on farm land

Gloucestershire police have received calls from concerned farmers regarding dog walkers leaving dog's faeces on farm land, especially in fields with live stock.

If a dog has worms this can be treated. If sheep pick up dog worms, this can not be treated and the sheep become very sick and will die.

We are asking dog owners to be responsible and to pick up after their dogs in all rural areas. I public areas there are plenty of dog poo bins around.

If found committing this offence there is a fine of up to £1500 Many thanks,

PC 2201 Nick Westmacott
Wildlife Officer for North Cotswolds.

## **Whelford Social Club**

A small, friendly club, welcomes new members and guests
What's on -

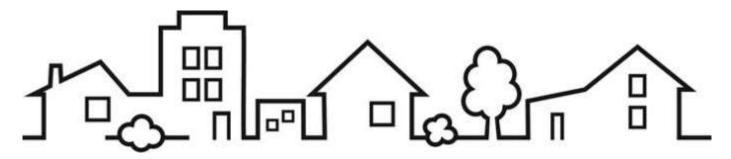
Saturday 2nd June —Live Music Saturday 16th June —Live Music Saturday 30thJune —Quiz night

Plus regular Bingo on Wednesdays and Sundays Opening Hours:

Wed, Fri & Sat: 8pm—12am, Sun 12pm—6pm & 8pm—11pm



### Please complete the Housing with Care survey



In Gloucestershire, the County Council and NHS Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) are working together to create a housing with care strategy; in partnership with district councils in the county. The survey is taking place so that local views can be represented in the strategy. Gloucestershire residents are asked what they think of the current housing with care options across the county, and for ideas on how this can be improved for future generations. Whatever your age and circumstances, your input is valuable.

What can you do?

Fill in the survey <a href="https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/housing-with-care">www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/housing-with-care</a>(opens in a new window)

Give feedback on housing with care that is being provided to a family member or friend

Expose any gaps in housing with care provision in your area

Explain how you feel about your own future housing options

Promote the survey to your colleagues, family and friends

What is housing with care?

It is specifically designed housing with support available around the clock if people need it. This could range from flats in a large complex with 24-hour care staff on site to shared accommodation for people with a learning disability, with support to live independently.

What is the housing with care strategy?

The strategy will give guidance to planning authorities and developers on the need for this type of housing in Gloucestershire. It will also make sure that **the plans for housing will help meet Gloucestershire's** health and social care needs in future.

The aim is that housing available will help people to live as independently as possible for as long as possible.

Who can get involved?

You may be:

A carer looking after a family member or friend who has a disability, and wondering what accommodation will be best for them in future

Someone of any age wondering what accommodation will be available in the future if you need additional support

Approaching retirement and thinking about your next steps

A working age person living with a disability or long term condition

Living in a Housing Association or council property and unsure if it will meet your changing needs as you get older

Whatever your circumstances, housing with care may be something you want to think about now or in the future.

Contact the team: <a href="mailto:housingwithcare@gloucestershire.gov.uk">housingwithcare@gloucestershire.gov.uk</a> The survey is open until 4 June 2018

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

Team Vicar - John Partington
01285 750332; john.p@sctm.church
Lay Preacher - Rob Mitchell (01285 712821)
Churchwarden - Elizabeth Emberson (dizzylizzie@sky.com)

#### Dear friends

Last month saw what must have been one of the most widely -heard (and seen) sermons ever preached - Michael Curry (presiding Bishop of our sister church, 'ECUSA', in the United States of America preaching at the wedding of Prince Harry & Megan Markle.

While it was obviously a well -crafted and excellent ly-delivered wedding homily, it's fair to say that most of us who are regular churchgoers were actually rather surprised by the strength of public reaction to it. The newspapers were fulsome in their praise, with even the Guardian (a republican paper not noted for its affection for the church) saying that it "would go down in history".

Careful reading of what the media pundits and other commentators were saying reveals that many of them have very little idea of what happens in most churches week by week. Certainly the Bishop's style was more a little more animated than most sermons in Kempsford church — though those of us who know Tim Hastie - Smith's preaching for example reckon he could give Michael Curry a run for his money. But the content — described by many commentators as 'radical' — was actually standard Christian fare .. because the message of Jesus, expounded from pulpits up and down the country every Sunday, *is* radical.

The day after the wedding was, in church —speak, 'Pentecost' Sunday (the title refers to its being fifty days after Easter — a day when Christians celebrate the pouring out of God's Holy Spirit on the first Christians. In this parish, and across the land, I and other clergy were preaching exactly the same message as Bishop Curry (albeit often less eloquently) — the subverting power of love , challenging human power-structures of greed and domination.

It's marvellous that Bishop Curry's sermon attracted such attention. The same message is celebrated in Kempsford, Whelford and across our country Sunday by Sunday. Why not come and hear it, live rather than broadcast, some time — and join us in opening your heart to the loving power of God to change not only us but also our villages and our country. We need it!

Every blessing

John Partington

### CHURCH SERVICES IN JUNE

Sunday 3			
8.30 am	Holy Communion	Whelford	JS
9.30 am	Morning Worship	Castle Eaton	AJ
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Kempsford	MB
Sunday 10			
9.30 am	<b>Holy Communion</b>	Castle Eaton	JP
9.30 am	Morning Worship	Kempsford	RM
Sunday 17			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Whelford	JP
9.30 am	Morning Worship	Castle Eaton	MP
4.00 pm	All-Age Service	Kempsford	JP
Sunday 24			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Kempsford	MB
9.30 am	Morning Worship	Castle Eaton	RS
Sunday 1			
8.30 am	Holy Communion	Whelford	JP
9.30 am	Morning Worship	Castle Eaton	AJ
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Kempsford	RM & JP

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

 $AJ-Antonia\ Jones;\ JP-John\ Partington;\ JS-John\ Swanton;\ MB-Margaret\ Bettis;$   $MP-Maureen\ Partington;\ RM-Rob\ Mitchell;\ RS-Roger\ Scoones$ 



Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May to Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June



Fairford's Annual Community Festival A weekend of fun for everyone!

Celebrating the Best of Britain since 1918

at Fairford Cricket Club



## Thursday 31st May - Sunday 3rd June

#### Thursday 31st May

8.00pm - 11.00pm Open air cinema evening - Four Weddings and a Funeral.

Tickets £3 (available at the gate).

Film begins at sunset. Sponsored by Fairford Town Council.

#### Friday 1st June

TGI Festival Friday – live music and food. Sponsored by Morse Roofing.

8.00pm - 9.00pm Junior Disco

9.00pm - 11.00pm The Back 4 - Playing rock and pop classics from the 1950s onwards:

from Elvis, Beatles, Stones, through the Eagles and Squeeze and right

up to date with the Kaiser Chiefs and the Killers.

#### Saturday 2nd June

9.30am - 7.00pm The Fairford Festival of Fiction, returns this year with a cracking line-

up... see Mark Gatiss, Matthew Graham, Sarah Hilary, Chrissy Williams and Ross Montgomery! For more information, visit our Diary of Events page on our website or buy tickets from: 7a Coffee Shop or The Coffee 4

Post. Or to buy online search Eventbrite Fairford Fiction.

10.00am – 4.30pm Fairford Art Society Exhibition of art and crafts in the Farmor Room

of Fairford Community Centre. Refreshments available.

10.00am - 4.00pm Photographic Display by Edwin Cuss with a display by Fairford History

Society in Fairford Community Centre. For further information email:

enquiry@fairfordhistory.org.uk

12 noon Fairford Festival Parade - starts at Fairford Cricket Club (assemble at

11.45am ready for departure at 12 noon prompt).

1.00pm onwards A Have-a-Go afternoon of sports and clubs in Fairford – an

opportunity to find out more and try out some of the many sports and activities on offer weekly here in Fairford. Sponsored by White

Cottage Dental Surgery and Chloros.

3.00pm - 5.00pm Children's party entrance fee £2.50. Sponsored by Andrew Butler

butcher, Mr Ernest and Jiyu.

3.30pm - 11pm Live music - featuring Lacey Mai, the Daisy Belles, Mock Rockers and

Get Carter: modern rock/pop/indie covers, including, Kaiser Chiefs, Snow Patrol, Foo Fighters, The Killers, Stereophonics, Arctic Monkeys

and more.... Sponsored by Purely Divine.

Celebrating the Rest of Britain since 1918

#### at Fairford Cricket Club

#### Sunday 3rd June

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- 9.45am 3k Fun Run registration from 8.30am (closes at 9.30am). Start in Park Street. Sponsored by Fairford Therapy Centre.
- 10.00am 4.30pm Fairford Art Society Exhibition of art and crafts in the Farmor Room of Fairford Community Centre. Refreshments available.
- 10.00am 4.00pm Photographic Display by Edwin Cuss with a display by Fairford History Society in Fairford Community Centre. For further information email: enquiry@fairfordhistory.org.uk
  - 10.30am 10k Road Race in association with Running Somewhere Else Running Club. Start in Park Street.
- 12 noon 4.00pm An Afternoon of Fete Fun & Games a mix of traditional games and stalls, henna, face painting, glitter tattoos, ice cream, fun, games, a fabulous teddy tombola, tuck shop and stands selling lovely gifts. Sponsored by Resintech.
- 12.30pm 7.00pm Live music featuring A Splash of Red, Hatherop School choir, The Ukey D'Ukes, and more...
  - 1.00pm The Kitchen Club's Schools Cooking Competition Final finalists from Fairford, Southrop, Hatherop, Kempsford and Ampney Crucis Primary Schools will go head-to-head in a "Masterchef" style cook-off. For more information: www.thekitchenclub.org.uk
  - 2.00pm Traditional Baking Competition prizes for best classic Victoria sponge cake and for children (under 12 yrs) best four decorated cupcakes. For full details and entry forms, visit our website. Sponsored by LR Engineering.
- 3.30pm 4.30pm Sarah McIntyre the award-winning children's author and artist will be performing her exciting blend of music, live drawing and audience participation, for children of all ages. Plus, she'll be announcing the results of the children's writing competition.
- 4.00pm 5.00pm Churches Together 'Big Sing' in the 'Literary tent'. All welcome.
  - 7.30pm Fairford Festival Quiz food available. Sponsored by 7a Coffee Shop.

#### 5.30pm Grand Prize Giving

Winners of Baking Competition and Where's Ernest? elephant trail announced, Raffle Prizes Drawn.



#### With thanks to all of our sponsors:

7a Coffee Shop AMM Book Keeping Andrew Butler Butchers Coln Valley Carpentry Co-operative supermarket Fairford Balloons Fairford Community Centre Fairford Cricket Club Jiyu Consulting Leachprint Londis LR Engineering Lynwoods Mike Parker Garden Machinery Mr Ernest Paredes Photography Resintech Simon Pillar Smart Movers T Shirt Studio White Cottage Dental Practice With special thanks to the Great Western Air Ambulance Charity from Trevor Hing



#### Entrance fee

Suggested donation of £1 per day - The Fairford Festival aims to raise funds for our town charity. Once all of the Festival costs have been covered, any surplus is given to the Fairford Town Charity for the benefit of local good causes and funding community groups.

Please note that all events are subject to cancellation or change of venue at short notice and that the Festival Committee accepts no responsibility or liability for any losses howsoever caused.

Like Us, Follow Us:







www.FairfordFestival.org.uk



Date: Saturday 30th June 2018

Meeting point: Kempsford Village Hall Car Park

Hi-viz, gloves, bags and litter pickers will be provided

For further information contact: Phil Nickson on 01285 810466 or email philnickson@kempsfordparishcouncil.net



Gloucestershire County Council 5th Floor Shire Hall Bearlands GLOUCESTER GL1 2TH

email: gloucester.streetlighting@skanska.co.uk Phone: 08000 514 514

#### <u>Street Lighting Improvement Works - remaining LED conversions</u>

As you will be aware, the County Council has been undertaking a major project to upgrade streetlighting, with the main aim being to meet its carbon reduction target of 60% by 2020. Skanska UK PLC has been engaged to carry out these works.

Work to upgrade the lighting within your area has been taking place during the last 24 months in residential areas. We are now returning to your area to complete these conversions along with traffic route lighting. This remaining work will include wall brackets & wood pole-mounted units as well as some heritage lanterns.

The works are scheduled to take place in Kempsford Parish between Friday 01/06/18 and Friday 28/09/18.

Work may necessitate the need to temporarily reduce the pavement width and to use barriers to ensure we can work safely. Where wall mounted units are to be converted on private properties, we will inform the individual owners of the necessary works, prior to starting.

During this period, on-street parking may be affected. Residents and pedestrians are asked to be patient and we will do our best to minimise any inconvenience to you.



#### 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

#### FOR YOUR DIARIES – OUR NEXT EVENTS

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018 7pm at Fairford Hospital

Guest Speaker
Janice Banks
Chief Executive, Gloucester Rural
Community Council (GRCC)
Who will talk about the work of the GRCC
in Local Communities

Come and support us and hear about the League's activities. Tea and Coffee will be served

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#### OPEN GARDENS – 26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018 THE BULL PENS, FAIRFORD 2.00 – 4.30p.m. by kind permission of Mrs Andy Wilkinson

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#### Volunteer Drivers Required

We have a team of volunteer drivers who provide over 700 journeys a year for people in our community who have difficulty getting to their medical appointments at GP surgeries and local hospitals. We urgently need more drivers to help with this vital community service. We ask our volunteers to complete a DBS check as this service provides much needed support and assistance to many vulnerable people in our community. Car running costs are paid for. Please contact us if you can help.

For more information on the League of Friends or to volunteer please visit our website <a href="www.friendsoffairford.org.uk">www.friendsoffairford.org.uk</a> or contact Christine Barker on: 07767 408409 or email:<a href="mailto:fairford.lof@hotmail.co.uk">fairford.lof@hotmail.co.uk</a>

### Ministry of Defence Police: Project

Servator

You may have seen these Officers in and around the Parish recently.

The MDP started using Project Servator in 2016, to deter and detect criminal and terrorist activity and to



provide reassurance to the communities that they serve.

For more information, please visit:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ministry-of-defence-police-project-servator

#### How to help and how to report

Your support and assistance with Project Servator is the key to its success. You can help protect the sites and communities that you are working in, living in and visiting by being vigilant and reporting anything that doesn't feel right. For example, report an unattended item or someone acting suspiciously – don't leave it to someone else.

If you see a police officer, please take a moment to talk to them and find out how you can help keep your workplace and community safe. Communities defeat terrorism and you can help by being an extra pair of eyes and ears.

If you see something suspicious please tell a police officer or call 01285 71 44 77, or 01371 854444.

Please use 999 if an immediate response is required.



## 13th—15th July 2018

A residents' Newsletter and 2 Car Stickers will be included with next months (July/August) edition.

As per previous years, there will be a further opportunity to obtain additional stickers, and this will take place on

# Thursday 5th July between 7pm and 8pm at Kempsford Village Hall Car Park.

Anyone requiring more than 10 car stickers should apply in writing or by email to the Clerk before the 30th June 2017.

#### Kempsford Angling Club.

Last season ended on 14th March and was fairly normal. River levels were reasonable but the long cold winter did not encourage too much fishing.

As a reminder of the fish that are present, they can be listed as follows;

chub, roach, dace, perch, bream with some pike, barbel and brown trout.

Additionally, quite extensive bank clearance has been carried out recently which means there are a lot more fishing places available. Next season begins on 16th June when annual subscriptions are due. For further help and advice, please call Jim Hussey on 810446.

#### LECHLADE LIONS OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHALLENGE

Lechlade & District Lions Club is pleased to announce a new event in their calendar, an Open Water Swimming Event to raise money for Charity. This new event will be held on Bowmoor Lake, courtesy of the Bowmoor Sailing Club on Saturday August 4<sup>th</sup>. Bowmoor Lake is one of the best open water swimming locations in the Cotswolds as the lake is fed by an underground stream and the lake is managed to minimise weed growth. The event will start at 10am and is open to all competent swimmers who are capable of swimming at least 500m in a swimming pool. There will be 4 events to suit all levels of competence:

- 1. 200m swim close to the bank
- 2. 1000m around a 1km course marked by buoys
- 3. 2000m, twice round the 1km course
- 4. 3000m, three times round the 1km course.

The entry fee will be £5 for the 200m event and £10 for the other events. Each swimmer will be given a swim cap to wear during the event and a medal on completion.

This is not a race, but an opportunity to challenge yourself and help raise money for charity. So, all entrants are <u>encouraged to get themselves</u> <u>sponsored</u> and a form can be downloaded from the Lions Website here. All of the money raised will be shared 50/50 with the Wilshire Air Ambulance and the Lions Charity fund.

Safety is a key consideration and all entrants are advised to wear a wet suit. The local scouts will be providing a monitoring and rescue service from several canoes strategically placed around the lake, and the Bowmoor Sailing Club rescue boat will be deployed.

Refreshments will be available for entrants, spectators and helpers for a nominal cost.

If you would like to participate then down load the entry form from <a href="https://www.lechladelions.org.uk">www.lechladelions.org.uk</a> and send it back to the organisers.

Bowmoor Sailing Club is on the A417 between Lechlade and Fairford:



# Lechlade & District Lions Club Collecting for Local, National and International Charities

# OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHALLENGE



By kind invitation of the

## **BOWMOOR SAILING CLUB**

(A417 between Lechlade and Fairford)

Saturday 4th August 2018, 10am

Four Classes to suit all ages and ability: 200m, 1km, 2km & 3km

Entry £10 (main events)/£5 (for 200m) Pay on the day

Entry details now available on Lechlade Lions Web Site (<u>www.lechladelions.org.uk</u>) or email <u>swimming@lechladelions.org.uk</u>

Get yourself SPONSORED: all monies raised split 50/50 between WILTSHIRE AIR AMBULANCE & LECHLADE LIONS

Further details John Sheffield (01367252797/07780698120; swimming@lechladelions.org.uk)

#### KEMPSFORD PARISH HISTORY

#### Local Government

By an arrangement which was apparently in force by 1258 view of frankpledge was held at Kempsford twice a year before the bailiffs of the abbot of Cirencester, lord of the hundred. The bailiffs were dined at the lord of the manor's expense and at one of the views took 5s. and any goods of fugitives and felons; the remaining profits went to the lord of the manor. The lord of the manor's court exercised view of frankpledge in the post-medieval period. Rolls of the court survive for some years in the 14th century and for most years between 1568 and 1646, and there are draft rolls and court papers for 1682–1735. The court appointed a constable, a tithingman for Kempsford, whose bailiwick also included Dunfield, and a tithingman for Whelford with Horcott. Haywards were appointed for the same two divisions as the tithingmen and in their regulation of common rights were assisted by tellers; from 1692 a parish wonter (mole-catcher) was also appointed. In the 1630s the court still heard occasional pleas of debt and trespass but from the late 17th century it dealt only with agricultural and estate matters, including the upkeep of the system of drainage. It was also at particular pains to enforce the statutory labour on the roads and in 1682 the parish surveyors were apparently appointed in the court. The court continued to be held until 1851. The old church house was used as a poorhouse in the 18th century. In 1772 the vestry introduced the roundsman system for pauper girls and it adopted the Speenhamland plan in 1795. A parish surgeon was retained from 1797. In the early 19th century expenditure on relief was generally high, sometimes higher than in the two neighbouring towns; 57 people were on permanent relief in 1803 and 72 in 1813. By 1833 a deputy overseer was being retained and in that year employment was encouraged by the offer of a bonus of 2s. to employers for each man taken on at 7s. a week. The parish became part of the Cirencester union in 1836 and was later in Cirencester rural district, becoming part of Cotswold district in 1974.

#### **Education**

In 1693 Lord Weymouth was paying a schoolmaster £5 a year to teach children at Kempsford, and a building called the school house, though possibly not then used for that purpose, was mentioned in 1706. In 1709 Lord Weymouth settled £10 a year, payable out of estates in Ross-on-Wye and Weobley (both Herefs.), to pay a schoolmaster. The master recorded at Kempsford in 1715 was presumably employed by the charity, which in 1735 was teaching poor children to read free of charge and to write for a payment of 2d. a week, while the children from wealthier families paid 1d. for reading and 4d. for writing. In 1750 a new building for the school, paid for by a subscription among the inhabitants, was put up on the south side of the village street on land given by Lord Weymouth. In 1787 the school was said to be supported by Lord Coleraine, who was presumably meeting the costs not covered by the endowment and pence.

By 1818 60–70 children, all the poor children of the parish, were attending the charity school, and a Sunday school supported by the vicar Thomas Huntingford had been started in a cottage adjoining the vicarage. A new school building was built in 1855 adjoining the old one. In 1869 the school, called Kempsford C. of E. school, was supported by voluntary contributions, pence, and the endowment and had an average attendance of 80. The average attendance remained at much the same figure in 1904; it fell during the next 20 years but then recovered and was 81 again in 1936. In 1976 there were 89 children on the roll.

¶A church school for infants had been started at Whelford by 1867 when it taught *c*. 25 children and was supported by voluntary contributions and pence. It was held in a cottage until 1874 when a new building was provided. The attendance rose to 50 by 1885, when older children were also taken, but fell to 20 by 1904 and remained at *c*. 25 during the earlier 20th century. By 1949 only 11 children remained on the register and the school was closed. A Roman Catholic school was built at Horcott in 1852 and in 1885 had an average attendance of 36. It was apparently closed in 1888.



# A SOPRANO SUMMER SERENADE

AN EVENING OF MUSIC OLD AND NEW

WITH SOPRANOS ELIZABETH EMBERSON AND LESLEY HOPEWELL AND PIANIST JESSIE THOMPSON

AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, KEMPSFORD

ON SATURDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2018 STARTING AT 7.30PM

TICKETS £5 FROM ELIZABETH AT DIZZYLIZZIE@SKY.COM OR ON THE DOOR.

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE IN THE INTERVAL.

PROCEEDS IN AID OF ST MARY'S CHURCH.

#### Village Organisations & Useful Contacts

Church Warden	Elizabeth Emberson	Email:dizzylizzy@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	Richard Caswell		810270
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
Thursday Club	Mrs P Crew/Mrs B Ockwell		810338/713261
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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