

Kempsford

(with Whelford, Dunfield and Dudgrove)

Parish Newsletter

March 2022

Kempsford Beer Festival *19th March 2022*

Watch the Six Nations Rugby Live

Wales v Italy 2:15

Ireland v Scotland 4:45

France v England 8:00

Doors Open at 1:30

A selection of

Real Ales,

**Cider, wines and
bottled lagers**



**Hot & Cold Food
Available All Day**



**At the
Village Hall**

KEMPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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

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www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net

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PARISH COUNCIL & OTHER MEETING DATES

Tuesday 15th March 2022 at 7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall

Tuesday 5th April - ANNUAL PARISH MEETING - 8pm Kempsford Village Hall

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

APRIL 2022 NEWSLETTER

Copy for the above Newsletter to Teresa Griffin by

MONDAY 21ST MARCH 2022 PLEASE

Email: clerk@kempsfordparishcouncil.net

Kempsford Village Hall booking for the month

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

KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Hannah Dickens, Chair	*Mel Denny, Bookings Secretary	*Jo Colson, Treasurer
*Joy Cross, Secretary	*Amy Durban, Health & Safety	*Kate Collins
Kathy Woodward	Louise Edwards	Luke Fry
Rev Kim Brown	Karen Saunders, Parish Council Rep	Louise Jeffrey, Safeguarding

* Denotes Trustee

To contact any Committee Member email infokempsfordvillagehall@kempsford.net

New members are always welcome!
IF YOU WISH FOR YOUR VILLAGE HALL TO CONTINUE TO SERVE THE
COMMUNITY PLEASE DO CONSIDER JOINING US



KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL CAFÉ
Thursday 10th March 12 – 2pm

Come and try our Homemade Soups and Bread,
Delicious Cakes,
Fresh Coffee and Speciality Teas.

Chat with old friends and make new.
Enjoy the friendly atmosphere and keep the village
and its hall alive!

Covid-19: please wear masks
in the hall unless you are seated and eating.

Time to get walking again!

At this time of year we start to think about the mud drying up and getting out to walk in the beautiful English Countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks?

Walking in Gloucestershire <https://www.walkinginengland.co.uk/glos> has hundreds of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, details of all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

John Harris (the custodian of the website) said ‘There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Gloucestershire (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you’.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy.

So home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

John Harris www.walkinginengland.co.uk john@walkinginengland.co.uk



COTSWOLD
DISTRICT COUNCIL

NOTICE OF VACANCY in the office of Councillor

Kempsford Parish Council

NOTICE is given that, due to the resignation of Jeremy Stokes, a vacancy has arisen for a Councillor for the Parish Council.

The vacancy will be filled by election if a request from 10 local government electors for the Parish is received within 14 working days of the date of this notice. The request must be received by 10 March 2022.

Requests should include each electors' name and address and should be sent to the Chief Executive at the address below or by email to elections@cotswold.gov.uk

If an election is called, it will take place not later than 17 May 2022.

If 10 signatures are not received by the date given, the Parish Council may fill the vacancy by co-option.

Dated 18 February 2022

Robert Weaver
Chief Executive
Cotswold District
Council Trinity Road
Cirencester GL7 1PX

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Tuesday 5th April 2022

8pm

At Kempford Village Hall

Everyone welcome, particularly Parish Clubs, Societies and organisations

COVID 19 FUNDING

Are you or someone you know experiencing financial hardship as a result of Covid 19?
The Friends of Fairford and Lechlade Communities is a local charity that has funding available to help individuals and organisations at this difficult time.

For more information and criteria on how to apply please see our website
WWW.FRIENDSOFFAIRFORD.ORG.UK



Planning

The interactive map on the 'Planning' page of the Parish Council Website - www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net shows all current Cotswold District Council applications within the Parish and links to their website for further information.

Other applications that are currently being considered are listed below—

Wiltshire Council

Application No: PL/2022/00193

Application Type: Minerals and Waste Application

Proposal: Extraction and processing of mineral and restoration using imported inert materials to agriculture with biodiversity enhancement.

Site Address: Blackburr Farm, Marston Meysey, Swindon, Wilts

<https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a0i3z000017DMBaAAO/pl202200193>

Gloucestershire County Council

Application No: 21/0098/CWS73M

Proposal: Variation of condition 10(drainage measures) relating to planning consent 19/0059/CWMAJM dated 26/09/2019.

Location: Manor Farm Pit, Washpool Lane, Kempsford, Gloucestershire, GL7 4NJ

Cotswold District Council

Application No: 17/05047/FUL

Proposal: *New Details* - Full Application for Construction of a temporary Country Park Visitor Centre and permanent Visitor Centre

Location: Claydon Pike, London Road Lechlade Gloucestershire

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

or Keith Howlett - 01285 712268 churchwarden@kempsford.net

or there is a Facebook page The 5 Villages

The sun is shining and there are crocuses in my lawn lifting their heads to receive its' blessing. Spring is definitely beginning to make its' presence felt, there are newborn lambs resting close to their mothers, and I'm grateful for the glimpses of hopefulness all around us (aside from the raging storms anyway!).

In the church year, Lent is upon us. It's a time when we take a look at our lives and see what habits we might have slipped into that are not good for us or those around us. We try to prepare our hearts for the sadness of Jesus' death on the cross and the opportunity it offers us to lay down our own mistakes and harm we've done to others and say sorry, receiving forgiveness and a new start.

One of the ways we'll be thinking of others is to gather for Lent lunches, sometimes called a 'frugal lunch', of soup and bread and make a small monetary donation for the food, which will be donated to the Foodbank to help people who don't have enough to eat. We will follow lunch with a short time of prayer and Bible reading together to prepare our hearts for Easter. All are welcome to come along. They will be held as follows:



Mon 7th March 1pm, St. Mary's Church Meysey Hampton

Mon 14th March 1pm, Castle Eaton Village Hall

Mon 21st March 1pm 'Dunvegan', Whelford GL7 4EA

(home of Keith & Jacqui Howlett: at the red phone box in Whelford, house is 2nd on the left on the service road.)

Spring is a time of new starts, as is Easter. I heard Russell Brand, the actor, speak recently and he put his past addictions down to not knowing he was made a spiritual person with spiritual needs, like all humans. He explained that he had never known what to do with the pain and struggles in his life, the mistakes he'd made, and so he tried to damp down these pains with alcohol, drugs, relationships or fame. Once he understood that these pains and mistakes were spiritual problems that could be set right by coming to Jesus Christ, he began praying and understanding Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection as the place to come with his struggles, and he has stayed sober and clean ever since.

I lost someone I care about to addiction this week and I wish he'd known Jesus as the place where you come as you are, with all your suffering, and receive a new start - mercy and grace to live day by day. I wish you renewal and fresh hope this Lent. Love Rev Kim.

St Mary's, Kempford with St Anne's, Whelford

Church Services

Sunday 6 March	9.30 am Kempford	Holy Communion
Sunday 13 March	8.30 am Whelford 9.30 am Kempford 4. pm Jenner's Barn, Whelford	Holy Communion Service of the Word Taizé service*
Sunday 20 March	9.30 am Whelford 4 pm Kempford	Holy Communion Family Service
Sunday 27 March Mothering Sunday	9.30 am Kempford	Holy Communion

Morning Prayer continues to take place, via The 5 Villages Facebook page, every weekday at 8 am.

St Mary's is open every day & **St Anne's** is open on Fridays, for prayer and reflection.

Wednesday 2 March Ash Wednesday: there will be a service of Holy communion at St Lawrence, Lechlade at 7.30 pm.

Lent Lunch & Short Reflection

Monday 7 March at 1pm at Meysey Hampton church

Monday 14 March at 1 pm at Castle Eaton village hall

Monday 21st March at 1pm at Dunvegan, Whelford GL7 4EA (**home of the Howlett's**)
Come and join us for a frugal lunch and reflection on preparing our hearts for Easter. Please bring a small monetary donation for the food, which will go to the Foodbank to help those in need.

Food Bank

Thank you to all those who gave so generously over the Christmas period. The **boxes are still in place outside both St Mary's and St Anne's in the porches.** Donations are always needed, especially during these cold months.

*All are welcome to a Taizé Service **at Jenner's Barn** on Sunday 13th March at 4pm, with Robert Mitchell. Taize is a candlelight service of prayer and reflection, singing simple chants to aid meditation and reflection.



FRIENDS OF FAIRFORD & LECHLADE COMMUNITIES

(Reg. Charity No: 1180059)



YOUR LOCAL CHARITY

Serving Fairford, Lechlade and the surrounding villages.
(Formerly League of Friends of Fairford Hospital)

News and Information from your Community Friends

AGM

The AGM will be held at 19:30 on Tuesday 1st March 2022 at Fairford Community Centre. All are very welcome to come and hear about our work last year and plans for the year ahead.

CHARITY CRAFT FAIR

Following the success of our Craft Fair in November we are hosting another on the 10th April, 14:00 to 17:00 at Lechlade Memorial Hall. There will be over 20 stalls selling a range of handmade items. We will also have hot drinks and cakes as well as a raffle and some easter crafts for the children. FREE ENTRY!

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

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

Our team of volunteer drivers provide a lifeline to many in our community who need to get to their medical appointments at the GPs and hospitals. With appointments opening again 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 the community. Car running costs are paid for. If you think you can help, please contact Val Harvey on 07540 798226 or email voluntarycarserviceof@gmail.com

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If you would like to make a donation you can do so online through our website 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 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)



Introducing the Anne Robson Helpline - If you or someone close to you is dying, you can talk to us.

At the Anne Robson Trust we aim to be there to listen to anyone who is struggling with the imminent death of someone they care about. We know that facing the end of life can leave you isolated and alone.

Calls are free and confidential – [Call us on 0808 801 0688](tel:08088010688)

Being able to access support whilst a loved one is dying is really important for a number of reasons. Gaining knowledge of what may happen towards the end **and having a sense of 'preparedness' helps both the person dying and their family gain as much control as possible.**

Please visit www.annerobsontrust.org.uk/helpline-service to find out more.

Charity Calendar

Photo Competition



Theme: Seasons of the Year, captured by local amateur photographers

Categories: Adult; Under 16

Prize: Given to each photographer whose entry is published

Closing date for entries: 12 noon 31st July 2022

For full details, email Ann & Myra at churchfundraising@kempsford.net

Kempsford Village Hall

Saturday 21st May 10.30am - 1.30pm



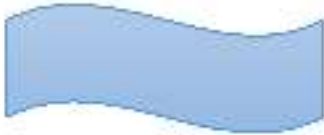
CRAFT FAIR



Range of local craft stalls



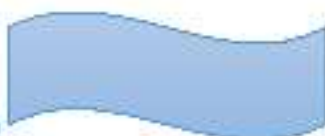
**Bunting packs for the
Platinum Jubilee &
summer parties**



Craft Corner fun for children



Tea & cakes



Raffle Prizes



Organised by Kempford and Whelford PCC

Raising funds to support the work of the church in the community and the development of facilities for all those who use our churches.

YOUR COTSWOLD YOUR PLAN

CREATING A FUTURE
THAT IS GREEN TO THE CORE



We need to take action

to tackle the **climate and ecological emergencies** and ensure there are enough homes for local people **now and in the future**.

The Cotswold District Local Plan – Local Plan Partial Update: Regulation 18 ‘Issues and Options’ Consultation is now available for public comment until Sunday 20 March.

Further to our earlier correspondence, we invite you to read and share your comments on this consultation so that we can work together and plan for the future of the Cotswolds.

The public consultation is focussed on targeted sections of the Local Plan, covering the specific issues and options that we believe need to be updated, especially those focussing on how we tackle the climate emergency.

Feedback to the consultation will be considered and used to help inform the draft Local Plan Partial Update and a further round of public consultation. The ‘issues and options’ are the starting points for discussion based around 18 Topic Papers.

The public consultation started on Friday 4th February 2022 and finishes at 11:59pm on Sunday 20th March 2022.

Public drop in events have been arranged for:

Wednesday, 2nd March 2022 from 2pm until 6:30pm at the Committee Rooms, Council Offices, Trinity Road, Cirencester, GL& 1PX; and

Wednesday, 9th March 2022 2022 from 2pm until 6:30pm at Moreton Area Centre, High Street, Moreton-in-Marsh, GL7 0A7

The documents (including a standard comment form, infographics, FAQs and poster) and the supporting evidence base can be viewed or downloaded via our website <https://www.cotswold.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/>

Comments can be submitted at—<https://issuesandoptions.commonplace.is/>

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FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH



Friends of Fairford and Lechlade
Communities

Formerly The League of Friends of Fairford Hospital

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Village Organisations & Useful Contacts

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	Elizabeth Emberson	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	chair@kempsford.gloucs.sch.uk	810875
Farmors School	Mr Matthew Evans (Head)		712302
Kempsford Village Hall Bookings	Mel Denny	villagehallbookings@kempsford.net	0734 1901986
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		highways@gloucestershire.gov.uk	08000 514 514
Kempsford Hand Bell Team (Beaubells)	Iris Lewis		01285 810770
Cotswold District Councillors	Steve Trotter	Steve.trotter@cotswold.gov.uk	07710 405323
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Kempsford Parish Council Website		www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net	

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Online



'Kempsford Village'
'Kempsford Mums & Dads'