

# Kempsford

(with Whelford, Dunfield and Dudgrove)

## Parish Newsletter

### May 2023



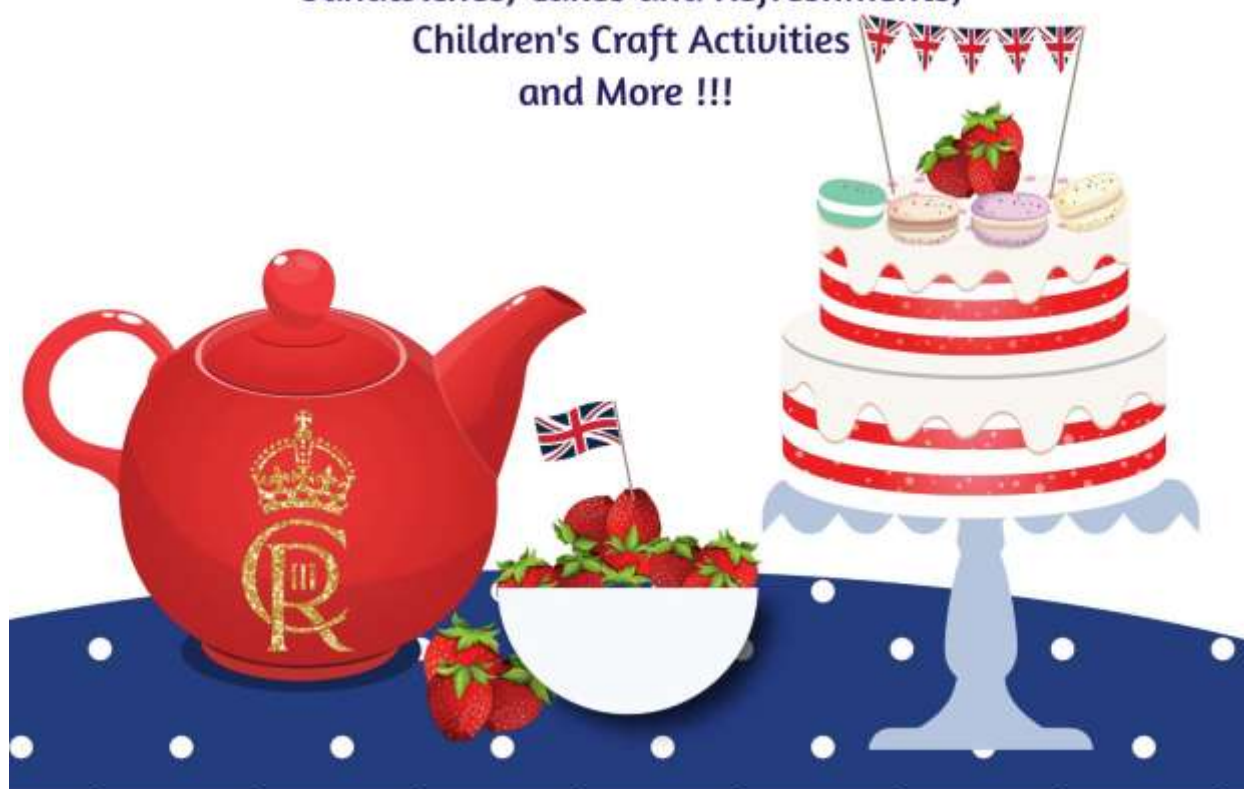
*You are cordially invited to celebrate*  
***The King's Coronation***

*Hosted by*  
***Kempsford Village Hall***

Saturday 6th May 2023

From 10.30am - 2.30pm

Live streaming of the Kings Coronation,  
Sandwiches, Cakes and Refreshments,  
Children's Craft Activities  
and More !!!



# *KEMPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL*

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## **PARSIH COUNCIL MEETING DATES**

Tuesday 16th May at 7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall

Tuesday 20th June at 7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall

## **RAF Fairford Local Community Newsletter**

RAF Fairford produce a local community newsletter, which due to the format , cannot be included in our Parish Newsletter. It is available to view through the 'News' page of the Parish Council website: [www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net](http://www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net)

## **JUNE 2023 NEWSLETTER**

Copy for the above Newsletter to Teresa Griffin by

**MONDAY 22ND MAY 2023 PLEASE**

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



**COTSWOLD**  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

## **Notice Of Uncontested Election**

Election of Councillors for  
Kempsford Parish Council on  
Thursday 4 May 2023

I, being the Returning Officer at the above election, report that the persons whose names appear below were duly elected Parish Councillors for Kempsford.

<b>Name of Candidate (surname first)</b>	<b>Home Address</b>	<b>Description (if any)</b>
Green Neil Brian	Eriba House, High Street, Kempsford, Gloucestershire, GL7 4EQ	
Nugent Christine	9 Lancaster Road, Kempsford, Fairford, Gloucestershire, GL7 4DW	
O'Connell John Mark	2 Jubilee Cottages, High St, Kempsford, Fairford, GL7 4EZ	
Saunders Karen Jane	Ockwells, Whelford, Fairford, Glos, GL7 4ED	
Strange Mark Andrew	4 Wakefield Close, Kempsford, Glos, GL7 4DP	

Robert Weaver  
Returning Officer

Dated Wednesday 5 April 2023

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GL7 1PX

# Kempsford Parish Council

## PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCIES

We have 2 councillor vacancies which can be filled by co-option after the 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Kempsford Parish covers the villages of Kempsford and Whelford, and the hamlets of Dunfield and Dudgrove.

### HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT BECOMING A PARISH COUNCILLOR?

If you have a keen interest in our local community, can spare some time and are passionate about making a difference, then becoming a Councillor might be for you.

**To be a councillor you don't need any special qualifications.** Everyone has something to give from their life experiences. Everyday skills, passion and commitment to people and **communities are vital, and it's important that councils reflect the local community.**

By becoming a parish councillor you become someone your community will look to for help, guidance and support, a community leader with the power to influence decisions for the benefit of the people you serve. Seeing your community change for the better, as a result of decisions you have helped make, is something that can give you a sense of achievement and pride.

### WHAT DECISIONS DO PARISH COUNCILS MAKE?

Parish councils make all kinds of decisions on issues that affect the local community. Probably the most common topics that parish councils get involved with are planning matters (they are statutory consultees), crime prevention, managing open spaces and campaigning for and delivering better services and facilities.

**It's true to say that on their own, parish councils have limited powers to make decisions.** But they do have the ability to negotiate with, and the power to influence, those other organisations that do make the final decisions (such as the unitary council, health authorities, police etc.).

In this respect parish councils are extremely powerful. The organisations that make the final decisions know that a parish council gives the best reflection of how a community feels about something, and its views will be taken seriously.

### HOW MUCH TIME DOES IT TAKE UP?

We meet once a month for the council meeting, to which members of the public are also invited. Meetings generally last one to two hours, depending on the agenda set for the meeting to discuss. In addition to the regular meetings, councillors are required to

attend other meeting representing the council. For example acting as a representative on an outside body, community activities or helping develop a new project for the **community. Such meetings won't happen every day, so it's not going to take over your life.**

Parish Councillors volunteer their time to work on behalf of their local community. If you have lived in the Parish, or within 3 miles of it, for at least a year and are over 18, you are probably eligible (please check with the clerk for further eligibility criteria). Training is not essential, but can be provided by the Gloucestershire Association of Parish & Town Councils, and funded by the Parish Council, if desired.

For a copy of the Application and Eligibility Form, or any further information, please **contact the Clerk or visit the 'News' page of our website –**  
*[www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net](http://www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net)*

Applications close on Wednesday 31st May 2023.

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## No collection changes for May bank holidays

### We're reminding residents that their waste and recycling

collections are unchanged during weeks where a standard bank holiday Monday falls due. This includes the forthcoming May bank holidays (including the extra day given to mark the Coronation), and the August bank holiday weeks.

Our waste and recycling calendars for 2023/24 offer an easy way to keep up to date with your refuse, recycling and garden waste collections for the year ahead, and include any planned changes to collections over Christmas and New Year.



View your collection calendar here - <https://www.cotswold.gov.uk/binday?>

## 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	9:00 - 10:00 <b>Yoga</b> Charlie McKenna				
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 Meeting</b> (monthly, 2nd Tuesday)				
			19:45 - 21:45 <b>Parish Council 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  
Ali Leather

Luke Fry, Joint Bookings Secretary  
Molly Pekarik Fry, Joint Bookings Secretary  
Karen Saunders, Parish Council Rep  
Cassie Vickery-Cummings

\*Jo Colson, Treasurer  
Charlie Leather  
Beryl Gray  
Chloe Amey

*\* Denotes Trustee*

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

New members are always welcome!



## KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL CAFÉ

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 12 – 2pm

Ploughmans lunches back by popular demand!  
made with locally produced Ham and Cheese  
or try our Homemade Soup and Breads,  
Delicious Cakes, Fresh Coffee and Tea.

If you haven't been before you're missing a treat!

## THANK YOU

The Village hall committee would like to thank all the organisers, sponsors and **volunteers of last month's "Beer festival" for all their amazing hard work from** which a total of around £2000 including a projector was donated to the Village Hall.

Also the committee would like to thank all the Village Cafe team for all their hard work which has resulted in a donation of £2400 for the year 4/22 to 4/23 to the village hall.

In total this financial year donations totalled £5631.30 and we wish to convey our thanks to all those who donated. The majority of the money will be used to purchase and fit our new front door as the current one is in need of replacing.



Kempsford Village Hall Committee  
Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023  
8:00 pm in the Village Hall

All Kempsford residents welcome  
Come and meet the Committee and support the Hall

YOUR VILLAGE HALL NEEDS YOU!

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## Whelford Village Hall

(Registered Charity No. 301648)

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**For bookings, contact Sue Griffin on 01285  
712979 or email: [374croft@gmail.com](mailto:374croft@gmail.com)**





# Kempsford Beer Festival 2023

What a wonderful day. For those who missed it, you missed a real village event. The Rugby was good (for some) but as always it was the village camaraderie that was the real winner. The gin bar brought a new dimension to proceedings, the alcohol was cheap and the tongues were loosened and we all talked to each other like long lost friends.

A small plumbing issue was resolved when the village came to the rescue, with some kind person rodding the drains. We ran out of gin, which could have been a disaster but another kind person popped off on a mission of mercy to purchase some more **for us**. **I'm not sure** who these people were but thank you so much! The Cotswold Chippy Van was present, did a roaring trade and kindly made a donation to the funds. The television buffered and faltered at times but no-one complained. We sold out of one beer after another, the gin was all sold but no-one moaned they just moved onto to something else.

We would like to thank all those who helped in any way with this event; the people in the kitchen, those manning the gin bar and those who took a turn serving up the pints. Thank you to everyone who helped set up, those who assisted with clear up the next morning, and anyone who helped in any way that we have forgotten to mention. You all helped to make this event such an enjoyable occasion, as well as raising money for a worthy cause.

Special thanks to Anna Skolasinska-Barnett for arranging a surprise video for us all, with many big rugby names, such as Phil Vickery and Lawrence Dallaglio, relaying personal wishes to those of us attending the Beer Festival.

We started at 12 mid-day and we eventually locked the doors at about 10.30 that evening. We sold everything apart from a few packets of crisps, some hot-dogs and about ½ dozen pints of one of the beers.

Huge thanks to our sponsors; Aggregate Industries, Landstack, Outside Inn and Jerry Stokes Property Maintenance, without whose help we would not have been able to stage the event.

This event was organised by Kempford Golf Society but all funds raised will be donated to our Village Hall. The Golf Society will strongly encourage the Village Hall Committee to use some of the money to install Wi-fi, to enable the event to run more seamlessly and successfully next year.

Most of all we would like to thank all those who came to the occasion for making it such a great success and hopefully we can look forward to another end of winter event in 2024.

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

## Contact details for the parish

Rev Kim Brown - 01285 810954 or [revkimbrown10a@gmail.com](mailto: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

The weather is beginning to warm up – mercifully, as the heating has been switched off for some time in my house to avoid the huge bills! Youth club are again visiting the playing field, and World Jungle came with a variety of youth activities during the Easter holidays. Perhaps we are turning our minds to family gatherings in the garden and day trips out, or even considering a few days away. After Easter, with its message of resurrection and new life, there is always a bit of hope and newness in the air.

**At St. Mary's we are turning our attention to some new ideas for the church,** that will allow this beautiful old building a new lease of life, and help us serve the village anew. We are planning to install a toilet, with full facilities to support people with disabilities and a ramp for access, and help parents who **need to change a baby's nappy. For those of us who can move around freely and easily, perhaps it doesn't occur to us that the building is not accessible to many. For those of you who haven't arrived** at the age where loo visits become annoyingly more frequent, believe me when I say that this too is a limitation that restricts people from attending worship, concerts or school services in the church!

We have applied to the Diocese with plans for a loo and small kitchen servery, and hope to hear if these are approved soon. Then the work of fundraising will begin in earnest, as the quality of the work needs to be of the highest standard in a Grade I listed building. We will be hosting a number of events to help towards this goal, and the first of these for this year is a concert featuring two fantastic local bands – Nightjar and Presto! The concert is in the church on Friday 12th May at 7pm (doors open 6.30pm) and tickets cost £10. Please contact me for tickets on 07714 998247 or [revkimbrown10a@gmail.com](mailto:revkimbrown10a@gmail.com) and help us to breathe new life into the building and allow others to come and join in too. It will be a great night!

Rev Kim

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

### Church Services

Sunday 7 May	9.30 am Kempford	Holy Communion
Sunday 14 May	9.30 am Kempford	Service of the Word
Sunday 21 May	9.30 am Whelford	Holy Communion 5 villages service
	4 pm Kempford	Family Service
Sunday 28 May Pentecost	9.30 am Kempford	Holy Communion

**Friday 12 May: Gig at St Mary's Kempford:** Presto and Nightjar and others. To raise funds for church improvements.

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

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### 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.** Particularly needed at the moment are lunch box snack bars, tinned veg particularly tinned tomatoes, tinned fruit, long life milk, tinned sponge puddings and custard.

Bleach, baby formula, medicines and dietary supplements cannot be accepted.

At the moment they have plenty of baked beans, pasta, rice and soup.

### Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting

**On Sunday 23 April St Mary's Kempford with St Anne's Whelford held their Annual PCC meeting.**

Keith Howlett and Elizabeth Emberson were re-elected as Church Wardens. Jacqui Howlett as **Treasurer, Rosemary Andrews as Secretary and Myra Sheppard, Ann O'Hara and James Arkell** were all elected as PCC members for the coming year.

**Rev'd Kim, in her Vicar's Report, spoke about the church serving the village** in a range of community initiatives the youth club, offering support for families in need, and the Long Table meals throughout the winter months.

Plans for the refurbishment of the west end of the church to accommodate a toilet and servery, improvements to lighting and the installation of electrical heating were moving forward. An architect had been employed, plans were with Diocese for approval, and it was hoped that soon there would be invitations to quote, to give us some idea of the cost of this project.

**It was hoped that the porch at St Anne's would also be repaired now a suitable craftsman had been found to undertake this project.**



### Term 5 Value: Trust

Term 5 Learning Skill: Robbie Researcher

#### APRIL HIGHLIGHTS

We welcomed all the children back to school on Monday 17th April. Mr Soutar, our Exec. Head is in school 2.5 days per week and getting to know the children and staff, and enjoying his new role.

Swimming started for years 4, 5 and 6 at Cirencester Leisure Centre and will run each week until the beginning of July.

Our reception and year 1 children will be making a lot of noise each Tuesday afternoon playing Samba percussion music, whilst The Pod are learning the Ukulele. We look forward to hearing a performance from each group at the end of their 10 weeks of sessions.

KS2 had a their first netball match of the season and look forward to more!

#### MAY BIRTHDAYS

Emilia G

James T

Maya T

William J-E

Flo G

Aisling G

Alberto D-L

Aldo D-L

William D

Alfie P

Zac T



#### Monday

- \* KS1 Yoga with At West Cottage
- \* KS2 Cooking
- \* Reception and KS1 Lego Club

#### Tuesday

- \* Reception and KS1 Multisports
- \* KS2 Gardening Club

#### Wednesday

- \* KS2 Football
- \* Y1-Y6 Maths

#### Thursday

- \* KS2 Netball
- \* Y1-Y6 Polish Club

#### Friday

- \* KS2 Yoga with At West Cottage

#### UPCOMING EVENTS MAY

##### IN SCHOOL

Monday 1st May

May Bank Holiday

Monday 8th May

Coronation Bank Holiday

Thursday 11th May

The Hive to the Village Café

Wednesday 17th May

Class Photos

Friday 26th May

End of Term 5

##### LOOKING AHEAD

Monday 5th June

Term 6 begins

**Inspired by the Big Help Out to consider volunteering?  
Do you want to be part of a friendly team helping your local community?**

Citizens Advice Stroud and Cotswold Districts needs volunteers now more than ever to help make a difference to local people. In the last year we have faced an unprecedented demand due to the cost of living crisis.

We are appealing for new volunteers from all backgrounds who are looking for a volunteering role that is both challenging and rewarding. We are looking for people who can give 8-10 hours per week and are currently recruiting for the following roles:

**Administration/triage assistants.** You will provide a professional welcome to callers at the door of our Stroud or Cirencester offices. You will triage callers without an appointment -identifying emergencies and providing information and signposting to other agencies when needed (no advice giving involved). You will also undertake a wide range of administrative tasks, including contacting clients by telephone and text, and handling inward and outbound post.

You must be computer literate but full training in triage and our IT systems will be given.

**Volunteer Advisers.** You will give advice and information (face to face, by telephone and email) to clients on a wide range of problems. No prior advice experience is necessary as full training will be given. Information sessions for volunteer advisers will take place on 24 May 2023 (2-3.30pm) in Stroud and on 7 June 2023 (10.30-12 noon) in Cirencester.

Elizabeth Hall, our Chief Executive Officer said:

“Now more than ever, you can really make a difference by volunteering with us. We’re seeing more and more people needing support as living costs spiral. As well as helping the local community, we know people who volunteer their time get a lot back. We’ll give you all the training you need and would love to hear from you.”

To find out more about these roles or register your interest for a volunteer adviser information session please contact our Learning and Development Officer at [training@ca-scd.org.uk](mailto:training@ca-scd.org.uk). You can also find further information on our website [www.citizensadvice-stroudandcotswold.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice-stroudandcotswold.org.uk).



# **Southern Soul & Rock Concert**

# **NIGHTJAR**

**&**

# **PRESTO**

**Event  
Bar**

## **IN CONCERT**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May**

**Tickets: £10** per person

**St Mary's Church**

**Kempsford**

**6.30pm doors open- 7.00pm start**

**Adults only event**

**Raising money for a  
toilet, with disabled  
access, for all**



**Tickets on sale from:**

Anna: 07910 876374  
Cassie: 07845 826321  
Ann: 07760 272224  
Kim: 01285 810954

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APPLICATION WINDOW 3-30 APR

**- BILLET MAKING & CHARCOAL BURN -**  
**FRI 7 - SAT 8 JUL**  
APPLICATION WINDOW 8-31 MAY

**- COPPICING, WHITTLING & CHIPPING -**  
**WEDS 25 OCT**  
APPLICATION WINDOW 21 AUG-24 SEP

**- PROPAGATION, PLANTING & WOODLAND CREATION -**  
**WEDS 15 NOV**  
APPLICATION WINDOW 11 SEP-15 OCT

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**THE WOODSMAN**







**We offer a volunteer befriending service for the older people of Fairford and the surrounding area.**

**If you have an hour a week to spare, why not volunteer for us and spend it in the company of somebody who would really appreciate your time. Full training and support is provided, together with an opportunity to meet fellow volunteers and forge new friendships.**

**Or**

**If you feel that the service might be of interest to you or a family member or friend, then please do get in touch.**

**Contact Sue Black**

**Telephone: 07810 630167**

**Email: [info@peopleforyou.co.uk](mailto:info@peopleforyou.co.uk)**

**Web: [www.peopleforyou.co.uk](http://www.peopleforyou.co.uk)**



*"My visitor is like a Fairy Godmother. Before I started having a regular visitor, my days were empty and I often felt low and uncared for. It is just lovely to have someone to talk to and who I can rely on. This is a brilliant service"*

## GARAGE SALES

Number 3 and 6 Wakefield Close in Kempston are holding a House downsizing sale on Saturday and Sunday 10 till 2 on May 13th & 14th. Pots, Pans, Indoor, outdoor.



## TRUSTEES WANTED

Could you help your local foodbank to work towards a **future without the need for foodbanks**, tackling **the causes of food poverty**, providing better, more **dignified access to support services**?

Cirencester Foodbank is looking for a new trustee to join the board and help us work towards this vision. If you are looking for a rewarding, part-time voluntary role helping those in your local community, then becoming a trustee may be a good fit for you.

Please go to  
[cirencester.foodbank.org.uk/give-help](https://cirencester.foodbank.org.uk/give-help)  
to find out more.

Applications close 5 May 2023.



## 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

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May – King's Coronation Weekend – Afternoon Tea Luncheon **and Children's Picnic Boxes: Afternoon Tea Luncheon for the over 70's from 1pm** at the Cricket Club Grounds, Fairford. **Children's snack boxes will be available from 3:30pm.** Booking essential, please contact Kerry on [admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk](mailto:admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk) / 01285 707300.
- Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May - Open Garden at The Old Rectory, Quenington: 2 - 6pm, £7 entry, tea and cakes available.
- Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Open Garden at Langford Downs Farm: 2 - 6pm, £7 entry. Part of the National Gardens Scheme.
- Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June – Fairford Festival Afternoon Tea Luncheon: Afternoon Tea Luncheon **for the over 70's from 1pm** at the Cricket Club Grounds, Fairford. Booking essential, please contact Kerry on [admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk](mailto:admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk) / 01285 707300.
- Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Open Garden at Ryton House, Lechlade: 2 - 6pm, £7 entry, tea and cakes available.
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Bingo: **more details to follow...**
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November – Auction of Promises and Annual Raffle Draw: more details to follow...

### PATIENT TRANSPORT SERVICE

Our volunteer car service vital service is a lifeline to many and our wonderful volunteer drivers provide a personal service for a very low cost. There is a small fee to cover the **volunteer's fuel and running costs. We would welcome more volunteers, especially over the summer months.**

To arrange a journey or if you think you can help people get to their medical appointments, please get in touch with Val on [transport@friendsoffairford.org.uk](mailto:transport@friendsoffairford.org.uk) / 07540 798226.

### CHARITY SHOP

From week commencing 17th April we will be closed on Mondays and open all day Saturday instead. New opening hours: Sunday & Monday: closed | Tuesday - Saturday 10am – 4pm  
We have full shelves of excellent quality **adults and children's clothing, toys, books and much more.** Our changing room has now reopened too, so you can try before you buy!

## BEREAVEMENT CAFE

We continue to run our Bereavement Café on the first Friday of every month, for people who have suffered a loss and would like to talk. Our nursing team will be present to welcome you with a hot drink and some refreshments. Please do drop in, between 10:00 and 12:00 at The Barker Room, Fairford Community Centre. If you have any questions, please call 07938244335 or email [admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk](mailto:admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk)

## EDNA DAWES LUNCH CLUB

Our much-loved Edna Dawes Lunch Club provides a hot meal, activities and social interaction for isolated elderly people. Transport can be provided. Please do get in touch for more information: [admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk](mailto:admin@friendsoffairford.org.uk) / 01285 707300.

## YOU CAN SUPPORT US FOR FREE

Did you know that you can support us for free, helping us in our work for no extra cost to you?

1. Register an account with [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) and select us as your charity. When shopping on an eligible website, **click the button saying 'click to get donation'** if a pop up appears. Or you can search eligible websites via the [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) website.
2. Register for Gift Aid with us so we can claim an additional 25% on any donation you make to us (monetary or Charity Shop donations) from HMRC.

Check our website for more information about any of these.

## HOW TO CONTACT US

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## HOW TO DONATE

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

Friends of Fairford & Lechlade Communities Charity Shop, Lloyds Chambers, High Street, Lechlade, Glos GL7 3AE. If you are able, we'd really appreciate it if you could complete a Gift Aid Declaration so we can claim an additional 25% of your donation from HMRC. Forms can be found on our website.

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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.

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