

Kempsford

(with Whelford, Dunfield and Dudgrove)

Parish Newsletter

March 2017

Kempsford Beer Festival

18th March 2017

*Watch the Six Nations Rugby Live
and take part in the Rugby Challenge!*

Scotland v Italy 12:30
France v Wales 2:45
Ireland v England 5:00

A selection of
Real Ales,
Cider, wines and
bottled lagers



**Hot Food
Available All Day**



**At the
Village Hall**

All Profits to Kempsford Cricket Club and Kempsford Village Hall

KEMPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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

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Mr Mark Strange	markstrange@kempsfordparishcouncil.net	01285 810635
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Parish Council and other Meeting dates

Tuesday 21st March 2017	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall
Tuesday 4th April 2017	Annual Parish Meeting	8pm Kempsford Village Hall
Tuesday 25th April 2017	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall

Cotswold District Council Planning

Decisions made:

Reference No:	Location:	Proposal:	Decision:
16/01818/OUT	Claydon Pike London Road Lechlade Gloucester- shire	Erection of Country Park and Visitor Centre, 47 holiday homes, 30 hotel bedrooms and 30 apartments, including re-siting of previously approved hotel apartments, apartments and holiday homes associated with landscape/ engineering work and infrastructure associat- ed with the existing leisure development (all matters reserved)	Application Permitted

For further information, please visit www.cotswold.gov.uk

Kempsford Village Hall



Kempsford Village Hall Regular Bookings

	Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
AM	10:00-11:00 Pilates Rona Bennett 01865 820754		10:30-12:30 Kempsford Creative Davina Hedges 07540 299970	12:00-14:00 Café (monthly, 2 nd Thursday)	
PM	16:00-17:00 Rainbows Karen Cornish 07837 785666		15:30-17:30 Dance Classes Ms Gillian Shearing 01793 875934	12:00-14:00 Post Office	
Evening	18:00-19:00 Zumba Donna 07891 660089	18:00-19:30 Brownies Donna Kent www.girlguiding.org.uk	18:00-19:30 Football & Youth Club Chris 07568 445012 Rosemary 07765 258839		
	19:00-20:30 Karate www.greywolfkarate.org	19:45-21:45 Parish Council Meeting (monthly, usually 3 rd Tuesday)	20:00-21:30 Village Hall Meeting (monthly, usually 2 nd Wednesday) *		

* Can be moved for a booking

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

Kempsford Village Hall Committee Members

Pete Wolfenden (Vice Chair)	Tel: 01285 810477	Kate Collins	Tel: 01285 810478
Jacky Stagg (Treasurer)	Tel: 01285 239287	Pete Robinson	Tel: 01285 810356
Joy Cross (Secretary)	Tel: 01285 810439	Mark Strange (PC Rep)	Tel: 01285 810635

New members are always welcome!



KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL CAFÉ
Thursday 9th 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!

The Kempford Creative Collective

We are a new group of creative people who meet up at
the village hall Kempford on Wednesday mornings
10.30am till 12.30 for just £2.50.

It a very casual group we bring along our own projects to
work on, have a chat, share ideas and a cuppa.

Everyone is welcome so please come along and bring
your project with you ie Knitting, printing, painting,
textiles, drawing, papercrafts, etc etc (or if your need
inspiration pop in and see what we are up to)

We will be working on some group projects shortly and
organising some workshops too, it would be fantastic to
see everyone.

Please contact Davina on 07540299970
Or Val 01285 810448
And find us on Facebook

Whelford Village Hall



For bookings, contact Sue Griffin on 01285 712979 or
email—374croft@gmail.com

Work in progress update!

Work on the new kitchen and toilets at the hall is progressing well.

Howden's in Cirencester have kindly donated the kitchen units which are currently being installed.

Due to unforeseen circumstances the project cost has exceeded the funding raised to date and to enable the project to be completed an individual within the community is loaning the Trust the required funds.

As a result we need to continue to work hard on fundraising—any ideas welcome.





The main item required for the kitchen to be fully functional is a cooker, but there are many smaller items such as kettle, teapot etc. that are also needed. If anyone is planning a kitchen upgrade (or would welcome an excuse to replace items!) we would be extremely grateful for any donations of equipment, utensils or crockery.

The kitchen and toilet improvements will make a huge difference to existing users, and together with the superfast broadband due to be installed shortly will make the hall more attractive to other groups.

For further information on the hall or to donate items please contact Sue Griffin on 01285 712979.

Thank you



COTSWOLD
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Cabinet recommends freeze on council tax, garden waste licences and car parking charges



Release date: 16 February 2017

Members of Cotswold District Council's Cabinet met today and recommended a freeze on its share of local residents' council tax payments for 2017/18, following a freeze for 2016/17, a 5% cut in 2015/16, a 3% cut in 2014/15 and a 5% reduction in 2013/14. If approved by Full Council next week, the average band D charge for District services would remain at £126.40.

The proposed freeze for 2017/18 would mean that the actual amount being charged for a Band D council tax payer will have been reduced by about £18 per year (13%) over a period stretching back to 2010/11. This would be the 16th lowest District Council charge in the Country compared with being the 63rd lowest a few years ago.

The Cabinet Members also recommended yet another freeze on parking and garden waste collection charges.

Cabinet proposes funding for more defibrillators in each ward across the District.



Release date: 16 February 2017

Cotswold District Council's Cabinet is proposing that each councillor should be provided with £2,000 to assist local fund raising for the installation of defibrillators across the Cotswolds.

The extra money should guarantee a substantial increase in the availability of defibrillators across the District and, hopefully, offset some of the problems caused by poor ambulance response times.

Cabinet Member for Health and Leisure, Cllr Alison Coggins, explains:

"We want to provide every CDC councillor with the means to improve the provision of defibrillators in their ward, and I am sure that they will be keen to work with local residents to make this happen as quickly as possible. There is hard evidence to show that defibrillators save lives and we want to ensure that many people in the Cotswolds – especially those who are elderly or vulnerable – have easy access to the equipment."

Council leader, Cllr Lynden Stowe, adds;

"I recently reviewed ambulance response times in the District over the last decade and it was clear that ambulance crews will continue to face considerable challenges in meeting target times for the highest priority emergency calls, particularly in the north. Increasing the number of defibrillators in every ward should help to alleviate this problem by providing reassurance that life-saving equipment is relatively easy to hand in the event of a medical emergency."

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

During the vacancy please contact the Team Curate Rev'd Lynn Hayler

Telephone: 01285 711698

Email: lynnhayler@hotmail.co.uk

Or Robert Mitchell (Lay Reader for Kempford) on 01285 712821

March 2017

Dear Friends and neighbours

I'm heading off tomorrow on a slow train to Venice. Well maybe not that slow, but certainly slower than flying! I love travelling and going on holiday for me starts as soon as the front door closes. The journey to the final destination is part of the pleasure of going away. And then the romance of arriving into a city by rail. Rail travel allows you to fully appreciate the changing landscape and environment. It is also a great way of slowing down and unwinding.

I arrive back home the day before Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. This period in the Church calendar gives us an opportunity to slow down and perhaps gain a new perspective on life. During Lent we are called to remember Jesus' 40 days spent in the wilderness - a time of not only meeting and overcoming temptation but time out from the daily routine of life.

As Jesus fasted from food for those 40 days, so we too may be challenged to give up something for that same period. The idea behind this is not just to prove our ability to abstain from something but instead to use that time to re-focus or gain a new outlook. Giving up something may free up some time to set aside, perhaps daily, for contemplation or reflection and thereby giving our overactive brains time to slow down. This can bring a new peace and perspective into our lives. As we mull over our lives, we could take the opportunity to focus our reflections and conversation towards God – it's called praying! If it's something you have not tried before, why not give it a go. And if you don't know where to start check out this website for tips: www.trypraying.co.uk.

So slow down this Lent and hear Jesus calling us to stop and rest in Him : "Come to me, all of you who are tired from carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest."

Every blessing

Rev'd Lynn

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Services for March

Wednesday 1 March Ash Wednesday	12 noon Fairford 7.30 pm Lechlade	Ash Wednesday Communion Services
Sunday 5 March	9 am Whelford	Holy Communion led by Rev Lynn Hayler
Sunday 5 March	10 am Kempford	Holy Communion led by Rev Lynn Hayler
Sunday 12 March	10 am Kempford	Holy Communion led by Rev Lynn Hayler
Sunday 19 March	10 am Kempford	Holy Communion led by Rev Lynn Hayler
Sunday 26 March Mothering Sunday	10 am Kempford	Family Service led by Rob Mitchell and Rev Lynn Hayler

Every Wednesday morning at 9.30 am in Kempford : there is a short service of Morning Prayer and Readings. Everyone is welcome including pre school children.

Volunteers are still needed to help clean the church and serve refreshments after the Sunday service.

Lenten course will take place on Tuesday evenings. More details and venues on church noticeboard.

Lenten Lunches will be held on Tuesday lunch times from 12.30 onwards at the homes of

- 14 March Ipek Williams
- 21 March Cally Arkell
- 28 March Mark and Julie Whittering
- 4 April Ann Ellis
- 11 April Elizabeth Emberson

All welcome and further details are available from members of the PCC

Do you know someone who is unwell or in need and would appreciate a pastoral visit?
Please contact Rev Lynn Hayler.

ENTER OUR COMPETITION TO HELP KEEP THE COTSWOLDS BEAUTIFUL



Cotswold District Council is inviting community groups to clean up their neighbourhoods and possibly share in a £1,000 prize fund.

From Friday 3 March until Sunday 30 April, the Council will run the Great Cotswolds Clean up competition. Schools, community groups and other volunteers are being encouraged to carry out a litter pick in their neighbourhoods. We can provide branded sacks, high visibility jackets, gloves and litter pickers, and can also arrange for filled bags to be collected by Ubico Ltd.

There will be three prizes on offer in the competition (£500 for first, £300 for second and £200 for third) and applying to enter couldn't be simpler – just email cdc@cotswold.gov.uk or call 01285 623123 and provide the location scheduled for a litter pick, together with the name of a community representative who can take 'before' and 'after' photographs of the area being tidied, and liaise with the Council in assessing the outcome.

FOOTBALL AND YOUTH CLUB PROGRAMME UNTIL EASTER



We meet in the Village Hall between 6pm and 7.30 and this term, because of other commitments by youth leaders we are not meeting every week.

- 15 March and 29 March there are no meetings.

However we have arranged two special events this term:

22 February Trip to Trampolining Centre in Swindon

22 March Film Night with pop corn

5 April Last meeting before Easter

After Easter we hope to be able to play football again on the new field, more details in the next newsletter.

For more details contact Chris 07568 445012 or Rosemary on 07765 258839

Whelford Social Club

A small, friendly club, welcomes new members and guests

What's on -

Sat. 11th March - Live Music

Plus regular Bingo on Wednesdays and Sundays

Opening Hours:

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



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

THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS NEEDS YOUR HELP

HOUSE-TO-HOUSE FUND RAISING EVENT
27TH MARCH – 10TH APRIL 2017

The League of Friends is currently seeking additional volunteer collectors and coordinators for Poulton, Fairford, Kempsford and Marston Meysey

Can you spare a few hours to help with this event, which is our biggest fundraiser of the year?

*If you would like further information please tel: 01285 851022
Or email: fairford.lof@hotmail.co.uk*

Everything the League of Friends does is for the local community but it can only be done if we have the funds and the volunteers to help us!

The League is a community based charity run by volunteers providing health related support to the patients registered with the GP practices in Lechlade and Fairford. We are totally focussed on the local community serving and supporting the people who live in Lechlade, Fairford and the surrounding villages.

Email us at: fairford.lof@hotmail.co.uk

www.friendsoffairford.org.uk

LECHLADE HISTORY SOCIETY

Monday 20th March at 7.15 for 7.30pm in the Pavilion

The Rise and Fall of the English Public House. Mike Marshman looks at this institution from the Saxon taberna via the medieval ale house, coaching inn, beer house and gin palace to the public house of the 20th and 21st centuries. Mike, now retired, was County Local Studies Librarian at the Wiltshire and Swindon History Centre.

Guests welcome £4. Contact Marian Winckles 01367 252851 or visit www.lechladehistory.co.uk.

League of Friends of Fairford Hospital

(Registered Charity No: 1006416)

Website: www.Friendsoffairford.org.uk

PRESS RELEASE

At a time when authorities throughout the country are facing the prospect of a breakdown in their community care, Fairford Hospital League of Friends has had some good news about its own home nursing service.

Friends in the Community Home Nursing, its organisation run by Celia Kennedy, has been given a good report by the national health watchdog the Care Quality Commission following an inspection of its palliative care service last summer.

The CQC rates the service safe, effective, caring, responsive and well-led.

The report draws attention to the fact that the team provides safe, effective care which enables patients to live in their own homes and comments: "People and their relatives praised the care they received... it was personalised to their needs, wishes and goals. People told us that they felt listened to."

The report added that the League of Friends of Fairford Hospital has clearly identified a need for this service in their area. It went on: "Patients told us that the staff spent time with them and were rarely rushed." The care given had a positive impact and the report went on to say: "People felt they were treated with dignity and respect. There was a caring culture."

Said the League of Friends' chairman, Graham Hewitt: "We are delighted that the work of our hard-working team has impressed the inspectors yet again. This is a difficult time for the UK's care services and we are glad that our own work in this area passes muster with the nation's experts.

He thanked Celia Kennedy for the leadership she has shown over the years.

"We are fortunate to have such excellent nurses and to live in this generous area which responds so freely whenever we ask for money. It is comforting to know the effort helps such a top-notch service as this."

Graham can be contacted on 01285 851022 or graham.hewitt@yahoo.uk.

Contributed by Martin Harwood, 17 Churchill Place, Fairford. Phone 01285712597. Email martinharwood560@btinternet.com

**Lechlade & District
Lions Club**



CHARITY AUCTION

SATURDAY

4th March 2017

Bowmoor Sailing Club

on A417 between Lechlade & Fairford

DOORS OPEN – 11am

AUCTION COMMENCES - Noon

Auction Registration £1

FURTHER DETAILS – Tel. 01367-252023/252797

WWW.LECHLADELIONS.ORG.UK

Auction sponsored by :-

Row Electrical, The Old Dairy,

Back Lane , Fairford, Glos.

Proceeds to be donated to Lechlade Memorial Hall

Restoration Fund



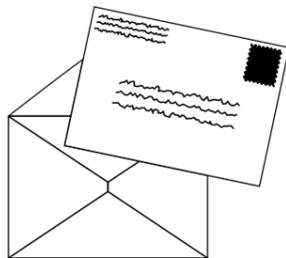
At Kempford Village Hall

A reminder that the Post Office Service operates from Kempford Village Hall **every Thursday between 12 and 2pm**

With the recent closure of Lloyds Bank in Fairford, please remember that cash withdrawals and Lloyds cheque deposits can be made at the Post Office.

In addition to the normal postal services, a good selection of stationery and cards are available.

Please support your local service.



APRIL 2017

NEWSLETTER

Copy for the above Newsletter to Teresa Griffin by
Monday 20th March please

Village Organisations & Useful Contacts

Church Choir	Mrs Cathy Stanford		713033
Church Bells	Iris Lewis		810770
Kempsford School	Mr Richard Mendum	(Head Teacher)	810367
Chairman of School Governors	Mr Andrew Doherty		711552
Chairman of School Friends	Mrs Philippa Griffin		810754
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 Preschool	Lisa Nichols	staff@kempsfordpreschool.co.uk	811000
Kempsford Angling Club	Mr J Hussey		810446
Dance Classes at Kempsford V.Hall	Ms Gillian Shearing		01793 875934
Kempsford Brownies	Donna Kent	www.girlguiding.org.net/get_involved	
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
Cotswold District Councillors	Sue Coakley MBA	sue@suecoakley.plus.com	01367 253306
	Stephen Andrews	Stephen.andrews@cotswold.gov.uk	01285 810663
Cotswold District Council			623000
Gloucestershire County Council			01452 425000
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Gloucestershire County Councillor	Mr Raymond Theodoulou	rtheo525@aol.com	752000
Constituency MP	Mr G Clifton Brown	cliftonbrowng@parliament.uk	01242 514551
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