

A newsletter for the Parish of Wardington, Williamscot and Coton

DEADLINE for next issue (November) of the Warbler: **28th October 2019, 5pm**

Contact your editorial team with any news, articles or items for the next issue, everything welcome:-

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Tombola

Cake stall

Games

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Thank you to Mansion Hill Vets, Middleton Cheney, for their kind sponsorship. If you can bake a cake please let Jacqueline Allan know jacallanuk@aol.com

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The Wardington Cricket Club
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Wardington Horticultural Show

Sunday 1st September 2019

in the grounds of

Wardington Manor In conjunction with the Village Fete

Show Rules

- Entry forms must be in between 9:30am & 11:30am on Sunday 1st September Entries are free
- Classes are open to all Wardington Garden Club Members, all villagers and allotment holders of Wardington, Williamscott and Coton
 - All exhibits must be grown or made by the exhibitor
- All children (Children are 6 years and under, and 14 years and under) can enter adult classes but can they please specify their age.
- Could all exhibitors in the fruit, vegetable, cookery and children's sections exhibit on a plate (could be paper or similar base) that is clearly named underneath.
 - Please collect your entries when the Fete is finished.

Any questions please contact Bridget Elworthy bridget@thelandgardeners.com

Horticultural Show Schedule

Classes 2019

Section A - Flowers

(Please bring your own vase to display your flower)

- 1 Dahlia 3 of a kind
- 2 Geranium one in a pot
- 3 Best Rose
- 4 Best arrangement in a tea cup

Section B - Vegetables

- 5 Longest Runner Bean
- 6 4 Potato any variety
- 7 Best Tomaoto 4 of a kind

Section C - Fruit

(All fruit in fruit classes must have stalks attached)

- 8 4 Pears
- 9 4 Eating Apples
- 10 4 Plums

Section D - Eggs

11 - Best Eggs - 3 eggs (One will be broken for judge)

Section E - Cookery

- 12 Victoria Sponge Jam filling & caster sugar top
- 13 Mens only class chocoloate cake with butter cream icing
- 14 Jar of Marmalade- any variety

Section F - Childrens Section

16 - Aged under 6

Picture of "My Mum"

17 Aged under 6

Any ANIMAL from fruit or vege

18 - Aged under 14

Any monster from fruit or vege

19 - Aged under 14

4 cheese scones

Section G - Photography

Photographs to be no larger then 18x13cm (7"x5").

Please can you put your name and ph number on the back and your age if you are under 14.

- 20 My pet
- 21 Church Door (s)
- 22 An amusing photograph
- 23 Garden at dusk

Section H - Pets and Creatures

Best dressed owner and pet (can include insect and small creatures) Bring your pet along to the Fete. Judging will be at 2:30pm Greetings to all and I hope you are all having a good summer?

This issue is really quite full - I really hope you enjoy reading it!

Amanda and I have been out lunching on your behalf again (it's a hard life) at Limes Farm. We are very much looking forward to trying out the food at The Hare and Hounds and reporting back for the next issue.

The recipe below is sure to be a family favourite - certainly I enjoy it all year round!

There are some useful instructions towards the end about how to report issues with roads and footpaths etc - I hope the step-by-step guide will support you through the process.

We are also looking to rally community spirit in order to ensure our village is tidy, welcoming and safe with our Adopt-a-sign campaign; as well as for the playground which is undeniably a wonderful village asset.

All contributions welcome for the next issue - photographs are always gratefully received.

Lexi

Eton Mess

6oz Caster Sugar
3 large egg whites
1lb Strawberries hulled
1 tablespoon Icing Sugar
1pt Double Cream

If you have a favourite recipe that you would like to share, we'd love to hear from you! Please send it to the warbler email address on the front page, or drop it in to Cobweb Cottage.

- 1. First, make the meringue the day before (you can always use ready made meringue if you want). Whip the egg whites in a clean bowl until they form soft peaks; add the caster sugar, one tablespoon at a time until the sugar is completely mixed in.
- 2. Place dessertspoonfuls of the meringue mixture onto a baking tray lined with greaseproof or parchment paper.
- 3. Place on the centre shelf of the oven at 140°C for one hour, then switch off the oven and leave the meringue in overnight or until it's completely cold.
- 4. To make the pudding, place half the strawberries and the icing sugar in a blender and whizz until blended, then put the purée through a nylon sieve to remove the seeds (using a metal sieve may discolour the fruit). Chop the remaining strawberries and whip the double cream until it's just floppy.
- 5. When you are ready to serve, break up the meringue into small pieces into a large bowl, add the chopped strawberries and fold in the double cream. Then gently fold in the purée, saving about two tablespoons, to give a marbled effect.
- 6. Transfer to a serving bowl and drizzle the remaining purée over the top. Serve immediately.

This is a lovely recipe for the warmer weather and as it is fairly easy to make, especially if using ready made meringue, it is ideal for children to attempt.

Happy eating!

WANTED!

I recently moved to Wardington and am looking for a single parking space to **RENT** in Lower Wardington (e.g. garage, drive, parking lot).

This is for a non-commercial car, which is used for normal business travel, to be parked overnight and at weekends.

If you are able to help, please contact

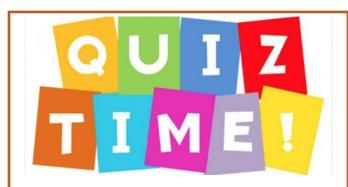
Mike on 01295 758314

or e-mail:

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Thank You!





SAVE THE DATE!

16TH NOVEMBER

QUIZ AND CURRY NIGHT

WARDINGTON MEMORIAL HALL



A visit to Limes Farm, Farthinghoe

Last month, Amanda and I went and had lunch at Limes Farm in Farthinghoe. We did this purely for the sake of providing you, our esteemed readers, with information you require to make visiting decisions!

It's very easy to get to, with ample parking and dogs are welcome. There is plenty of seating on the ground floor, with more upstairs which makes an excellent private party venue (yours truly has attended at baby shower set up in just such a way). The menu has a nice selection of light bites and sandwiches, as well as hot and cold drinks. We both ate a delicious salmon and onion chutney tart - which came with coleslaw and a salad - and shared some chips. Their selection of cakes provides for most tastes and dietary requirements, and the locally sourced ice cream tubs were sumptuous.

If you are looking to make you trip out multi-purpose, then you will be pleased to read that Limes

Farm also carries a nice selection of edible goodies to take away, as well as a good variety of greetings cards and gift ideas.



Shop & Tearoom

NEWS FROM ST MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH

CHURCH ROOF

The repairs to the roof following the theft of lead last November have now been completed other than some minor ancillary work which will carried out in early August. Fortunately the majority of the cost was covered by the insurance but, once again, thank you to all those who contributed to the roof appeal earlier this year. This meant we have been able to do some related roof repairs whilst there have been lead specialists working on site.

A further thank you too to those residents living in the vicinity of the Church or their ongoing vigilance. Regrettably the threat of further theft is still very live although improvements to our roof security systems should give us enhanced protection. It is also reassuring to know that lead theft from churches is a rural police area of focus – indeed we had a recent visit from our neighbourhood PCSO to give further prevention advice.

CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING

As previously reported we are very grateful to those in the village who routinely sponsor a week or weeks at a time. For the record the sponsors for the remainder of the year include: Tom Rutherford, Caroline Wild, Brenda Mortimer, Roderick & Nikki Stell, Clive & Philippa Hunt, Malcolm Patterson and Mark Abbiss.

A glance at the floodlighting calendar in the Church porch will show that there are still some unsponsored weeks later on in the year. The cost is only £15 per week – why not consider marking a family anniversary or birthday by sponsoring the floodlighting for that week?

Full details and an application form can be found at http://www.wardington.net/st-mary-magdalene/ or on the table adjacent to the south door of the Church or contact Clive Hunt (758087).

CALLING ALL CYCLISTS.....



The annual Ride + Stride for Churches is being held on Saturday, 14th September. It specifically supports Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust which is there to consider applications – and award grants – to assist Oxfordshire churches with desirable or necessary costly developments and/or repairs. This is a further way of supporting our Church. For further general details of the event go to: https://www.rideandstrideuk.org/ or contact our local co-ordinator, Sue Upton, at redhouse2006@btinternet.com

HARVEST FESTIVAL

This year's Harvest Supper celebration, organised by the Friends of Wardington Church, will take place on the evening of Saturday 5th October in the Memorial Hall commencing at the earlier time of 6.00pm. The Harvest Festival service will be the following morning in the Church at 10.00am.

On the previous Saturday, 28th September, there will be a Harvest Craft Morning in the Memorial Hall commencing at 10.00am.

SAVE THE DATE...

MOONRAKERS CONCERT – SATURDAY, 23rd NOVEMBER – IN THE **CHURCH**



Moonrakers is an Oxford-based group of four musicians who pride themselves in having brought traditional and contemporary folk music to new audiences in village halls, churches, arts centres and festivals across the south of England. The fact that the band "just OOZES quality" (Living Tradition) is down to the careful arrangements and selection of tunes and songs, presenting "exquisite music" (BBC). One half of their material is from the Irish, Scottish, Welsh and English traditions, reflecting a love of traditional tunes and songs; the other half is their own contemporary songs and tunes, still very much 'in the idiom'.

ST MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH: Services: August - October 2019

Please check Church notice board and the Church monthly newsletter for further information and confirmation of these times.

SUNDAY SERVICES

August August August August	4 th 11 th 18 th 25 th	10.00am 9.30am 10.00am 8.30am	Summer Songs of Praise Fairport Communion Service - Cropredy Family Communion Holy Communion (BCP)
September September September September September	1 st 8 th 15 th 22 nd 29 th	10.00am 10.00am 10.00am 8.30am	Family Service United Benefice Communion – Mollington Family Communion Holy Communion (BCP) No service – See noticeboards for other services
October October October October	6 th 13 th 20 th 27 th	10.00am 10.00am 10.00am	Harvest Festival United Benefice Communion - Wardington Family Communion No service – See noticeboards for other services

WEEKDAY SERVICES

September 4th 9.00am Morning Prayer September 16th 9.00am Morning Prayer

12.00noon Midday Communion (Iona Liturgy) - Cropredy (No service: 13th Aug, 10th Sept or 22nd Oct) **Every Tuesday**

An interview with Steve Mackenzie-Lawrie, Chair of the Friends of St Mary Magdalene

Can you tell us about the Friends and why they exist?

The Friends were originally formed to raise additional funds to support the day to day running of our wonderful, Grade I listed church. The remit changed soon after to one of raising funds for special projects to enhance the church. Currently we raise funds for special projects as and when needed, and for the General Fabric Fund to help build up a capital reserve to maintain and repair the building.

How does the Friends committee go about raising funds?

We have a number of community events during the course of the year, starting with the "Call My Wine Bluff" wine tasting evening in late Winter/early Spring. This is really popular and incredibly well supported and those who have been will attest to the fun and laughter of the evening. We then organise the Safari Supper on the closest weekend to mid-Summer which is all about meeting new people in the village. A few years ago, we were asked to organise the Harvest Supper on behalf of the PCC around Harvest Festival because we're good organisers! Traditionally our final event of the year has been carol singing on the green in Upper Wardington, however this year we are introducing a new event in November: Quiz and Curry night.

Tell us a little more about each of these events.

The wine tasting evening, "Call My Wine Bluff" sees people form into teams of four or five. Everyone is given a wine to blind taste while three "bluffers" talk about the wine, usually weaving in some amusing anecdote to try to convince the teams that they are giving the accurate description. However, only one is telling the truth! The teams vote, the scores are added up and the winning team after six rounds of tasting wine a prize, usually of more wine! The Friends committee member them produce a lovely supper of Cottage Pie before rounding off with a raffle.

The Safari Supper sees us meeting in the churchyard for Pimms and canapes before going on to eat a main course in the house of a host who has volunteered to cook for up to eight guests. Two members of the committee pre-arrange the seating plan to try to ensure that new people will meet others whose company they will enjoy and that people mix with old and new alike and have a really enjoyable time. We then all gather back at the Memorial Hall for cheese and desert, and usually plenty more wine. And not forgetting the raffle, the star prize of which this year was a hamster cage from Omlet!

Our newest event is the Quiz and Curry night which is happening for the first time this year on Saturday 16th November. Committee member Helen Young is setting the questions and it will be a similar team format to the wine tasting evening. After the winning team are crowned champions we will all enjoy a range of different curries cooked by the Friends and other supporters from around the village.

The Harvest Supper that we arrange on behalf of the PCC has changed over recent years and is now firmly focussed on the whole family, young and old. We have brought the time forward to 6pm so that those with younger children can bring them along and have a nice family evening out without worrying about baby sitters. We have also introduced a live musician which makes for a great fun evening that everyone can join in with. Food is once again provided by the Friends and other supporters and is Cottage Pie and peas or baked beans if children prefer them, followed by pies and crumbles made from the fruit in people's gardens.

Finally the carol singing on the green is 45 minutes of singing around a brazier on the green at Upper Wardington, usually with the Wardington hand bell ringers. The Friends produce plenty of mulled wine and hot chocolate for the children, along with sausage rolls and stollen. The event is free, but we do go around with donation buckets which people very generously fill up, especially after a nice glass of mulled wine!

What else would you like to tell us about the Friends?

We see ourselves as preforming a real community service alongside our fund-raising activities for the church. Villages need community events to allow people to meet and get to know each other. It's far too easy to get bound up in the day to day and not interact with those immediately around you, and our events give people the time and space to have lots of fun and enjoy their neighbours' company. Many friendships are formed as a result of our events and we are constantly told by new arrivals in the village how grateful they are for our efforts.

How do people get in touch with you if they want to find out more about the Friends or if they want to come to one of your events?

We put up posters around the village in the run-up to each event and we put a flyer through every letterbox. We also post notices on the website, Wardington.net, so make sure you're signed up to receive notices by email from that. People can of course also call me direct on 07950 411373 or email steve.mlawrie@btinternet.com.

Thanks Steve.

Have you been on the Wardington website?

www.wardington.net

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- Club nights for all adult members are held on Monday evenings throughout the season from 6.00 pm onwards.
- Non-members are welcome to come to their first club night as a free "taster", so they can try out the facilities and meet other members before they decide to join the club.
- Ladies-only club nights are held on Wednesday evenings from 6.00pm.
- Summer social event on 9 June includes a "Rusty Rackets" session, to welcome those wishing to get back to tennis after a break, or those wanting to try tennis for the first time.
- Free Junior "taster" session 28 April, 2.30-3.30 includes fun games and drills
- Junior coaching Friday nights 4.15 to 5.15 starting on 26 April.
- Coaching can be arranged for juniors and adults if there is enough demand.

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THEN...

AND NOW.



Did you know...?

On the last Thursday of every month at **2pm** there is a village tea held at **The Memorial Hall**. So if you would like a cup of tea, a slice of cake and to meet some new people, please come along as you would be very welcome!



Did you know that Wardington has a new Facebook Group?

Wardington Village community page

This is for anyone to post information or ask questions on by it will also be used by Wardington Parish Council to disseminate information



We live in a beautiful part of the world and we are very lucky to live in such a pretty village. However, there are always things that can be done to make it look tidier and cleaner both for us and our visitors - signs are a big part of this. The signs on the way into the village are cleaned by OCC-Highways due to the dangerous nature of their position but the others dotted around the village are our responsibility.

Could you adopt a sign near you?

- Keep an eye on it (make sure it doesn't run away)
- If it gets damaged, report it on fixmystreet (instructions can be found to the back of this issue)
- ♦ Give it a good wash if the mould takes hold











With thanks to Evie Gordon-Finlayson, Bella Baker, Alice Kukainis, Ben Dalbeck, Arthur Lee, Felix and Freya Dobbs, Flora and Will and Ned Patey, and Rani Terry, and all their parents for these lovely photos!





















WARDINGTON PLAYGROUND



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All proceeds go towards playground maintenance and inspections.

Are you a parent or grandparent with children or grandchildren that enjoy visiting the playground?

Do you think that the playground is an important village asset that need to be maintained and developed?

Then perhaps you would be interested in helping us keep this excellent village facility in tip-top working order? Perhaps you might be interested in forming part of a working group to do some fund raising; give feedback about damages and repair work that might be required; provide input about what equipment might need replacing and perhaps what to replace it with?

Please get in touch with our
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village councillors for more
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Gardener's Diary

August

By August the majority of your hard work in the garden will be done, the plants are blooming and the vegetables cropping, so take time out from gardening to enjoy the colours and scent in your garden, but don't neglect the watering. Baskets, pots, borders and even lawns will need help throughout any dry spells and warm weather.

Watering

Ensure you keep on top of the task as once things dry out it is very difficult to get them to retain water as well as they previously did, so little and often is better than leaving it until they keel over.

Keep rhododendrons, azaleas and camellias well watered to ensure good flower bud formation and water hydrangeas with colourant for guaranteed blue flowers next year.

Liquid feed all bedding plants, peppers and cucumbers to encourage new flowers. Switch to a high potassium feed for tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers this will help the fruits to set meaning higher yields. Tomatoes need consistent watering to avoid them picking up the dreaded blossom end rot.

Garden Maintenance

Perennial weeds are best treated in active growth so choose the correct weed killer and apply to the weed foliage. It will kill them off at the root meaning no re growth. Hoe out annual weeds as they will take valuable moisture from the soil and multiply rapidly if you let them flower.

Grass tends to grow less during the very warm weather so when you do mow cut on a high blade, don't worry too much about grass browning it will usually recover when rain appears. Treat plants such as phlox, chrysanthemums, nicotiana and roses for mildew or rust, this can be done as a preventative measure before visible signs of infestation. Trim your box plants back into shape in the evening once the sun has gone down to avoid the leaf edge burning.

Wild Bird Care

Please make sure that a supply of fresh drinking water is available and when feeding use either a seed mix, nyger seed, sunflower hearts or mealworms rather than high fat content suet balls or peanuts during the summer months.

Pruning and Dead Heading

Keep all of your bedding plants dead headed, it not only enhances the look of the plant but it encourages more new flowers to form quickly, so well worth the effort.

Remove tired leaves from hardy geraniums to encourage a new flush of growth. Dead head dahlias, removing smaller flowers if you are growing for larger blooms. Prune back old rosemary and lavender flowers and remove any flowers that form on herb plants you are using for culinary use.

Fruit and Vegetables

Lift and pot strawberry runners and cut out any old fruited

raspberry canes. The vegetable garden will be full of produce to pick now so pick regularly and don't let anything bolt. Harvest courgettes whilst reasonably small to stop them maturing into marrows and freeze excess produce including beans, spinach and herbs.

Keep fruit and vegetables protected by netting or hang unwanted CD's and place spinning windmills amongst the vegetable garden, to deter birds from eating them. We do have a range of pest deterrents that are applied onto the crops foliage, the bitter taste it leaves stops slugs, snails, birds, rabbits and caterpillars eating the plant, we have had encouraging feedback from customers who have already tried these products.

Ventilate your greenhouse and apply shading if it is situated in full sun, damp down greenhouse floors on hot days to maintain humidity levels but do not do this in the evening as it encourages pests and disease particularly on tomatoes.

Plants suggested for this Month:

We have an ever-changing range of 'plants for small spaces' all of these plants have been chosen for use in small gardens or container gardening. You can choose from favourites such as lavender, campanula and ajuga or some more unusual plants like uncinia rubra, dryopteris, seline and sagina to name a few, call in and choose for yourself.

Also, add some succulents to your garden, they perform well in dry conditions due to them having moisture within their leaves. Many are suited to rockeries but can also be used in dishes or bowls or even crevices in pathways or walls, sedum, sempervivum, echeveria and lewisia are just a few of many suitable plants.

Monthly suggestions:

If you are going away on holiday do everything you can to assist the person watering your plants for you. Make sure all pots have saucers under them to catch surplus water, put mossed baskets onto the floor and stand them onto a drip tray to ease watering and avoid the wind drying them out, use capillary matting under pots in the greenhouse so plants can draw up water as required, apply a glass coolant to greenhouse windows or hang suitable shading material, screw top water bottles can even be used upside down to drip water into containers simply slightly unscrew the cap or pierce a small hope within it. Provide water butts and buckets nearby to make their job easier and finally, make sure borders are mulched with bark to keep the natural moisture within the ground.

I look forward to seeing you all soon and remember free advice is always available.

Warm Regards Craig

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Thank you to everyone who came to help celebrate Evelyn Philips and Ton Wentink's Birthday!#

We look forward to seeing you all soon!

The Hare and Hounds re-opened in early July after undergoing a complete makeover following the retirement of Carol and Jamie. Ton Wentink is the new landlord and he has some fresh plans whilst still continuing several of the regular events.

Ton has new ideas of his own which he plans to implement over the coming months. Although he only celebrated his 21st birthday on 5th August he has a wealth of experience in the pub trade.

Ton appreciates the years of goodwill that Carol and Jamie built up with the local community over their long tenure and he hopes to follow their example. Traditional pub grub is available at reasonable prices, booking is advisable. The Hare is also dog and child friendly.

We wish Ton all the best for his future at the pub.

Amanda

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Summer Outing

Our outing this year on Monday 16th September will be a lunchtime 3 hour cruise along the River Trent from Nottingham including a hot lunch — Chicken Breast, Scampi or Battered Fish with Peas or Beans followed by Hot Apple Pie and custard and tea or coffee. The cost for over 60's will be £10, which will include coach travel from Wardington leaving at 9am. We should be back around 5pm depending on traffic. Please book your place as soon as possible and we will require you to choose your preferred menu at the time of booking. Please contact Anne Wilkins 758167 or Jane Pearson 750316 to get your name down.

Bingo

All are welcome to come along and join us for our next Bingo sessions on Friday 27th September and Friday 1st November in the Memorial Hall. Doors open at 7pm and "eyes down" 7.30 pm. You don't have to be over 60 to come along. We use these events to raise funds for the Annual Outing and the Christmas Party.

<u>Fete</u>

We will again be having a tombola stall at the village fete, which this year is on Sunday 1st September. If anyone has any prizes they could donate for this please contact Anne on 758167 or deliver to 3 Chapel Cottages.

If anyone would like more information on our activities, or would like to get involved, our contact numbers are as follows:

Ian Franklin758347Jane Pearson750316Anne Wilkins758167

Cycle survey – Have your say

Cyclists from across the county are being invited to complete a survey about what they like or dislike about cycling in Oxfordshire.

The results will be used by Oxfordshire County Council to help shape Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIPs) – new plans to radically improve Oxfordshire's cycling network and make it attractive, comfortable and easy to use for all cyclists.

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Here's how to do it:

- Google or find: Oxfordshire County Council/ reporting a footpath problem
- ◆ You will see a List of Definitions, for example 'stile'
- Scroll further down for a Checklist of the information you will need to provide
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 will need to create a password if you haven't logged into the
 site before and provide an e-mail address
- ◆ You will see a Map. Click: Report a Problem
- ◆ Under Search Map: Click one of the Options. For example, if the problem is in the parish of Wardington Click Town/Village and put Wardington in the box below. Click Search and select Wardington, Oxfordshire from the drop down options.
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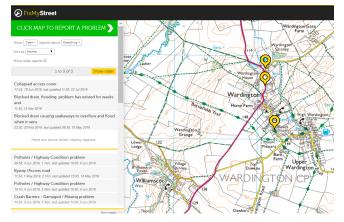


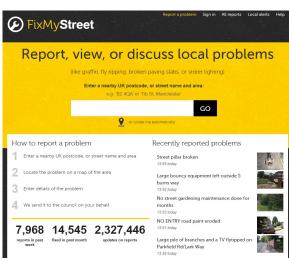


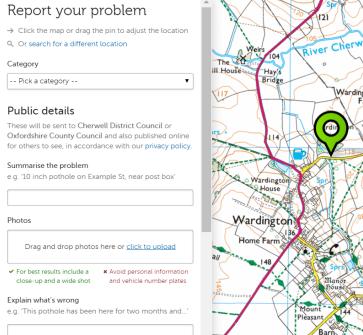
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- 1. Firstly: either google "fix my street" or type in www.fixmystreet.com into your internet browser address bar and continue to the webpage.
- 2. Type in either a postcode or street name into box at the top of the page this will take you to a map of the appropriate area
- 3. On the left hand side of the map there is list of the problems already reported in the area these are pin-pointed on the map with yellow marks. If you hover over either the entry on the list or the yellow mark it will give you more information.
- 4. Click on the map to locate where your problem is and then select a category from the dropdown list on the right. Give the problem a title, add photos if you have them and give a more detailed description before clicking continue.
- 5. Next you need to fill in your details (name, email address) before pressing submit.
- 6. You will be sent and email with a confirmation link that you need to click on in order to confirm your report has been sent.







Wardington Parish Council Meeting April Minutes 4.2 Playground 200 club draw

Location: Wardington Memorial Hall Date: Wednesday, 17th April 2019 (7.30 pm)

In Attendance: Mr N Bankes (Chairman), Mr M Patterson (Vice Chairman), Mr R Jarrett, Mr G Page, Cllr P Chapman,

Mrs A Gordon-Finlayson (Clerk)

Apologies: Mr G Martin, Mr A Crossley, Mrs A Pascoe, Cllr G

Reynolds

Agenda Items

1. Minutes of previous meeting - signed

2. Matters arising from previous minutes

- 2.1 The notice of an uncontested election for WPC has been posted and the persons stated in it will take up/continue with their councillor positions from the May meeting moving forward.
- 2.2 Puddle problem currently it has been so dry that there is no problem currently. Clerk to follow up with CDC about drainage no we are in the new financial year.

3. Planning

3.1 New

3.1a 19/00559/F Mr John Holloway, Autumn Cottage, 6 Thorpe Road, Wardington

Single storey rear extension. NO OBJECTIONS.

3.1b 19/00543/F Mr Jason Beeney, Pits Cottage, Thorpe Road, Wardington

Single storey rear extension. NO OBJECTIONS.

3.1c 19/00105/TCA Mr Tim Batchelor, 2, The Old Vicarage through Wardington

T1 x Beech – crown think by 20%. T2 x Beech – crown thin by 15%, remove extended limb over parking area by up to 2.5m. T3 x Fell. NO OBJECTIONS.

3.1d 19/00589/LB Mr and Mrs James Dobbs, The Bishops House, Wardington

Rear single storey extension to link the house to the annexe. NO OBJECTIONS.

3.2 CDC decisions

3.2a 19/00294/TPO Dr Mark Robinson, Stonebrook House, Williamscot

T4 and T5 (Poplars) – reduce height by 6-7m and shape, Carry out a 5% crown thin – subject to TPO 18/2011. **GRANTED**

3.2b 19/00062/TCA Cllr Phil Chapman, Blaize House Street from Williamscot Hill to Centre Williamscot

H1 x Leylandii – pollar 1.0m and tidy as blocks light to neighbour, Canons Yard. NO FURTHER COMMENTS OR **OBJECTIONS**

3.2c 19/00105/TCA Mr Tim Batchelor, 2 The Old Vicarage, Banbury Road Through Wardington

T1 x Beech – Crown think by 20%. T2 x Beech – crown thin by 15%, remove extended limb over parking area by up to 2.5m. T3 x Fell. NO FURTHER COMMENTS OR OBJECTIONS

4. Finance

4.1 Invoices

100992	DM Payroll Services	£40.50
100993	Mrs G-F (clerk's pay – Mar)	£346.54
100994	HMRC (PAYE – Mar)	£86.80
100995	Mrs G-F (clerk's expenses)	£31.44

100688	Mr R Stell (1 st prize March)	£20.00
100689	Mrs Elsie Smith (2 nd prize March)	£10.00
100690	S M Cunniffe (1 st prize April)	£20.00
100691	S J Price (2 nd prize April)	£10.00

5.Parish business

5.1 Resignation of Councillors – Mrs Amanda Pascoe & Mr Andrew Crossley have decided to resign from WPC. WPC would like to thank them both for their excellent service to this community during their time on the council.

5.2 Mr N Bankes, the outgoing Chairman, would like to thank the WPC for their support during his term in office.

5.3 The cost of dog bin emptying will increase from £1.40 to £1.60 plus VAT. There will shortly be another dog bin by the gate to the playing field.

5.4 HS2 – the contactors for our area have gone bust so everything very slow moving.

6. AOB

6.1 Planning for the M40 Junction 11 – still on going but may be wise to send another letter of objection but include a request for improvements as well in case it goes through.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st May 2019 at 7.30pm.

The General Meeting of Wardington Parish Council will take place immediately beforehand at 7.00pm in the Main Room of Wardington Memorial Hall.

Wardington Parish Council General Meeting – DRAFT Minutes May 2019

Location: Wardington Memorial Hall Date: Tuesday, 21st May 2019, (7:00pm)

Attendees: Mr N Bankes, Mr M Patterson, Mr R Jarrett, Mr G Page, Mr G Martin, Mrs J Herd, Mrs A Gordon-Finlayson (clerk), Cllr P Chapman

Apologies: none

Agenda Items

- 1. Minutes of previous AGM. (22.05.2018) Proposed by Mr M Patterson and seconded by Mr G Martin. Signed.
- 2. Matters arising from previous minutes none

3. Election of Officers:

- 3.1 Election of Chairman Mr M Patterson proposed by Mr N Bankes and seconded by Mr R Jarrett. Accepted.
- 3.2 Election of Vice Chairman Mr G Martin proposed by Mr G Page and Mr M Patterson. Accepted.
- 3.3 Mr M Patterson would like to thank Mr N Bankes for his tenure as chairman of Wardington Parish Council.
- **4. Finance** Annual statement presented and adjourned until the next meeting.

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5. A.O.B.

- **5.1** Terry Humber raised a question about why had the WPC not made a donation to The Citizens' Advice Bureau. No request has been made by the bureau but this will be put on the agenda for an upcoming meeting.
- **5.2** Emma Reed would like to register her interest for any spaces on the WPC.
- **5.3** Clive Hunt raised the issue of the cleanliness of the village signs as it makes a poor first impression. Previously, Highways have made it clear that we are NOT to do it ourselves as it is dangerous, but they have no money to do it... We should have had new signs as part of HS2 construction traffic precautions but this has not happened due to the contractor in our area going bust. Clerk to send a letter on behalf of WPC to highways.

The next AGM will be in 2020, at a date to be arranged.

Wardington Parish Council Meeting May Minutes

Location: Wardington Memorial Hall Date: Tuesday, 21st May 2019 (7.30 pm)

In Attendance: Mr N Bankes, Mr M Patterson, Mr G Martin, Mr G Page, Mr R Jarrett, Mrs J Herd, Mrs A Gordon-Finlayson,

DCllr P Chapman Apologies: none

Agenda Items

1. Business arising post uncontested election

- **1.1** All councillors signed the acceptance of office form. Chairman and Vice chairman appointed
- **1.2a** Mr M Patterson proposed as Chairman by Mr N Bankes and seconded by Mr R Jarrett. Accepted.
- **1.2b** Mr G Martin proposed as Vice Chairman by Mr G Page and seconded by Mr M Patterson. Accepted.
- **1.3** All councillors have returned DPI form to the Council does clerk need a copy? If so then instructions need to be amended. Clerk to follow up.
- **1.4** All councillors have completed and returned their election expenses form bar Mr G Martin clerk to provide new form.
- **1.5** Mr M Patterson would like to welcome Mrs Julie Herd to the council.

2. Minutes of previous meeting – signed

3. Matters arising from previous minutes

- **2.1** puddle problem this is being continually monitored for updates.
- **2.2** M40 Junction 11 planning in addition to our previous letter of objection, a further letter has been sent outlining steps that the WPC would desire to happen if the planning was accepted to mitigate the effect on the parish. This has been accepted and can be viewed online. Letter to be added to website and fb page. Question raised about sending someone to speak at the planning meeting on 30th May. (Mr Clive Hunt expressed that he would go but he is away; but added that he thought the CPRE, Banbury Civic Society and Chacombe PC

may speak.) Deadline to apply to speak at planning meeting is 12 noon – Chairman to make decision and organise appropriately.

4. Planning

4.1 New

4.1a 19/00730/F Mr Julian Bernard, Lower Lodge, Williamscot Demolition of 20th century extensions and erection of replacement single new extension. **NO OBJECTIONS – WPC strongly in favour of this planning and will write to the planning authority to say as such.**

4.1b 19/00783/F Mr Anthony Keep, Three Acre Barn, Thorpe Road. Erection of garage. **NO OBJECTIONS**

4.1c 19/00128/HYBRID Monte Blackburn Ltd, Ban 15 Land Adj M40 J11 and West of Daventry Road, Banbury

Part A: Full planning application - the development of a new priority junction to the A361, internal roads and associated landscaping with 2 no. commercial buildings having a maximum floorspace of 33,110m2 and with a flexible use [to enable changes in accordance with Part 6 Class V of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (as amended)] within Class B2 or B8 of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 as amended, and ancillary Class B1 offices; and Part B: Outline planning application - the development of up to 2 no. commercial buildings having a maximum floorspace of 16,890m2 and having a flexible use [to enable changes in accordance with Part 6 Class V of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (as amended)] within Class B2 or B8 of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 as amended, and ancillary Class B1 offices, with all other matters reserved for future approval. STRONGLY **OBJECT – LETTERS ALREADY SENT** (also see above point 3.2)

OBJECT – LETTERS ALREADY SENT (also see above point 3.2) 4.2 CDC decisions

4.2a 18/02100/LB Mr & Mrs Fenster, The Last Straw, Wardington

Repair of superstructure cracking to stone cottage, including possible (limited) resin bonding and/or Helifix reinforcement and galvanised restraint straps to restore structural integrity of damaged stone walling caused by slight subsidence of the foundations. **GRANTED**

4.2b 19/00534/F Mr Jason Beeney, Pits Cottage, Thorpe Road. Single storey rear extension. **GRANTED**

5. Finance

5.1 Invoices

	100996	Mrs G-F (clerk's pay – Apr)	£346.74
	100997	HMRC (PAYE – Apr)	£86.60
	100999	N R Prickett (grass cutting)	£741.60
	101000	Annette Reed Bookkeeping (audit)	£100.00
5.2 Playground 200 club draw			
	100692	L Terry (1 st prize – May)	£20.00
	100693	A Wilkins (2 nd prize – May)	£10.00

6. Parish business

- **6.1** Playground repairs Trevor Stewart has been in touch and they should be done in the next week. Report of damaged fencing to be checked and passed on to Trevor Stewart if necessary.
- **6.2** Notice board near the old Plough pub there has been a problem with the lock not holding and is currently held closed *Continued on next page...*

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by a bungee cord. Clerk has asked David Adshead to take a look and quote for repairs. WPC concerned that this is an ongoing problem with the board that has been present since it 1. Minutes of previous meeting duly signed was installed 2 years ago.

6.3 Church yard wall - Mr Clive Hunt was present to ask the WPC for a contribution towards the repair of the collapsed churchyard wall. This was a combined eyesore, traffic and safety hazard. The total cost was £1,470 (no VAT can be reclaimed) and the PCC were hoping for an amount towards it NOT the full amount. (Mr N Bankes declared an interest.) It was made clear that whilst the WPC would like to make a contribution, this is an exceptional circumstance and both they and the PCC recognise that there is no ongoing liability or precedent being set. The councillors will consider what sum will be appropriate and an amount will be agreed in the June meeting.

6.4 HS2 – prevention of misuse of local roads email from Cllr G Reynolds. A phrase in the forwarded email objected to by WPC: "...we are not expecting the area covered by Cllr G Reynolds to be affected...". We may not be affected by HS2 but we will be affected by the people trying to avoid the works and the construction traffic. Mr R Jarrett to check the minutes about this. A response to this will be sent.

6.4 Holiday caravan site planning requirements. WPC members requested that the Clerk should confirm the planning requirements from Cherwell DC for a site advertising availability for holiday caravans.

6.5 Spruce Meadows in Williamscot – concern was expressed at the placing of a static caravan on the site. District Councillor P Chapman confirmed that several Williamscot villagers had already expressed concerns to him, as well, about the placing of the static caravan. The Clerk was requested to contact the CDC Planning Dept to ascertain what the position was in regards to planning for this site.

6.6 Parish Liaison meeting June 12th at Bodicote House – time tbc and circulate.

6.7 Cllr Phil Chapman email – form to fill out regarding bad times to dig up road (mainly around Fairport festival). Clerk to contact Cropredy clerk to do the same.

7. AOB

7.1 correct fb page to be emphasised in the warbler

7.2 Reported that there is a sign on a stile saying the footpath adjacent to Tuthill's workshop is closed. To be investigated.

7.3 The incoming Chairman, Mr M Patterson would like to thank Mrs A Pascoe and Mr A Crossley for their services to the council during their tenure as councillors.

The next meeting will be held on 18th June 2019 at 7.30pm.

Wardington Parish Council Meeting June Minutes

Location: Wardington Memorial Hall Date: Tuesday, 18th June 2019 (7.30 pm)

In Attendance: Mr M Patterson (Chair), Mr R Jarrett, Mrs J Burnett, Cllr P Chapman, Mrs A Gordon-Finlayson (Clerk), Mr

N Bankes, Mr G Martin (Vice-Chair)

Apologies: Mr G Page

Agenda Items

2. Matters arising from previous minutes

2.1 Accounts and internal audit paperwork signed.

2.2 Mr Bankes recommended that we continue to keep some money in reserve for expenditure that hasn't been forecast, e.g. HS2. Agreed.

2.3 Puddle problem update – clerk has spoken to Drainage Manager about this. Due to the amount of rain that we have had in the last couple of weeks, some planned work has been pushed back to allow the team to deal with emergencies. He stated we could expect it to be done in the next 1-2 months. Council wanted to ensure OCC Highways were clear in advance about what they need to do. Clerk to follow up.

2.4 DPI forms – Clerk checked whether all forms were completed and returned.

2.5 M40 junc 11 planning meeting outcome – It was reported that Cllr George Reynolds, Cllr Chapman and Mr Patterson had spoken well at the meeting. A pointed push for money to cover the specifics of our mitigation request was made hopefully this will go through. Cllr Chapman will check the minutes of the planning meeting on this. Mr Patterson has followed up his presentation with letters and e-mails to CDC department heads and District Councillors. Alex Keen, the newly appointed Department Head, confirmed the information had been passed on to the appropriate officer.

2.6 Donation to churchyard wall repair - £500 contribution decided upon.

2.7 Caravan application – the council's response was noted. **2.8** Playground repairs have now been completed. Councillors were in full agreement that the Playground is an important village asset. A discussion took place about the long term future of Playground including financing, management, and the possibility that the Parish Council may need to become more directly involved. It was agreed that ways to encourage the appointment of a person/committee to take responsibility for the playground were required

2.9 Footpath signage alongside the Tuthill's workshop. The main gate has 'No Entry' signs on it but there is a new stile next to it. Official footpath signs need to be added. The Clerk and Chair to liaise and contact OCC Footpaths Department.

3. Planning

3.1 New

3.2 Withdrawn planning

3.2a 19/00730/F Mr Julian Bernard, Lower Lodge, Williamscot Demolition of 20th century extensions and erection of replacement single new extension. WITHDRAWN.

3.3 CDC decisions

3.3a 19/00588/F Mr & Mrs James Dobbs, The Bishops House, Wardington. Rear single storey extension to link the house to annexe. GRANTED.

3.3b 19/00559/F Autumn Cottage, 6 Thorpe Road, Wardington Single storey rear extension. **GRANTED**

4. Finance

4.1 Invoices

101001 Williamscot a/c,error correction £696.00 Continued on next page...

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101002	BHIB (insurance)	£428.29
101003	PMP (Warbler – May issue)	£258.00
101004	CDC – uncontested election fee	£39.00
101005	N R Prickett (Grass Cutting)	£741.60
101006	Mrs G-F (Clerk's Pay – May)	£346.74
101007	HMRC (PAYE – May)	£86.60
101008	WPCC (wall contribution)	£500.00

4.2 Playground 200 club draw – Request to 'Friends' to make the draw at the Safari Supper. Cheques have been signed so can be distributed there and then. Clerk to arrange.

5. Parish business

- **5.1** Citizens' Advice Bureau at the recent General Meeting, Mr Humber asked why WPC had stopped donating to the Bureau. Council agreed it was a worthwhile cause but research showed that no requests had been received or donations made since at least 2015. All donation requests are considered.
- **5.2** Clerk has registered the dirty signs throughout the village on fixmystreet.com: acknowledgement received that it is being looked into. Could WPC run an 'adopt a sign' campaign? Agreed that A361 should be excluded for safety reasons.
- **5.3** Reported cutting of tree branches and building of a hideaway near the allotments, was discussed. Council felt that, as long as there is no serious issue of safety or damage, action was not required. Mr Patterson, who lives nearby, will keep an eye on things.
- **5.4** CFO AGM Friday 19th July at Heyford Park (11.30am–1pm)
- **5.5** OALC AGM 1st July at Warwick Hall, OX18 4RY (7.30 pm) Cllr P Chapman attending and will represent WPC.
- **5.6** Noticeboard in Upper Wardington D Adshead to look
- **5.7** A CDC Planning Department questionnaire to be completed by the Clerk. Agreed to show interest in the offer of Group Discussion forums

6. AOB

- **6.1** Information about a CDC local business survey will be put on the website and facebook.
- **6.2** A discussion about poor internet speed in Williamscot took place. It was not clear whether the promise of a Green Cabinet by August is accurate. Mr Humber is reported to be watching the situation closely. WPC follow up in September if required.
- **6.3** Mr Martin led a discussion about the correct procedure when members of the public attend meetings and wish to speak; the need to keep control of the meeting when members of the public are present and how to deal with confidential matters. The subject is to be raised again at the next meeting, after Councillors have had time to reflect on it. A protocol will then be produced.
- **6.4** Information about the new CDC lottery is to be circulated to the Cricket Club, Over 60s and maybe the playground?
- **6.5** It was agreed to make every effort to circulate draft Minutes to Councillors for information and comments within 10 days of each meeting. They will then be posted on the website and noticeboards as a draft within another 5 days. Draft Agendas will be sent to Councillors a minimum of 3 days before meetings.

The next meeting will be held on 23rd July 2019 at 7.30pm.

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Events Diary			
Date	Time	Event	Place
29th August (Thursday)	2pm	Village Tea	Memorial Hall
1st September (Saturday)	2 - 5 pm	Village Fete	The Manor
16th September (Monday)	ТВС	Over 60s Summer Outing	Nottingham
19th September (Thursday)	10.30am/7pm	Winter Hanging Basket Workshop	Barn Farm Plants
26th September (Thursday)	2pm	Village Tea	Memorial Hall
27th September (Friday)	9.30 am—noon	Macmillan Coffee Morning	Barn Farm Plants
27th September (Friday)	7pm for 7.30pm	Over 60s bingo	Memorial Hall
1st November (Friday)	7pm for 7.30pm	Over 60s bingo	Memorial Hall
5th October (Saturday)	6.00 pm	Harvest Supper	Memorial Hall
28th October (Monday)	10 am - 3 pm	Pumpkin Hunt (free)	Barn Farm Plants
31st October (Thursday)	2pm	Village Tea	Memorial Hall
1st November (Friday)	10 pm - 3 pm	Pumpkin Hunt (free)	Barn Farm Plants
16th November (Saturday)	ТВС	Quiz and Curry Night	Memorial Hall
23rd November (Saturday)	ТВС	Moonrakers Concert	Wardington Church
29th November (Friday)	7.30 pm	Wardington Garden Club - a seasonal talk by Ducan Coombs (all welcome)	Memorial Hall

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Mother of Twins Saves Homing Pigeon!

Sophie Patey of Upper Wardington came to the rescue of a young racing pigeon on her debut flight back to Aylesbury from Dorset. Her owner said she had been lost for over a fortnight after she set out on a her journey that should have only taken an hour and a half. The friendly pigeon enjoyed being cuddled by her rescuers children, who were sad to see her go home.



Above: the plucky pigeon in her makeshift cage