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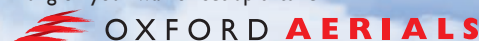


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Cheers

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GRANTS

The Parish Council would remind local organisations that it now considers applications for grants at any of its meetings, provided the application and details are complete, and are received in time to be added to the agenda. Therefore, if there is any worthy and needy organisation, where Marcham residents benefit, which is considering applying to the Parish Council for a grant, then please use the application form available in the publications section on the Council's website www.marchamparishcouncil.gov.uk, and enclose a copy of your organisation's accounts. Details of where to send the application are on the form.

PROPOSED NEW LITTER BINS –

ANSON FIELD

Marcham Parish Council, along with Marcham Community Group, is considering the installation of two new litter bins in the field. The purpose of the proposal is to support better upkeep of the site, and encourage responsible disposal of waste. One is proposed for the south east corner adjacent to the public footpath, and the second near the accessway through to Tower Close.

HIGHWAYS - STREET CLEANSING – VALE OF WHITE HORSE DISTRICT COUNCIL

At the time of writing the Vale of White Horse District Council, as street cleansing authority, is planning a "deep clean" of some areas within Marcham. They will be removing weeds and moss from some pavement areas.

HIGHWAYS ENGAGEMENT TEAM – OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Representatives from the Parish Council will be meeting with staff from the County Council's highways engagement team to discuss highway related concerns and visit locations where issues have been raised.

PONY PADDOCKS COW LANE

The Parish Council invites applications for a seasonal grazing licence for the two adjoining paddocks, or one of them, at Cow

Lane adjacent to the allotments. The licence runs from the end of October for a period of 364 days. The fields can be used for the quiet grazing of equines. Interest parties should submit written expressions of interest, including intended use, and proposed fee by the end of September. The Council is happy to consider any other uses. Please contact the Clerk with your expression of interest or for any further information

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P26/V3106/HH Single and two storey extensions at 23 Packhorse Lane. The Council expressed a wish for the District Council to check adequate onsite parking in view of the increase in number of bedrooms. P26/V2907/HH and P26/V2391/LB Widening of opening at entrance by carefully taking down existing piers and pineapple finials, providing new foundations and reconstructing the piers with the same and matching bath stone. New automatic opening mechanism, and new wrought iron gates at Marcham Park (formerly Denman College). The Council had no objections.

P26/V2232/HH Single storey front extension and two storey side extension to the existing dwelling following demolition of the existing outbuilding and existing side extension, together with alterations to the existing vehicular access and new boundary treatments at 10 The Gap. The Council appreciated that previous consent had been granted, but queried the width of the onsite parking spaces in the new application. No vehicle tracking drawing had been submitted, so on site turning may be difficult with vehicles reversing into the road where there was no footway.

P26/V1682/HH Single storey side extension at 13 Chancel Way. The Council thought it was overdevelopment of the site, reducing existing amenity area, impacting on sight lines and the street scene, with the potential to become business use.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 14th September 2026 at 7.30pm at Marcham Centre. **Please check the Council's website in case arrangements change.**

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by Julian Parfitt

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Richard Webber 1946 - 2026

It is with great sadness that our community marks the passing of Richard Webber, a cherished resident, educator, and dedicated public servant, who died peacefully on Sunday, 28th June, following a courageous battle with illness. Richard was a man whose life was defined by empathy, curiosity, and an unwavering commitment to the people and places he loved.

Born in 1946 to a headmaster and a geography teacher, Richard's early life was marked by a passion for music, and drama. After training in Cheltenham, he gained an honours degree in Biology from UEA in Norwich. He began a distinguished career in education that would take him from Norfolk to Brisbane, Australia, and eventually back here, to Abingdon School. As a popular Housemaster and Head of the cadet force, Richard was known for his unique ability to connect with young people.

In 1988, Richard pivoted to entrepreneurship, working alongside his wife, Catherine, to establish Webber Toys. The business became a true family venture, blending Richard's boundless optimism with Catherine's creative vision. For many, the Webber name became synonymous with the wooden toys that filled local homes.

At the age of 59, Richard embarked on what he often described as his most fulfilling chapter: local politics. Initially approached by the local Liberal Democrats, he soon discovered a vocation that perfectly aligned with his pragmatic nature and genuine care for others. Over 19 years of service as a District and County Councillor, Richard became a formidable advocate for his constituents. Whether tackling traffic issues or spearheading major local projects, he listened more than he spoke, building consensus and ensuring that community voices were heard. He earned the respect of colleagues and opponents alike, with many noting that he didn't just teach the next generation of leaders—he prepared them to carry the work forward.

Above all, Richard was a devoted family man. A husband of 56 years to Catherine, father to four, and a beloved "Bappa" to nine grandchildren, he brought the same warmth, wit, and sense of adventure to his home life as he did to the public stage.

Richard's connection to Marcham was perhaps most deeply felt through his work as a County Councillor and his regular involvement with the All-Saints Church family. I worked with him on several projects over many years, and I, like many others in the community, found him intelligent, knowledgeable, kind, and humble. He was always willing to make time to help solve problems and get things done. When needed, he could be robust and forceful, but always with respect and a twinkle in his eye. It is fair to say that without Richard's support, considerable skill, and patience over many years, the Marcham Centre we all now love and enjoy may never have happened.

Richard leaves behind a legacy of public service, creative community spirit, and kindness. He will be deeply missed, but his influence continues to shape the community he worked so tirelessly to improve.

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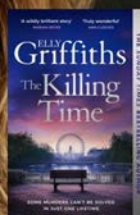
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The Monthly Pilgrimage

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This approach has two major benefits:

- You always leave feeling successful. Something is guaranteed to be flowering. Garden centres are basically botanical cheat codes.
- You avoid the classic gardener's mistake: buying everything in April, planting it all at once, then spending the rest of the year staring at a very enthusiastic spring and a very bored summer.

Month by Month Madness

By May, you've already forgotten what you planted in March. By July, you're convinced the garden is doing its own thing and you're merely a spectator. By September, you're telling visitors, "Oh yes, I planned it this way," while secretly Googling 'purple spiky plant autumn' to figure out what you bought.

But here's the magic, each month adds another layer of interest, like a botanical lasagne. You're not just gardening, you're curating a living calendar.

The Grand Finale: A Year Later

After twelve months of this chaotic, but charming method, you step outside and realise something astonishing: Your garden is... gorgeous. Not accidentally gorgeous. Strategically gorgeous. There's colour in January. There's scent in June. There's drama in October. Birds are visiting. Neighbours are peering over the fence. You've become that person, the one with "year round interest," a phrase usually reserved for gardening magazines and people who own kneeling pads.

And the best part? You didn't need a spreadsheet, a planting plan, or a Latin dictionary. You just needed a monthly wander, a bit of curiosity, and the ability to carry a pot to the car without dropping it.

The Secret You Now Know

Gardening doesn't have to be complicated. It doesn't have to be scientific. It doesn't have to involve phrases like 'moisture-retentive soil' or 'architectural structure'. It can simply be this:

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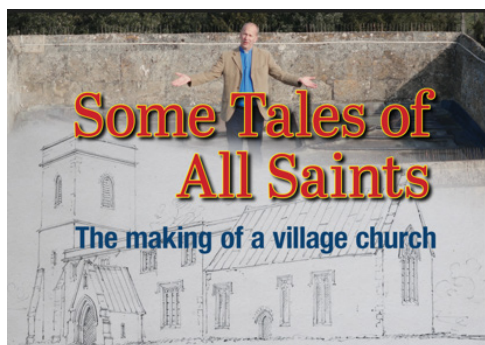
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THE MONTHLY MEETING

Monday 28th September:

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2. Where does the world's oldest continually produced named wine come from?
3. When and where did table tennis become an Olympic sport?
4. What is allergic rhinitis more commonly known as?
5. Who developed the jet engine?
6. On which fictional island is Jurassic Park set?
7. Which Norse god is associated with peace?
8. How many main blood types are there in humans?
9. What river runs through Prague?
10. Who is the current Foreign Secretary of the UK? (As of August 2026)
11. Where is Chatsworth House?
12. In the film *The Shawshank Redemption* what small tool does Andy ask Red to get for him?

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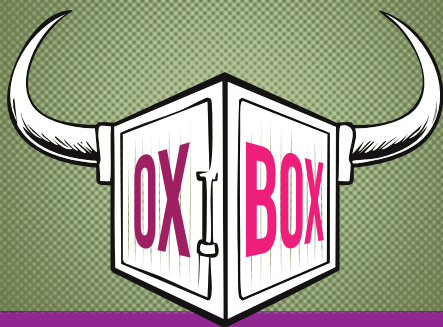
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MARCHAM PRE-SCHOOL

Although the classroom has been empty of children over the summer, it has been far from quiet at Marcham Pre-school! Some light refurbishment has brightened up the classroom ready for September, and we've also been busy reorganising the playground to make better use of the space. We're looking forward to developing this further over the coming year, responding to the children's interests and needs.



Last year ended on a real high with a wonderful graduation ceremony for the children leaving us to begin their next adventure at Primary School. It was certainly a night to remember and a fitting farewell to a very special group of children and their families. We wish them all lots of luck as they take that exciting next step.



We also welcomed a rather unusual visitor to pre-school – Gary the Giant African Land Snail! Gary proved a big hit with children and adults alike and linked beautifully with our enjoyment of Julia Donaldson's The Snail and

the Whale. It's always lovely when a story can be brought to life through a real experience – although Gary was perhaps a little less adventurous than his storybook counterpart!

We're now looking forward to welcoming everyone back in September, meeting our new children and families, and seeing where the new pre-school year takes us.

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We hope that you had a lovely summer break and coped with the exceptionally unusual weather we've been experiencing. By the time you read this, hopefully the temperature will have dropped and we will be back to a normal September.

Mick's last day with us was in July, and we thank him dearly for his dedicated duties over the last 14 years.

Sarah (who replaced Mick) is a great addition to the team and, in her short time with us, has made an invaluable contribution to the running of the shop. We hope she enjoys the work and we look forward to the next 14 plus years with her on board!

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MARCHAM FARMERS MARKET SATURDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

The next Marcham Farmers Market is on Saturday 19 September, 9am–12pm at Marcham Centre.

It's been a challenging summer for farming across the UK. Multiple heatwaves and prolonged dry weather have put real pressure on crops, grass and livestock, with the drought making things particularly difficult for many farmers. The UK soft fruit season has also been noticeably short this year, with the hot, dry conditions affecting both crops and harvests.

It's a good reminder of just how much our food and farmers are at the mercy of the weather.

At Marcham Farmers Market, we always try to keep things local, with our producers and suppliers coming from the local area. Buying locally means supporting the people, businesses and community around us, while also helping to keep our food miles down.

One great example is Hedges Butchers, who have had a long-standing partnership with Thirsty Café and the Farmers Market.



You may have noticed the new fridge at our last two Farmers Market, now stocked with even more fresh meat. Perfect for those BBQs while the summer weather lasts!

There's plenty to choose from, including burgers, chicken, lamb koftas and sausages.

Everything is freshly prepared, so if you're not planning to eat it straight away, it can be frozen for another day.

We'll also have fruit and veg from W G Gibbens, ice cream from The Oxford Cow, samosas from Pindy's, refill whole milk, butter and yoghurt and much more.

So come along on Saturday 19th September, 9am–12pm, pick up something delicious, meet our local producers and support local farming at the same time.

For more information please contact

farmersmarket@thirstycafemarcham.com

Marcham Farmers Market

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Summer has brought so much joy, laughter and pride to our nursery this month. We were delighted to celebrate our oldest Little Angels as they prepare for their next exciting adventure at school. Our Graduation Ceremony was

a wonderful send-off, filled with smiles, memories and proud moments. Watching the children leave us with confidence, curiosity and a strong sense of who they are reminded us of what Little Angels is all about.

The warm weather has inspired lots of exciting learning opportunities. While enjoying the sunshine safely, the children have also been keeping cool indoors, where creativity and imagination have been taking centre stage. They have loved becoming authors and illustrators, creating their own stories from start to finish, deciding on the structure of their stories and drawing pictures to bring their ideas to life.

Water play has also been a firm favourite this month, supporting early mathematical learning through filling, pouring, measuring and comparing. Using jugs, cups, syringes and a variety of containers, the children have been exploring concepts such as capacity, volume and prediction through hands-on investigation and play.

Our youngest Little Angels have loved learning about People Who Help Us, bringing their ideas to life through stories, small world play, loose parts and sensory exploration. From caring for babies to becoming doctors, firefighters and police officers, the children have been developing new vocabulary, communication skills and a growing understanding of the world around them.

We have also been delighted to welcome some new Little Angels to Marcham. Our newest children have been busy building relationships with their Key Persons, making new friends and settling into nursery life. The outdoor bike station has been especially popular, with children confidently zooming around the garden, developing their coordination, balance and independence while having lots of fun along the way.

Limited Spaces Available

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POWERING MARCHAM'S GREEN FUTURE!

First and foremost, a massive thank you to everyone involved in our recent drive to welcome more groups to the Marcham Centre. Thanks to a brilliant collective effort, we have seen a fantastic number of new starters and activities joining us recently.

In August, the hall naturally sees a seasonal slowing down in usage. This quieter period feels like the perfect moment to extend our deepest gratitude to all the clubs, classes, and individuals who use our facilities year-round. It is also a well-earned opportunity to thank our incredible teams of volunteers who work tirelessly behind the scenes. We hope you all had a very restful and relaxing August!

LOOKING AHEAD TO OUR AUTUMN AGM: SHAPING THE BOARD

Looking slightly further ahead, autumn will bring our Annual General Meeting (AGM). This will be a special opportunity to publicly thank the dedicated individuals who have served our village so brilliantly as trustees.

To keep our governance healthy and compliant, our Articles of Association require trustees who have served for nine years to step down, allowing new trustees to be appointed. Because of this, we are actively looking for new voices to join the board.

To make the best decisions for Marcham, we are aiming for a true multigenerational balance. We want to bring together experienced, wise heads with fresh, new perspectives, ensuring our trustees reflect the views and diversity of the whole village. Whether you are a young adult looking to gain leadership experience, a busy parent wanting to shape local facilities, or a retiree with a lifetime of professional skills to share, your voice is incredibly valuable to us.

A GENTLE WAY TO GET INVOLVED: JOIN A COMMITTEE FIRST!

Saturday afternoon began at noon, instantly filling the field with energy, if stepping straight into a trustee role feels like a big leap, please don't worry—we don't expect anyone to jump into the deep end!

The best way to get started is to join one of our active committees. It is a fantastic, low-pressure way to see how things run, share your ideas, and get to know the team. If you find it's a good fit and you'd like to do more, we actively encourage and support our committee members to step up into full trustee roles once we've worked together for a little while.

BIG PLANS FOR A GREENER HALL

While the building may be a bit quieter next month, the MCG Trustees are also using the time to progress an exciting new objective: to significantly lower the centre's carbon footprint and develop our green credentials. We want to explore major sustainability steps for the hall—specifically investigating the viability of installing solar panels and EV (Electric Vehicle) charging points in the car park. To help achieve this, we have been in discussion with Cllr Dr Robert Clegg (Cabinet Member for Environmental Services, Climate Action and Nature Recovery at the Vale of White Horse District Council). While direct funding for immediate field maintenance is tight, the council has brilliant avenues for climate action and biodiversity that we want to seize.

Our strategy is simple: if we can use available green grants to reduce the building's energy bills, we free up vital funds from our everyday running costs to reallocate straight back into maintaining our sports fields and facilities.

Here is what is on our green radar right now:

The Nature and Climate Action Fund: We are exploring a grant application to transform the vegetation areas at the front of the centre into a thriving, biodiverse wildflower meadow.

S106 Energy Projects: We are tracking a dedicated pot of developer funding tied strictly to building improvements, which we hope to unlock for our long-term solar goals.

JOIN THE TEAM: WE NEED YOUR EXPERTISE!

Whether you want to help out on a committee, explore a future trustee role, or simply lend your specific skills to our green initiatives, we need village talent. Navigating solar specs, EV infrastructure, grant writing, or biodiversity planting takes time and passion.

If you have experience in these fields, or simply have a passion for helping Marcham thrive, please get in touch. Let's work together to make the Marcham Centre a beacon of sustainability for Oxfordshire. Get in touch: admin@marcham.org

INDOOR SHORT MAT BOWLS

Short mat bowls is recommencing in the main hall of the Centre on Wednesday 9 September. Starting at 2pm each Wednesday, all current and prospective bowlers are invited to join a friendly, informal group of players whose numbers have steadily grown in an enjoyable and welcoming environment.

Colin Trinder coordinates the sessions and looks forward to meeting both existing and new bowlers—especially those trying bowls for the first time. It is an excellent opportunity to have a go at this popular sport. There is no need to register; just turn up on a Wednesday. However, if you would like to have a chat beforehand, Colin will be more than happy to help (c_trinder@btinternet.com).

QUIZ NIGHTS

Monthly quizzes return on Friday 11 September in the main hall of the Centre, starting at 8pm sharp. The bar will be open beforehand and throughout the evening.

Teams of up to six are invited to come along for a friendly night of banter, with permitted challenges to the quizmaster—who is, of course, ultimately always right! New teams are warmly welcomed alongside our regulars. We look forward to seeing you all; there is no need to book in advance, just turn up on the night.

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FOOTBALL

For both mens and the colts football teams the season is about to kick off. The village currently has teams in under sevens, under eights, under tens, under 11s all playing at the Marcham Centre. The under 12s and under 13 boys and girls age groups will be playing out of Joscas, all participating in the Oxfordshire youth league and the Oxford girls League. Amazingly, with thanks to all the volunteers, all teams are full so we are allowing over 100 children to play football.

Sadly the North Berks football league has ended as of last season due to not having enough teams participating. This has meant that the first team and reserves team will be travelling to and hosting a lot of new teams as part of the Witney District league. Most Saturdays will see a home game with everybody welcome to come down and watch. The bar will be open and we have two teams playing in the premier division and division four. If you're interested in playing for the Football Club, even if it's just training on Wednesdays, contact the club

AUNT SALLY

Aunt Sally has also gone really well over the summer with both The Crown and the Marcham Centre hosting first and second teams playing on Wednesday nights. Everyone enjoying both social sport and a social drink.

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At Kennington Memory Club all our volunteers are highly valued and appreciated. Whilst the session volunteers are great at chatting with members supporting them with activities and making refreshments, the members and staff particularly appreciate those volunteers who come in and share their hobby or skill. A pianist, other instrumentalist, or a musical group is always given a warm welcome. If they're able to lead the club members in a bit of a sing-song, that's a wonderful bonus.

If you or someone you know has such a skill, or perhaps some other one that members might enjoy, and might be able to offer a regular slot, possibly monthly, at the club please do get in touch with the Organiser, Kay. contact details below. If helpful, you'd be very welcome to visit the club first and have a chat with Kay. If that's not you, but you're interested in being a general session volunteer do get in touch as we'd also appreciate some more people joining that team. Email volunteers@kenningtonmemoryclub.org.uk We welcome enquiries from anyone who feels they would benefit from a family member with a diagnosis of dementia attending the club. For more details of what we offer please take a look at the website www.kenningtonmemoryclub.org.uk or contact Kay, organiser@kenningtonmemoryclub.org.uk or call 07852 883496. We look forward to meeting you.



WELCOME BACK!

A very warm welcome back to all the children, parents and carers for the new school term. We hope everyone had a lovely summer and is looking forward to another busy year at Marcham Primary School.

We'd also like to say a huge thank you to everyone who came along to our Summer Fête. The weather was kind to us, the atmosphere was fantastic and thanks to the incredible support of our community, we raised over £2,000!

A special thank you goes to DJ Biddy, our wonderful school staff, and all the parent helpers who gave up their time to make the evening such a success. We really couldn't do it without you.

You may have spotted the fantastic totaliser at the fête, which was designed and made by Gemma, one of our PTFA committee members.

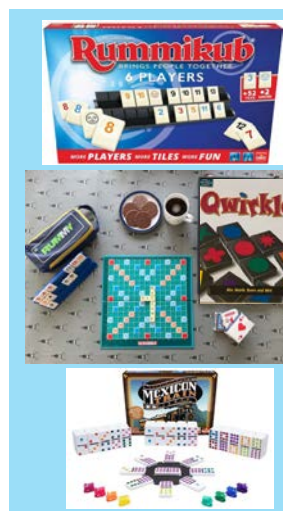
WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

Last school year, we were delighted to spend over £8,000 directly supporting the school and its pupils. This included contributions towards petty cash for each class, new furniture, school trips and the school garden, alongside other resources and activities for the children.

None of this would be possible without the generous support of the Anson Trust and, of course, the wonderful community of Marcham. Your continued support makes such a difference to the children at our school, thank you, and long may it continue!

As we head into the new term, we're looking forward to getting stuck in and hope to run a few more fundraising events throughout the year. Keep an eye out for details via Arbor, class WhatsApp groups and, of course, MAD News.

Here's to another great year! All the best - the PTFA Committee



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Marcham resident and former infantry officer Campbell Paget has published his gripping new novel, *One Long Weekend in Belfast*.

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Meet the Author on Friday 25th September at 7:30 pm

Campbell will be discussing the book at a live Q&A in All Saints' Church, followed by a book signing.

Admission: Free (a bar will be available).

RSVP: Please email your name(s) to maxipag123@gmail.com by 18th September to reserve a place.

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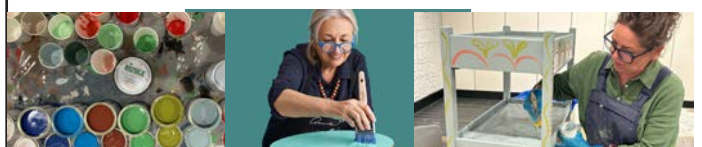
World-renowned paint expert Annie Sloan to host exclusive upcycling workshop at Sobell House Hospice Charity's Bicester Superstore

Creative enthusiasts and upcycling fans have the chance to learn from one of the world's most influential decorative paint experts this September, as Annie Sloan hosts two exclusive homeware painting workshops at Sobell House Hospice Charity's Bicester Superstore on Saturday 19 September.

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During the workshop, participants will learn Annie Sloan's signature painting techniques and discover how to transform everyday homeware into beautiful, personalised pieces. Guests are encouraged to bring along a small item from home to paint, or they can choose from a specially curated selection of small furniture and decorative homeware available to purchase from the Sobell House Hospice Charity Bicester Superstore on the day.

Places are expected to fill quickly, and advance booking is essential. To find out more and book your place, visit sobellhouse.org/event/paint-everything/



Ed The Earwig Reports: The Great Garden Relocation

I, as a proud stalk of Wall Barley, yes, that Wall Barley, the one. There has been great excitement in the garden this week after Andy the Ant won the annual election for Head of Everything Important.

No sooner had Andy settled into his office beneath the old compost heap than he announced a bold new plan.

"The compost heap has had power for far too long," declared Andy, standing on an upturned sunflower seed. "It's time to move the Seat of Garden Government to the pond in the north border!"

The ants cheered. The frogs looked surprised. The pond snails assumed it had something to do with them and immediately formed a committee.

Not everyone was convinced.

Over by the runner beans, Nigel the Nematode wriggled before a gathering of worms.

"This is exactly what I warned about," he said. "Today it's the Seat of Garden Government. Tomorrow it'll be the Ministry of Mulch, the Department of Dead Leaves, and who knows what else? The compost heap has served generations of creatures perfectly well. Why should power float north just because Andy likes ponds?"

Meanwhile, in the cabbage patch, Kemi the Caterpillar offered her own view.

"The problem isn't where the seat is," she said. "The problem is that nobody has explained how moving it will help ordinary garden residents. Will there be fewer aphids? More nettle leaves? Better access to bird-proof housing? These are the questions that matter."

Her supporters applauded, though some appeared distracted by a particularly tasty cabbage.

For days, the arguments rumbled on.

The ants published leaflets praising the benefits of northern pond investment.

The nematodes issued warnings about excessive pond bureaucracy.

The caterpillars demanded detailed impact assessments written on cabbage leaves.

As usual, the blackbirds ignored everyone and got on with looking for lunch.

In the end, a wise old hedgehog offered some perspective.

"Listen," he snuffled. "Whether the seat of power is by the compost heap or the pond, there will still be slugs to chase, weeds to avoid and rain to sit through. Perhaps you should all spend less time arguing about where power sits and more time making the garden a pleasant place to live."

For once, the creatures fell silent.

Even Andy the Ant nodded thoughtfully.

And as I, Ed the Earwig, watched the debate wind down, I couldn't help thinking that humans might learn something from our garden.

Politics matters. Ideas matter. Debate matters.

But if ants, caterpillars and nematodes can become hopelessly tangled up arguing over geography, slogans and symbolism, perhaps humans can too.

Maybe the secret is remembering that, at the end of the day, we're all just creatures sharing the same patch of soil, and none of us should take ourselves quite as seriously as we do.

Happy Gardening!

Stuart Mabbutt,

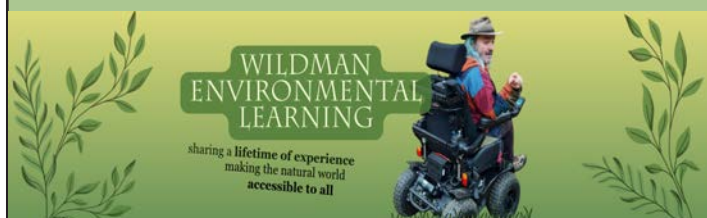
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Harvest festivals date back thousands of years, even predating Christianity, but remaining the same in focus until recently. It was a time of thanksgiving to God for providing for our needs since having enough food on the table, for most of history, was much more touch-and-go than it is today. It is estimated that in Jesus' day, 90% of one's time was spent gathering and preparing food. In the Bible, good harvests go hand in hand with joy. Famine and poor harvests are a heartbreaking and miserable experience (think of 'Those Canaan Days' from Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat).

We are very lucky to live in an age of abundance today, so that Harvest festivals have become a time of thankfulness and a time of sharing from abundance, supporting those who have less. This year, with the smallest harvest on record predicted, there may be more who feel in need – not least our farmers – and less who feel in abundance. Perhaps this year's harvest reminds us not of our abundance, but of our dependence. Our dependence on a consistent climate, on the work of many others who produce our food, on the Lord God who ultimately provides. And the strange thing about dependence is that it produces thankfulness for whatever we do have; thankfulness for those workers, that climate, that God. Which puts this year in line with festivals from history - harvest has always been about thankfulness, even in the hardest of times.

Join us for our Harvest Festivals:

St Luke's Garford – 11am, Sunday 6th September

All Saint's Marcham – 10:30am, Sunday 4th October

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HEAT AND CLIMATE

After one of the hottest and driest summers on record, I hope by the time you read this we are experiencing some respite... people and plants alike could do with some rain! This extreme weather will become more frequent due to climate change and the Vale has a dual strategy for responding to this: cutting emissions to help reduce the scale of the problem - I recently attended the "switch-on" of solar panels and heat pumps at Wantage Leisure Centre, for example; but also adaptation – helping the district become more resilient to impacts such as flooding and, yes, heatwaves.

As well as publishing guidance and a lot of behind-the-scenes work, the Vale's annual Nature & Climate Action Fund (NCAF) includes support for climate adaptation projects. The next funding round is likely to be next summer, so please encourage eligible organisations nearby to start thinking early about potential projects and consider volunteering to help get them done.

WASTE FIRES

And lastly, please don't put anything containing a battery (including vapes) in your kerbside waste bins! There's been a spate of fires inside waste collection vehicles over the summer, caused by batteries and made worse by the hot weather. Please take small electrical items to a collection point (nearest is at B&Q Abingdon) or leave them in a tied carrier bag next to your black bin on the usual collection day.

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COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

I hope everyone managed to enjoy some time off with friends and family over the summer months but as we head towards the autumn, there is lots to update on!

Starting at a countywide level and the future of local government. Back in July, Government announced that Oxfordshire, along with part of Berkshire, will be reorganised into three new unitary authorities from April 2028. At the moment, local government is split between the County Council, which handles things like highways and social care, and the District Councils, which handle things like planning and bin collections. The reorganisation will merge these into single councils, responsible for delivering all local services in their area. For readers of the MAD News, this will mean coming into the new 'Ridgeway Council', which includes much of the existing Vale of White Horse and South Oxfordshire areas, alongside West Berkshire. For now, nothing changes and shadow elections will take place in May 2027 to elect members to the new council, with the council then formally coming into effect in April the following year. There is still more information to follow on this, and I will share



more with local residents as the picture becomes clearer.

Turning to highways matters now and the introduction of the administration's traffic filter trial in Oxford, which is set to replace the temporary congestion charge on 28th September 2026. The traffic filter trial will operate similarly to the temporary congestion charge, with the filters being at the same six locations and a permit scheme in place. The key difference is that, with traffic filters, car drivers will no longer be able to pay the £5 congestion charge to go through the traffic points and could face a £70 fine for travelling through the filters without a permit. Whilst the administration has argued that, with the re-opening of the Botley Road, everywhere in Oxford will be accessible by car without having to drive through a traffic filter, I have concerns over the level of congestion this could generate on this route into the city and much like the congestion charge, will continue to raise the concerns that local residents have about this scheme.

On a more optimistic note, residents will know that I have long campaigned for improvements to local roads. As part of planning for the 2027/28 highways maintenance programme, elected members were asked to submit representations for roads they would like to see resurfaced in their area. As part of this process, I put forward several local roads for resurfacing works, including the A415 through Marcham and North Street, which is long-overdue a bit of TLC! These proposals are still being reviewed by officers at the County Council but I am optimistic and will continue to make the case for improvements to our local roads.

As always, if you'd like to stay up to date with what I'm doing around our division, do follow me on Facebook where I post regular updates: www.facebook.com/JamesRPlumb

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MP'S REPORT

TRAFFIC ISSUES

It was a delight to meet many of you at my 'Summer Tour' surgeries in Marcham and Shippon. The biggest issue that came up was traffic through Marcham and concerns how future development of Dalton Barracks and Abingdon Reservoir will make this issue worse. Land is being safeguarded in the local plan should a bypass be required in future, and the county council has been doing work to improve bus and cycle provision to the village which should relieve pressure on the roads. Both the Dalton Barracks Development and reservoir proposal will be required by the council to assess the impact on the road network and identify suitable mitigations.



SERVICE CHARGES

A number of residents on newbuild estates in Marcham have had issues with developers not completing works on site or completing their legal obligations regarding handover of areas for adoption. Property managers are also failing to provide services promised. I have contacted the developers and property managers to push them for explanations and action. I am also escalating cases to the Housing Ombudsman for further action where they have not been satisfactorily resolved.

SOCIAL CARE

Many people from Marcham have written in over the years about the failure of the national government to get to grips with Social Care. In my role as Chair of the Health and Social Care Committee, I have repeatedly pushed the Government to bring forward action to tackle Social Care. Our report into the cost of inaction highlighted the social, moral and economic impacts of doing nothing to fix this issue. There is currently a horrible lottery where 1 in 7 of us will pay more than £100,000 on the cost of our adult social care. So, I welcome Andy Burnham's moves to bring forward reporting from the Casey Commission and restart cross party talks. This could be a major renegotiation of the social contract, and I encourage you to have your say on the future

of social care and share your ideas here: caseycommission.co.uk/bigconversation

OXFORD MATERNITY

It was a privilege to be invited to join the expert reference group for the National Maternity and Neonatal taskforce. Given the work of the Health Committee, I agreed to join the group to lend my perspective on how we can achieve whole system change. We've had multiple national and regional reviews in recent years which have highlighted many of the same systemic issues.

Oxford University Hospitals still has much to do to improve their services. I called for OUH to be included in the Amos review so that the women at the heart of these issues could be heard. The pace of change is not good enough and families need to see changes happening now on the wards and in the way they are treated when they raise concerns. The plan must work this time.

As ever, if you have any issues we can help with, please email us at: layla.moran.mp@parliament.uk

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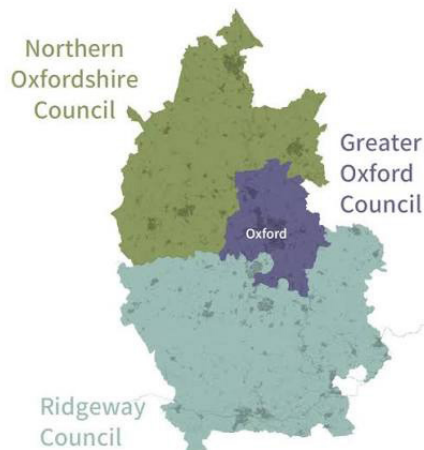
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OXFORDSHIRE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION (LGR)

THREE UNITARY AUTHORITIES PROPOSAL

The government has confirmed that in April 2028 the existing structure of five District Councils and one County Council will be replaced by three new Unitaries as shown on this map, from OCC.



Answers to this month's Quiz from page 7

1. Steve Fossett.
2. Cyprus — Commandaria wine, from the Commandaria region.
3. 1988, at the Seoul Summer Olympics.
4. Hay fever.
5. Sir Frank Whittle is commonly credited with developing the turbojet engine.
6. Isla Nublar.
7. Freyr.
8. Eight main blood types: A+, A-, B+, B-, AB+, AB-, O+ and O-.
9. The Vltava River.
10. Ed Miliband.
11. Chatsworth, near Bakewell, Derbyshire, in the Peak District.
12. A rock hammer.





GROUP AGAINST RESERVOIR DEVELOPMENT

GARD is a local community group formed to campaign against Thames Water's proposals to build a reservoir south-west of Abingdon.

With hosepipe bans and dry weather in the news, it can seem as if a new reservoir is the obvious answer. GARD (the Group Against Reservoir Development) believes that there are better, quicker and less damaging ways to secure our water supplies. It has been preparing its response to the White Horse Reservoir planning process, holding local Action Days and raising awareness across the area. It is also planning a crowdfunder for the autumn to help pay for expert and legal advice.

PLANNING

GARD is preparing its formal objection to Thames Water's plans. The main concern is that the consultation did not give people enough clear information about design, safety, flooding, traffic, wildlife, water quality or the impact on local communities.

FLOOD RISK

Thames Water has still not published enough detail on flood risk. GARD is working with an independent expert to look at what could happen if the reservoir failed or had to be emptied quickly.

ACTION DAYS

Deborah Bennett, GARD's new Vice Chair, has been leading GARD's summer Action Days. Volunteers have spoken to people in Abingdon, Wantage, Peachcroft Farm, Truck Festival and beyond. Thank you to everyone who helped.

Two points came up again and again at these awareness-raising sessions

WE NEED WATER:

yes, but Thames Water loses a huge amount of treated drinking water through leaks. Fixing leaks would be cheaper, quicker and less damaging than building a vast new reservoir. It should be the first priority.

WHAT IF THAMES WATER CHANGES OWNERSHIP?

If the company ends up in public ownership, the reservoir would not automatically stop. But it is likely to be delayed while the new government looks at costs, management and alternatives, some of which – specifically the Severn Trent–Thames Transfer – could be put in place much sooner, and at much less cost.

PETITION

Thank you to everyone who has signed or helped collect signatures. We now have 7,800+. Please help us reach 10,000. Spread the word: <https://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/stop-thames-water-s-plans-for-a-devastating-mega-reservoir>

CROWDFUNDER

GARD is planning to crowdfund to help pay for expert and legal advice. If you have experience in crowdfunding or fundraising in general and would like to help, please contact gard.secretary@gmail.com.

WORKING WITH OTHERS

GARD is working with local councils and parish councils so that concerns about the reservoir are clearly heard during the planning process.

**REMEMBER: PEOPLE MATTER –
TOGETHER WE HAVE A VOICE.**

Come forward and volunteer – we shall be delivering leaflets to all the affected villages and we are planning events too. There are jobs small and large, active and more routine. Please get in touch at gard.secretary@gmail.com 07773 029409

Show that people matter. Join GARD to stop the Reservoir.

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where you can find more details

Abbreviations:

AS All Saints' Church, Marcham, SL St Luke's Church, Garford
SLC St Lawrence Church, Tubney,
DP Duffield Place, MC Marcham Centre

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 AS TiddleyPeeps 10-11.30am	2 DP Holy Communion 10.30am (17)	3 Marcham Society Midweek Walk 12.30 pm (7)	4	5 MC Thirsty Café with Natural Bread 9-11.30am (7)
6 AS Morning Service 10.30am (17) SL Harvest Festival 11am (17) AS Evening Service 6pm (17)	7 DP Community Games Group 10.30am-12.00 noon (15) MC Bridge 6.50pm	8 AS TiddleyPeeps 10-11.30am	9 MC Thirsty Café 08.45-11.30am (7) DP Holy Communion 10.30am (17) MC Short Mat Bowls 2pm	10 Milets Farm Classic car meet 9.30am-noon	11 MC Quiz Night 8pm (13)	12 MC Thirsty Café with Natural Bread 9-11.30am (7)
13 MC Litter pick 9.30am (16) SLC Traditional Prayer Book Service 9.30am (17) AS Morning Service 10.30am (17) SL Quiet Prayer 11am-12noon (17) AS Evening Service 6pm (17)	14 DP Community Games Group 10.30am-12.00 noon (15) MC Bridge 6.50pm MC Marcham Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm (3)	15 MADNEWS DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE 5pm (LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED) AS TiddleyPeeps 10-11.30am	16 MC Thirsty Café 08.40-11.30am (7) DP Holy Communion 10.30am (17) MC Short Mat Bowls 2pm MC Astronomy Group 7.30pm (7) Arts Society Abingdon 10.30am & 2pm (9)	17	18 Oxford Traffic Filter System starts (18) MC Community BBQ 6.30pm (7)	19 MC Thirsty Café with Natural Bread 9-11.30am (7) MC Farmers' Market 9-12 (7 & 11) Sobell House Upcycling Workshop (16)
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