

Tetsworth Newsletter



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Dear Editor

Jubilee Celebrations

Yes, it was wet but we still enjoyed it. A big thanks to everyone involved in the organisation. The village should be proud of its bunting achievement and we would like to say a huge thanks to Helen Hobdell for all the work she put in preparing and co-ordinating the bunting presentation. Shona & Maggie Wing

Dear Editor

I would just like to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped to organise the Jubilee Celebrations in the village. There was a good turnout – despite the wet, cold weather. The bunting and donated cakes looked stunning – a real community effort.

I am sure everyone especially the children, will remember the day for years to come.

It may seem like a thankless task when you give up your time in this way but it really is appreciated by a lot of people.

Name and address supplied

Saint Giles News

A CRY FOR HELP!!!!!!

THE WEATHER THIS SUMMER HAS MEANT IT IS DIFFICULT TO GET OUT TO CUT THE CHURCHYARD GRASS OR CLEAR THE WEEDS AND THEY HAVE GROWN AT AN ALARMING RATE. If you can spare some time please do come up and help. A strimmer or

ride on mower can be borrowed from Richard Moore at 11 Chiltern View. WE BADLY NEED YOUR HELP

Services for August

Aug. 5th Parish Communion Rev. Peter Waterson

Aug. 12th No service at Tetsworth

Aug. 17th No service at Tetsworth

Aug 24th Family Communion Rev. Peter Waterson

Tetsworth Primary School

At the end of June the children and staff of Tetsworth Primary school buried a Jubilee time capsule in the wall of the new entrance that is currently under construction. The children came up with a number of ideas for items to put into the capsule including: a newspaper; Jubilee & Olympic mementos, handwritten memories of Tetsworth (written and compiled by the children), a Royal Wedding commemorative mug and photos of school events & the programme from their performance of Aladdin, amongst other things. Alan Haig (Head Teacher) and Alison Charlton (Head of Teaching & Learning) conducted the ceremony, which the children watched. On completion the new entrance is due to be named as 'Jubilee Gate' to mark this year's Jubilee.

After a very busy school term, the children are now looking forward to their end of term whole school trip. This year they are off for a day in London! The trip is being funded by the TPSA.

Tetsworth Primary School Governor News

We are sorry to say that at the end of the school year we are saying goodbye to 4 of the current Federated Governing Body. Sarah Bhagat who has worked tirelessly for Tetsworth School for a number of years now has decided it's time to move on, (her own children who went to Tetsworth are now both well into their years at Lord Williams's), as has Sarah White who has also been on the Governing body both as a clerk for some time and as a Parent Governor & Chair of the Marketing committee. We are very sorry to see both of them go, but we thank them wholeheartedly for the dedication and hard work that they have shown over the past few years. They both leave seeing Tetsworth in particular in a very positive place with an ever increasing school role, and much of that is down to the time that they have invested in the school. We also say goodbye to Jon Lilley who has been on the John Hampden Governing body for a number of years and continued on to the Federated Governing body, along with Justin Eyre, who many of us know from his work on the school website. We sincerely thank both Jon & Justin as well for their tireless dedication. We welcome to the Governing body Katharine Horrocks who is familiar to many at Tetsworth and Little Kites, who also has a son at John Hampden.

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M40 COMMUNITY GROUP IN THE FAST LANE WITH NOISE REDUCTION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY PROPOSAL

An innovative scheme to tackle noise on the M40 and generate energy is set to get motoring after a Chilterns community group powered its way to the top of a national competition designed to energise community-owned energy and bring about a clean energy revolution across the UK.

The "Community Energy Challenge" - launched by The Co-operative in conjunction with the Centre for Sustainable Energy (CSE) - has confirmed M40 Chilterns Environment Group as one of seven groups across the UK selected to share £200,000 of support including specialist mentoring, enterprise development and technical advice.

The Chilterns and South Oxfordshire based group are dedicated to tackling issues of excessive noise pollution on a 20 mile section of the M40 while creating solar energy capacity through use of photo voltaic enabled noise barriers. They beat-off competition from over 120 other hopefuls to win the competition which will showcase the nation's community energy champions by demonstrating a range of technologies and the benefits of community ownership.

Dr Ken Edwards, Chair of the M40 Chilterns Environmental Group, "We are very proud to be one of seven winning proposals, this is a major step on a journey we started eight years ago. Noise pollution from the M40 has affected the lives of local communities since 1990 - now we believe we can begin to address this problem and tackle this needless noise.

"Our proposal stemmed from addressing the question of how to make noise reduction barriers self financing and, we believe that our solution is win, win, win! It will improve the quality of life for local communities, will offset installa-

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tion costs, and benefit the environment. Similar schemes have succeeded in Europe and we hope we can work with the Highways Agency to make it a reality in the UK too."

Paul Monaghan, The Co-operative's Head of Social Goals, said: "Community energy has huge potential and can deliver local economic and social benefits in addition to helping the UK to meet its energy and climate change goals - here it is also helping to improve the quality of life for local communities.

"However, community-owned energy can encounter many obstacles. Through this competition we will share expertise and provide the tools needed to help communities to overcome those obstacles and enable them to control, generate and benefit from their own renewable energy.

"Ambitious community-led projects can contribute to a

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step-change in people's thinking about energy and, inspire others to take action – providing a catalyst for a clean energy revolution across the UK."

The Community Energy Challenge will nurture community projects until they are ready for further investment and build. They will then be eligible for other assistance from The Co-operative including The Co-operative Enterprise Hub's revolving £400,000 fund to underwrite community share offers, and finance from The Co-operative Bank which has ear-marked £100 million for community renewables.

For further information about M40 Chilterns Environment Group visit www.m40-chilterns.org.uk and click on the 'Facebook' link to 'Like' the group and help in its promotion.

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cheaper than if you were renting privately, and when you die, you can normally pass your home to your spouse or partner and sometimes to other family members who were living with you.

This will not be the case for much longer as the law will soon be changing for **new** tenants, possibly from April this year. The rights of existing council and housing association tenants will not change.

Councils will still have the option to offer 'lifetime' tenancies to new tenants, but they will also be able to offer them a shorter tenancy, known as a **flexible tenancy**.

This will be for a minimum of two years, but in most cases it will last for five years or more. If you're given a flexible tenancy for a fixed period of time, the council will review your circumstances before the tenancy comes to an end to see if you still need council housing or not.

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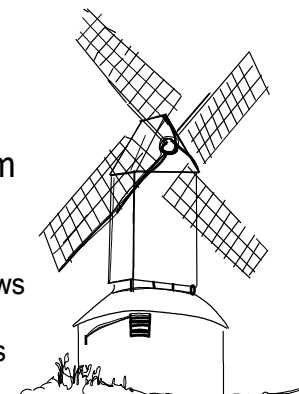
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Our Apologies

We are sorry to have had to combine July and August editions of the Newsletter, this is due to technical problems.

Planning Applications at SODC

28th May 2012—30th July 2012

P12/S0999/FUL Tetsworth Memorial Hall, High Street, Tetsworth OX9 7AB
An extension to village hall. New pitched roof over to provide self contained flat and clerks office, formation of additional parking spaces, revision to P10/E0602. As amended by Letter and drawing number 12 TVH 200B received

Planning information is taken from the SODC web site www.southoxon.gov.uk

Planning Decisions from SODC

28th May 2012—30th July 2012

P12/S0689/HH Attington Leys Thame Road Tetsworth OX9 7DB
Single storey extension and conservatory to rear elevation.
Granted

P11/E0691 The Oxfordshire Golf Club Rycote Lane Thame OX9 2PU
Formation of a third nine holes at The Oxfordshire (as amended by the revised details accompanying the agent's letter dated 8th February 2012).
Granted

P11/S0167 Attington Leys Thame Road Tetsworth OX9 7DB
Removal of existing porch and construction of a new porch to the front of the property.
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P11/E2491 Land to the rear of The Swan Swan Gardens Tetsworth OX9 7AB
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