

**DROPs campaign** - 29/4/17

Up and down the country waste collection crews witness thousands of incidents of reckless driving every month, which put them and other members of the public in danger.

These often include drivers mounting kerbs and driving on pavements in a rush to get to work, often when children are walking to school. Our waste contractor Biffa is running a campaign known as **DROPs – Driving Recklessly on Pavements** – to raise awareness of this issue. Take a look at this video taken from Biffa vehicle CCTV footage!

The Biffa campaign includes planning routes to try and avoid making collections in busy areas at the worst times. They're also training drivers of waste collection vehicles to reduce any delays they might cause, but they're also using CCTV on vehicles to help catch offenders – Biffa are now working closely with the police to report dangerous drivers and have them prosecuted.

VWHDC

**Child's pushchair found** - 25/4/17

I noticed a child's pushchair by the old Tecronics site in Canada Lane. It was there at 11 30 when I walked by and still there at

5 30 when I returned. I have brought it home with me. If the owner can get in touch they can be reunited.

Ann 241566

**GP Petition** - 25/4/17

I and my fellow Liberal Democrat and County Councillor for Grove and Wantage, Jenny Hannaby, handed in the GP petition today with 721 signatures to the Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group. The petition asks them to reconsider their decision to withdraw funding to expand the facilities as required to meet the demands of a growing population.

It shows the strength of feeling local residents have about protecting our GP surgery for the future and we would like to thank all those who signed for their support.

David Grant

**Have you lost a Black cat-** 24/4/17

**This black cat** is living in our garden and seems distressed and lost. Please contact us if this is your cat or if you know who it belongs to. We are very concerned about the cat. Sian Starr 07968 050686

**Sub Rosa, Mediterranean Cafe.-** 24/4/17

I see that sadly our new cafe is apparently for sale on

Rightmove: <http://www.rightmove.co.uk/s6p/65857310>

What's next for this apparent 'best' spot in town?

Name supplied

**Cycle track plans at Badbury Clump** - 24/4/17

<http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/java/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P16/V1285/FUL#exactline>

Comments for and against from across the country. I think the consultation is still open

Ed

### **IN CONCERT - STEVE KNIGHTLEY** - 23/4/17

Steve is the songwriting force behind Show of Hands, widely acclaimed as the finest acoustic roots duo in England. They've just played their 5th sold out show at the Royal Albert Hall but now Steve is back out on the road on his solo tour.

People will remember Steve from the two sold out shows that Show Of Hands did at the local 'Live At The Tithe' events.

In the duo he's been the winner of Best Live Act award at the 2004 BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards Best Duo and Best Original Song at the 2010 BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards.

His website for more info is <http://www.steveknightley.co.uk/>

The concert will be in the Corn Exchange on Friday May 19th. Tickets £18 are on sale from the Information Centre, The Pump House, Market Place tel 01367 240281 or from wegottickets.

For more info ring Val 07766077115. For tickets ring 01367 240281.

### **Tickets available now for Wicklesham Quarry fundraiser!** - 18/4/17

Fundraising Supper and Auction of Lots

Saturday 6th May, little Coxwell Village Hall

7.00pm for 7.30pm

The campaign to Protect Wicklesham Quarry from Development is pleased to offer tickets at £10 per head.

Menu served with wine

- Shepherd's/ cottage pie / venison pie
- Vegetarian option
- Garden peas & green salad
- Bread basket and butter
- Fresh berry roulade
- Apple pie
- Baked cheesecake
- Tiramisu
- Strawberry gateau
- Bread & butter pudding
- Summer fruits pavlova

Sponsors include:

LushLooking Cakes, Faringdon – The Eagle Tavern, Little Coxwell –

The Bell Hotel, Faringdon - The Old Crown, Faringdon –

Viceroy Tandoori Restaurant, Faringdon – The Hare in the Woods –

Auction lots including:

Gastro-pub 3 course dinner - Luxury hamper - Sunday Roast Carvery meals - Hamper of drinks - Tractor ride with ploughman's lunch - Jewellery - Bee-keeping experience (suit

provided) - 6 bottles of prosecco - Meal for 4 with bottle of wine - Celebration iced fruit cake - Car service & valeting - Tour of designer gardens & afternoon tea for 8 people - Salon treatments - Wicklesham Quarry Fossil Cake -  
And more.....!!!!!!

Email: [protectwicklesham@gmail.com](mailto:protectwicklesham@gmail.com) for tickets

DONATIONS OF FURTHER LOTS ARE WARMLY INVITED!

### **Badbury Bluebells**- 17/4/17

I gather the bluebells are out in Badbury woods - can't say the same for my garden!  
Mary Beck

### **Adrian Davey Strikes Again** - 15/4/17

After seeing recommendations for Adrian on this site I asked him to install a water tap in my back garden. When he came, I told him what I wanted but he said there was a better and cheaper way of doing it. He installed the solution two days later and saved me about £200 and the job only took about 20 minutes instead of a full day. I am delighted and will definitely call him again if there is something I cannot do outside. Contact him on [mail@watercraftmanagement.com](mailto:mail@watercraftmanagement.com)  
Mary Worrall

### **Town Meeting** - 11/4/17

If you didn't manage to go to the Town Meeting last evening you can read the reports from various organisations( Police, Twinning, Youth, Citizens advice +++) in the town on the [Town Council website](#). So much has been done, and more is planned. A good read.  
Ed

### **40 London St** - 11/4/17

Hi can you help and give me any information on the cottage that used to be a butchers shop at number 40 London road I'm just in the process of buying the property and would very much like to know the history of the building ,  
Many thanks  
Karen Coote

### **Badbury Bluebells in flower?** - 10/4/17

One of the highlights of our year is a visit to Badbury Clump to see the bluebells. Everything seems to be coming out very early this year. I wonder if you can tell me whether the bluebells are out yet?  
Martin Down

### **Wanted- someone to mow a field** - 10/4/17

Is there a farmer or gardener in the Pusey area that could mow a 2 acre field at all?  
Chris Jewell

### **Dead Hero or Live Coward ?**- 9/4/17

A bunch of thugs attack a man. Should I interfere ?  
A policeman would be useful but no chance that there's one near  
If I try to help him my life could end today.  
So if I'm really sensible I'll simply walk away.  
But I'll still have a future with many happy days  
I'll be an upright citizen in many different ways

But every day my waking thought will stay with me all day.

Was I just a coward when I looked the other way

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### **Faringdon in Bloom 2017** - 9/4/17

Best Large garden

best small garden

best allotment

best basket / box

best business floral display

best junior miniature garden

Crafted Flower

winner of the winners

Judging July8th/9th

To Enter please pick up an entry form from Faringdon Town Council information centre, Pump House, Faringdon or visit [www.faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk) to download one

### **Tombola and Cake Stall** - 6/4/17

During the morning of Friday the 12th May the White Horse Medical Practice is having a Tombola and Cake Sale. All proceeds to Great Ormond Street. Any donations of Cakes or Tombola Prizes before the day would be gratefully received and can be handed in at reception. Please contact Claire Harris 01367 718351/242388 for more information.

### **New bus timetable for the 66** - 6/4/17

There is now a 20-minute service in both directions for much of the day -good news!- but worth checking out the details if you are a frequent user. You might need to leave home a few minutes earlier than you used to.

[https://tiscon-maps-](https://tiscon-maps-stagecoachbus.s3.amazonaws.com/Timetables/West/66_Swindon_2_April_2017.pdf)

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### **New Bistro- Sub Rosa**- 4/4/17

The refurbishment has been beautifully done. Yet to try the food.

4B Market Place SN7 7HL

Reservations: 01367 241574

[info@subrosa.uk.com](mailto:info@subrosa.uk.com)

Open: Tuesday - Wednesday- Thursday 9:00 a.m.- 7:00 p.m.

Friday - Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Monday: CLOSED

### **Children playing** - 4/4/17

Oh the joy of long evenings and working over 12 hours each days only to coming home to unattended kids playing dangerously in the roads, screaming outside your door, playing on your drive, thinking its fun to play knock a door run, kids looking after babies. What are the parents doing! Where is the consideration for people who have younger kids who are a sleep early or get up early. Is 20.30 too late for primary school kids to be out, that's 5 hours of play. There are plenty of parks and green spaces so go take your kids there and spend time with them

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### **Church Warden** - 3/4/17

Thankyou to Andrew Sargent for his years of commitment to being church warden at All Saints church.

To Clare his wife for al her support to Andrew and All Saints Church.

Thankyou to you both

Dee England

### **Boogie-Me at The Pumhouse Project-** 3/4/17

Thanks to everyone that came to our gig on Saturday to support The Pumhouse Project and "Target Ovarian Cancer". We raised over £600 (plus the cash buckets) split between the 2 charities. The Band thanks you all for supporting what was, for us, a fantastic night with over 120 people packed in.

Love you all, please come see us again, next opportunity probably at FollyFest.

Steve W and Boogie Me.

### **White Horse Practice Newsletter-** 2/4/17

The Spring 2017 edition is now available on <http://www.whitehorsepracticeppg.org.uk/>

Find out about: Dementia awareness, Patient Group update, Getting Heard, New Partners, How to book Q&A,How to complain

Volunteer cars,Your Health Health check, Strokes advice,Contraception for 40+ yrs,Community Health.

Paper copies will be available from the Health Centre, the library, London St pharmacy+++ from 5/4/17

Gene Webb

### **Boogie Me at the Pump House-** 2/4/17

Last evening- Another great event at the Pump House. Boogie Me are so wonderful.

Over 100 people.

In aid of ovarian cancer

### **Regent Cinema** - 1/4/17

98 people watched Sully last evening in the Corn Exchange.

What an excellent initiative by the Town Council this is. Billy does a great job

Gene Webb