

**Hedging- wonderful job** - 29/8/17

I have recently used Adrian Davey after seeing recommendations on Faringdon.org to cut my hedges which had become more than I could manage. Adrian came round, gave me a price which was very reasonable. A few days later son Tim and work mate Patrick arrived did a wonderful job. In fact they did more than I originally asked for at no extra cost. I will definitely contact them again when they need cutting back again. Give them a try. You will not be disappointed.  
Caroline McWilliams.

**Integrated Urgent Care from 5/9/17-** 29/8/17

NHS England is rolling out Integrated Urgent Care across the country and Thames Valley is an early adopter of this exciting new service. It brings together 111, Out of Hours primary care and a range of other services which will be accessible through a single phone call.

Simply put, patients will continue to call the 111 number and the trained call handler will assess the person's needs. They will be able to arrange for the patient to see or speak to a healthcare professional 24hrs a day, seven days a week, including GPs where this is clinically appropriate.

[Read more about it](#)

**Tuckers Park Cinema-** 25/8/17

What a lovely evening. The breaks in the film took me back to the old newsreel cinemas. It was fun. Is this going to be an annual event. The only down part was the security light that kept coming on. Very bright and very intrusive.  
Greenwich

**Traffic Monitor - Fernham Road** - 24/8/17

I have noticed a traffic monitor across the road in Fernham Road after the school and leisure centre.

Does anybody know who it's for? I only wonder because I assume it's to check the traffic levels so that more houses can be agreed further down the road.

If this is the case I would like to ask whoever is responsible for it why they chose to do it when the school is closed for the summer holidays.

The rest of the year Monday-Friday the road is very busy with cars speeding down there and others parking.

Perhaps they'll do another survey in the middle of September?

Name Supplied

**Grants from VWHDC Council** - 22/8/17

Communities across the Vale of White Horse that are looking to improve local facilities can benefit from a share of £175,000 that is available from the district council.

The money can help fund a variety of facilities and improvements like building new skate parks or play areas, upgrading sports pavilions, improving a community hall or purchasing life-saving defibrillators.

The current round of applications closes at 4pm on 15 October and awards will be confirmed within 12 weeks.

Earlier this year the council awarded nearly £25,000 in grants, including more than £21,000 towards improvements to four village halls, and nearly £1,500 to Grove District Guides for camping equipment.

Councillor Elaine Ware, cabinet member for grants at the Vale of White Horse District Council, said: "This money is put aside to help communities thrive and can go toward all kinds of project – big and small, we'd love to hear from as many groups as possible to help give their local area a boost.

"If a local facility in your area, such as a village hall, skate park or sports pavilion could benefit from some improvement work, speak to whoever looks after it, as they may be able to apply to us for a grant."

For more information, visit [www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/grants](http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/grants) or contact the team at [grants@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:grants@southandvale.gov.uk) or on 01235 422405

**'So Long Leonard'** - 21/8/17

If you missed Faringdon Dramatic Society's Show "So Long Leonard" during Folly Fest, there's a chance to catch us again at The Trout Inn Lechlade on Sat 9th September.

Carolyn Taylor

**COMPUTER SUPPORT-** 21/8/17

Once again Raoul has saved me and sorted out my computer. He really is brilliant with computers and I would recommend him to anyone with any problems with theirs. Telephone Raoul at Quidne IT on 01367 700092. Brilliant service.

Jill De-Bank

**Car park at Radcot-** 20/8/17

Hi - my OS map shows parking at Radcot Bridge is a public car park - yet there is a sign saying it is for hotel patrons only ? any one have any ideas which is correct ?

Ken Smith

### **Water leak** - 18/8/17

I cannot see where this should be reported to but -

Water has been running from an overflow pipe on the Telephone Exchange for at least 2-3 days.

Name and address supplied

*Ed: It can be done online at <https://www.thameswater.co.uk/Help-and-Advice/Bursts-and-Leaks/Report-a-Leak-or-Burst-Pipe> or 24-hour freephone leakline on 0800 714 614*

### **Thankyou All Saints Bell ringers-** 17/8/17

Further to my posting of 6/8 and as patriarch of the Haynes family in Faringdon, I would again like to thank All Saints bell ringers for the quarter peal rung on Tuesday 16th to commemorate the sacrifice made by their fellow bell ringer and our family member George William Haynes who fell at Passchendaele in August 1917.

We were invited up to the ringing chamber to watch the ringers tuning up before the peal and then spent an enjoyable hour in the market place listening to the bells.

Ladies and gentlemen we appreciate the tribute and on behalf of the Haynes family

Thank You..

Dennis Haynes

### **Quarter peal** - 16/8/17

All Saints ringers successfully rang a quarter peal in honour of George William Haynes, a Faringdon bell ringer who died at Passchendaele on 22nd August 1917. The quarter peal on 15th August consisted of 1288 changes of Grandsire Triples and we were privileged to meet three generations of George's descendants who came to the belfry to meet us before we started.

Jon Chamberlain

### **Bell Ringers** - 16/8/17

Congratulations to the bellringers yesterday! I don't know how they do it. I don't know if they did it right, but it sounded good to me!

Mary Beck

### **Community Grants- Leader funding event-** 16/8/17

22 August, 10am-12pm, Old Town Hall, Faringdon (Market Place, Faringdon, SN7 7HL – free 2 hour parking in town)

Calling farmers, businesses, community organisations, foresters and tourism providers. We have £1.55 million to award to rural projects in Oxfordshire.

Come along to find out more about what projects are eligible. There will be a brief presentation at 10.15am, otherwise please drop in at any time to talk to us. We will also be sharing information about other local opportunities.

It would be great if you can let us know you plan to attend although not essential. Our contact details are [oxfordshire.leader@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:oxfordshire.leader@southandvale.gov.uk) or 01235 422245.

<http://www.oxfordshireleader.org.uk/leader-information-event-22-august-faringdon/>

### **Felix Fund** - 15/8/17

On behalf of Felix Fund the bomb disposal charity based at Vauxhall Barracks, Didcot

We would be very grateful if you could assist in fundraising at any of your forthcoming events such as family events, firework displays etc, we provide and promotional material you made need and collection buckets, we are in a difficult and very trying climate at present and all monies raised on behalf of Felix Fund go to those ex-serving and current serving members of EOD working in bomb disposal and SO15 (counter terrorism police unit) and their families

you can visit us on our website at [felixfund.org.uk](http://felixfund.org.uk) for a further insight into what we do to help those working in bomb disposal

Kind regards  
Lucinda

### **The Living Nativity-** 15/8/17

This Christmas, for one night only, the centre of Faringdon will be transformed into Bethlehem!

Faringdon Town Council has partnered up with a choir from the community, Faringdon Baptist church, Faringdon All Saints church and Faringdon Dramatic Society in order to create a live nativity for everyone to come and see. The Living Nativity will take place on Friday 8th December and will include live acting, live singing and live animals! #thecamelsarecoming

We need kings, shepherds, holy family members, angels and citizens so if you would like to be involved, please come along to auditions on Tuesday 5th September, at 7:30pm in the Jubilee Room at the Pump house in Faringdon. No need to prepare anything, you are welcome to just turn up!

Also, Tesco in Faringdon are having voting boxes and Faringdon Town Council are available to be voted for up until Thursday 31st August 2017, and we would really appreciate your votes!

For further information, please visit [www.faringdotowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.faringdotowncouncil.gov.uk) or call 01367 240281

### **Highworth Community Cinema - 15/8/17**

Highworth Community Cinema. Our films are shown in St Michael's Hall, Lechlade Road, SN6 7HQ on the fourth Friday of each month from September 2017 to April 2018 (except December). Admission £5 includes tea/coffee and biscuit. Details at [www.highworthfilms.org.uk](http://www.highworthfilms.org.uk).

Friday 22nd September 2017 - A United Kingdom

Friday 27th October 2017- Hidden Figures

Friday 24th November 2017 - Common People

Friday 26th January 2018 - Eagle Huntress  
Friday 23rd February 2018- The Olive Tree  
Friday 23rd March 2018 - Burn, Burn, Burn  
Friday 27th April 2018 - Queen of Katwe

**Freedom of Information- Wicklesham Quarry appeal costs- 11/8/17**

Council and Solicitor fees £55000  
Officer Time costs £6000  
Costs paid by applicant £5000  
Net costs to VWHDC £56000  
[See letter from VWHDC](#)  
Name Supplied

**Ride & Stride for churches.Saturday 9th September- 8/8/17**

You are invited to take part in a sponsored walking or cycling visit to churches to raise money for the repair of historic church buildings.

Over 500 churches in Oxfordshire will be open to welcome Riders and Striders together with many thousands across the country.

Please contact [jonandkaycham@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:jonandkaycham@tiscali.co.uk) or [henryboddington239@btinternet.com](mailto:henryboddington239@btinternet.com)

**Rucksack found - 6/8/17**

Found today a rucksack at Radcot containing personal items. I believe the owners are from southern England and were on holiday here.

Phil Matson

**Commemorative bell ringing- 6/8/17**

On behalf of the Haynes family I would like to thank the All Saints bell ringers and wish them every success in their attempt on Tuesday August 15th to ring a quarter peal to commemorate the sacrifice made by their former bell ringer and our family member George William Haynes who fell at Passchendaele in August 1917

We look forward to hearing the bells although I am ashamed to admit that I don't know what a quarter peal is.

Dennis Haynes

**SSE Resilience Fund info - 4/8/17**

This is the reply I got- looks as if it's to do with flooding prevention

Further to your voicemail, please find attached a link to an article on our website about the funding as requested.

<https://www.floodprotectionsolutions.co.uk/single-post/2017/07/27/Community-Groups-Flood-Funding-Stream>

For your information, I have emailed out the following to Parish Councils:

Some Parish Councils are eligible to apply for on behalf of the community. The grant enables you to access funding for projects (£1,000 - £20,000) which create a stronger and more co-ordinated resilience framework for local communities.

If your Parish Council is funded by local residents via council tax then you are not eligible to apply for the fund, but you may have a local flood group that could apply? The reason for this is that these councils are regarded as a higher tier of local government as they are funded directly via Council Tax, and are responsible for their own budgets, which other Parish and Town Councils are not.

If you are eligible and are interested in securing funding to buy new equipment to create a resilience hub and enhance your community facilities then please contact me so we can help you with your application. **This vital funding** could help your community to be more prepared in the event of a significant emergency.

**The deadline to apply for this funding is 13/08/17.**

In the meantime, should you require any further information, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Tanya Wainwright Project Manager

Mob: 07508 422500 Office: 0115 9870358

**Commemorative Bells - 3/8/17**

On Tuesday 15th August at 7.30pm the All Saints bell ringers will attempt a quarter peal in memory of one of their number who died 100 years ago at the Battle of Passchendaele.

George William Haynes Died 22/08/1917 age 42. Commemorated at Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium. He was the husband of Fanny Haynes of Elm Tree Cottages, London Street and father of five children.

**Faringdon Regent Cinema is having another go at screening: \*\*\* Beauty & The Beast (PG) \*\*\*- 3/8/17**

Friday 4th August at 4pm (doors 3.30pm)

At The Corn Exchange, Gloucester Street, Faringdon

Tickets in Advance from Faringdon Info Centre - 01367 240281

£3 U18s, £4 Adults, £10 Family

Tickets on Door: £4 U18s, £5 Adults, £11 Family

Our sincere apologies for not being able to screen the film last Friday due to technical difficulties. We look forward to seeing you all!

Refreshments, popcorn, sweets, ice-creams 50p FREE squash

(Please bring exact money/change if possible)

**What is the resilience fund?**- 3/8/17

It is offered to central southern England by the electricity company,  
"We have established the fund to support communities to improve their resilience. The fund is particularly focused on projects which help vulnerable or isolated people living in our network areas.

Mary Beck

*Ed: Trying to find out*

**SSE RESILIENCE COMMUNITY FUND** - 3/8/17

Town Council has been contacted regarding the above grant which could provide funding for projects (£1,000 - £20,000) to create a stronger and more co-ordinated resilience framework for local communities.

Regrettably Town Council is not eligible for this grant but it may be possible that local community groups could be. If your group is interested in securing funding to buy new equipment to create a resilience hub and enhance your community facilities then please contact Tanya Wainwright, Project Manager, Mob: 07508 422500, Office: 0115 9870358 for further information.

PLEASE NOTE: THE DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR THIS GRANT IS 13 AUGUST 2017.

Faringdon Town Council

**Break In at the Pump House Faringdon Thursday 27th July** - 1/8/17

I am sad to report there was a break in at the Pump House between the hours of 5pm Thursday 27th July and 8.30am Friday 28th July.

Thieves used a ladder from a neighbouring property to gain access by forcing entry through a first floor window at the rear of the property. Two safes were stolen, one of which was extremely heavy and would need at least two people to lift.

If anyone has any information please call 101 quoting crime reference number: 4317223176. You can also report any information anonymously by calling Crime Stoppers on 0800 555 111.

Please be vigilant in securing your own properties. Make sure you lock up any ladders and keep your windows secure.

Sally Thurston

Town Clerk

**New Pay and Display machines for District Council car parks** - 1/8/17

<http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/news/2017/2017-07/new-pay-and-display-machines-district-council-car-parks>