

Chance to vote for Faringdon band.- 29/8/18

Young Rosie who did a great performance at Follyfest on the Saturday night were on the internet radio station www.dfm.org.uk in their unsigned bands show on Tuesday evening. It is possible to go on their site to see their video under the videos tab and vote for them using the vote tab to show your support.

Let's help them win for Faringdon and good music.

Steve Bunce

Marlborough St Closure for Roadworks - 29/8/18

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT, 1984

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 14(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984, that the Oxfordshire County Council

TEMPORARY TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS

LOCATION: Faringdon:
Road Closure: Marlborough Street
No Waiting and Suspension of the One Way: Bromsgrove
Enforcement of Temporary One Way: London Street

REASON: To facilitate highway resurfacing and maintenance

DURATION: Starting on 28 August 2018 the anticipated completion date is 4 September 2018. This closure will be in action between 20:00 and 06:00 daily (Traffic Regulation Notices cover a maximum of 5 consecutive days)

ACCESS: Limited access will be maintained for emergency service vehicles and for frontages within the closed section of road, subject to the progress of the works

The "No Waiting" restriction means that wherever there are in place yellow "No Waiting" cones or other "No Waiting" markings, you will not be able to park vehicles on the highway.

SUGGESTED ALTERNATIVE ROUTE:

London Street, Gloucester Road, A417, Gravel Walk, Station Road
Station Road, Gravel Walk, A417, Gloucester Road, London Street
Dependent on direction of one way restriction

Owen Jenkins, Director for Infrastructure Delivery

oxfordshire.roadworks.org/

For further information and to keep updated please visit **Lloyds Mobile timetable-** 25/8/18

I looked for the mobile branch info a while back and found it here

<https://www.lloydsbank.com/banking-with-us/mobile-branch/witney.asp>

Anne-Marie Wight

Lloyds horse box.- 25/8/18

I would love to know how customers of Lloyds bank are getting on with the horse box they provide in the car park.

I still get and accept cheques from my elderly customers and may well be in Highworth, Carterton or any other of the towns around here that the van may visit so I could deposit the cheques if the vans were in town, no where on Lloyds website gives you a timetable of the activity of these vans, when I posed a question online all I was given was why the branches closed, a pie chart of how the branches was used and by who, nothing that was of any use to me.

I fully appreciate that Lloyds provide these horse boxes where a lot of other long gone banks just hot footed it out of the towns and didn't give a toss for their faithful customers, however, not really much of a point supplying these horse boxes with no information given on where or when these things are going to be and at what time.

I suspect that they too will soon be a distant memory as people get so fed up with it all they just

won't bother seeking them out giving Lloyds the excuse to say well we supplied mobile units and no one used them, I have heard a rumour that if there is no parking space for the horse box it just drives away leaving the few long suffering customers high and dry, and with winter approaching I can't see people standing in the wind and rain to use the mobile bank, Please don't inform me that I can deposit cheques into the post office, that is a whole new kettle of fish I will save for later.....

Jim Horton. Painter and Decorator of the Parish for the last 50 years (semi-retired, but don't let that stop you from asking me for an estimate, just don't pay me by cheque!)

BT performance - 25/8/18

Hi, we are having a robust discussion with BT over their recent failings. Who should be copied in? It is for the benefit of all..

Mike Groves For David Sargent, Sands Barn
Mike Groves

White Horse Show- 24/8/18

Spitfires, the country's first female aerobatic British champion, jumping American trucks on a quad bike and BMW champions are all coming to Uffington on Sunday and Bank Holiday for the White Horse Show.

It's a community run show that has earned £500k over the past 40 years for local charity groups. You can check out the show's page at www.whitehorseshow.co.uk

All Saints' church Flower Guild will be commemorating the 96 men of Faringdon- 23/8/18

On Bank Holiday weekend, 25th, 26th & 27th August 2018, All Saints' church Flower Guild will be commemorating the 96 men of Faringdon and the surrounding district from WW1 whose names are on Faringdon War Memorial, under the title of 'There but not there'.

The idea first came after Faringdon Dramatic Society's production 'Reflections' in November 2014, and was inspired by the poppies at the Tower and the 'There but not there' installation in Penshurst church near Tonbridge in Kent in 2016.

96 individual commemorative poppies have been made by a group from the Pump House Project and we will have books of the men's names with details military units (researched and compiled by former Mayor Mike Wise, and Mark Stone) for people to look at and find out more about these brave men. In addition, All Saint's bell ringers, who have rung the bells to commemorate every person listed on the 100th anniversary of their death, will be holding an open Tower day on the Saturday for anyone who would like to see what they do, and members of FDS will be reading poetry and letters of the time at 3.30 on the Sunday afternoon.

Refreshments will be available in the Barber Rooms behind the church and we will have a commemorative programme available for those who would like a small memento.

This event is being organised in conjunction with the Town Council and the exhibition that they are staging of Faringdon's WW1 Hospital, with assistance from Buscot Park Estate.

Over 60s swimming for £5 - 23/8/18

Residents of southern Oxfordshire aged 60 and over can sign up for a month's swimming for just £5 thanks to a special September offer from South Oxfordshire and the Vale of White Horse District Councils and 'Better' leisure centres.

Would-be swimmers simply register for the offer by visiting the [GO Active Gold website](http://GOActiveGold.com) or by calling 01235 422219 by 27 September.

Once they have received confirmation they can visit the participating leisure centres throughout September to swim as many times as they like for a one-off payment of £5. The month-long swim deal will start from the date of the first swim.

<http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/news/2018/2018-08/special-september-offer-older-swimmers>

66 becomes S6, new timetable- 23/8/18

From 2/9/18

[Faringdon- Swindon](#)

[Faringdon Oxford](#)

Anyone know? - 23/8/18

Did anyone know the Morbeys who farmed in faringdon?????

Did anyone know Mary Jane and George Morbeys???? Or Reggie Goddard????

carolinecharles99@gmail.com

Faringdon House renovation- 17/8/18

Lots of work being planned

<http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/java/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P18/V1975/FUL>

Find out about English bell ringing.- 15/8/18

Tower Open Day, Saturday 25th August All Saints Church in the Market Place.

11.00am - 12.00 noon

2.00pm - 3.00pm

3.30pm - 4.30pm

Please e-mail faringdonringers@gmail.com or see Doreen Leslie at the ringers display in the church on the day.

[See leaflet](#)

Budgens- 15/8/18

Have heard that it (or some of it) will be a Londis

Ed

New buses- 12/8/18

New Gold buses have arrived in Swindon for the Oxford service which is to become the S6 from 66, to match other Oxford Gold services.

The change will be effective from 2nd September. I believe that there will be a 15 minute frequency in the rush hours.

FARINGDON HERITAGE DAY 15TH SEPTEMBER- 10/8/18

Hello All 'Old Girls'

Faringdon Library is going to be involved in Faringdon Heritage Day. As many are aware we are in residence in part of the old Girls Grammar School,(thought to be what was the cookery classroom) with this in mind we thought it would be lovely to have a display of school uniform, school timetables, perhaps if anyone has them, some recipes from their days at the school, hockey sticks, school photos..whatever you may have from your time spent at Faringdon Girls Grammar School. We will put an exhibit together and hope to make some traditional bakes for the day too!

Faringdon Library

Oxford Playhouse looking for volunteer ushers- 9/8/18

Application info on <https://www.oxfordplayhouse.com/about-us/job-vacancies/volunteer-ushers/>

Deadline 3/9/18

It's a great voluntary job- you get to see the show

Gene Webb

Vale Council - spend on Leisure - 8/8/18

<http://cllrdebbyhallett.com/2018/08/07/capital-leisure-by-area/> To see sums spent in Abingdon, Wantage, Faringdon areas.

I've calculated the per capita sums for Faringdon (pop 22687) and Wantage (pop 24790) Leisure

Centre catchment area.

Wantage £36. Faringdon £8 per head spend over last 5 years

For the next 5 years the large sum for Wantage (£19m total) is largely for a new Wantage Leisure Centre (£18m) in Mably way. For Faringdon (£1.65m total) for an artificial pitch (£750k) and some renovation of the Leisure Centre.

Ed

A run in the Park - 8/8/18

<https://www.parkrun.org.uk/register/>

Looks like a good idea. Witney are doing it <http://www.parkrun.org.uk/witney/>

www.parkrun.org.uk/witney/

Permission applied for Hotel and shop in Park Road - 7/8/18

<http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/java/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P18/V0442/FUL>

The word is that it will be a Travelodge and Home Bargains (or the like)

VWHDC council investigating parking enforcement- 7/8/18

The Council is exploring whether to take over on-street parking enforcement in the district.

We are contacting Oxfordshire County Council (the highways authority), which is responsible for formally applying for powers and then delegating civil parking enforcement responsibilities, to find out whether this could be possible.

We are also carrying out work to look at the business case involved in taking over enforcement, including costs and projected income.

Thames Valley Police is currently responsible for this across the Vale, apart from in Abingdon where some streets are dealt with by the town council.

Cllr Elaine Ware, Cabinet Member for Housing and Environment, said: "Illegal and irresponsible parking can make getting around in our towns and villages very difficult and we know that this is a concern for our residents.

"Thames Valley Police is currently responsible for enforcement and we will continue to highlight problem areas. We have an obligation to our taxpayers to ensure we would be making the right move by applying to take over this responsibility and we're looking at this in detail, while actively working with partner organisations to address issues now.

"In the meantime, I would urge motorists to act responsibly and think first before parking outside permitted areas.

We need to seek formal agreement from Oxfordshire County Council to apply to the Department of Transport to delegate civil parking enforcement powers to our council. If the county council agrees and we decide to take over responsibility, a full review will need to be carried out to look at existing car parking orders and yellow lines.

Road Closure- Buscot Wick - 7/8/18

<https://mailchi.mp/70ca7a26597e/traffic-regulation-notice?e=700f79bdd3> for details and map of alternative route

MF Dance is now coming to FARINGDON - 7/8/18

Faringdon leisure centre

Starts Monday 24th September

Minis aged 3-6 is from 5:15-6:00

Juniors aged from 7-11 is from 6:00-7:00

Teens aged 11+ is from 7:00-8:00

Prices vary

Faringdon Rural Crime- from Thames Valley Alert- 1/8/18

In the last couple of weeks we have seen a rise in rural crime, mainly thefts and damage caused by poaching. We suspect this is due to the harvests being earlier this year.

Between 10am 15/07- 9am 17/07 a livestock trailer was stolen from a property in Sparsholt.

Between 17/07- 21/07 there was a theft of a tool box and an attempted theft of red diesel from a combine harvester at a farm in Shrivenham.

Between 6pm 19/07- 8am 24/07 £8000 worth of electric cable stolen from Coxwell Road, Faringdon.

Between 9pm 23/07- 8.30am 24/07 a mini bus stolen from a farm in Stanford in the Vale.

Between 10.30pm 23/07- 7am 24/07 a trailer with a motorbike on it was stolen from Bourton, near Swindon.

Between 11pm 25/07- 6am 26/07 damage was caused to fencing and crops were driven over at a property in Ashbury. This is likely to have been a result of possible deer poaching in the area.

Overnight between 24/07- 25/07 a bell drinker was stolen from a farm in Buckland.

On 26/07 criminal damage was caused to a wind turbine at Westmill Wind Farm, Watchfield.

On 26/07 criminal damage was caused to a pheasant pen at a farm in Buckland.

Between 12am 27/07- 5pm 27/07 a Mitsubishi L200 was stolen from a farm in Knighton, Swindon.

Between 2pm 27/07- 6pm 27/07 460 pheasant chicks were stolen from a property in Longcot.

On 29/07 hare coursers were disrupted on farm land in Buckland. The offenders made off from officers who had disrupted them and the vehicle was not located. A dog was found by officers after the initial incident which was temporarily rehomed until the legal owner is found.

On 30/7 a stolen Land Rover was seized in Great Coxwell.

Beauty spot thefts

We have had some thefts from vehicles at beauty spots like Badbury Clumps. Please remember not to leave valuables in your vehicles.

Your local policing team puts regular updates on

Facebook www.facebook.com/tvpsouthandvale and Twitter @TVPsouthandvale – so please like and follow us for more information on what is going on.

See [Crime Map for Faringdon and area \(May 2018\)](#)

Unitary Council in Oxfordshire- no decision - 1/8/18

The government will not be making a decision on the proposals for a single unitary council for Oxfordshire for the foreseeable future.

The Minister for Local Government has written to the Leaders of South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils explaining that the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government is not currently planning to announce a decision.

In his letter, the Rt Hon Rishi Sunak MP explained that the government will be pausing its consideration for a unitary council while other changes to local government in Oxfordshire take place. Oxfordshire County Council is currently entering into a new partnership with Cherwell District Council after Cherwell's agreements with South Northamptonshire District Council came to an end as part of the restructuring of local government in Northamptonshire.

Cllr Jane Murphy, Leader at South Oxfordshire, said: "While we await a decision, we're doing everything we can to work more closely across Oxfordshire and the minister acknowledged the positive work we're doing with our partner councils to secure the very best infrastructure to support the housing growth happening in the county."

Cllr Roger Cox, Leader at the Vale, said: "We're looking forward to further conversations about the structure of local government in Oxfordshire once the current range of initiatives across the county have become embedded."

Read the [letter from the minister \(350.5 KB\)](#).

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