

OCF is seeking to award grants, between £5,000 and £25,000 - 30/5/21

Tackling the causes of homelessness or to support move-on housing. These will be funded from our Community Resilience Fund, set up during the pandemic. Rough sleepers were brought into emergency accommodation during the last year's various lockdowns.

As this provision comes to an end, OCF is keen to support work that prevents a return to the streets and encourage grant applications that give longer-term support, rather than immediate relief.

Find out more and apply now>> (<https://e-oxfordshirecommunityfoundation.org/1OSY-7DVV9-LUB5YT-4G91HN-0/c.aspx>)

We will fund ongoing core costs, project or programme work, and ongoing running costs that provide a demonstrable contribution towards tackling the causes of homelessness or the provision of move on housing or support. We may allocate a grant of up to £75,000 for a collaborative bid.

More information about these priorities and preferred outcomes and beneficiaries is available on the grants application page. Early applications are encouraged. Please do contact us (ocf@oxfordshire.org) if you have any questions.

Litter Pick Mon 31st- 29/5/21

Just a thought, but I've heard that the litter in the area behind the car park for Folly Park is building up. It was flagged by the town council, but perhaps we could have a quick litter pick there and tidy it up in the meantime.

I was going to suggest this Monday, meeting at 10.30 in the car park, I'm hoping that if we there are a few of us, we should get it done in an hour. It would be our first 'organised' pick but everyone would still be doing it at their own risk. Bring suitable clothing, footwear and equipment and have a read of the safety guidelines before coming along.

RSVP Bethia.Thomas@whitehorsedc.gov.uk we still need to be in a group of under 30 meeting outdoors.

THE COTSWOLD CHALLENGE ONLY 3 DAYS TO GO - 29/5/21

Are you a budding artist; a clever designer; a closet writer; an innovative inventor or a young entrepreneur in the making?

Then why not enter THE COTSWOLD CHALLENGE?

Categories to enter are: Art & Design; Creative Writing; Innovation and Entrepreneurial Thinking.

It's FREE to enter and there are big cash prizes to win as well as a few extra goodies thrown in.

Top prize is £500!

What would you do with a cool £500? A new mobile phone or some new clothes? Or put it towards something you've always wanted, but couldn't afford?

Who can enter? Any student who is in Year 11, 12 or 13 and attends a school or college in the Cotswolds or Swindon.

The celebrity judges this year are: Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen; Arron Crascall; Adam Henson and Dom Joly.

Closing date is: 9pm on Tuesday 6th July.

Winners will be notified on 27th July.

To enter from Tuesday 1st June, go to: www.thecotswoldchallenge.com.

Watch this informative video made by Kay Ransom Photography to find out more:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zw0xRRKJcuc>.

Chowle Farm Auction – disappointing news - 26/5/21

Dear friends,

Thank you so much for your support for the project.

The auction just closed and the land was sold for £116,000, so we were outbid by a huge margin.

We're so sad about the result but so glad that you were so amazing in your response. Raising £59,000 in just a few days was truly spectacular.

It's certainly heartening to know that there are so many people who care so much for wildlife that they're willing to help a little community, sometimes from the other side of the world! We'll do what we can to work with the new owners to protect the site.

We will close the crowdfunder in a moment and your fantastic pledges will be refunded. The crowdfunder site says that refunds should be processed within 5 working days, so please keep an eye out.

Thanks again for your support. It's made us all the more determined to do what we can to make our little patch of the world greener.

Best wishes,

"Greener Great Coxwell"

Plant Sale Sat 29th, Sun 30th- 25/5/21

Saturday 10.00 - 4.00 p.m.

Sunday 12.00-4.00 p.m

Usual mix of fruit, veg and flowers

My charity is "Help for Heroes"

Fernham Rd. Almost opposite entrance to F.C.C.

Val Hudspeth

Midsummer Trash and Treasure Giveaway 19th June - 25/5/21

Outside houses in Faringdon.

Clear out your loft and take part,
and/or come and take away something useful free.

No clothes please

REUSE AND RECYCLE

Details on <https://fb.me/e/1riXEgyKj>

Email trashandtreasure@btinternet.com to be included on the map. No charge for this

ART UNLOCKED!- 25/5/21

Faringdon Art Society is embracing release from lockdowns with a series of workshops designed to encourage aspiring artists and re-ignite existing artists' enthusiasm.

Basic drawing techniques, learning the secrets of 3D perspective and discovering the vitality of impressionistic watercolour are themes being explored.

Art tutor **George Boyter** will be in the picturesque village of Little Coxwell on 10 July 2021 to guide both beginners and those who need to pick up their drawing tools again.

Sheila Isabel Irigoyen Zozaya - artist, architect and urban designer - will lead a workshop in September covering the pesky issue of managing 3D perspective. At a location of interest yet to be revealed, participants will have the opportunity to produce a village scene that 'looks right'!

Vibrant cascading watercolour techniques will be shared by **Catherine Beale** in early October. Catherine has exhibited with the Royal Watercolour Society, Royal Institute of Painters in Watercolour and is a member of Society of Women Artists. This should be a fun and colorful day for all involved!

Everyone is welcome but numbers are limited – <http://www.faringdonartsociety.co.uk/upcoming-workshops.html>

Scam Phone calls - 25/5/21

Scam phone calls about disconnecting internet are happening again. If you receive a call like this, hang up. If they haven't withheld their number, you may want to contact your provider to get the number blocked. You can report scam calls to Action Fraud, the UK's national fraud and cyber crime reporting centre through their website (<https://www.actionfraud.police.uk>), or give them a call on 0300 123 2040. Deaf or hard of hearing callers can use the textphone number 0300 123 2050. Name supplied

Update - greener Gt Coxwell - 22/5/21

Dear friends, Thank you so much for your generous support for Greener Great Coxwell.

We're excited and daunted about the project, and we're humbled and heartened by the wonderful generosity you've shown.

It looks like the auction is going ahead on Wednesday, so we're speeding away with preparations. If we're not successful your pledges will be automatically returned. We're about to head down to the ancient woodland adjacent to the site to keep drumming up support and, with offline pledges, we're over half way there now.

If you're able to keep sharing and spreading the word, we'd be grateful!

With thanks and best wishes to all, Greener Great Coxwell

For more details see: https://www.greatcoxwell.com/.../4394.../great_coxwell_1.pdf.

To pledge support go to: www.crowdfunder.co.uk/greener-great-coxwell

Greener Great Coxwell Appeal - 21/5/21

Help Greener Great Coxwell (the Great Coxwell sustainability group) save part of the Chowle Farm (Faringdon Business Park on the A420) as a green space for conservation and wildlife.

We are raising £60k to purchase the site and turn it into a haven for nature and protect it forever.

For more details see: https://www.greatcoxwell.com/.../4394.../great_coxwell_1.pdf.

To pledge support go to: www.crowdfunder.co.uk/greener-great-coxwell

£400k + Community Infrastructure Levy for Faringdon - 21/5/21

Faringdon will receive some funding called CIL from the new developments coming to the town. The funds are set to be in excess of £400,000

Please get in touch if you have any ideas or comments.

You can email or call the Town Clerk: sally@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk 07711 424484

[Community Infrastructure Levy \(CIL\) - Faringdon Town Council](#)

Help for Families - 21/5/21

I am reaching out to you today to tell you about the Covid Support Grant that is available to offer financial support to families in need as we ease out of lockdown. The past year has been difficult for everyone and we know that there are many families and households who are struggling to afford food and to pay their household fuel bills.

If you are aware of any families in your communities that are struggling, please ask them to contact the Community Hub. We can refer them into one of our advice centres who can offer support in the form of advice, supermarket vouchers and direct payment of utility bills.

Our contact details are: • Tel: 01235 422600 or • Email: communityconnectors@southandvale.gov.uk

They can also get in touch with advice centres direct, their contact details are:

• Citizens Advice (South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse) – 0808 278 7907

• Vale Community Impact (Vale of White Horse) – 01235 765348

Emily Knight

Re bus stops. - 21/5/21

Coxwell St has no junction with Park Road, the Fire Station stop is in Station Road.

I suspect that the Fire Station and other emergency services, not to mention other large vehicles having objections to buses staying for longer than the time it takes to drop and pickup passengers in Coxwell St. The road is very narrow there and the bus would block the road.

Greenwich

New Town Mayor - 21/5/21

After serving many years as town mayor, Mike Wise stood down. The new Mayor is Kiera Bentley and the deputy is Liz Swallow.

The rest of the meeting was largely about finding members and chair for the various committees, outside organisations (eg Community Bus and Twinning ++)

Various policy documents - standing orders, complaints procedure, freedom of information ++ were confirmed as needing no amendments.

One councillor has stood down so there is now a vacancy

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Bus stops when Market Place is closed- 20/5/21

Closure of Faringdon Market Place 22nd June until 1st August 2021 (24/7)

Faringdon Market Place will not be accessible between 22nd June and 1st August 2021 and during this time, buses on Services S6 will need to turn from Coxwell Street directly into Park Road.

Buses to Oxford will wait their time at the last stop in Coxwell Street and buses to Swindon will wait their time at Faringdon Fire Station bus stop, this includes the morning journey on Service 806 to Cirencester College.

[ServiceUpdatesArticle | Stagecoach \(stagecoachbus.com\)](#)

Le Tour de Farcycles July 17th - 20/5/21

[See details on Poster Board](#)

Advertise on this website - 20/5/21

Things are opening up, thank goodness.

I expect many organisations in the town are planning events for the Summer- hope so

I'm more than happy to post details on [this website](#) so please do send the information and maybe a poster via [Contact us](#).

As far as am aware the Whats On is the only online list of events for Faringdon. It is in date order, so easy to look ahead at what may be happening in town.

It wholly relies on organisers to send me the information. It costs you nothing and is available to everyone without having to sign up (like Facebook etc).

Also, If you are a business or a club please would you check your entry on this website as I fear that many entries are out of date.

THANKYOU

Keep Faringdon Tidy/ Clean Poster Competition - 18/5/21

Design an eye poster to help promote our anti-litter campaign

Please send your designs to adele@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk

Closing date 21st June 2021

Open to children up to 12 years old

Newsletter - 18/5/21
[From David Johnson MP](#)

New Community Lottery to launch in the Vale of White Horse next month - 18/5/21

The White Horse Community Lottery will launch in June with a special virtual event. Organisations from the district's voluntary and community sector will be invited by the council to attend the event on Monday 14 June to find out how they can benefit from income raised ...

You can see details on our website by clicking the link below, or pasting the web address into your browser.
<https://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/vale-of-white-horse-district-council/new-community-lottery-to-launch-in-the-vale-of-white-horse-next-month/>

British Legion Anniversary - 15/5/21

15 May 2021 marks the 100th anniversary of the Royal British Legion. To mark the event the Faringdon and District branch of the RBL will be hosting a stall at the market. Special anniversary pins will be available for donations.

Sports Grant deadline 21/5- 13/5/21

Applications for grants of £2,021, for clubs or organisations that intentionally use sport to deliver wider social outcomes and build stronger communities, are closing next Friday 21st May 2021. Funding for this grants round has been made available from Made By Sport, a charity that raises awareness of the power of sport to change lives, and raises funds for organisations doing just that. This funding aims to create something which will leave a long-lasting, positive legacy for the future of young people.

Find out more and apply now>> (<https://e-oxfordshirecommunityfoundation.org/1OSY-7D81O-LUB5YT-4FS65U-0/c.aspx>)

Made By Sport grants are for sports clubs or organisations working within the sport for development sector, which are able to demonstrate that the COVID-19 pandemic has adversely affected them, either operationally or financially, and which require funding to save, resume or adapt their activity. More information about who can apply, and preferred outcomes and beneficiaries is available on the grants application page.

If you have an eligible project, please do consider applying, or contact us (ocf@oxfordshire.org) if you have any questions.

Best regards, Simon Barnard Community Impact Analyst

British Legion 100 year anniversary- 12/5/21

See [picture of display board](#) next to Costa

Planting and Painting grant from Town Council - 11/5/21

You can see if you're eligible on [Painting and Planting Grant - Faringdon Town Council](#)

Deadlines for applications are

- 30th June 2021
- 29th September 2021
- 24th November 2021
- 30th March 2022

This is available for business and property owners (I assume residential) in and around the Market Sq. (see [Bursary-zone-1.png \(680x480\) \(faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk\)](#)