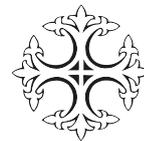


Eynsham News



Carnival is back

**Eynsham Carnival is back
on Saturday 2 July**

11am Eynsham Morris on the Market Square

12pm Shirt Race and Parade

1pm Carnival Field open on Oxford Rd

(Only disabled parking on site)

Ticket details/more info page 3

Village Buzz

Eynsham Means Business

Even though most people are feeling the squeeze of the cost of living crisis at the moment, there is still new growth emerging for Eynsham businesses. Here's a quick hello from three new businesses in the village centre:

IMBER Beauty

IMBER Beauty is run by Lily.

"I felt Eynsham was in need of a beauty salon that could offer the latest in beauty treatments and something fresh for people to get excited about. I think Eynsham is a great and growing community with people who would enjoy having our salon on their doorstep. We offer a wide range of beauty and aesthetic treatments and soon we will be offering hairdressing too! We can't wait for you to visit and enjoy some pampering with us!"



Eynsham Butchers

Since the end of March, Golsby butchers has been run by Nicky and Jason.

Nicky says, "We've had another shop in Wheatley for eight years called Cricks Butchers & Deli and we love what we do!"

"We are dedicated to ensuring that quality remains of utmost importance; we'll be bringing along some new lines and ideas as well as changing the

shop's name to Cricks Butchers & Deli of Eynsham. We wish the previous owner, Martin, all the luck in the world on his new adventure as we embark on our own. Have a look at our Facebook page for lots of photos, offers and information and if you're passing, please pop in—we can't wait to meet you all!"



The Red Lion

Becky and Luke took the keys to the Red Lion, on the Market Square, in mid-March and opened the doors on the 31st March 2022 after a frantic 2 weeks of scrubbing, painting, sanding and sourcing furniture!

Becky says, "We have installed a completely new bar delivering a large range of draft products to suit all tastes and budgets. The pub benches have returned to the sunny front aspect of the pub and we like to keep the open fires burning on cold chilly days! The fully enclosed back garden has plenty of space and benches for everyone to enjoy the sunshine. This beautiful old building has had many a tenant over its lifetime but we hope to keep it within the traditional village pub style.

"On the core team is my son, Luke (yes, another Luke, very confusing!) whom people will know as the previous General Manager at The Queen's Head, my son Joshua and his girlfriend Emily, who both worked Blakes Coffee shop in Clanfield. This month we're joined by chef Chris Kirby, who lives in Eynsham with his wife Lizzy and two young children

who are at Eynsham Primary school.

"I grew up in Witney, Luke Griffiths in Botley, and Joshua and Luke went to school at Eynsham Primary and Bartholomew as we lived for many years in Stanton Harcourt. Chris grew up in Yarnton and has worked as a chef locally and for the last 10 years in a family pub business in the Aylesbury area.

"For Luke and I, this is our first pub ownership and we truly hope it to be a long-term adventure here in Eynsham. Our previous work experience is in the NHS; Luke was a cardiac nurse and I still work full time as a cardiac physiologist at the John Radcliffe.

"Our first couple of months have been absolutely brilliant with awesome support from the village and surrounding area for which we are truly grateful. We look are looking forward to a long and happy partnership with the village and villagers and hope that we can support everyone as we become part of the Eynsham family."



The Red Lion team!



Yoko and Murdock!

Please send in items for our next edition before 10 July 2022

Carnival is back

Entrance to the Carnival Field (Oxford Rd) is by ticket only:

£5 entry, £4 in advance

£3 children/concessions

Under 5s and Carers free

Tickets available from Evenlode DIY,
the Post Office and Eynsham Cellars



Eynsham Carnival returns Saturday 2 July 2022 after a two-year absence! It features a madcap shirt race, a village parade and Morris dancing around the historic centre, followed by fantastic live acts, live music, funfair, bar, stalls and a craft fair on the playing fields; it's a highlight of the year for many.

If you're planning on putting decorations up for the Jubilee Bank Holiday, why not leave them up and enhance them for Carnival day too? We'd love to see the village looking bright and colourful.

Very importantly, be aware that under licence some central roads in Eynsham will be closed between 11.00am and 2.00pm on the day of Carnival. The penalty for infringement of this order is a fine of up to £1000. For the enjoyment of all please respect these road closures and if you live along the parade route, please consider parking cars elsewhere prior to the event! View a map of road closures on eynshamcarnival.com



Help us on the day

Can you spare an hour on Carnival Day? We need around 60 volunteers on the day to run the event successfully, whether that be setting up, manning road closures, marshalling, checking tickets or running an activity. You don't have to help for the whole day, just an hour or two makes a big difference!

For the road closures in particular we need more help. The County Council ruling is that they must be manned. Eynsham Rotary Club have done this task for a number of years but have now retired from road closures (kindly transferring instead to car parking).

As of this date we are still looking for a group or groups of people to help with these road closures, without which it is impossible to run the Carnival. We can offer a monetary incentive to your group for this help, but persons must be over 18 years of age. Contact us: enquiries@eynshamcarnival.com

Looking to the future

In 2023 Eynsham Carnival will celebrate 75 years. Village residents new and old need to come forward to keep this event going, not just with the organisation, but with help on the day. As Clive Tanner, who has been on the Carnival Committee for 17 years reports:

"I have a great team of helpers who have worked alongside me for years, but we are not getting any younger and very sadly we have lost many key members of this team.

"We need new Committee Members and new blood to shadow us, build a team for the future & learn how to carry on this great village event, or it will be lost forever.

"We'll be holding an open meeting this Autumn so that you can discover more and meet us in person, watch this space for details, or contact us at enquiries@eynshamcarnival.com"



From around the village

Bartholomew Players Need You!

Chairman Gareth Hammond writes...

Following on from the huge success of our May production of Ladies' Day, we are now in the process of choosing the play for our autumn production (save the dates: 30 November - 3 December 2022). If you have ever considered getting involved with your local amateur dramatic group (on or off stage) now is the time to step forward! We particularly need youngish male actors, but are also looking for people keen to learn how to operate our sound and lighting. We will meet every Wednesday evening in June from 7.30pm-10pm at Eynsham Village Hall before having a summer break. Just come along or drop us an email if you are interested to bart.players@gmail.com We look forward to welcoming you.

Eynsham Charities

As many of you will know, after 37 years, Robin Mitchell is stepping down as Clerk to the Eynsham Consolidated Charity and the Bartholomew Educational Foundation. The Trustees would like to take this opportunity to thank him for this incredible service to the community.

During his tenure, trustees have come and gone but Robin has been there as a backbone to the charities and the Trustees are extremely grateful for the role he has played. His skills in managing the assets of the charities and the applications for the help that the charities can provide have been invaluable.

Those who need help should still use the existing e-mail address eynshamcharities@gmail.com to contact Catherine Barton, Robin's replacement as clerk.

Market in the Square

Jane Dyson writes...

Eynsham Country Market have recently returned to trading in the Market Square every Thursday from 9am to 10.30am and are very grateful to the Parish Council for allowing us

to use this venue. We are also thankful to the Red Lion who have supported us throughout the pandemic by providing a sheltered outdoor space to trade in and storage space in their garden. We continue to work closely with the new landlords of the Red Lion and wish them every success with their new business. They have kindly offered to run a coffee morning every Thursday to coincide with our market so that our customers can enjoy refreshments.

We have a special event on 2 June from 9am to 12pm in the Square with a Jubilee themed market and special produce to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Please see our website on Eynsham Online for more information or to order in advance eynshamcountrymarket76@gmail.com

Talking News

Witney Talking News is desperately short of male voices. They record items from the Witney Gazette on a Thursday evening in Witney and are looking for more male voices to record with their team. The commitment is for approx. 1½ hours once every 4-6 weeks. If you would like further information, or you would like to volunteer, please call Nigel on 01993 881711

Eynsham WI—Sweetness & Celebrations

Jane Dyson, a sugar worker, will be giving a talk and demonstration of what can be made with sugar.

This will be on Tuesday 14 June at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall. Then on the 12 July we will be holding our annual garden party with the theme, of course, the Queen's Jubilee.

Members will be asked to bring finger food and there will be puzzles, games and a bargain table. Any potential woman member who wants to join us at either occasion will be welcome.

Spot the Difference

Joan Statham writes...

Your village website may look much the same, but from 31 March we are in fact brand new!

Thanks to hard work behind the

scenes and generous donations, Eynsham Online is now an official Community Interest project, with an independent website at eynsham.org.uk. We have a simple plan to focus on the issues that matter to Eynsham residents and businesses—starting from the ground up, highlighting your concerns and working with like-minded people to improve things. To take just three examples...

Can we help you settle in, if you're new to the village? Would a list of opening days and times help you—and local retailers? Is there really no answer to the toll bridge? Please get in touch and tell us what you think, we can do so much more together! Our email address is online@eynsham.org.uk



Meantime, every local group or business has a free public noticeboard at Eynsham Online. Just add a brief event or news item, plus a link to your own website if you have one, and anyone who is interested in Eynsham will find you, along with a host of other activities in the village that we know and love.



Setting out the clubhouse plot

Eynsham Croquet Club

It's been a busy few weeks for the Club, buying a new mower, getting ready for Open Day and most importantly preparing for the build of our new clubhouse.

First many thanks to the Bartholomew Trust for providing the grant enabling us to buy a replacement mower. The old mower was damaged by the floods last year and was beyond repair. I did not know there were so many options to buy a mower; bit of a minefield! The new mower is a real treat to use and ALL members are encouraged to use it and help out with

the maintenance and keeping the surrounds neat and tidy.

We held our Open Day on 23 April and had great success in attracting visitors to try out the game. An analysis of the visitors showed that most had found out about the Open Day through Eynsham Online and through local Facebook pages. Welcome to our four new members who have already joined and an encouragement to the other four visitors who are thinking about joining! The courts are looking their best for a number of years thanks to the improvement plan and hard work that members have put in over the last three years. Long may it continue.

Finally, after months of planning, we were able to start work on realising a long-held ambition of having our own clubhouse. Following a generous bequest from Jennette Blake, a founding member of the club, a match funding grant from the Croquet Association and a generous contribution from members, we were in a position to go ahead.

The building will be almost 1 m above ground to avoid flooding damage.

Price hikes and supply chain issues, planning consent problems were all overcome and we took the plunge and dug the 1st turf. By the time of reading this issue, the log cabin styled clubhouse will be complete and ready for use.

Swinford Scouts

'Swinford Scout Troop's wonderful leader Fraser, is not able to continue because of work commitments. He is stepping down at the end of July 2022 and unless we are able to find people who would like to join a group of Leaders and Assistant Leaders the Troop will not be able to continue and the 22 Scouts aged between 10 and 14, currently doing everything Scouts do, will have to find new troops.

If you would like to find out about being one of our Leadership Team who will be involved in the running of Swinford Troop, which meets on a Friday evening in the Scout HQ on Back Lane, Eynsham, please contact Alison Stevenson, the Group Scout Leader on 07779027380 or alisonmstevenson@gmail.com. There is never a dull moment. You will meet people who

will become friends, and do things you didn't know you could. Scouts prepares young people for life. We aim to have a group of people running the Troop so being part of Scouts will fit in with a busy lifestyle. Full training will be given. Come and join the fun!

Eynsham Car Scheme

Eynsham Car Scheme is busy again. Demand for lifts from vulnerable / elderly/ non-mobile clients to hospital, GP and dental and other healthcare appointments is rising. But our list of volunteer drivers reduced sharply at the start of the pandemic and is now not enough.

A volunteer offering even a single drive a month would make a big difference. There is no regular commitment. It is a matter of receiving the list of requests a few times each week and saying yes when you can.

Give us a call to talk it through if you are interested. And if you are someone who needs a drive, it is especially important at the moment to give us as much notice as you can. Eynsham Car Scheme: 07469 764174

Bartholomew School

The school is a very busy place as ever and, with trips, visits, work experience and residentials are once again taking place. Our Year 11 and 13 students have been working hard towards their GCSE, A Level and BTEC exams and we wish them all the best of luck with these.

Thank you to everyone who came to our PTA Quiz and to Jon Young for hosting this. Many local businesses also supported us by donating raffle prizes. All funds raised are going towards the new library refurbishment project.

You may be interested to know that the School was recently contacted by a local resident who wished to draw attention to some iron work that had been added to the old school gates at the front of school in the 1950s. We conducted some research and found that this had been part of the Festival of Britain festivities in 1951. Our site team have spent a little time restoring the iron work and it has been returned to the gates to the old building at the front of school. Do take a look next time you are passing!

For little people

Eynsham Pre-School

cares for children between the ages of 2 and 5 years old. Sessions run from Monday to Friday, term time only. For more information, including the payment rates, see eynshampreschool.co.uk

Busy Bees Baby and Toddler Group

9.30-11am, Fridays in term time
Eynsham Baptist Hall
£2 per family (first session free)
Drink and snack included
See eynsham.org.uk/org.aspx?n=Busy-Bees-Baby-Toddler-Group

Bump to One

For mums-to-be, new mums, dads and babies (up to one year): a weekly opportunity to make new friends and have a good natter. Drop in when you can for a chat and a coffee. At St Leonard's Church Mondays 10.30-12 See eynsham.org.uk/org.aspx?n=Bump-to-One

Walkie Talkies

Walkie Talkies is a local playgroup led by a caring team of volunteers, from St. Leonard's Church, who provide support to parents of young children. Suitable for 0-4's. Only £1 donation per family! Mondays 10-11.30am, in term time. See <https://eynsham.org.uk/org.aspx?n=Walkie-Talkies>

Making the News

We always welcome contributions to the Eynsham News, whether it's just an idea, an article or a whole series and we're always looking for more people to join our small team. We'd love to hear from you if you fancy doing some reporting or editing, or if writing isn't your thing maybe you're good with organising people and systems, you can give as much or as little time as you'd like. Email hello@eynshamnews.org.uk to explore the options.

Talking Points

Bikesafe B4044 Update



Have you seen the Yarnbomb bikes? You may have spotted some very colourful bikes starting to appear next to the B4044 (Eynsham to Botley road). Harriet Ware and Tiny van der Velde have been busy crocheting bikes for BikeSafe, highlighting the urgent need for a community/cycle path between the A40 Eynsham roundabout and Botley. Bike Safe is the charity set up in 2011 to campaign for this much needed community path.

Bike Safe have been having regular meetings with Officers at Oxfordshire

County Council (OCC). We have also funded Transport specialists from the Netherlands (the Dutch seem to know best how to plan for cyclists and other road users!) to produce design and costings for the path and this has formed the basis for the discussions with the County. It is hoped that signing off the feasibility studies and preliminary design by the County Council is imminent. Once this is agreed then steps towards a formal consultation and a planning application will begin, which would be funded by the County Council.

The B4044 continues to be a dangerous road to navigate, with cyclists and motorists having to use the same road space. We are extremely grateful to everyone who has donated money to this campaign and if you would like to make a donation then please go to our Local Giving page <https://localgiving.org/charity/bikesafewestoxford> You can also follow us on Facebook: @Eynsham2Botleypath or Twitter: @B4044Path Subscribe to the newsletter by sending us an email: b4044@gmail.com

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better.org.uk

BETTER

Conduit Lane Past and Present

Conduit Lane, or rather the prolonged closure of it, has caused a lot of inconvenience and some irritability. West Oxfordshire District Council hope to have the path functioning again by the end of July, and a lot of the delay is because parts of the wall have different owners, and it is also protected as a very old part of Eynsham.

So, here we're simply going to tell you a bit of the history of Conduit Lane—most of this has been laid out by the research done for the Council by a consultancy called Heritage Unlimited as part of the planning process.

Conduit Lane wall probably dates back to the early 1700s, along with the cottages around it, but the lane itself is older. The walls that enclose the lane are made of locally quarried limestone and (this is part of the danger of the

wobbly wall) run to up to 6 feet tall.

A 'conduit' means a natural or artificial channel through which a fluid, like water, is channelled, and Conduit Lane was probably the route for fresh water to be brought to Eynsham Abbey from a local water source. A dwelling called Conduit House once stood at the west end of the lane, though this was demolished in 1615.

The current plan is to keep the 'character' of the wall and the lane by reusing all the original stone. However, the very narrow part of the lane will end up about a metre wider which will allow safer use by pedestrians and cyclists (the County Council consider it a cycle way already). The job will also include an information board which will lay out the history of this corner of old Eynsham. We hope it will be worth waiting for!



Conduit Lane: a very old part of Eynsham

LEJOG Cycle Ride for Prostate Cancer UK

On 29 April, Roger Badger and daughter Sophia embarked on an extremely challenging journey because they are passionate about raising awareness of prostate cancer, encouraging conversations about the necessity for men of a certain age to get their prostates checked and to raise vital funds for the research and support carried out by Prostate Cancer UK. Roger's Justgiving page (Sophia has her own) expresses poignantly their personal reasons for this daunting venture.

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/roger-badger

Over 1,000 miles over 15 days
for Prostate Cancer UK



Roger and Sophia

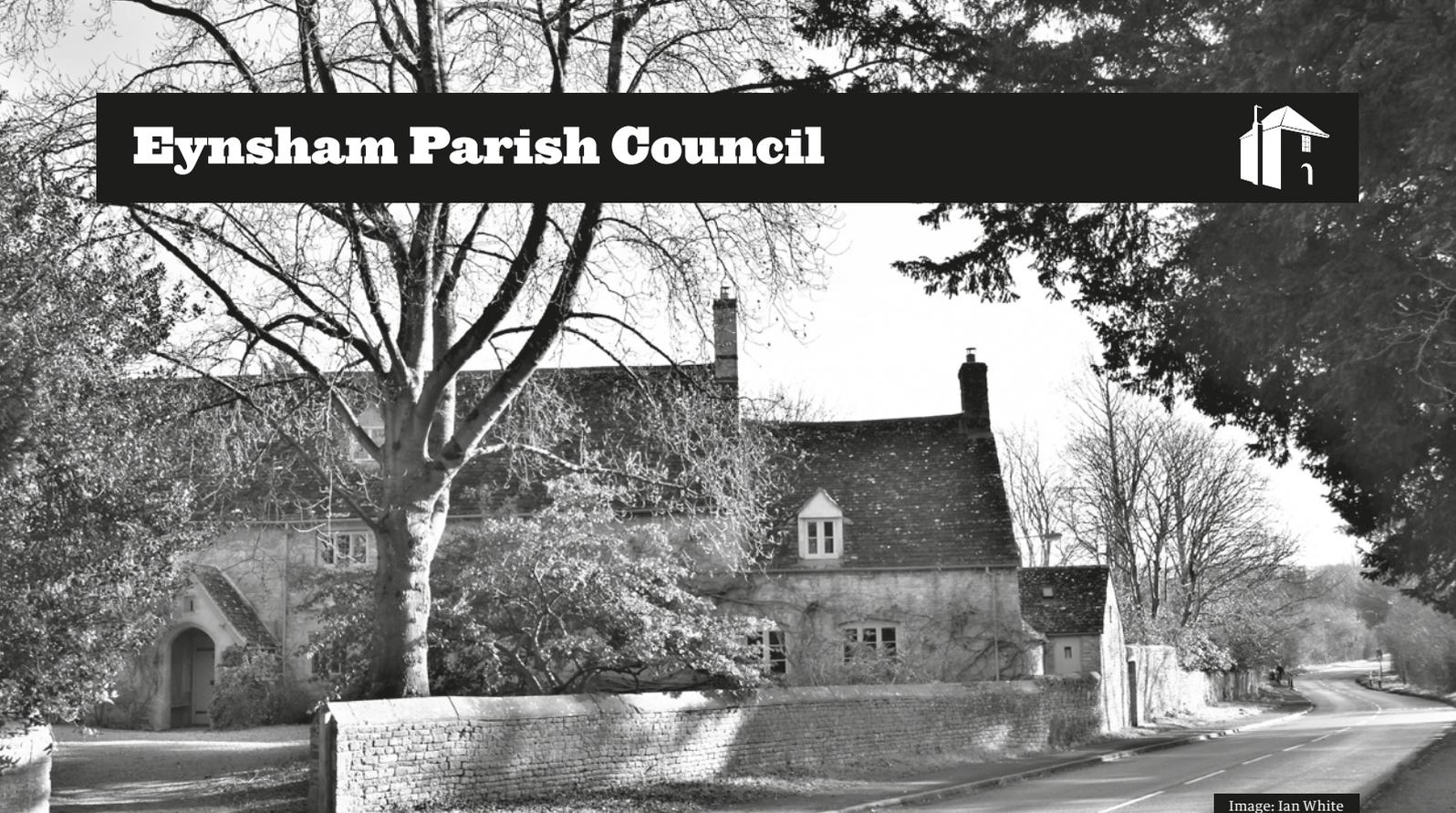


Image: Ian White

Slower, safer Eynsham



The County Council has now approved our speed reduction project. We'd like to thank all those who contributed to the recent consultation; we value responses both for and against the project. Under the approved plans, the speed limit on roads within the village will be reduced to 20mph, while the speed of some neighbouring roads, such as the B4449, B4044 and part of the Cassington Road, will also be reduced.

Signs and warnings

Our first action will be to install signs to ensure all drivers are made aware. Existing speed limit signs will be updated and new signs will be erected on lamp posts to warn drivers of changed speed limits. We also plan to install attractive gateways at selected entry and exit points to remind drivers they are entering a busy and much-loved residential area. The cost of this will be limited, and negligible when we consider the many benefits to our community. After a period of twelve

months, we will review the situation to see if other traffic calming measures (excluding speed bumps) are necessary on selected roads.

Community Action

As recommended by our local police, an Eynsham Community Speedwatch Group has been established to help with enforcement. Many other local areas have such a Group. These are part of a nationwide initiative and see a group of proactive local people collaborating to monitor traffic speeds and identify offenders to the police.

Any speeding drivers will receive a police warning letter, followed by a police visit to their home should they repeat their offence. Encouragingly, national statistics show that 90% of drivers are not seen speeding in the twelve months following their warning letter.

Our Speedwatch Group has undergone training and identified key monitoring locations, which have been approved by the police. Initially,

these locations will be monitored for a few hours each week. If you're interested in volunteering with the Group, please contact tricia.crowley@eynsham-pc.gov.uk for more details.

We sincerely hope that these changes will be achieved with minimum hassle for residents, while helping to preserve the peace, safety and street life that many of us love about Eynsham. As we face increasing development nearby—and the inevitable rise in traffic—this feels like an important step to keep our village safe for everyone.

Dates for your Diary

21 June 7.30pm Full Council Meeting
19 July 7.30pm Full Council Meeting
20 Sep 7.30pm Full Council Meeting

N.B. Note there is no Full Council Meeting in August. All meetings are open to the public and take place at Eynsham Village Hall, with remote access available via Microsoft Teams.

A Note from the Vice Chair



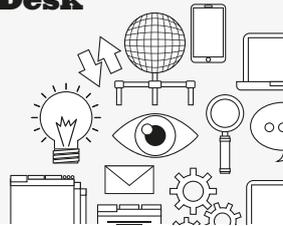
Thank you to all the residents (around 80) who joined us for our Annual Parish Meeting in April. After the 2021 meeting had to be held online, it was great to be ‘mingling’ again. Our new informal format encouraged more networking between local groups and organisations, which was great to see. I hope you enjoyed it and found it useful.

The Parish Council was delighted to hear that the County Council has approved our plans for speed reductions across the village. This came after a consultation period in which responses were overwhelmingly in favour of the changes. You can read more about it in the main article, but we’re hopeful that it will make Eynsham a safer village, with reduced noise and pollution levels.

By the time you read this we will be on the cusp of the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee celebrations. While the Parish Council has no official plans beyond decorating Market Square with some festive bunting, we anticipate that the local community will show the usual enthusiasm for a street party. Close on the heels of this will be Eynsham Carnival and Shirt Race. I know many of our Councillors greatly enjoy this summer event and I’m sure we will see lots of you there.

The Parish Council is currently appointing a new Chair, as Cllr Nick Relph leaves us this month. We also have vacancies for Councillors; can we tempt you? No special skills are required—you just need an interest in the village and some time. Visit the website for details (Eynsham-pc.gov.uk) or email our Clerk on epc.clerk@eynsham-pc.gov.uk.

From the Clerk’s Desk



We were pleased to see so many of you at the recent Annual Parish Meeting. Councillors provided brief updates on our speed reduction project, Eynsham’s ‘Greenwheel,’ the Council’s newly adopted Strategic Plan, the Neighbourhood Plan refresh and general development matters. We then all enjoyed viewing displays from 16 local groups while chatting with them about their work. It was a more informal evening than previous and was felt to be a successful format for the future.

Many of you may have read online and via social media about the District Council’s bin replacement scheme. We hope that the bins currently in place (which are mainly dual use) are now in the right locations. It’s important that bins that are heavily used for dog waste are emptied frequently enough to prevent unwanted smells. Please contact me should you have any concerns (epc.clerk@eynsham-pc.gov.uk).

Looking ahead, our Annual Parish Council Meeting will be held in May. We will appoint a Chair and Vice Chair for the year to come, as well as considering other governance matters. Our current (at the time of writing) Chair Cllr Nick Relph will be stepping down. I’m sure you would wish to join us in thanking Nick for over a decade of public service. If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, details are available on the website or you can email me (as above).

Finally, I’m pleased to announce that Aelfric will be getting a blue plaque on the Bartholomew Room, courtesy of the Oxfordshire Blue Plaques Board. Join us in The Square on Friday 1 July at 11am for the ceremony.



Meet a Councillor Milly Chen

When did you join the council?

I joined in February 2020 because I want to have a positive impact on the lives of residents and improve the local environment for the many generations to come.

What do you enjoy about it?

The best thing is working with my amazing fellow councillors. We’re united by a common desire to serve the community and it’s an inspiring group to be part of.

What issues are you most passionate about?

As a mother I’m passionate about engaging with the younger residents, such as the new Food Forest Garden we created with Eynsham Primary School. I was thrilled by their enthusiasm; 30 parents and children came along to help despite it being so cold!

What do people often misunderstand about the Parish Council?

I think it’s assumed that we have all the power—or none at all! The truth is somewhere between the two. We can’t change everything, but there are a lot of local things we can do to enhance life in Eynsham.

Which local activities do you enjoy most?

Gosh, there are so many great events here! I enjoy the Art Week and the Open Garden Week as you meet lovely local people. And I’ve never seen anything like the Shirt Race! It reminds me that life doesn’t always have to be serious.

What is your profession?

I am Executive Director of Strategic Development at Exscientia, an AI-driven drug discovery company. Contact Milly with any issues via milly.chen@eynsham-pc.gov.uk.

Events Preview

Platinum Jubilee

Come down to the Market Square on the evening of Thursday 2 June for the lighting of Eynsham's Jubilee Beacon at 21:45 on the top of St Leonard's church tower.

In recognition of the amazing work of the Eynsham Food Bank's volunteer team in supporting vulnerable members of our community during the pandemic, Bob and Pamela Thiele have been invited to light the beacon. They were the inspiration behind the Eynsham Food Bank and have faithfully done all the 'heavy lifting' for this activity over an unrelenting two years.



Judo Club Tournament

This year marks the Golden Anniversary (50 Years) of Eynsham Judo Club! To celebrate we are hosting our first tournament since lockdown. It will be on Sunday 17th July. Mark the date down—more info to follow.

Run Wytham Woods

Sunday 12 June is the hotly-anticipated 2022 Run Wytham Woods 10K—an exhilarating race and family fun run which helps fund resources for the children of Eynsham Community Primary School.

Inspired by local runners, the trail goes through 700 feet of climbs,

perfect for runners looking for an extra challenge! The simultaneous fun run offers a 1 mile gentle descent and loop back up suitable for all the family.

Race numbers, professional chip timing and results will be provided and all runners will get a beautiful handmade ceramic keepsake medal from Eynsham's Chicken Run Studio.

For further information go to: <https://www.runwythamwoods.org>

Eynsham Scarecrow Trail

This year, the Scarecrow Trail has a Jubilee theme and takes place between 30 May and 4 June. Maps will be on sale for £1 and money raised will support Eynsham Pre-School.



Eynsham Flower Festival

Every year, the Eynsham Flower Festival coincides with Eynsham Carnival, on the first Saturday of July—so this year, it's Saturday 2 July.

Many village organisations take part, and the displays will all be set out in St Leonard's Church. The theme for 2022 is '70 Year Reign of Queen Elizabeth II' and the Flower Festival itself has been running since 1972!



Eynsham Repair Café

The next Eynsham repair cafe will be held in the village hall on Saturday 25th June from 2-4pm. Sewing, darning, bike, small electrical and sharpening repairs will be available. At the last event 69% of items were repaired, totalling over 52kg of stuff saved from the tip!

If you care deeply about waste reduction and the environment and would like to help run the repair cafe, they want to hear from you! Email: repaircafeeynsham@gmail.com



The Women's Tour

In 2021, the Women's Tour cycle race crossed Swinford Bridge.

In 2022, it's not coming quite so close to Eynsham, but the final stage of the race will take place in Oxfordshire on Saturday 11 June.

The 145-kilometre (90-mile) route will pass as far north as Milcombe - a short distance from Banbury where Italian rider Marta Bastianelli triumphed in the 2021 race - before changing course and travelling south through West Oxfordshire towards an intermediate sprint near RAF Brize Norton in Carterton. Stage six will also feature Faringdon and Didcot, and at the finish of the Stage, riders will cross the River Thames using the Folly Bridge as the race enters Oxford from its south side, with the actual finish on St Giles'. For more details, go to womenstour.co.uk/stages/stage-6/

Bartholomew Players

Events Diary

See more at Eynsham Online

Litter Pickers

29 May, 1.45-4pm. Meet in the grounds of Eynsham Baptist Church, to collect equipment and arrange routes. Newcomers are very welcome—enquiries to Pam Breeze: 07971 174434

Eynsham Country Market

2 June, 9am-12pm on the Square
A 'Jubilee' themed market.

Platinum Jubilee Beacon Lighting

2 June, 9.45-9.55pm at Eynsham Market Square. Come and share our Platinum Jubilee celebrations, as the Jubilee Beacon is lit at the top of St Leonard's church tower.

Eynsham Morris Dance Out

2 June, 7.30-11pm on the Market Square

Short Wellbeing Walk

6 June, 10-11am starting from the Market Square. A circular walk including Chilbridge Road about 3k (1-1.5h). Join us for coffee in Lyalls Café in the Square afterwards. There will also be a walk on 20 June.

Garden Club Monthly Meeting

8 June, 7.30-9pm at the Village Hall
Pots for Hot Spots and Shady corners by Harriet Rycroft. 11 June Summer Outing to Sir Harold Hillier Gardens, Romsey. Contact Simon on 01865 880342 for details.

Run Wytham Woods

12 June, 10.30-11.30am
Details www.runwythamwoods.org

North Leigh Roman Mosaics

12 June, open for viewing from 11am-5pm. Also on 23/24 July, 10 August, 20/21 August 17/18 September.

Eynsham Women's Institute

14 June, 7.30-9.30pm at the Village Hall
Speaker—Jane Dyson will be demonstrating sugar craft. Competition for something beginning with 'T'. Visitors welcome—£4.00 donation.

Eynsham Society

15 June, 8-9pm at the Village Hall
Illustrated talk by Ashley Smith on Pollution Impacts in the Thames.

Blood Donor Sessions

17 June, 1.15-3.30pm and 4.15-7.30pm
At the Village Hall

Gatehouse volunteers

19 June, 9am-1pm at 15 Newland Street

Eynsham Community Cinema

24 June, 7.30pm at the Village Hall
Film 'The Duke'

Repair Café

Saturday 25th June 2-4pm in the village hall.

Eynsham Carnival

Saturday 2 July

Eynsham Flower Festival

2-4 July, St Leonard's Church

24 hour DJ set raising money and awareness for Oxfordshire Mind

Saturday 16 July, 12.30pm-Sunday 17 July 12.30pm

The event will be in person at the White Hart and live streamed.

Eynsham Judo Club Tournament

Sunday 17 July
Info eynsham.org.uk/org.aspx?n=Judo-Classes

Play Day

28 July, 11am-4pm at Eynsham Playing Fields
Run by Oxfordshire Play Association and supported by a Parish Council grant. Local organisations interested in running free activities on the day, alongside the events already being booked, please contact Martin Gillett: martin.gillett@oxonplay.org.uk

Garden Club

10 August, 7.30pm, Eynsham Village Hall
Chris Day speaks on "Trees, Shrubs and Hedges for Small Gardens".
Visitors welcome, £2.

Evening Dance Out

30 August, 7.30-11pm at Market Square
Eynsham Morris joined by old friends from Charlbury Morris.

Eynsham Churches Regular Sunday services

St Peter's Catholic Church

Mass on Saturdays at 5pm and on Sundays at 10am
stpeterseynsham.org.uk
01865 881613

Eynsham Baptist Church

Sunday morning service at 10.30am
eynshambaptistchurch.co.uk
01865 882203

St Leonards Parish Church

Sunday morning service 10.30am
stleonardseynsham.org.uk
01865 883325

There are many other events during the week, and all three churches have halls for hire. Check for up to date information.

Details of all events were correct at the time of going to press but may change. Please check with the organisers' social media before going. Send your events news for our May edition (about 70 words long) to editor@eynshamnews.org.uk Before 10 July 2022.

Please send in items for our next issue by 10 July 2022.

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Wed/Thr	1-5pm
Friday:	1-7pm
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Sunday:	Closed