



June 2023

The Annual Parish Meeting on June 1st was a great success with the Village Hall buzzing with conversation between Group members and visiting members of the local community. Council sends its thanks to everyone for coming and hopes that you all found the event an enjoyable way to catch up on village activities. If you'd like to get involved, volunteer or find out more about any of our groups, contact the group itself or Trudy (Parish Clerk) who'll happily put you in touch with the right person.

Local History Group

The work of the History Group is gathering a pace and it approached Council for support to set up a permanent display of some of the artefacts that help to mark our village history. It's hoped that the Village Hall will become the home for the beginnings of an important permanent exhibition. More news soon.

King Charles III's Coronation

Following the request by a village resident, Council has agreed to fit a plaque to one of its new benches to commemorate King Charles' coronation. The bench will be sited at "Bowling Club Corner" on Old High Road.

Village Hall Refurbishment

We Need You: 10am July 15th & 16th

Can you spare some time that weekend, to help clear the behind the hall? Council wants to provide a clear and working area for Ally Hackwell's fund raising work.

Lots of conversations are being had about ideas for the new kitchen/bar area. New boiler, layout, surface position and everything else you'd imagine is in the melting pot! The Working Party is still

looking for ideas and expertise so, in particular, if you have experience of working in or running a commercial kitchen, your ideas would be very welcome. Please get in touch.

Village Hall

Preparations are underway for the first **Pub Night on June 30th**. Doors open at 6pm. Council hopes that you'll be able to pop in and join Councillors for a drink 🍺

Village Activities

In line with key responsibilities, Council has organised the play area's annual inspection in July. As always, if you notice any problem there, please contact the Clerk.

The chain link fence in the wooded section of the play area off Meadowlands has been damaged and so the Council is looking into the best ways to ensure this is made safe. We know that shortcuts can be useful but this one is dangerous and someone could get hurt. Council asks everyone to access the play area in the right way, please.

Suffolk Community Awards

A county-wide search for Suffolk's most inspirational and impactful individuals, groups, councils and communities, is underway. These Awards recognise and celebrate all those who have improved the quality of life for a community in Suffolk and is a partnership approach, delivered by Community Action Suffolk, Suffolk County Council and Suffolk Association of Local Councils.

16 awards are up for grabs. Want more information or to nominate? Take a look: <https://www.suffolkcommunityawards.co.uk/>

Want to get in touch? Contact Trudy Charles, Parish Clerk at: parishclerkyoxford@gmail.com