

Little Milton *Newsletter*



September 23

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: SEPTEMBER 2023

Sun	3rd	9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion St James'
Mon	4th	10.30-11.30a.m	Fitness/Yoga – Pine Lodge
Tues	5th	9.30– 10.30 a.m.	Exercise Class- Pine Lodge
Wed	6th	9.30 – 3.30 p.m.	Adv. Textile workshop – Pine Lodge
Thurs	7th	6.30 – 7.30 p.m.	Exercise Class – Pine :Lodge
Sun	10th	10.30 a.m.	Family Worship: St James''
Mon.	11th	10.30-11.30a.m.	Fitness/Yoga – Pine Lodge
Tues.	12th	9.30– 10.30 a.m.	Exercise Class- Pine Lodge
Wed	13th	9.30 – 3.30 p.m.	Adv. Textile workshop – Pine Lodge
		7.30 p.m.	Parish Council – Pine lodge
Thurs	14th	6.30 – 7.30 p.m.	Exercise Class – Pine :Lodge
		7.30 p.m.	WI Meeting Pine Lodge
Sun	17th	10.30 a.m.	Family Worship St James'
Mon	18th	10.30-11.30a.m.	Fitness/Yoga – Pine Lodge
Tues	19th	9.30– 10.30 a.m.	Exercise Class- Pine Lodge
Wed	20th	9.30 – 3.30 p.m.	Adv. Textile workshop – Pine Lodge
		7.00 p.m.	Craft Evening: Pine Lodge
Thurs	21st	6.30 – 7.30 p.m.	Exercise Class – Pine :Lodge
Sun	24th	10.30 a.m.	Benefice St Peter's Great Haseley
		4.00 p.m.	Harvest Festival St James'
Mon	25th	10.30-11.30a.m.	Fitness/Yoga – Pine Lodge
Tues	26th	9.30– 10.30 a.m.	Exercise Class- Pine Lodge
Wed	27th	9.30 – 3.30 p.m.	Adv. Textile workshop – Pine Lodge
		11.00 a.m.	Sewing Group
Thurs	28th	6.30 – 7.30 p.m.	Exercise Class – Pine :Lodge
Sat	30th	7.00 p.m.	Quiz Night – Pine Lodge
Sun	Oct 1st	9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion St James'

PLEASE NOTE If in doubt please check with the event organiser that the event is still taking place at the date and time stated.

SUMMARY FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

There was no Council meeting in August.

Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Wednesday 13th September 2023**, in Pine Lodge, commencing at 7.30pm.

Please visit the Parish Council website to read full minutes of Parish Council meetings.

Andrea Oughton Parish Clerk

Current Council members

Councillor Francois Van Der Merwe (Chairman)	07740438770
Councillor Howard Harrison	01844 279946
Councillor Adam Sheppard	01844 279217
Councillor Ed Horwell	tbc
Councillor Giles Denby	07484 187852
Councillor David Wakeling	01844 278014
Parish Clerk Andrea Oughton	clerk@littlemilton.org.uk
County Councillor: Freddie Van Mierlo	07944 492438 freddie.vanmierlo@oxfordshire.gov.uk
District Councillor Georgina Heritage	georgina.heritage@southoxon.gov.uk

SODC: WASTE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT

The minimum charge is £49.50 for up to 3 items and £9.50 for each additional item. There is a maximum of six items per collection day: if you have more than six, you'll need to book another collection day. Please note that a bed and mattress counts as 2 items and a three piece suite (consisting of 1 settee and 2 chairs) counts as 3 items.

Before you contact us to book your bulky waste collection, have a good think about whether you have any other big items to dispose of. Once we have processed your booking, we are unable to make any alterations or add any other items – even if you have only booked one or two items.

To arrange this service residents can call the Public Amenities Team on 01235 422406 or book on line from the Council's website www.southoxon.gov.uk

Give your furniture to a good home

Have you considered donating your furniture to charity or a good home? Emmaus is an Oxford based charity that will come out to all areas of the county and collect unwanted furniture free of charge. For legal or practical reasons this does not include soft furnishings without a fire label, safety items, or any item that is not in a saleable condition. Please [visit the Emmaus website](#) for more details.

BIFFA: WASTE COLLECTION DATES – SEPTEMBER

	Brown	Grey	Green	Food
5th September	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
12th September	No	Yes	No	Yes
19th September	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
26th September	No	Yes	No	Yes



LITTLE MILTON FETE NEEDS YOU!

After successfully running the Little Milton Church Fete at The Old Vicarage for several years, Lindsay Heath (co-ordinator), Paul Jeffery (site manager) and Joyce & George Inge (hosts) have decided to step down.

We now need new volunteers to take up the baton, and a new location. The roles can be split and made your own. New ideas very welcome.

Vacancies:

Venue: Large garden with room for stalls, games, a band & cafe

Co-ordinator - organising the committee & the day,
booking services & entertainment

Site manager - organising fete signage, car
parking, set-up and break down,
site planning

Can you help keep the fete tradition alive?

Contact: Lindsay 07967452817 or Kath 07866108110

BENEFICE SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER 2023

Sunday 3rd September

9.00	Holy Communion	St James' Little Milton
10.30	Family Worship	St Peter's Great Haseley

Sunday 10th September

9.00	Holy Communion	St Mary's Great Milton
10.30	Family Worship	St James' Little Milton

Sunday 17th September

9.00	Holy Communion	St Peter's Great Haseley
10.30	Harvest Festival Joint Service with Methodists	St Mary's Great Milton
12.00	Harvest Festival Lunch	The Pavilion Great Milton

Sunday 24th September

9.00	BCP Holy Communion	St Mary's Great Milton
10.30	Benefice Holy Communion	St Peter's Great Haseley
4.00p.m.	Harvest Festival	St James' Little Milton

GREAT MILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES: SEPTEMBER 2023

For further info. Please contact Rev. Stephen Spain on 01865 763676

Date	Time	Church	Preacher	Comment
3rd Sept.	11.00 a.m.	Great Milton	Local Arrangement	
10th Sept.	11.00 a.m.	Great Milton	Simeon Mitchell	
17th Sept.	10.30 a.m...	Great Milton	Rev Stephen Spain	Joint Service St Mary's
24th Sept.	11.00 a.m.	Great Milton	Local Arrangement	

OBITUARY TRICIA MEDLICOTT- 9 OLDFIELD

It is with sadness that I have to report that Patricia (Trishi) Medlicott died suddenly whilst on holiday a couple of weeks ago. Our thoughts are with her family and friends at this time. The funeral will be held on 8th September at 11.00 a.m. at St James Little Milton **Ed.**

CHURCH CLEANING ROTA FOR SEPTEMBER

W/E 3rd September	—	Mrs A Blagg & Mrs C D'Aeth
W/E 10th September	—	Mrs M Davies & Mrs S A Dennis
W/E 17th September	—	Mrs L. Lovegrove & Mrs C Coward
W/E 24th September	—	Mrs A Jones & Mrs Sarah Holifield
W/E 1st October	—	Mrs E. Summers & Mrs Wendy Newby

Sally Ann Dennis

CHURCH FLOWER ROTA FOR SEPTEMBER

W/E 3rd September	-	Sally Ann Dennis
W/E 10th September	-	Sally Ann Dennis
W/E 17th September	-	Cathy Hughes D'Aeth
W/E 24th September	-	Cathy Hughes D'Aeth
W/E 1st October	-	Jane Willis

RECTOR'S PINT

In August I preached a sermon about the well-known story of Jesus walking on the surface of the water on Galilee (Matthew 14:22-33)

I grew up near Henley-on-Thames. One of Henley's notable residents used to be George Harrison who owned the enormous Friar Park, on the hill above the town. Friar Park had been developed and landscaped by Sir Frank Crisp who bought the estate in 1889. One innovation he introduced was the Lake that contained an optical illusion which made it look as if people could walk on the surface of the water. I once heard someone on the radio relating how George Harrison would entertain unsuspecting guests by the Lake and took great delight in their reaction as someone would approach with refreshments, appearing to walk on the water!

Galilee is notorious for the rapid change of weather as violent winds blow down from the Golan Heights to the Northeast. When I visited, forty-four years ago, it was sunny and calm and there were coxless fours on the Lake preparing for the Galilee regatta, I thought I was back in Henley! In the story of Jesus walking on the surface of the Lake, he had sent his disciples ahead of him to go to the other side by boat, obviously the weather worsened as we read that the boat was battered by the waves. It was at that moment that the disciples saw a figure walking on the water, thinking it was a ghost, they were terrified. The story recounts that it was Jesus. Space will not permit me here to go into the nature of such miracles, except to say that my starting point is to begin with Jesus' resurrection. If I believe, which I do, that it is intellectually credible to believe that account, that Jesus was raised from the dead, the other miracles fall into place behind that. Walking on water though is a very strange one!

The core of the story is Jesus' response to the disciples, "take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." In the Bible, the phrase "do not be afraid" is found 365 times, so one for every day of the year! The account then tells of Peter's failed attempt to do the same as Jesus as he leaped out of the boat, walked a few steps, saw the waves, and sank. That is an illustration about who we are and how the fears we have can overwhelm us. Right now, we could be forgiven by being overwhelmed about the way the world is, I don't need to spell out the list of issues we face. Personal and health problems can threaten to overwhelm us as well. "Take heart, it is I, do not be afraid." Speaking for myself, as someone who sometimes struggles to manage anxiety, remembering that there is one "do not be afraid" for each day of the year perhaps that is something I need to take to heart.

Simon

LITTLE MILTON SEWING GROUP

In the Autumn of 2001 two of us were cleaning St. James' one day and noticed particularly the state of the old original Church Banner. A group of us got together and decided to restore the original Banner and create a new Banner for the Church

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We visited many other churches to look at Banners and their construction before designing our new Banner with help from Anne Dillon who lived in Milton Manor Drive at the time. We researched the conservation of the old Banner, netted it to prevent further deterioration and enclosed it in a glass cased to preserve it for the future. Gilbert White from Thame Road created the glass case and frame for us. Meanwhile a team of us beavered away on the new Banner finally completing it in time for St. James' day and a special service taken by Victor Story, the rector at the time, on July 25, 2002. Victor wrote a lovely piece about our new Banner for this Special Service of Dedication.

Following the restoration of the old Banner and completion of the new one the group decided to continue to meet monthly and hence Little Milton Sewing Group was born and has met continuously (apart from the Pandemic when we met on Zoom!) since the summer of 2002.

We have completed various Commemorative Kneelers for the Church and most recently our own 21st Anniversary Kneeler displayed at our Open Afternoon – ‘Pins, Needles and Pimms’ on Saturday, July 29th...Each member of the group chose a theme personal to themselves for their design and the reasons for these choices are outlined, briefly, on the reverse of the Kneeler.

Similarly, we also share the two new Bench Cushions created to make the Porch area of our church more welcoming. Currently our church is locked and so we wanted to create a more welcoming area for any visitors to our Churchyard or to the Church.

We have gained and lost members over the twenty-one years and are always happy to welcome anyone interested in coming along. We knit, sew, quilt, darn, mend and chat with lunch provided by the host!

Sally Ann Dennis

DATE OF NEXT SEWING GROUP

The next Sewing Group date is on September 27th at Maggie's in Stadhampton (telephone 07709035417).

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE PINE LODGE

We will be hosting our next **Quiz Night** on **30th September**, please book your seats at the village Shop. Bring along your own team or join a group on arrival. Light meal included.

Regular activities in the Hall include:

Mondays at 10.30 am **Yoga & Fitness** with Yvonne (y.cartwright@btinternet.com)

Tuesdays at 9:30 am, and **Thursdays** at 18.30 **Keep Fit** on with Alyce (alycefwf@gmail.com)

Wednesday 9:30 am **Advanced Textile** on workshop with Amargeet (amarjeetnandhra@virginmedia.com)

WI 2nd Thursday of each month at 19:30 contact Kath Stacy (kathstacey@yahoo.co.uk)

Crafts 3rd Wednesday of the month at 19:00 contact Kath Stacy (kathstacey@yahoo.co.uk)

Parish Council 2nd Wednesday 13th September. For further details contact clerk@littlemilton.org.uk

For details of, news, booking info and the online events calendar please view the Pine Lodge webpage at www.littlemilton.org.uk, or contact **Linda Lovegrove** linda.pinelodge@yahoo.com



**YOUR CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE
SO CHARITABLE LOTTERY**

The Village Shop and Post Office are recognised by most in the village as vital community assets. This is particularly relevant to the Post Office as High Street Bank branches close.

The challenges facing the shop and small businesses have always existed but the recent energy crisis and inflationary increases has raised the challenge to a new level.

The question we are posing to residents is **HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT YOUR SHOP AND POST OFFICE?**

We could ask that more residents find time to buy the goods and services on offer on a regular basis. However it is recognised that this is not possible for all.

BUT

A very simple way is to participate in the SO Charitable Lottery. You will have received a leaflet with this newsletter explaining how to register. If you participate you will directly support the shop and give yourself the opportunity to win a cash prize or special prizes on offer from time to time

We appreciate all those who already do participate but would ask all our residents to take this opportunity

**AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE
THANK YOU**



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 27th September

Pine Lodge

7.00PM

**Come and hear how YOUR Village
Shop and Post Office have done this
year!**

Wine & Nibbles included!

NEWS FROM LITTLE MILTON SCHOOL

Small School, Big Heart, Great Start

At the time of writing, Hannah and James are enjoying a well-deserved summer break. Normal newsletter service will be resumed next month.

*Linda Longshaw
Chair of Governors*

TONS TOGETHER (LITTLE MILTON) WI

In August we went on a day trip to the Old Chapel Textile Centre in Newbury, followed by lunch at The Base. We saw a wonderful exhibition of felt and embroidered birds and learnt all about the archive, the Country Wife mural from 1951 and other textile restoration projects. See www.nationalneedleworkarchive.org.uk for more info.

We also went on a day trip to the National Trust's Stowe, with more trips planned to Warwick, other National Trust and a guided walk around BBOWT. Everyone welcome, contact us if you'd like to come along.

In September we're back in the Pine Lodge on **Thursday 14 September** with a talk by James Mather on the **Watlington Hoard** (a collection of Viking silver, buried in the 870s and rediscovered in Watlington in 2015).

Everyone welcome (men too) - Visitors £5 or join up for £34.50.

Do you live in Little Milton, Great Milton, The Haseleys, Stadhampton or surrounding villages, new to the area, want to meet new people, make new friends? Then join Tons Together WI and meet like-minded, local women of all ages in an informal, friendly group.

We meet every 2nd Thursday of the month in the Pine Lodge OX44 7PZ at 7.30pm

Too shy to come by yourself or need a lift? Contact us & we'll find you a WI buddy.

Like us at www.facebook.com/lmpinelodge

Details & news on the Pine Lodge page at www.littlemilton.org.uk

Kath Stacey 01844-279438 tonstogetherwi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk

LITTLE MILTON SHOP AND POST OFFICE REVISED SATURDAY

Commencing in May and ending in September 2023 the Shop and Post Office **opening hours on a Saturday will be 10:00am until 2pm.**

Kevin Hunt Chairman

FRIENDS OF WELLS FARM

Rain rain go away, come again another day! For some farmers the rains have really affected the crop harvests this year. As I write, storm Betty is on her way to us. Damp conditions do favour some animals, especially the ones that eat grass! However, I am sure you have noticed a significant drop in day time insects during August. Much more than normal in my opinion. Is this an odd year or something to expect more often. It appears that the arctic winds have pushed the jet stream south of us and the Atlantic air currents have been able to bowl their weather fronts our way instead of further north.

The wet ground has de stabilised many trees, especially willows across the bridle path at the top end of Wells Farm and also the poplars over the pond at the bottom of Barn Field. SSEN managed to react to the danger of the falling tree and removed it and several others to clear a path either side of the village power lines whilst maintaining power using a large diesel generator whilst the power lines were down. Eventually the contract tree surgeon gave a whoop of joy when the final tree came down. The poplar wood is what is used for match sticks by the way...

There will be ongoing tree works following this by SSEN across Wells farm which will include the allotment area. This work will be completed during September and October so please steer clear of the area where they are working and apologies for any inconvenience. BBOWT also plan to remove the poplars about the Barn Field pond around the same time which should open the pond up potentially to more water fowl.

I plan to do a Wells Farm walk around on Wednesday 6th September at 6pm. I will start at the Oldfield entrance to the reserve and the bridle path then walk round in a clockwise loop. If you would like to join me, just turn up. I will be happy to point out various tracks, signs and answer any questions you may have. I will do the same the next day on the 7th at 7.45am. Anyone is welcome to join me.

Paul Jeffery (Tel: 278 424 Email: Paulj201@hotmail.com)

VIEW FROM VIEWS

Charles is having a well-earned break and business will resume in October. **Ed**

WELLS FARM ALLOTMENTS

Everything grew so well well the brambles, nettles and weeds did! I have cut back the brambles by the entrance as well as the nettles and the tall grass along the front. The areas in front of the main shed has also been mowed. I would love to organise a barbecue this year but time is running away so hopefully we can do next year. So much rain though meant minimal crop watering. Squashes will have thrived in these conditions and are so good at smothering weeds. Can't wait to harvest them all. Those who have been able to stick at it will have a very good year for most things that enjoy water. Tomatoes not so good as damp conditions favour blight. This can also affect potatoes. I have tried a Peruvian purple variety again which is an early harvest and they are fantastic, especially as oven baked wedges. Did you know there are over 3,000 varieties of potato! The UK focuses on just a handful.... Happy Harvesting.

Paul. (paulj201@hotmail.com)

Quiz Night

Saturday

30th September 2023

7pm @ The Pine Lodge Little Milton

Everyone welcome!

Come on your own or with a team

Ticket include ploughman

Licensed bar

Corkage £2 per bottle

Tickets now on sale at Little Milton Shop

£10 in Advance

£12 on the Door

News at www.littlemilton.org.u



**MORLAND HOUSE SURGERY, MORLAND CLOSE,
WHEATLEY, OX33 1DP**

The usual surgery opening hours are Monday to Friday 8am to 6.30pm
Saturday mornings (excluding Bank Holiday weekends) 8am to 10.30am, for
pre-booked telephone consultations only

Enhanced access hours are offered outside these times, please speak to one of the
reception team on 01865 872448 for more information.

When the surgery is closed, please contact the Out of Hours service by phoning 111

Dispensary is open during these hours:

Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 1.00pm, Friday 8.30am to 1pm and 2pm to 6.30pm

Dispensary is closed on Saturday morning.

Note that our dispensary will close permanently on Friday 29th September 2023

Please visit www.morland-house.co.uk for a wealth of information and guidance on
managing a vast number of health conditions, symptoms, and treatment e.g.

1. A link to the electronic consulting service eConsult. Use eConsult to ask
about your health symptoms, conditions, or treatment. You can even request
things like sick notes and GP letters. From the home page click on 'Contact
your GP practice Online'.
2. A link to the NHS App. Download the App, or open the NHS website in a
web browser, to set up and log in to your NHS Account. Owned and run by
the NHS, your NHS Account is a simple and secure way to access a range of
NHS services online.
3. Up to date information on current news items including:
 - Staying safe in the hot weather
 - Prescribing policy for patients travelling abroad
 - Oxford Community Diagnostic Centre – X-Rays, blood tests,
ultrasounds, CTs and more
- Information on the NHS 111 online service which is available 24/7

Walks Programme September 2023

Sunday 3rd	Meet at the Lane End car park for an undulating 10 mile Chilterns walk with lovely views. Bring a picnic.
Thursday 7th	Meet at Piddington, on the old Oxford Road off A40 near Dashwood Arms PH, for an undulating 8 mile walk with great views. Bring a picnic.
Saturday 9th	Two walks starting from Stadhampton, village hall at St John's Church: A 6½ mile walk starting at 11am to Toot Baldon. Bring a picnic. An easy 2 mile walk across fields starting at 2pm. Both walks offer a chance to visit the usually closed St. Katherine's church in Chiselhampton. These are joint walks with the Fijian diaspora and will end with tea & cakes in the church in Stadhampton. Donations invited.
Tuesday 12th	Leisurely 2½ mile walk from the Tree Hotel, Iffley, with a stretch along the Thames Path. Start with coffee at 10:30am
Thursday 14th	Meet at Cookley Green for an 8½ mile walk with hills, woodlands and views. Bring a picnic.
Saturday 16th	A hilly very scenic 10½ mile Chilterns walk from Southend Common (near Turville), but with ample stops. Bring a picnic.
Thursday 28th	Meet at Oving Village Hall car park for a scenic 10 mile walk via North Marston, Quainton and Pitchcott, with two good hills. Bring a picnic.

All walks start at 10am unless otherwise stated.

Please check the website to confirm details as the programme is subject to change:

www.ramblers-oxon.org.uk/thame-wheatley/walking.html

or phone 01844 213608

Leaders' contact details and suitability of walks for dogs can be found on the website.

FROM OUR FRENCH CORRESPONDENT

Bonjour Tous !

As I sit and write this, the outside temperature is 39C! Luckily, because the stone walls of my house are 2 feet thick, the house stays remarkably cool, although I do use the air conditioning in my bedroom overnight. To my astonishment, I am the only house in the area with fully installed air conditioning, which is odd given temperatures such as now. Even very high quality gites which I am aware of, charging over £6000 per week to rent in high season, are without.

THE VINES-Une Catastrophe !

Those few of you who read the Wine Press may have seen references to Downy Mildew in Bordeaux. This year has seen a devastating attack of the disease across the whole of Bordeaux, and my small vineyard has not been spared. All varieties have been hit, but particularly the Reds, where the bunches have simply withered away. I thought at first this was my fault-I had changed from Hand Spraying to prevent an outbreak to machine spraying, and this is more difficult than it sounds. The amount of fungicide being applied depends on the speed of the tractor and the pressure from the pump. I obviously undercooked it, but so did many others. I may be able to salvage a small amount of Sauvignon Blanc, and a tiny amount of Chardonnay, but that will be all for this year. While this is disappointing, it is a lesson learned, and it means that the vines will produce a heavier crop next year.

REGENERATIVE VITICULTURE

I mentioned in my last letter a principal called CARBONOMICS, the idea that the most important element in a healthy soil is carbon. Without knowing it, I have been practicing what is now called Regenerative Viticulture from the start, by continuing to mow and letting the mowings sink into the soil. There was a very large formal launch of the idea in London last year, with luminaries of the Wine World such as Jancis Robinson there to sing its praises as the very latest concept in vineyard management. No ploughing at all-just mowing. Bare soil is not a natural state, and when temperatures rise to the levels they are now, this can lead to the death of microbiota in the top layers of soil where there is no shade from plants. The cut grass & weeds are dragged into the soil by worms, feeding the microbes in the soil which then release nutrients to the vines.

I did notice that my latest soil tests gave much better results in terms of organic material and biological activity, so something positive is happening.

WORK ON THE HOUSE

It is now a year since work re-commenced on restoring my house to its former glory, and the main task has been to create a self-contained 1 bedroom gite from the old servant's quarters (which were uninhabitable). Upstairs there will be a double bedroom, with en-suite bathroom including shower room, French Bath, toilet and wash hand basin. On the ground floor down the oak staircase will be a lounge & kitchenette, with a large log burner in a magnificent old fireplace, with a cinema /music room next door. Outside is a large new patio, with citrus, olive trees and vines growing up a trellis. For the first time, I am growing lemons, oranges, and even limes and grapefruit! It occurred to me that I could rent out both properties, and live in the other if one is rented. The one bedroom gite will certainly be my preference over winter.

Hope all goes well in LM!
A bientot

Stuart



John Howell MP writes

August 2023

I know that many constituents share my concern on issues around climate change. As such I understand some of the concerns expressed over the decision to agree new oil and gas licences. However it is important that this is seen in full context and alongside other measures that are being introduced.

The wider context is that of energy security. We have all witnessed how Russia has manipulated and weaponised energy, disrupting supply and stalling growth in countries around the world. Now more than ever we need to increase our energy security to reduce our dependence on imports. This will not only help to protect our economy and is also important as, we are told, the carbon footprint of domestic gas production is around one-quarter of the carbon footprint of imported liquefied natural gas. Further the independent Climate Change Committee predicts around a quarter of the UK's energy demand will still be met by oil and gas when the UK reaches net zero in 2050.

Alongside the oil and gas licenses the Government has also confirmed two more industrial Carbon Capture, Usage and Storage locations and thus the continued commitment to helping all parts of the United Kingdom decarbonise to reach net zero by 2050. This puts us on track to store 20-30 million tonnes of CO₂ per annum by 2030, which is the equivalent to removing approximately 4-6 million cars from UK roads each year. It will also help realise the UK's carbon storage potential, which, with an estimated 78 billion tonnes of theoretical CO₂ storage capacity on the continental shelf is some of the largest in the world.

At the same time as this announcement from our own Government I was interested to read the comments of Dr Jim Skea, the newly appointed head of the IPCC, about achieving target of limiting global warming. Dr Skea recognises that if you constantly communicate a very negative message it can paralyze people and prevents them from taking the necessary steps to get a grip on climate change. Whilst he in no way underestimates the problem his pragmatic approach is refreshing. He hopes to adapt the IPCC to provide better and targeted advice to specific groups such as town planners, landowners and businesses recognising the need to address "real people and their real lives". This is echoed in the approach that the Government is taking. The Prime Minister has stated that the Government is keen to reach the target in a way that is proportionate, pragmatic and does not place unnecessary burdens to household budgets. This I believe is the right way to go. We need to bring everyone with us to make things possible. I have put more detail on this on my website.

If there is a particular issue that concerns you, please do share your thoughts. My contact details are on my website - www.johnhowell.org.uk.

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DEADLINE REMINDER –

Please note that unless articles are in the hands of the Editor by the 18th of the month (unless otherwise stated), such articles will miss the scheduled Newsletter. The views expressed in this Newsletter are not necessarily those of the Editor or the Parish Council. All material for inclusion in the **October 2023** Newsletter should be with the Editor at 27 Chiltern View, Little Milton, by 8.00 p.m. on **18th September**. The Editor reserves the right not to print items submitted for publication and to edit those items, which are publish

KEY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Age UK	01865 890879	Naheed Qureshi
Citizens Advice Bureau	0808 278 7907	Thame & District
Church: St James	01844 278349	Revd. Simon Cronk
Doctors	01865 872448 111 0845 345 8995 999	Morland Surgery Out of Hours Service NHS Helpline Medical Emergencies
Little Milton Shop	01844 278175	Alison Shelton (Manager)
Little Milton School	01844 279310	Hannah Blest and James Bell Co-Head Teachers
Milk Deliveries	07773006485	A J Woods Ltd
MUGA	Bookings for the courts are made at the Post Office	
Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter	01844 279468 01844 279150	Mark Willis Raymond Fergusson (Editor)
OCC	01865 792422	All enquiries
Parish Council	01844 278180 01844 875635	Francois Van der Merwe (Chair) Andrea Oughton (Clerk)
Pine Lodge	01844 278605 01844 279535 0844 7255568	Steve Willis (Chairman) Linda Lovegrove (Bookings) 24/7 Call out service
Police	101	Thames Valley Police (Non-emergency)
Post Office	01844 279001	Alison Shelton (Postmistress)
Public Transport	01865 323201	Comet
SODC	01235 422422	All enquiries
Southern Electric	0800 0727 282	Emergency Number
Thames Water	0800 3169 800	Emergency Number
The Lamb	01844 279527	Ben & Charmain
Biffa (Verdant)	03000 610610	All enquiries
For all other numbers go to website www.littlemilton.org.uk		

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