DIARY DATES FOR APRIL 2024

2 nd	12.25 –	Mobile Library at the bus stop
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4 th		Prescription Rota – Mish Dunne
	7.30 pm	Book Club: Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver
7 th	8.30 am	Holy Communion at St Peter's Church
15 th	7.30 pm	Village Hall AGM. All welcome.
17 th	7.30 pm	Church Wardens' and Leaders' Meeting in the Village Hall.
18 th		Prescription Rota – Clare Rankin
	7.30 pm	REG planning meeting in the Village Hall All welcome.
23 rd	10.00 am	Church Council Meeting at Hemp Cottage
30 th	12.25 – 12.45	Mobile Library at the bus stop

Save the Dates

Parish Council meeting and AGM will be on 16th May 2024

The Progressive Supper will be on the 18th May. Contact Lilian if you would be interested in joining in, either as a guest or as a host.

Your Parish Councillors

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Parish Council News

The Big Help Out – 23rd March 2024

Twenty volunteers braved the rain to "help out" undertaking tasks around the village. The litter picking produced bags of rubbish and a number of tyres were found on Farnborough Road. We now have a sparklingly clean village hall and church and the area around the kissing gates have all been cut back. Well done to everyone who took part.

Recreation Ground

A big thank you to Karen and David Richards for letting Robert use their mower to cut the grass. The grass cuttings were removed by Andrew Douthwaite so many thanks to him.

Bob Mainwaring will now cut the grass every 7 days to ensure the grass is kept low and the recreation ground looking good.

To support Bob Mainwaring, we are looking for someone to undertake grass strimming around the village. Please contact Tim (07899 902608) to discuss what is required and renumeration.

Disabled parking bays on Langdon Lane

There are two disabled parking bays clearly marked on Langdon Lane but on occasion cars have been inappropriately parked in them. Please park respectfully and leave these spaces for our disabled residents.

Repair to Climbing frame

Unfortunately, the repair to the climbing frame has been delayed as the parts from the supplier were not available. It is hoped the repairs will be completed in April.

Pot hole Farnborough Road

The pot hole in the middle of the Farnborough Road, near the entrance to the village, was reported to County Highways and repaired within three days. What a great service.

Handrail for Jacob's Ladder

The new brown plastic handrail is currently being installed and will make a vast improvement for walkers climbing the stone steps.

Anaerobic Digester

Before making a decision, Stratford District Council, are awaiting the report from the independent assessor on the amended submission from Acorn Bioenergy. There is no timeframe for the publication of the independent assessor's report.

The next Parish Council meeting and AGM will be on 16th May 2024. All residents are welcome to attend.

A Letter From Gaydon Fire Station

Dear Householder,

YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE AT **RISK** WITHOUT A WORKING SMOKE DETECTOR.

As part of the Fire Service strategy to reduce death and injury due to fire in the home, we are carrying out Home Fire Safety visits in your area.

We can visit your property and carry out a **FREE** Home Fire Safety visit. Our Home Fire Safety visits include valuable fire safety information to help keep you and your family safe. If you have smoke alarms, we will check they are working and sited correctly. If not, we will fit smoke detectors where required **FREE OF CHARGE**.

We have already fitted free smoke detectors and given advice to many people in your area. If you or someone you know would like a free Home Fire Safety visit, please call W.C.C. customer service on: -

01926 466282 or 01926 413478

We will then arrange a suitable time to visit you. And remember: ALL OFFICERS WILL ATTEND IN UNIFORM, IN A FIRE APPLIANCE AND ALWAYS CARRY ID. PLEASE DO NOT BE AFRAID TO ASK TO SEE THIS ID!

REG news

The Radway Events Group AGM took place on the 22nd February. Elections for the trustees' positions were held. Claire Rankin was re-elected as treasurer and Guy Richardson was re-elected as Chair. Rosamund Trotman was elected as Secretary, replacing Sandra Wilkins. Everyone in REG would like to thank Sandra for all her hard work as secretary.

As REG had a surplus of income from the 2023 events, it was decided that this would be distributed as follows:

£150 to support the Civil War Exhibition in the church.

£150 to help with the costs of a new ramp to improve access into the church.

 ${\tt £150}$ contribution to the costs of purchasing a freezer for the village hall.

£50 donation to the Air Ambulance.

A sum has been retained to cover the costs of future events throughout the year. REG looks to support local organisations in need of funding. If you are aware of a local group which we could look to support, please let Guy know – 07720 775266

Beetle Drive

On Friday 15th March we had a fantastic evening of fun, delicious food and general good cheer at the REG Beetle Drive. Thirty of us gathered to enjoy Tim and Peter's hot pork rolls and, washed down with suitable refreshment, we embarked on the serious matter of Beetle Driving for the next hour or so. Dice were thrown, beetles drawn (or not) and at the end of the evening Lilian managed to carry off Colin the Caterpillar cake as she amassed the highest score of the night. Thanks to everyone for contributing to another great REG event and we look forward to the next one!

Village hall news

The Village Hall is holding it's AGM on Monday 15 April, at 7:30pm. This is an open meeting, so all from the village are welcome.

Church News

The work on the access ramp is due to start as soon as all the materials have been delivered.

Some residents may be unaware that there are bookshelves at the back of the church where people can put books they no longer need, and can also find second hand books that they would like to buy for a small donation.

As we go to press with this newsletter we are looking forward to our first Easter Trail in the church and churchyard for over a dozen children, on Easter Saturday. Look out for a write-up in the May edition!

