

# *The Four Parishes News Magazine*

BECKLEY  
FOREST HILL  
HORTON-cum-STUDLEY  
STANTON St JOHN



Lego Competition at FOBS 125 Celebration, 4 September 2021

*October 2021*

## The editor writes:



This month our village communities are showing signs of getting back to 'normal' again, with a resumption of some of our regular activities and signs of people planning ahead for future events. If you are anything like me, you will need to start putting things in your diary again, in order to avoid missing out, as things get busier!

Although we have more information about events, there are fewer general articles this month, and we would love to hear from anyone (of any age) who enjoys writing and would like to contribute to the magazine. Having published eight 'Knowing our Neighbours' features so far, it would be good to follow up with some more, or perhaps there is a subject that you are passionate about that you would like to share with us.

We can't guarantee to publish everything that we receive but we will certainly give it due consideration. So please get writing, or send us more of your wonderful photographs.

*Julia Stutfield*

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## Our cover photo ...

*is of children taking part in a Lego Competition at the Friends of Beckley Sschool event in September, celebrating the school's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary.*

*See page 18 for more information.*

**If you have taken a photo which you think might be suitable for the cover of the next magazine, please email it to [4parishesnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:4parishesnewsletter@gmail.com)**

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## Church Services in the Four Parishes, October 2021

	St Nicolas, Forest Hill with Shotover	St John the Baptist, Stanton St John	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Beckley	St Barnabas, Horton-cum- Studley
<b>3 Oct</b> <i>Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity</i>	<b>11am Harvest Holy Communion</b>	<b>9.30am Holy Communion</b>	<b>9.30am Holy Communion</b>	<b>11am Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>6pm Taizé at Stanton St John</b>			
<b>10 Oct</b> <i>Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity</i>		<b>9.30am Holy Communion</b>	<b>9.30am Harvest Morning Prayer</b>	<b>11am Animal Service</b>
	<b>11am Benefice Harvest Zoom Service</b>			
	<b>5pm Choral Evensong at Forest Hill (Book of Common Prayer)</b>			
<b>17 Oct</b> <i>Twentieth Sunday after Trinity</i>	<b>11am Morning Prayer (Book of Common Prayer)</b>	<b>9.30am Holy Communion</b>	<b>9.30am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)</b>	<b>11am Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>6pm Iona Service at Beckley</b>			
<b>24 Oct</b> <i>Bible Sunday</i>	<b>10am Benefice Service at Forest Hill Holy Communion</b>			
	<b>4.30pm Family Church Stanton St John Village Hall</b>			
	<b>6pm Church Without Walls Stanton St John Village Hall</b>			
<b>31 Oct</b> <i>All Saints' Day</i>  <i>All Souls'</i>	<b>11am Morning Prayer</b>	<b>9.30am Holy Communion</b>	<b>9.30am Morning Prayer</b>	<b>11am Holy Communion</b>
	<b>6pm All Souls Service at Stanton St John</b>			

## A letter from Anthea

Hi everyone,



I have no idea what the weather will be like by the time you are reading this letter, but as I write, we are enjoying the most beautiful Indian Summer. Despite some very misty starts some days, the sun has been burning through, leaving us with lovely warm and sunny days. It seems such a shame that the month of August in recent times has not provided us with great weather, but come September as schools, colleges and universities start back, and the peak of the holiday season is over, the weather seems to improve! Perhaps it is easier to get up and going if the weather is good though. I certainly find that the case.

We are in the middle of celebrating harvest around the Benefice. It has



been wonderful to see the churches beautifully decorated with autumn-coloured flowers, fresh and preserved produce, arranged so carefully to bring us joy. I am looking forward to the rest of the celebrations. It is great to hear from local farmers, that their main harvest has been successfully gathered in (although there are still many tonnes of potatoes to bring in!), and the cycle has already started again, with fields being ploughed, prepared and sown, for the next crop. The cycle of life goes round and round; God providing for us, us giving thanks to God, bringing to him our harvest gifts, and us helping others in greater need than ourselves, as we offer the harvest produce, from our church celebrations to those in greater need than us.



The gospel reading for harvest this year comes from the Sermon on the Mount - Jesus' famous teaching in Matthew's Gospel, and it implores us not to worry about what we will eat or drink, or wear: many of us might be struggling not to worry, especially as we hear the news and with everything that is going on in the world. There are warnings of food shortages as we head towards Christmas, and soaring fuel prices, meaning some may not be able to keep warm. And life may be difficult for some at this time. Jesus encourages us to 'strive first for the kingdom of God'. By that he means eternity, that time when God's kingdom has come, when there will be no more pain or death, and every tear will be wiped away.

As we think about the cycle of life, we look towards the end of the month and the beginning of the church's period of remembering. These last 18 months have been especially difficult for those who have lost a loved one. Funerals have not been a time when we can gather in the usual numbers, hug each other for support, and remember our loved ones, celebrating their life and acknowledging the pain of their death. Wakes have not been able to happen - the traditional time when we share our sadness, but also perhaps gently begin to laugh again, as we remember together, stories of happy times shared. Perhaps this year especially, the All Souls' service (see page 9) might be helpful - a time when you can remember loved ones no longer with us, whether they have died recently, or long ago. I encourage you to come along and share in a quiet, reflective time - and receive some 'cake and kindness' afterwards.



November and December will see us sharing more times of remembering - with the traditional Remembrance Sunday services throughout the benefice in November, and 'Looking for the Light' in December. Look out for more information about these is due course.

Please do get in touch if life is tough and you need someone to talk to. Take great care, keep safe and God bless you and your loved ones.

*Anthea*

## CHURCH MATTERS

### Advent challenge and beyond: the final leg!

Congratulations to all those who have gone the distance and have read the New Testament over these last 10 months. I am giving you a rest this month, and we will start a new challenge next month. Enjoy the break!

### Ongoing activities on Zoom

As more activities are happening in person we are no longer doing Midweek Elevenses at 11 or End of the week drinks - we will see how the dark nights and cold days go, and will happily reinstate them if there is the demand. We are continuing Morning and Evening Prayer and the Benefice Book Group on Zoom as detailed. Please do get in touch with Anthea for invitations if you wish to be included.

	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
<b>Morning Prayer at 9am</b>		√		√
<b>Evening Prayer at 6pm</b>	√		√	
<b>Benefice Book Group at 7.30pm</b>			√	

### Benefice Book Group

We will be finishing the current book we are reading in early October, and looking to start a new one. If you wish to be part of this group or have any ideas of books to read, do please also get in touch with Anthea. The Group meets at 7.30pm on Thursday evenings, for an hour.

### Open the Book volunteers

It was fantastic to be in Beckley School as they welcomed the very popular Open the Book team back into School after a long break due to Covid restrictions. The children loved it, as did the Open the Book team. If anyone would like to be involved with this, please do contact Betty Dye [betty.dye10@gmail.com](mailto:betty.dye10@gmail.com) or Julia Stutfield [julia.stutfield@gmail.com](mailto:julia.stutfield@gmail.com) to see about what this involves. It would be great to have more volunteers involved in this.

## Celebration of Harvest in the Four Parishes

We have already celebrated harvest in Horton-cum-Studley (see page 27) and Stanton (see page 31). This month there are celebrations in Beckley and Forest Hill.

**Beckley: 10 October 9.30am Harvest Service of Morning Prayer** (see page 20 for more information)

**Forest Hill: 3 October 11am Harvest Holy Communion** (see page 23 for more information)

Please do come and join us for these important celebrations in our rural communities.

## All Souls': 6pm Stanton Church on 31 October

All Souls' is the time in the Church calendar when we remember and give thanks to God for loved ones no longer with us. Last year we were not able to meet in Church, but, subject to any new Covid restrictions, we can do so this year. This will be a short reflective service, when loved ones can be remembered by name, or in the silence of your hearts. We hope to be able to offer refreshments afterwards, and a chance for a chat if you would like to.

If you are able to attend in person, that is wonderful, but if you would like someone remembered, and cannot attend, please do not worry, they can still be remembered on the day, and a candle lit in their memory. Whether or not you can attend, would you please let Anthea know the names of loved ones you would like remembered, and their names will be read out during the service.

Many of us have lost loved ones during the pandemic, when we have not been able to say goodbye as we might have wished to. Others have lost loved ones some time ago, and still their loss is painful to bear. This is an opportunity to remember before God, by name, loved ones we have loved, but no longer see, whether that is recently or longer ago. Please do think about joining us.

## Christmas Card Competition

Thanks to the very generous offering of funding from people within the Benefice for the printing costs, we have decided to hold a Christmas Card Design Competition! The winning design will be used to produce Christmas cards for you to buy.

You can produce an original drawing, painting, scan, photograph, collage, embroidery, knitting, crochet, cake etc., etc. to depict something suitable to have on a Christmas card.

Once completed, please send a photo of your design to me by email with your name. The winning design will be printed on A6 (A5 folded) card (148 X 105 mm). We should be able to scale your artwork to fit, so do not worry too much about the size.

Judging will be by popular vote (the same process we used for judging the Easter Garden competition), with one category for adults and one for children 11 years and under. A small prize will be awarded for each of the winners.

**The closing date for entries is midnight on Sunday 10 October.**

If you have any questions, please contact me or Julia (editor).

## 2022 Benefice Calendar

We would like to do a calendar again this year, but we are dependent upon receiving enough high-quality photographs to make this possible.

Please send any photographs to Julia (editor), and we will see if we get enough for this project. All photographs will be credited.

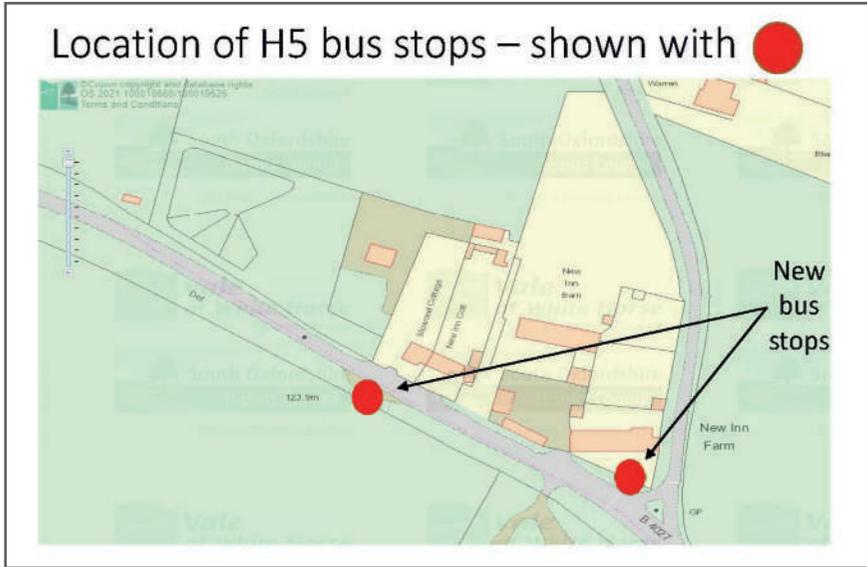
If you have any questions, please do get in touch with Julia.

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# GENERAL

## H5 bus - new stops by New Inn Farm

The H5 bus service between Bicester, Islip & Headington/JR Hospital now has a new request stop, by New Inn Farm on the B4027. The bus runs once an hour between approximately 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday to Saturday (no Sunday service). See the map below and the timetable on back cover of this magazine for the exact location and timings.



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The documents available online include:

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- membership form (pdf format, 88Kb)
- Book list without synopses (pdf format, 200Kb) - there are more than 500 sets of books
- Book list with synopses (pdf format, 3Mb)

You can have up to three sets of books on loan to your group at any one time. If there is a title that you would like to read which is not on the list, you can recommend it to us and we will consider it for inclusion next time we refresh the collection.

*Wendy Stanton*  
Wheatley Library Manager

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**Saturday 9.30am-1pm**

**Welcome back!**

The library is in the upper level of the Merry Bells Village Hall.

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The Anne Robson Trust, [www.annerobsontrust.org.uk](http://www.annerobsontrust.org.uk), is a pre-bereavement charity that passionately believes that no-one deserves to die alone. We work alongside NHS hospitals to train Butterfly Volunteers, who sit with end-of-life patients in order to provide company and comfort to people in their last days and hours of life. However, due to COVID restrictions the volunteers were forced to withdraw from the hospitals, and in response to this, we decided to set up a free, national helpline so that we could continue to offer comfort and support where needed. As restrictions have lifted the volunteers are gradually starting to return to hospitals and in addition the introduction of the helpline is showing to be a valuable resource for anyone in the community to access support from the comfort of their own home.

The helpline is for anyone who is struggling to cope with a terminal diagnosis or the imminent death of someone they care about. Whether they are family members, friends, neighbours, work colleagues, or even a member of the care staff who may just need someone to talk to; we understand the pressures of working and caring for people who are end of life. We are fully committed to ensuring that people facing end of life and their families have access to as many layers of support as possible.

For more information, contact Paula Kerswell, Helpline Manager:  
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## 'Bird Migration' by Lyn Ebbs

Our editor, Julia, asked for an article on migration this month, a subject which, like the birds themselves, covers a lot of ground. So, this is just a short digest of facts about some of the birds you might meet locally and their migration behaviour. I don't have the space or the scientific know-how to explain precisely how birds know in which direction to travel when they migrate. In simple terms, they have inbuilt mechanisms that act like both map and compass which allow them to read the landscape and make use of the earth's magnetic field. The systems work even in birds like chickens which don't migrate. Interestingly, one of the birds most studied is the European robin, which in Britain is mostly sedentary - the opposite of a migratory species. They breed close to their birthplace and stay faithful to that site over winter. Only about 10% of British robins move more than 20km from their birthplace, in fact most stay within 5km.



We are familiar with our long-distance migrants that join us for the summer: swifts, swallows and house martins. But it is really only in the past 100 years or so that we have built up a good understanding of where they migrate to. Some theories prior to that seem bizarre now; the mud at the bottom of ponds was thought to be a winter home for them. The great 18th century naturalist, Gilbert White had formed some ideas on swallow migration but



even he had sand banks excavated hoping to find torpid martins. When you consider how recently we were able to accurately map the world, it perhaps isn't so surprising that no-one knew where on earth house martins went in winter. What is surprising is that we still don't know for sure where their wintering grounds in Africa are. Modern technology has allowed us to attach

geolocators to some bird species and follow their fascinating migration journeys. However, it hasn't yet allowed us to make one small enough to use on house martins without adding an additional hazard to their travels, so planned studies have yet to be carried out.

Short distance migrants also make for interesting study. Because they stay closer to the UK, in southern Spain or northwest Africa, they can more easily take advantage of a favourable spell of weather in spring and head for their breeding sites. One small warbler, the chiffchaff, is actually choosing to stay in southern Britain as our recent milder winters mean they can avoid the hazards of longer journeys. Another warbler species, the blackcap, has developed a new pattern of migration in the past 30 or 40 years. While blackcaps from the western half of the country still make the trip to the Iberian Peninsula or northwest Africa, birds from the east of Britain are joined by birds from Germany and the low countries and travel westwards. If you see a blackcap in your garden during the winter, it may not be the same bird that enchanted you with its song in the summer.

Which brings us to the topic of winter migration. While we might think of our winters as cold, dark and damp, they are a haven of warmth for birds that breed in Scandinavia or north of the Arctic Circle. Winter thrushes: fieldfares, redwings, and even some blackbirds, arrive from October to take advantage of the berry crop in our hedgerows. Which date they arrive, how many we see and how long they stay depends on the food availability and weather conditions back home. But, if we have a cold winter here, putting out some apples along with your regular bird food could attract some of these colourful thrushes into your garden.



*Lyn Ebbs has lived in Stanton St John for just over 33 years and has been volunteering at the RSPB Otmoor Reserve at Otmoor Lane, Beckley, since 2009.*



House martins on Stanton Church Tower - Lyn Ebbs

## FOCUS ON FAMILIES

Dame Elizabeth Holford's Charity

Registered Charity: 309576

### **Applications for Bursaries welcomed**

The Charity was set up in 1720 when Dame Elizabeth Holford left £500 to establish a school for the children of Stanton St John and Forest Hill. The Charity came into being in 1988, following the closure of the school at what is now the Holford Centre, in Stanton St John. There were to be two Trustees appointed by Stanton St John Parish Council and two appointed by Forest Hill Village Council and the Charity invited applications for grants from school aged children and young people up to the age of 25 who are or who have parents resident in either village, for help in their educational needs.

Dame Elizabeth Holford's Charity has now been able to extend its area of benefit to include Stanton St John, Forest Hill with Shotover and now also Beckley, Horton-cum Studley and the ecclesiastical Parish of Elsfield. The Trustees hope to reach more young people from school age to under the age of 25 who might benefit from the Charity.

In the past bursaries have been granted for computer software, sporting equipment, residential courses, text books, laptops and other electronic equipment, college courses not funded by Student Finance, tools for an apprentice and music lessons. Applications are not means tested and funding is granted on a case-by-case basis.

The Trustees welcome applications for bursaries addressed to the Chair of Dame Elizabeth Holford's Charity, Alison Finch.

The email address is [HolfordtrustChair@gmail.com](mailto:HolfordtrustChair@gmail.com). You can also apply in writing to Alison Finch, 14 Mickle Way, Forest Hill, Oxford, OX33 1DX.

**The next meeting of the Trustees is on Monday 1 November 2021.**

## The Maple Tree children's centre charity

### Hello from The Maple Tree!



So far this year we have served 224 families and played with 289 children from Wheatley and beyond! We are now offering a full programme of sessions and activities to children under 5 and their parents and carers. We are erring on the side of caution with optional masks, a cleaning regime and adequate ventilation, and we are suggesting that families book using Eventbrite. However, dropping in for all or part of a session is also acceptable. There is a suggested donation of £2.50 per family per session. We welcome everyone!

**Monday: Messy Mondays, 10:00-11:30am**

**Tuesday: Story and Rhyme Time, 10:00-11:30am**

**Wednesday: Maple Babies, 10:30-11:30am and 1:30-2:30pm**

**Thursday: Little Explorers, 10:00-11:30am. Little Adventurers, 1:30-2:30pm**

**Friday: Coffee Morning with Wheatley Primary School parents at The Maple Tree Centre, 8:45-9:45am and Social Butterflies, 10:00-11:30am**

**Family Fun, 10:00-11:30am 3rd Saturday in month**

**Village Outreach: The Maple Tree at Forest Hill Village Hall on Thursdays from 11:00am-12:00pm**

**We are looking for Volunteers!** Would like to join our committed and friendly group of trustees? Or are you interested in helping with our sessions, working with young children alongside our dedicated staff team? Or fundraising? Do you have a lot of spare time or just an hour a week?

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***Laura Spencer, The Maple Tree Centre Manager***

*The Maple Tree is a community charity (registration no. 1174117) based in Wheatley, aiming to replace some services that were lost when local Children's Centres closed in 2017. We serve families from Wheatley and surrounding villages, including Stanton St John, Forest Hill, Horton-cum-Studley and Beckley.*

## Friends of Beckley School (FOBS) Beckley 125 celebration

We would like to thank everyone who donated, volunteered and helped us to celebrate 125 years of the school. This was our first event as the new FOBS team and to receive all the support from the school and the community was absolutely amazing. As a result everyone's efforts helped us to raise a total of £1,107.86

We would especially like to thank the following people:

- Pam St Clement for attending the event and supporting both FOBS and the school
- The amazing ladies at Stanton Women's Institute for the delicious cakes
- All of the parents that volunteered and helped to run the various stalls, bar and teas and coffees.

An additional thanks to our special little helpers for the day, who helped to set up and pack away: Chloe & Elsie Wigley, Beau Bakewell, Holly Cannon, Oscar Kieran, Guy & Gaby Massey, Lilia & Max Troth.

It was such a success that we are now planning a further Beckley School fete for next July. Please let us know if you wish to join the planning committee.



Mr Houston, Pam St Clement & Miss Teasdale  
Photo by Vicky Ford

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## Miss Rhiannon Wilkie

I am delighted to introduce myself as the new Headteacher of Beckley C of E Primary School.



I studied for a PGCE, followed by a Masters of Education, at the University of Cambridge in 2012 and have worked in teaching and leadership roles across the county since then. Most recently, I was deputy and acting Headteacher of another River Learning Trust school in Carterton.

I grew up in Oxford and so the Oxfordshire countryside holds many happy memories for me and I really believe that there is so much that is special about Beckley and the surrounding areas. I am thoroughly looking forward to building links between the school and the wider community as well as developing the curriculum here into a broad, enriching offer that is bespoke to our learners.



## BECKLEY

### Beckley Church

Details of all church services can be found on page 5. Any changes to the published schedule will be on our website [www.fourparishes.org.uk](http://www.fourparishes.org.uk).

### Church Opening

The church is now open every day from 10am until 6pm, and services include hymn singing. Mask wearing and social distancing are still encouraged, although no longer a legal requirement. All are welcome.

### Harvest

We are celebrating harvest at **9.30am on 10 October with a Harvest Service of Morning Prayer**. All are welcome. We shall be **decorating the Church on 9 October** and it would be wonderful to see anyone who would like to help - you will be warmly welcomed! If you have garden flowers, hedgerow autumn berries, or fruit and vegetables, please bring them along at 10am. After the service the harvest gifts will be taken to the North Oxfordshire Community Food Bank in Kidlington. Any non-perishable food is welcome, but the Food Bank is especially needing tinned rice and custard, tinned fruit and vegetables, including potatoes, peas, carrots, sweetcorn and tomatoes, cereals, 500g packs of pasta, washing-up liquid, and soap powder.

### The Chancel Roof

The starting date for the re-roofing has been rearranged by the builders to 27 September. We hope there will be no further delays!

### Beckley Art Exhibition 2021



This year's art exhibition by the Beckley Art Group (which includes members from Beckley and surrounding villages) will take place in Beckley Village Hall from 10am to 4pm on Saturday 9th October and Sunday 10th October.

Refreshments will be available and credit cards accepted!  
<https://beckleyart.com>.

## Beckley & Stowood Parish Council

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday 7 October 2021 at 8pm in Beckley Village Hall** (tbc). Parish Council information, including agendas and minutes, is available on the website [www.beckley-and-stowood-pc.gov.uk](http://www.beckley-and-stowood-pc.gov.uk). The Clerk's email address is [clerk@beckley-and-stowood-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@beckley-and-stowood-pc.gov.uk) if you wish to contact the Parish Council to raise a question for the next meeting.

**The Otmoor Flyer: no need to book but tickets must be purchased in advance of travel** – Please wear a mask on board – Pick up 10.30am opposite the Abingdon Arms Pub and Return 1.15pm to Beckley. Further information and tickets from Jill Meyjes Tel: 01865 351496. Tickets also available from Stanton St John Village Shop: £15 for 10 journeys.

**The H5 bus** is run by Stagecoach from Bicester (Manorsfield Road near Pioneer Square) through Islip, along B4027, the Bayswater Road, through Barton Park **to the John Radcliffe Hospital and Headington shops** and back. New bus stops have been installed near New Inn Farm on B4027 (Forest Hill to Islip road) near its junction with New Inn Road. See **timetable** on back cover of this magazine and **bus stop map** on page 11.

For information on **Beckley Village Hall** see [www.beckleyvillagehall.org](http://www.beckleyvillagehall.org) and to enquire about a booking please contact the Booking Secretary, Tim Pullen at [booking@beckleyvillagehall.org](mailto:booking@beckleyvillagehall.org).

**You can now report a highways matter to Oxfordshire County Council on 01223 849731 outside normal office hours** – including evenings, weekends and bank holidays. The call adviser will discuss the urgency of the issue and take appropriate action as required. During normal working hours, people should continue to call the council's customer service centre on 0345 310 1111. If the situation is potentially life threatening, people should call emergency services on 999.

**Save the Date: Saturday 6 November 2021 – Beckley Firework and Bonfire Night** – gates open 5.30pm, bonfire at 6pm and fireworks at 6.30 pm – Beckley Village Hall and Playing Field – Parking on playing field – Refreshments – Entry Fee £5 for adults and children over four years (tbc - subject to Covid-19 restrictions on the day).

## Beckley and Area Community Benefit Society

More than a Pub program. <https://bacbs.org/events>

**Monthly Community Walk** the next walk will be on Sunday 19 October, 2-4, location TBA.

### Sunday Evening upcoming talks

The Sunday evening talks started again in the pub in September, and are also available via Zoom for those unhappy yet about mixing too much, or not able to come in person for other reasons. Now it's allowed, we strongly encourage those that can, to support the coming events in person for the sake of the speakers, our social wellbeing, and of course because we want to support the pub in every way we can. For Zoom access details to talks please go to <https://bacbs.org/events>. If you would like to watch past talks, please email Adrian Hampshire at [info@bacbs.org](mailto:info@bacbs.org) with your request.

**Sunday 17 October, 6.30pm.** A talk by **Tim Dixon** on **Carbon Capture and Storage**, as a climate change technology, and how it relates to other climate solutions, in the context of the COP26 conference in Glasgow in November. Tim lives in Horton-cum-Studley.

**Sunday 28 November, 6.30pm. Plants, Magic and Medicine**, a talk by **Dr Sue Burge**, retired consultant dermatologist and former Director of Clinical Studies at The University of Oxford. Sue lives in Horton-cum-Studley, where she is a keen gardener, regularly opening her garden to the public for the National Garden Scheme, and chairing its gardening club.

**Sunday 12 December, 6.30 pm. Otmoor, the Changing Year**, a talk by **Peter Barker**. A passionate advocate for Otmoor and its wildlife, and for open wild spaces, Peter is author of "The Birds of Otmoor" which will be published this autumn by the Oxford Ornithological Society and convenor of the Otmoor Birding website <http://otmoorbirding.blogspot.com>.

### H5 Bus

Don't forget the H5 bus, running from the JR and Headington to Bicester, via Islip, now stops on request, at the junction of New Inn Road and the B4027. It's quick and there is currently always space. In the morning rush hour, it's quicker than going to the JR by car, and no parking issues. A timetable will be found on the back cover of this magazine, or go to <https://bustimes.org/services/h5-headington-bicester>.

## FOREST HILL

### News from St Nicolas Church

Details of all church services can be found on page 5. Any changes to the published schedule will be on our website [www.fourparishes.org.uk](http://www.fourparishes.org.uk).

### Forest Hill: Harvest

We are celebrating harvest at **11am on 3 October with a Harvest Service of Holy Communion**. All are welcome.

We will be **decorating the Church from 10.30am on 2 October**. Please do simply turn up at the Church if you are available to help - you will be warmly welcomed! If you can bring some flowers, greenery, fruits or vegetables that would be wonderful. After the service, the produce will either be given directly to Helen & Douglas House in Oxford or sold on the Produce Stall on the following Saturday, and the money raised donated to Helen & Douglas House. We will liaise with them as to what is best under the continuing Covid situation.

Sadly we will not be holding a Harvest Supper again this year, due to the continuing Covid situation, but we hope to resume that next year.

### Produce stall

This continues outside Lyttleton, Main Street every Saturday, 9 - 5pm until the end of October. Thank you to all those who help to raise money for St Nicolas Church.

### Cream Teas and Music at St Nicolas

Live music-making at St Nicolas continued with Choral Evensong on 12 September, involving a choir of six singers and opportunities for congregational singing. The **next Choral Evensong is at 5pm on 10 October** with drinks in the garden afterwards, weather permitting, and all are very welcome to come and experience the calm of listening to the traditional words and music in our beautiful village church. By the time you read this, we should have had our final Sunday afternoon Cream Teas and Concert for this year but, all being well, these will resume in June 2022. Thank you to all those who have helped make those afternoons so enjoyable - caterers, bakers, musicians, singers, washers up, gazebo erectors and dismantlers, furniture movers, cashiers, and all those who have attended.

## Ride and Stride

This took place on Saturday, 11 September. Thanks so much to Pat Fraser for taking part as usual, raising much needed funds for both St Nicolas and the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust, that we have benefited from. Many thanks also to those who greeted participants throughout the day, and to Andrew and Judy Brown who provided their gazebo for shelter and shade.

## More Music at St Nicolas

We are planning another **'Far from Home' concert at 6pm on Sunday 14 November** (Remembrance Sunday) with music and readings exploring the dislocating effect of war on combatants and non-combatants alike. If you have any ideas for music or readings and/or you would like to take part, please contact Julia Stutfield [julia.stutfield@gmail.com](mailto:julia.stutfield@gmail.com).

## The Maple Tree at Forest Hill

Play and Learn, Thursdays 11am-12pm (note new time)

**The Forest Hill Baby and Toddler Group, now known as The Maple Tree at Forest Hill**, is proving very popular, with nearly 30 different families having attended since June, both from our Four Parishes and further afield.



Weekly sessions run on Thursdays at the **new time of 11am-12pm**, which appears to work well for everyone.

Maple Tree Centre Manager, Laura Spencer, runs the sessions with help from local volunteers. It has proved to be a wonderful opportunity for parents and carers (including several grandparents) of babies and young children to meet each other and socialise after long periods of isolation due to the pandemic. Booking is no longer required but you can email

[laura@mapletree.org.uk](mailto:laura@mapletree.org.uk) or message Julia Stutfield on 07766 103427 if you have any questions.

**More volunteers** to help with setting up and taking down the equipment in the Village Hall would still be much appreciated!

## Forest Hill with Shotover Parish Council

The Parish Council are pleased to announce that we have been awarded a "tree" grant from The Woodland Trust. The trust will be providing 200 saplings to the council as part of our project to re-wild parts of the recreation ground and diversify its usage. The project will also include the creation of an area for wild flowers to grow. All current facilities will remain with the potential of a casual bike track being constructed and the addition of a basketball ball net.

The saplings will be arriving in early November and the council will be organising a tree planting day. There will be more information to follow.

The date of the next meeting is Thursday 4 November, at 7pm in the Village Hall. Meetings are open to the public and have an open session where residents can bring attention to any village issues. Current Agendas and Minutes are posted on the notice board outside the Village Hall and on the website: [www.parish-council.com/foresthillwithshotover/index.asp](http://www.parish-council.com/foresthillwithshotover/index.asp).

You can contact the Parish Council Clerk, tel: 0844 884 3328, during the hours 09:00 to 17:00, or email address: [theclerk@foresthillwithshotover-pc.org.uk](mailto:theclerk@foresthillwithshotover-pc.org.uk).

## Forest Hill Garden Club

Hello, we want to tell you we are still here and want to start holding garden and plant related activities again. Ideas we have discussed include our brilliant Garden Quiz which was ready to go as the first lock-down hit, a pre-Christmas session with decorative materials and ideas for using them, a visit to an organic vineyard and a village-based Treasure Hunt.

We know some people feel unsafe being with others, especially indoors, so we are going slowly.

We have collaborated with the Parish Council and improved the planters at the village gates on Stanton Road. Dawn Dunbar and Sue McIlvenna have planted them beautifully. We hope you have enjoyed them!

We want to know what you would like, if you are interested, please tell us!

Prue 01865 872034 [leedings@hotmail.com](mailto:leedings@hotmail.com)

## Samuel Gordon Shepherd

6th July 1932 - 9th September 2021

Gordon was a long time resident of Forest Hill and farmed at Minchin Court with his family. Prior to owning and operating Shepherd Transport, he was employed by the British Leyland Transport Division.



Gordon enjoyed village life and contributing to local activities. He served on the Parish Council for a great many years, was a Trustee with the Dame Elizabeth Holford Trust, a British Motorcross champion, and a long serving magistrate.

He may be remembered for putting on a show ripping around the fields on his motorbike, or driving his combine, tractor, and large lorry loads of straw.

He will be greatly missed by his family in England, Canada, and Australia, his former colleagues, and his many friends.

The funeral will take place at St Nicolas Church on Wednesday 6th October at 1.30pm.

Parking at Manor Farmyard by kind permission of the Stanleys.



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# HORTON-cum-STUDLEY

## News from St Barnabas

Details of all church services can be found on page 5. Any changes to the published schedule will be on our website [www.fourparishes.org.uk](http://www.fourparishes.org.uk).

## Harvest

We celebrated harvest with a service of Holy Communion on 19 September. The Church was decorated beautifully. Thank you to all those who donated flowers and produce, both fresh and preserved, and for those who made the Church look so beautiful. After the Service the produce was given to the Thame Food Bank.

## Animal Service: 11am, 11 October

We are looking forward to celebrating the gift of animals at this service, and warmly welcome you to join us. Pets are welcome, but please think about their welfare, and do not bring any that might get stressed. We will be thanking God for our pets, but remembering also our farm animals (also welcome if practicable), assistance animals, service animals of all sorts, and animals in general. Due to the time of year, we assume we will need to be in Church, but if on the day the weather is good, we could meet on the Village Green. Please look out for updates nearer the time.

## Horton-cum-Studley Parish Council

The Parish Council met face to face on Thursday 10 September, in the Millennium Village Hall.

The meeting was also attended by Chris Cundy, the Cherwell District Council dog warden, Chris was invited due to the current issue with dog fouling within the village. Chris requested that anyone who witnesses dog fouling should report it via the Cherwell website, this can be done anonymously.

It's that time of year when we get an increasing number of deer crossing the road, so please take care whilst driving on our roads.

The next Parish Council meeting will be remotely on Thursday 8 October 7.30pm, if you would like to attend please contact the Parish Clerk at [hortonparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:hortonparishcouncil@gmail.com).

## Michaelmas Fayre



The Fayre at Manor Farm was a great success!

We were blessed with a sunny day, a spacious, airy barn and lots of stalls with enticing goods. The raffle was very well supported as were the 'bric a brac', 'nearly new', cake, produce and book stalls. Many young people (and a few adults too!) made valiant attempts to 'splat the rat' and 'beat the buzzer'.

The café area was a great place to take in the atmosphere whilst enjoying a cup of soup and hot dog . It was lovely to see and hear so many people enjoying each other's company and a welcome relief from Zoom.

Our thanks to the Badgers for freeing up their barn, to all those who contributed to and helped on the stalls, and of course all those who came to share this special event with us.

Thanks to your support we raised an amazing and much needed £1,026 for St Barnabas Church.

*Julia Slingo, Treasurer, St Barnabas PCC*

### 2021 Pumpkin Weigh-In and Sunflower Measure

**Sunday 17 October**

**3-4 pm at St Barnabas Church, Horton-cum-Studley**

Tea and scones will also be provided

Bring all your pumpkins and sunflowers along so we can admire them.

All shapes and sizes welcome.

This year we hear there are some unusual pumpkins around so it may well be a weigh-in with a difference!

## Millennium Hall Committee

Bookings for the hall are gradually being requested with Christians in Sport and the Bikers using the facilities in the near future. The income will be greatly welcomed as we have more expenditure on the shutters. Shutting one at the back of the hall over a fire door when the door was not fully shut resulted in damage and another shutter at the back has also been damaged. It would appear that something has been banged into the shutter while it was shut distorting four of the slats. This distortion prevents the shutter from shutting smoothly and they need to be replaced. Just another £1,100 for both repairs.

Dog fouling continues to be a major problem. The Parish Council invited the dog warden to their meeting last week with the result that many more signs reminding dog owners to "pick up" will be placed along the path from the Green.

The play area has had its annual inspection with the report denoting many deficiencies. We are already aware of these and as previously reported a sub-committee has been formed to investigate funding for renewing the apparatus. A quote from the firm that originally installed the equipment amounted to £32,000. More details will hopefully be given in next month's newsletter.

Barbara has found an excellent cleaner who comes to the hall on alternate Tuesdays but is happy to come in at additional times if a big event has taken place. Thanks again go to Pete Whitaker for keeping a close watch on the hall, turning off lights that have been left on, doing and recording the weekly fire check and many other odd jobs.

We will be looking for new appointments to the committee at next year's Annual General Meeting. This need will become a recurrent theme in subsequent newsletters (no apologies for that). Please think carefully about offering to help. We need a new chairman, treasurer, bookings manager and someone to care for the utilities and fabric of the hall. Everyone in the village wants the facilities that the hall offers but few are willing to help. I will soon be twisting a few arms in the coming months - so, be prepared!

*Derek Jewell*

Email: [derek.jewell@ndm.ox.ac.uk](mailto:derek.jewell@ndm.ox.ac.uk)

Telephone: 01856 351315

## Horton-cum-Studley Gardening Club

We had a lovely social evening in August. The weather was kind and it was lovely to catch up with everyone. As one member said, "it almost felt normal"!

Autumn is a busy time for gardeners. We need to consider which plants to divide or move, to take cuttings and to sort out veg plots. It is worth taking photos of the garden now so you have pictures of those awkward spaces and you can make sensible plans in the winter when you are surrounded by tempting catalogues. Some seeds, including sweet-peas, can be planted now and don't forget to order your tulips for planting at the end of October or early November.



I am looking forward to my Michaelmas daisies, which are just starting to open. Rain is battering the plants as I write but they are sturdy and well-supported. Butterflies love them and the sedums (left). A splash of colour at this time of year is always welcome.

Excitingly our autumn programme will be kicking off in the **Millenium Hall at 8pm on Tuesday 19 October** when Marina Christopher will talk about "The Plight of the Bee - Flowers to the Rescue". She will also be bringing along some plant material. We are unsure if we will be in the hall or meeting remotely again by 16 November when Chris Brown discusses "Plants and the stories they tell".

Please check the website [www.horton-cum-studley.org.uk/community/clubs/](http://www.horton-cum-studley.org.uk/community/clubs/) for more information.

Visitors are welcome to our meetings and new members are particularly welcome. If you would like to know more about the Gardening Club, support the club by joining our committee or would welcome some advice about your own garden, please just contact me on 01865 351310.

*Sue Burge, Chairman*

## The Otmoor Flyer

BOOKING FOR THE OTMOOR FLYER IS NO LONGER NEEDED.

The usual 16-seater minibus from Forest Hill via Stanton St John to Oxford through Headington leaves Forest Hill at 10.30am on Mondays and Thursdays. It leaves Horton-cum-Studley, The Forge, at 10.30am (via Beckley at 10.40) on Tuesdays and Fridays.

It returns each day at 1.15pm from Oxford, Broad Street, Balliol College.

Please see posters displayed in each village for further details. Contact Jill Meyjes on 01865 351496 with any queries.

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## STANTON ST JOHN

### Stanton Church

Details of all church services can be found on page 5. Any changes to the published schedule will be on our website [www.fourparishes.org.uk](http://www.fourparishes.org.uk).

### Stanton: Harvest

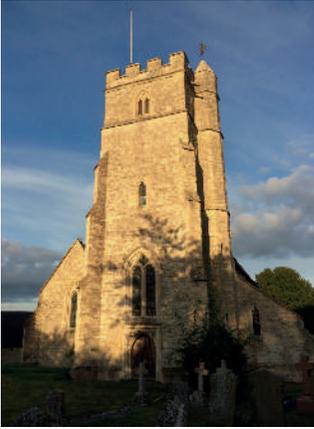
We celebrated harvest with a service of Holy Communion on 19 September. The Church was decorated beautifully and there was a lovely throng in Church, with a good-sized congregation, including visitors on retreat at Stanton House. Thank you to all those who donated flowers and produce, both fresh and preserved, and for those who made the Church look so beautiful. The produce was shared between The Porch and Cowley Food Bank.

### Meeting with villagers

You might recall that we were planning a meeting back in June to hear from villagers your hopes, thoughts and ideas for the Church here in Stanton. Now restrictions have eased, we would love to welcome you to the **Village Hall on the morning of 16 October, 10am-12.30pm**, to chat with you, and to hear your thoughts and ideas. Please do hold the date and come along if you are can. Refreshments will be available, and we would love to meet with you and chat.

## Your Tower Needs You!

The bell ringers at Stanton are looking for new recruits to learn the skills of church bell ringing! We need extra ringers to be able to ring at the Sunday services, for weddings, and any special events. You don't have to live in Stanton, and all ages from teenagers upwards are very welcome.



The bells at St John the Baptist date back to the 17th and 18th century. The two oldest bells are dated 1652, the time of Oliver Cromwell. They have been through several restoration projects in recent years. The work undertaken was vital to securing their long term health, and has

helped bell-ringers of all abilities.

Bell ringing is a skill that will stay with you for life once you've learnt the main techniques - it's a bit like learning to ride a bike, you'll never forget! It's rewarding to know you're playing your part in the tradition of church bell ringing that has been passed down the centuries in this country. It's also great to hear appreciative feedback from the community, and from visitors to Stanton, when they hear the bells ringing out in a quintessential English village.

So, please don't be shy, and come along to see and hear what it's all about! Even if you are just curious to see the ringing in action, or want to have a go without any obligation, then please contact me.



Paul Lansdowne    Tel: 03330 065065    Email: [paulieox22@gmail.com](mailto:paulieox22@gmail.com)

**Save the date Friday 3 December - 'Turning on the lights'**

More information to come in the November magazine.

## Stanton St John Parish Council

### Covid Support Network - Volunteer Contacts & Helpers

Many thanks again to the volunteer Contacts and Helpers who offered to support neighbours and residents during the pandemic. Covid-19 is clearly still going to be with us through this winter, so it seems sensible to keep the network in place until at least the end of March 2022. We will be contacting all Contacts and Helpers to check you are still able and willing to offer this support in case of need.

### H5 bus - new stops by New Inn Farm

The H5 bus service between Bicester, Islip & Headington/JR Hospital now has a new request stop, by New Inn Farm on the B4027. The bus runs once an hour between approximately 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday to Saturday (no Sunday service). See the map on p 11 and the timetable on back cover of this magazine for the exact location and timings.

We are very grateful for the determined efforts of the hard-working individuals in Beckley and Stanton St John who have driven forward the negotiations with Stagecoach and Oxfordshire County Council to make this happen. We will also continue to press for bus stops closer to the village, with better pedestrian access.

### Brown bins/garden waste

Regular collection of brown bin (for garden waste) by the district council's contractors remains suspended, due to the national shortage of HGV drivers. After some discussion on this at the last Parish Council meeting, and some helpful suggestions offered by parishioners, we are exploring possible temporary alternatives, and will let everyone know as soon as there is any news. In the meantime, please be patient, and resist the temptation to drop garden clippings etc anywhere on footpaths, roadsides or farmland.

### Bonfire smoke

Residents in some parts of the village have again been bothered on a number of occasions recently by strong-smelling bonfire smoke. Please be considerate of your neighbours and don't use a garden bonfire to burn rubbish such as plastics or paint which produce unpleasant smoke, and avoid lighting bonfires at key leisure times when smoke may be particularly intrusive.

## Stanton St John Charities

### Registered Charity: 202853

Parishioners within Stanton St John are eligible to apply for help with winter fuel and heating costs for 2021/2022. Persons of any age may apply but funds are limited and priority will normally be given to households which have no regular wage earner or are state pensioners.

If relatives or neighbours are aware of anyone who may benefit from the grant, but is unlikely to see this notice, the Trustees would be pleased to receive the information. Previous applicants will be contacted personally.

To assist them in the allocation, the charity trustees have requested that new applications be made on a form available from The Village Shop, Middle Road, Stanton St John.

The form should be returned to Richard Ebbs (Stone Cottage, Mill St.) or the village shop, in the envelope provided, by Friday 29 October 2021.

Information on the form will be treated in strictest confidence by the charity trustees. Further information from Richard Ebbs, 01865 351491 or [richard.ebbs38@btinternet.com](mailto:richard.ebbs38@btinternet.com).

## Stanton St John W.I.

After several successful meetings and events, including a glorious Garden Party, a thought provoking talk on a Woman's Role in Society through the Centuries, a trip to Sunnyhill Vineyard in Horspath, and a talk from author Melanie King, as well as catering for the stalwarts of the Otmoor Walk, our members have booked a relaxing in-house October meeting.

Since Horton-cum-Studley W.I. joined forces with us in April, we managed to keep in touch by email and through Zoom meetings, but seized the opportunity to do all of the above once lockdown restrictions eased. Now we plan to have a session of "Getting to Know You" where we will bring an item of interest as a focal point to help members from our three villages to become better acquainted. We will meet on **Tuesday 19 October at 7.30pm in Stanton St John Village Hall.**

Contact: [stantonstjohnwi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk](mailto:stantonstjohnwi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk) for further information.

Film Night Saturday 30 October 7.30pm

Stanton St John Village Hall

After more than 1½ year absence, Stanton St John Film Club would like to restart the film season with the 2019 Cornish sing-along comedy/drama:

## **Fisherman's Friends**



This is the film we had to cancel last year but we feel it is a good start for the autumnal season. We will show this via the new overhead film projector in the Village Hall and hope to continue with a Christmas-themed film in December.

Inspired by the real-life story of a group of Cornish fishermen who went from belting out harbourside sea shanties to signing a £1 million record deal.

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Doors will be open at 7.30pm, with a film start at 8pm. The film is 112 min long and rated 12A. Before and after the film, delicious cakes and drinks are available whilst the bar will serve wines and shots of Fisherman's Friend.

Since only 60 seats are available in the Village Hall, please reserve your seats asap for screening via Sue Baker ([susanjbaker24@gmail.com](mailto:susanjbaker24@gmail.com)) or in the village shop.

Tickets are only £5 (cash only) will be sold at the door. Any profits raised will be used to enhance the Village Hall for future screenings.



## Apple pressing

We would love to press your unwanted apples and pears to make award-winning juice again this year. Please call to arrange a drop-off time, or if you have any questions.



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## H5 bus - new request stops by New Inn Farm (see map on page 11)

### Bicester Town Centre Manorsfield Road - John Radcliffe Hospital JR Hospital West Wing

Beckley times about halfway between Islip bridge and Stowford Farm

Bicester Manorsfield Road (Stand 4)	06:00	07:00	08:10		16:10	17:20	19:20
Bicester Village Station (opp)	06:02	07:02	08:12		16:12	17:22	19:22
Graven Hill Rodney House (SE-bound)	06:03	07:03	08:13		16:13	17:23	19:23
Graven Hill, on Anniversary Avenue	06:05	07:05	08:15		16:15	17:25	19:25
Ambrosden, opp Willow Road	06:10	07:10	08:20		16:20	17:30	19:30
Ambrosden, opp Birch Road	06:10	07:10	08:20		16:20	17:30	19:30
Merton, opp The Plough Inn	06:14	07:14	08:24		16:24	17:34	19:34
Islip Middle Street (W-bound)	06:22	07:22	08:32	then hourly until	16:32	17:42	19:42
Islip Bridge (S-bound)	06:22	07:22	08:32		16:32	17:42	19:42
Barton, opp Stowford Farm	06:32	07:32	08:42		16:42	17:52	19:52
Barton Wick Close (W-bound)	06:35	07:35	08:45		16:45	17:55	19:55
Barton Village Road (NW-bound)	06:35	07:35	08:45		16:45	17:55	19:55
Barton Park West End (NW-bound)	06:37	07:37	08:47		16:47	17:57	19:57
John Radcliffe Hospital JR Hospital Saxon Way (Stop J11)	06:42	07:42	08:52		16:52	18:02	20:02
John Radcliffe Hospital JR Hospital West Wing (S-bound)	06:43	07:43	08:53		16:53	18:03	20:03

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### John Radcliffe Hospital JR Hospital West Wing - Bicester Town Centre Manorsfield Road

Beckley times about halfway between Stowford Farm and St Nicholas Church Islip.

John Radcliffe Hospital JR Hospital West Wing (S-bound)	06:58		14:58	16:13	17:13	19:13	20:13
Headington, adj Fortnam Close	06:59		14:59	16:14	17:14		20:14
Headington School (opp)	07:00		15:00	16:15	17:15		20:15
Headington, adj Sandfield Road	07:00		15:00	16:15	17:15		20:15
Headington Shops (Stop H56)	07:02		15:02	16:17	17:17	19:17	20:17
Barton, o/s Stowford Farm	07:05		15:05	16:20	17:20	19:20	20:20
Islip, opp St Nicholas Church	07:17		15:17	16:32	17:32	19:32	20:32
Merton, o/s The Plough Inn	07:25	then hourly until	15:25	16:40	17:40	19:40	20:40
Ambrosden, adj Birch Road	07:29		15:29	16:44	17:44	19:44	20:44
Ambrosden, adj Willow Road	07:30		15:30	16:45	17:45	19:45	20:45
Graven Hill, on Anniversary Avenue	07:33		15:33	16:48	17:48	19:48	20:48
Graven Hill Rodney House (NW-bound)	07:34		15:34	16:49	17:49	19:49	20:49
Bicester Village Station (adj)	07:37		15:37	16:52	17:52	19:52	20:52
Bicester Manorsfield Road (Stop 8)	07:40		15:40	16:55	17:55	19:55	20:55

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Timetable data from Stagecoach Oxfordshire, 31 August 2021

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**Note different route at Barton/Headington end of route, depending on direction.**