

Burcot and Clifton Hampden Parish Council Newsletter

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LATEST NEWS:

New chair and vice chair elected



May's Parish Council meeting was headed up with the election of the new chair and vice-chair.

Suzanne Neave, previously the vice chair, was unanimously voted in as chair of the parish council after being nominated by Marc Juffkins and seconded by Paul Schenk.



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VACANCIES IN PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH CLERK

We are looking for a new clerk, if you are interested please click the link for more details

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COUNCILLORS

Back in March, ten residents requested an election for the vacant Councillor position, but have not put forward a nomination to date. We have received the latest on this matter from the Electoral Services:

"As the election has been called it will be continued to be rerun until we receive a nomination. We are organising another date which is highly likely to be 18th July, with the notice of election coming out on the 13th June"

We will find out on Monday if anyone has stepped forwards.

UPDATES:

Parish meeting

The Parish meeting was held on 30th May 2024. The chair delivered the Parish Council's annual report, along with the financial statement. Representatives from the community then reported on their activities throughout the year.

key achievements from community are available on the website, here are some highlights:

- Dr Rubin gave an update on the surgery, and shared news that Dr Steinbrecker maybe be returning.
- The Close's Sanjay announcements and offer of facilities.
- The village hall is thriving with many regular bookings.
- The Scouts troop continue to do well, with around 90 members.
- Coffee morning continue to be a popular event with the community. The next gathering will be Friday 28th June, 9:00 to 12:00.
- WI, now called The Nutters WI currently have 21 members and have hosted many interesting speakers including a magician!
- The flood committee, set up in response to the impact from the Winter Flooding that left 5 families homeless, reported on progress commissioned by OCC to investigate the event.
- Sports clubs like Tennis and Cricket reported their events, and encouraged residents to get involved.

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Changing the official Parish Council name

Officially our Parish is known as Clifton Hampden Parish. We would like to hear your views on changing its name to include Burcot. Please click on the survey link and vote for your preferred name.

[VOTE NOW](#)

PLANNING:

Battery Storage plan in Culham



A BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (BESS) is proposed to be installed on Green Belt land north of the Culham Science Centre, Thame Lane.

Representatives of the Culham Science Centre will be attending the Parish Council meeting on Monday 24 June in the Village Hall. If you wish to find out more about this application, please come along.

The link here will also take you to the application documents.

BATTERY STORAGE
APPLICATION
P24/S1498/FUL

Neighbourhood Plan



The Neighbourhood Plan is moving through its final stages.

SODC are currently progressing with their decision to progress the plan to referendum and accept the examiner's recommendation, this is expected by 27th July. If all goes as planned, the proposed date for the referendum will be in the week commencing the 2nd September.

COMMUNITY

Notes from District Council

Please read the latest report from our District Councillor Sam Casey-Rerhaye. Some key points to note:

Between 30th May and 30th June LUC are asking residents and organisations to complete a short online survey to understand how they use greenspaces in their local area. Click here to take part: [South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse GI and Open Space Public Survey](#).

A reminder to register for the General Election 2024. You can find out more including information for candidates and agents, on the website: [General Election 2024](#).

Feedback from Climate change survey

SODC recently conducted a climate and nature survey. The results will help shape the support offered by South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils to help you respond and adapt to a changing climate.

Funding opportunities

Below are a few funding opportunities to support our community.

Rural England Prosperity Fund - The fund offers up to £75,000 of capital funding for small businesses and community infrastructure projects that help to improve productivity and strengthen the rural economy and rural communities. Applications close at midday on Monday 1 July.

Everyone Active Grant - We are thinking of applying for this grant to host a Get-Active week in our community. If you have any ideas for such an event or would like to get involved please get in touch, before 10th July 2024.

To find out more check out our website

[FUNDING](#)

NOTICES

Parish Council Meeting 24th June 2024 7:30pm

Andrew Troup, from Culham Storage Limited, will join us to talk about the latest battery storage planning application, located North of Culham Science Centre.

Mailing List

If you would like to receive PC news by email please contact: info@cliftonhampden.org.uk and sign up to our mailing list.

USEFUL LINKS

Wears and repairs

To make reporting easier we have now added the following links to our website

- **Fixmystreet** to report issues with roads.
- **Countryside access** to report issues with rights of way.



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