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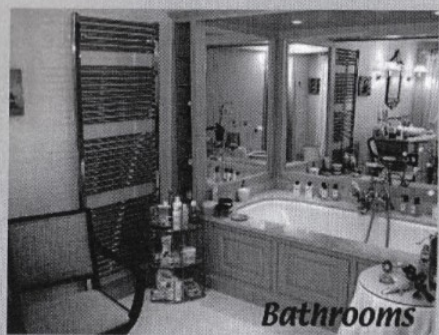
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**Hello everyone, and hello 2026!**

I hope you all had a lovely winter break - and wasn't the weather wonderful in the first week or so of the new year - crisp, cold, blue skies - I don't think winter gets any better than that!

I'm not always very fond of New Years TV, but I do like the sections where they reflect over the past year - and boy was 2025 a humdinger - can you believe that Trump has only just been in power for a year. That was my reflection start point actually - how much has happened since then!

I wouldn't mind 2026 being a little calmer frankly - but then maybe that's my age!

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## Talking point...

### Becoming More Contemplative

I hope that some of you already know this about me — that I'm very interested in listening to people and finding out about them. As my Grandma used to say, "*People matter.*" Life is often about people, but I'm sorry, guys, because I want to be more interested in listening to the Lord than listening to you. I want to desire to know Him more — knowing who He is, what He's like, what He is thinking, saying, and communicating. And I think I need that more than I need to know other stuff.

So how about becoming more contemplative? When I think of biblical contemplation, I'm reminded that it's not about navel-gazing, nor is it about emptying my mind, or even about becoming more self-aware, though that may be a side effect. Nor is it about thinking more, or philosophising about things. Nor is it something I want to do because I'm middle-aged! Rather, Christ-like contemplation is, surely: "*Be still and know that I am God*" (Psalm 46:10). "*Renew a right spirit within me*" (Psalm 51:10). *Wow! God, you are totally awesome! (Me!).* It is surrendering myself unto Him. Absorbing Scripture; being in His presence; sitting at His feet like Martha and Lazarus's sister Mary; listening deeply; being attentive to the Lord.

Saint Augustine of Hippo, whose writings and theology have influenced the Church since the fifth century, wrote in his Confessions, "*You move us to delight in praising You; for You have made us for Yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in You.*"

But it's a struggle to be still. To rest in His presence. I find myself making excuses, thinking, It's just the way I am. There are so many distractions! Recently, I have been praying from Psalm 27: "*Teach me your ways, Lord.*" And the same psalmist says, "*Wait on the Lord; be strong, take heart and wait...*" Having just rushed through Advent, I know I'm not good at waiting on the Lord.

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Yet Augustine’s phrase, “*Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in You*”, rings true in my own experience. Have you ever been in the presence of God so as not to think about anything else at all, and indeed not to want to move on to any task or distraction? It is true rest (Hebrews 4:11). Oh, how Jesus must have longed to linger there with His Father, especially when so many things and people were yelling for His attention. In fact, Jesus must have spent hours and hours learning Scripture and being in His Father’s presence before He even began His “ministry” at the age of 30.

Practising and forming good habits is perhaps out of fashion, but I remember when I was learning to play the cello. Some people put it all down to some sort of natural ability, but I wonder whether it was more about my deepest desire, because I spent hours and hours — firstly sitting at the piano and then later on with my cello — playing daily, alone and with others. Years of practice. I loved it because I desired it. Perhaps I need to ask God to give me more of a hunger and desire to be in His presence. Think of the sunflower, whose nature it is to turn its head toward the light as it grows. Our Creator may have put that same habit into our hearts when He knit us together in the secret place — to habitually turn towards Him, the source of light and life. And yet I find myself again and again in the habit (well-practised, I’d say!) of turning away from His bright face towards other things. So pray with me, that our desire to spend time with Him will grow, that we may practise well these good habits, and so may we reflect His image more and more.

You might like to check out the Oxford Diocese website with regard to becoming a more Christ-like Church through being more contemplative, compassionate, and courageous for the sake of God’s world.

**Rev’d Vicky Burton**

## Faith, Fun, Families and Fellowship

As a curate in the Dorchester Team of churches, I have often found myself leading four services a month in four different churches. With fourteen churches across the team, there is certainly plenty of variety – though it can sometimes make a sense of continuity harder to maintain. One place where I have been grateful to experience some continuity is Stadhampton. I have been involved here not only during the twenty months since I was ordained, but also throughout the three years before that, when I was training for ordination part-time at Cuddesdon.

Leading monthly family services in Stadhampton for more than four and a half years has been a real privilege. During that time, I have had the opportunity to get to know many families in the village and to play a part in the Confirmation of several young people and adults.

Since the summer, and during the ongoing team vicar vacancy, I have been fortunate to focus most of my ministry within the Eastern Cluster of churches. So it was a huge privilege to lead most of the December services and Christmas activities in Stadhampton, and the Carol Service in Chiselhampton, as well as the final service of the year for the whole Dorchester Team in Warborough. This experience has been both enjoyable and affirming: reinforcing my long-held passion for rural ministry, especially with children and families.

### ***What a wonderful Nativity – thanks to all who came***

A particular highlight in December was the Stadhampton Nativity Service on Christmas Eve. The church was full and around a third of the congregation were children. To everyone who came – and especially to those who took part – thank you so much for your enthusiasm! From M the dog-donkey to the live baby Jesus, and from carefully planned costumes to last-minute outfits pulled on at the door, the service simply would not have happened without your wonderful sense of fun and adventure. It was a joyful celebration of the birth of the baby Jesus - arguably the greatest story ever told - and filled with laughter and chocolate!





We had an extremely busy run up to the Christmas break with everything from nativity productions to Christmas lunch, and the carol service with much fun had by all the children.

Everyone has returned full of energy and ready for the term ahead.

We are starting to make plans for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the school being situated in Cratlands Close (see poster) and would love to hear from anyone who has links to the school, either as a past pupil or through the wider community.

**Ladybird Class** Our topic for this half term is Traditional Tales and what we can learn from stories. We have started by looking at different traditional tales, the children have enjoyed looking through a range of stories and talking about their favourites and what they have in common. We will be looking at the characters in more detail over the term.



**Dragonfly Class** We have an action-packed half term ahead with some wonderful learning opportunities planned. From learning about significant women in history to creating dragon eye sculptures inspired by Leeds artist Anne Stokes, we cannot wait to get stuck in.

**Otter Class** We are all very excited to be back at school and starting our brand new topic...Victorians! We are heading off on a school trip next week to Reading Museum to attend a Victorian schoolroom. We hope they aren't too strict!

**Hedgehog Class** We have had a very exciting start to the term as we spotted a strange creature in the school grounds... The children used investigative skills to hunt for clues and are now writing newspaper reports about what they have found.

I hope that the next time you come across a Terry's chocolate orange, you might remember to drop it from a height to reveal the broken, messy pieces inside, which make it easier to share – a reminder that even in the broken and messy parts of our own lives, God's love for each of us can always be shared.

### **ALL WELCOME!**

**Everyone, of any age, is welcome at all our services. On the first Sunday of each month, we hold a similar – perhaps lower-key – family service in Stadhampton Church. These services include a Bible story, singing, a craft activity, laughter, followed by delicious refreshments and time to chat together. For service details, please follow the Church Facebook page (St John the Baptist, Stadhampton – with a photo of the church)**

***Rev'd Emma Firth  
Assistant Curate in the Dorchester Team  
[email:revemmafirth@gmail.com]***

### **Forthcoming Family Services at St John the Baptist, Stadhampton**

- 1st February, 9:30am: celebration of Candlemas with candlelit procession through the church, and activities for children.
- 17th February, 6pm-7:30pm: Shrove Tuesday pancake party for all the family.
- 15th March, 9:30am: a celebration for Mothering Sunday with activities for children - come and find out about the historic tradition of why we share spring posies.
- 29th March, 9:30am: Palm Sunday - come and meet the real donkey, wave palms and hear about the events leading to the first Easter over 2000 years ago.
- 3rd April, 2pm: interactive and multi-sensory family service for Good Friday, with hot cross buns afterwards.
- 4th April, 7pm: Fireside Easter Vigil: with hotdogs, firepit, marshmallows and cocoa!
- 5th April, 9:30am: a celebration of Easter, with an easter egg hunt and other activities for children



### **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 **prebooked** consultations only.

Enhanced access hours are offered outside these times, please speak to one of the care navigators on 01865 872448 for more information. When the surgery is closed, please contact the Out of Hours service by phoning 111

A Morland House Surgery **Facebook Page** has been created. This is to keep patients up to date with surgery news and health issues. Please like and follow.

**Ordering Repeat Prescriptions:** Please use the NHS App or log into your account on the NHS website. For more information on ordering, visit the 'prescriptions' page on our website.

**Medicine waste** costs the NHS around £300 million/year. Only order the medicines you need. Once medicine leaves a pharmacy it can no longer be re-used even if unopened.

**Winter vaccinations** are still available from local pharmacies to protect against serious illnesses like flu and COVID-19. For information, check eligibility and booking visit Winter vaccinations and winter health - NHS. Also contact MHS for chicken pox vaccine for toddlers and RSV vaccine for older adults and pregnant women.

**Care Messages:** The NHS App is now being used by MHS and other health providers to send you simple, secure messages on your phone about your care e.g. appointments, test results, reminders. Much quicker than waiting for a letter or phone call. See MHS website to find out how to turn on notifications in the NHS App and receive Care Messages.

**Scam NHS cold calls** - beware of fake calls from "receptionists" or "doctors" asking you to update your GP records or risk being removed from the surgery.

**You and Your General Practice** – this new NHS guide can be downloaded from the MHS website. It is great resource for all NHS patients, full of useful tips and helpful information.

will help many genuine farmers but not all by all means. It will though still catch the large investors that the Government are really targeting. Of course, this does not help those who have already taken their own life, worrying that the next generation will, after next April, have to pay an unaffordable tax. There really needs to be a better way of identifying genuine farmers and investors, as there is in normal taxes. Surely if a farmer can prove he is actually farming his land for profit, then they can justify certain claims for tax relief. As I have said many times before, it can't be beyond the wit of man to come up with a simpler and fairer way of taxing, it needs some radical rethink on the whole issue.

Also, released just before Christmas, was a report by Baroness Batters, (former president of the NFU) on how profitable British Farming was. This commissioned by the previous (I assume) Government, completed ready for publication in October, but not publicised by Government until just before Christmas so that there was no time to debate it. We also understand there were certain issues she was asked not to comment on, which seems to me to take away the point of the whole report - we are still awaiting developments/comments. At the moment we learn that it states that it is the arable (crops) sector that is in the most difficult position at present, mainly due to over production worldwide. This also applies to milk production at the moment. It has been stated, in certain cases, milk is being poured down the drain. Fancy having to do this when you are up against it financially. The problem is that we need to be producing other food related crops, which then begs the question of how are we going to harvest these diverse crops, as I have pointed out previously. So, we could be stuck until such time that technology can take over or we get used to more seasonal and manual work.

The beginning of January brings the main political and practical farming conferences to Oxford. I think the main take from these is the environment minister announced that Sustainable Farming Incentive payments will be opened up to small farms in June and larger farms in September. No mention of the fact that these payments, that some rely on, have not paid out a penny since they closed some 18 to 24 months ago. This really is not a very satisfactory situation as some rely on these payments to help them over the vagaries of the market.

**Charles Peers**

## VIEW FROM VIEWS

Now the dust has settled, life should be back to normal after the Christmas and New Year break, I hope all had a good rest and are now ready to face the world for 2026. And wow how the weather took us all by surprise with the first few days of the year turning rather cold, the rain in the last few months has been sort of "manna from heaven" the cold will not have done any harm either as the last few mild winters will not have done a lot for the control of bugs and diseases, plus it has been great to have some dry crisp weather, instead of the slushy and wet of the last few months. Since it started to rain post drought conditions, it occurred to me that perhaps with the recent rainfall the annual total would not be far off normal. When I checked my records and totted all up I found out that end of the year was 639.5mm (25.17"). the average for this part of the country is around 25" this proves my assumption was not far out. This is very interesting as, despite all the variations, any one year is not that different from any others, this will also mean the soil moisture deficit should not alter a great deal, despite what the pundits may say.

Not sure if it is a good omen or not, but on New Year's day we had two good flocks of Lapwings fly over, with one actually settling on the farm for a short stay. A wonderful sight. I just hope it means we have them increasing in numbers and will see more in the future. Certainly more have been seen since so maybe their numbers are on the increase. I understand a lot are breeding further up the river, let's hope so. Our night watchman also reported counting something like 50 Snipe feeding on the river meadows. I have only noticed the odd one or two during the day in the past but not this number, nor this year. Now is the time of year that the Partridge pair up for breeding and, judging by the numbers flying around at the moment, we should have an explosion in the numbers later this year - assuming we have a reasonable breeding season without too many predators. An interesting observation on this fact re predators, as it is them that are protected, not necessarily their prey which sometimes may seem a little odd.

A lot has happened in the Agricultural world since I last wrote. At last, the Government have accepted their mistake on inheritance tax on Agricultural land by raising the allowance to £2.5m, this

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- Medical Records and Test Results - guidance on how to access this information.
- Pharmacy First Service (PFS), whereby pharmacies can treat directly seven common health conditions.
- Online Resources for Clinical Help via self-referrals
- Group Consultation Clinics – successful group clinics are currently being offered for the menopause and hypertension.
- Breast screening to detect the most common cancer in women
- Whooping Cough infections, symptoms and treatment
- Weight Loss Medication
- Childhood Immunisation

Online Resources for Clinical Help Did you know that there are many local services to which you can make self-referrals without speaking to your GP? The Morland House Surgery website lists the various options. Visit [Self-Referral – Morland House](#) Visit **Morland House Surgery Website** for a wealth of information and guidance on managing a vast number of health conditions, symptoms, and treatment: [www.morland-house.co.uk](http://www.morland-house.co.uk)

### **Stadhampton Parish Council – Keeping in Touch**

Your Parish Council is always looking for ways to improve communication with residents and keep everyone informed about village news, planning matters, and community updates.

You can now follow Stadhampton Parish Council on our website: <https://stadhampton-pc.gov.uk>

We will also be sharing updates on the Stadhampton Village Noticeboard Facebook page.

Key notices will also continue to appear here in Village Voice and in Ken's weekly email updates.

Please get in touch if you'd like to raise an issue, share a concern or if you have any questions.

# Stadhampton Cinema Night



## The Penguin Lessons

Inspired by the true story of a disillusioned Englishman who went to work in a school in Argentina in 1976. Expecting an easy ride, Tom discovers a divided nation and a class of unteachable students. However, after he rescues a penguin from an oil-slicked beach, his life is turned upside-down.

Showing Friday 27th February  
film starts at 8:00pm  
in the Stadhampton Village Hall



Doors open at 7:00pm for those who would like to eat together beforehand.  
This months menu includes main, dessert and drink  
Donations are invited

It's great to see so many people coming along, but we've decided to cap the numbers to make it manageable for the cooks so please book early.

To book food or for more information, please contact Linda King  
by 18<sup>th</sup> February at  
linda@whereer.com

## STADHAMPTON & CHISELHAMPTON 200 CLUB

	December 2025	January 2026
1st prize	£50 Tom Peers	Mr R Peet
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	£20 Mr N Hall	Sally Adams
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£15 Paul & Caryn	Allan Horn
4 <sup>th</sup> prize	£10 Rowena Dobson	Hugo Colwyn Davies
5 <sup>th</sup> prize	£5 Penny White	Mr & Mrs Turner

For those new to the Village the 200 Club numbers are drawn each month between October and July and it costs £10 to join. Monies collected go towards maintaining the Church/Village Hall building. There are always a few spare numbers if you would like to join.

Cheryl Wilson - [cherylannewilson@gmail.com](mailto:cherylannewilson@gmail.com)

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## TONS TOGETHER (LITTLE MILTON) WI

In January we went out for our annual New Year dinner at the Seven Stars pub in Marsh Baldon. It was a wonderful night, with great food, service & company - highly recommended (<https://sevenstarsatmarshaldon.co.uk/>).



We're back in the Pine Lodge on 12 February at 7.30pm for Adele's talk on Conservation in Welgevonden, South Africa. She'll also be selling her handsewn cards, fundraising for her Girlguiding trip to India in August.

### **Everyone always welcome, men too!**

Visitors £6 or become a 2025/26 member for £25.50.

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](http://www.facebook.com/lmpinelodge)

Pine Lodge website: [www.lmvh.org.uk](http://www.lmvh.org.uk)

**Kath Stacey 01844-279438** [tonstogetherwi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk](mailto:tonstogetherwi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk)

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## **Stadhampton Parish Council**

### **Calendar of meetings 2025/26**

Parish Council: All meetings of the full Parish Council are currently held on the third Monday of the month (except for August) at 7.30pm. The venue is Village Hall, St John the Baptist Church, The Green, Stadhampton OX44 7UA.

Public participation: An opportunity for public participation is available at the start of every meeting for a maximum of 20 minutes before the Council meeting formally commences. In view of this, the annual Parish meeting will be incorporated into the public session prior to the formal Council meeting, unless there is an issue of special interest to provide a focus for a separate evening.

Planning Focus: Alternate meetings have a focus on dealing with responding to planning applications. If there are no applications to be considered, a decision may be made in consultation with the Chairperson to cancel the meeting.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting Type</b>
2nd June 25	Annual General Meeting 7.30pm
16th June 25	Parish Council (planning focus)
21st July 25	Parish Council
18th August 25 recess	No meeting
15th September 25	Parish Council
20th October 25	Parish Council (planning focus)
17th November 25	Parish Council
15th December 25	Parish Council (planning focus)
19th January 26	Parish Council
16th February 26	Parish Council (planning focus)
16th March 26	Parish Council
16th March 26 (follows Parish meeting)	Annual Parish meeting (meeting with residents)
20th April (tbc due to bank holiday)	Parish Council (planning focus)
18th May 26	Annual Council

# Stadhampton Coffee Morning Dates for 2026

24th January

21st February

21st March

25th April

23rd May

27th June

25th July

22nd August

26th September

24th October

28th November

Come along to Stadhampton church for coffee, bacon rolls, cake and catch ups with old and new friends!

**ALL WELCOME!**



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# RACE NIGHT



\*\*\* SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH AT 7 PM \*\*\*

SAVE THE DATE

VILLAGE HALL, STADHAMPTON

# Shrove Tuesday Pancake Day Party!



St John the Baptist, Stadhampton

17th February at 6pm

Come along for yummy pancakes!

## CHRISTMAS 2025 VILLAGE DRINKS

A HUGE thank you to everyone who supported the village Christmas Drinks event on Saturday 20 December in the village hall at St John's - it was wonderful to see so many villagers and hear that everyone enjoyed themselves - we appreciate all your thanks and feedback (online and in person).

We'd also like to thank all those who kindly supported us with prizes for the raffle:

The Campbells, Pretty As A Peacock, M&S, So Sustainable, Pudding Club at the Red Lion Chalgrove, Posies, Cotswold Wildlife Park, Bird World, Snakes & Ladders Abingdon, Helen's Beauty Cabin, Chalgrove Stores, Paige's Willow Cabin, Sara Ferguson Nutrition, the Spire & Spoke, Jeremy Mogford's The Oxford Collection, and locals who donated gift prizes - we are eternally grateful for your generous support.

Finally, thank you to everyone involved in pulling the event together, including the extended events team and several people behind the scenes. It wouldn't have happened without your commitment, time, and hard work. Thank you.

Happy New Year - we wish you all good things for 2026.

## Getting in Touch with your council contacts

If you'd like to raise an issue, share a concern, or simply get in touch, please contact the Parish Clerk at: [clerk@stadhampton-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@stadhampton-pc.gov.uk)

If you have comments or concerns about a specific planning application, you can submit them directly to the South Oxfordshire District Council Planning Portal: <https://www.southoxon.gov.uk>

Alternatively, if you prefer to discuss your concerns privately or wish to raise a matter discreetly, you can contact our District Councillor, Georgina Heritage, at: [georgina.heritage@southoxon.gov.uk](mailto:georgina.heritage@southoxon.gov.uk)

She will be happy to provide guidance or assist with your query.

# What's on

Regular Events			
<b>MONDAYS</b>			
<b>TUESDAYS</b>	Yoga (Yogipod) - <a href="http://yogipod.co.uk/yoga">http://yogipod.co.uk/yoga</a>	10.30	Village Hall
<b>WEDS</b>	Little Milton Craft Club (3rd Wed of month)	19:00	Pine Lodge
	Hatha Flow Yoga (Emily Lousia)	19:00	Village Hall
<b>THURS</b>	Tons Together WI (2nd Thur of month)	19:30	Pine Lodge
<b>FRIDAYS</b>	Pilates ( <a href="http://beckyalanfitness.com">beckyalanfitness.com</a> )	10:15	Village Hall
	Cinema Club (usually 4th Fri of month)	20:00	Village Hall

Upcoming Events	
<b>16th Feb</b>	Parish Council Meeting
<b>17th Feb</b>	Pancake Day - 6pm Stadhampton Village Hall
<b>21st Feb</b>	Coffee Morning in - Stadhampton Village Hall
<b>25th April</b>	Race Night - Stadhampton Village Hall
<b>22 May</b>	Stadhampton Primary School 50th year celebrations

February Waste Collections	
<b>GREY BINS - 10th &amp; 24th February</b>	
<b>Grey weeks - <u>food waste</u>, <u>rubbish</u>, <u>small electrical</u> items in a carrier bag next to bin</b>	
<b>GREEN BINS - 3rd &amp; 17th February</b>	
<b>Green weeks - <u>food waste</u>, <u>recycling</u>, <u>batteries</u>, <u>garden waste</u>, <u>textiles</u> in a tied carrier bag next to bin.</b>	

# in February

Stadhampton services during February		
Sunday 1st	9.30am	Candlemas Family Service
Sunday 8th	10.45am	2nd before Lent Holy Communion
Sunday 15th	9.30am	1st before Lent Family Eucharist
Wednesday 18th	11.00am	Ash Wednesday Holy Communion (Warborough)
Sunday 22nd	9.30am 4:30pm	1st of Lent Holy Communion BCP Cluster Evensong (Warborough)

## Planning Applications

**Santanna's Place**, Watlington Road, Stadhampton, OX44 7UQ  
 Ref: P25/S2784/FUL  
 Proposal: Change of use of paddock land for the siting of 10 permanent residential Gypsy and Traveller mobile homes, with associated parking, groundwork, landscaping, and garage. (Development already carried out.)  
 Comment deadline: 06/11/25  
 Parish Council objection submitted: 31/10/25  
 Target decision date: 28/12/25

**Newell's Farm**, Stadhampton, OX44 7XJ  
 Ref: P25/S4074/PIP  
 Proposal: Erection of a minimum of six and a maximum of six dwellings.  
 Comment deadline: 21/01/26  
 Target decision date: 26/01/26