

Claydon with Clattercote Newsletter

January/February 2020

NEW TUESDAY BUS SERVICE



Following discussions with the North Oxfordshire Parish Councils and a donation of £500 for each village from County Councillor George Reynolds' Councillor Priority Fund, a new Tuesday bus service run by Community Interest Company Ability CIC commenced on 7th January.

The buses used have a capacity of 13 to 16 seats so in order to ensure that concessionary passes can be used and that there is sufficient capacity on each trip **users must be registered in advance and bookings must be made for each trip.**

It should also be noted that there is a **cancellation fee of £3.50** if the passenger fails to turn up or a booking is cancelled after 3.00 pm on the previous day.

For non concessionary pass holders the fare is under review but it is currently quoted as £5.35 single.

Registration for the basic service is free but less mobile passengers who require assistance may register for the Silver or Gold service for which there is a charge.

The bus is scheduled to leave Claydon at 9.35, arriving in Banbury at 10.00. It then leaves Banbury from the Bridge Street stop outside the Salvation Army shop at 12.00, returning to Claydon at 12.25. After the normal drop off in Banbury it may be possible to stay on the bus if it continues on to the Gateway Retail Park or Morrisons.

Call 07799 522097 in order to register and book. The office is open from 9.00 to 14.00 Monday to Friday. Alternatively email admin@abilitycic.org.uk.

THURSDAY SERVICE

From Thursday 9th January A&M Flexibus route 497 replaced the Catteralls 503 service.



The low floor buses are more convenient than the Catteralls coach for passengers with mobility problems.

The service is scheduled to leave Claydon at 10.16 and arrive at Banbury Bus Station at 10.35. The return service leaves Banbury Bus Station at 13.30 and arrives in Claydon at 13.49.

For non concessionary pass holders the fare is £3.65 single, £5.50 return.

DIAL A RIDE SERVICE

The Dial a Ride Service operates a trip to Tesco on alternate Wednesdays. Passengers are collected from home from 9.00 and driven to Tesco. On the return trip at 10.30 the driver loads the bags from the shopping trolleys into the bus and, on arrival in the village, carries the bags to each passenger's door. The fare is £6 return. Call 01295 257715 in order to register and book.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Council Meeting on 14th January was attended by County and District Councillor George Reynolds and district Councillor Phil Chapman. The following items were discussed:

VILLAGE PRECEPT

After lengthy discussions it was agreed that there would be no increase in the Village Precept for the coming year. It was held at £10,961. The budget for the year is £9005 but it was felt that considerable reserves need to be built up for future work. This includes the wall on the Village Green, drainage on the Playing Field and maintenance of the trees owned by the Parish. The Parish Council also took into account the warning by Cllr Chapman that constraints on funding may be passed on to Parish Councils in future years.

EMPTY PROPERTIES

Having determined that there is no evidence of rats at 1 Bank Cottages, officers at CDC have concluded that there is no formal action that they can take. Cllr Reynolds agreed to attempt to determine why the property has been allowed to be empty and deteriorate for so long.

SIGNAGE TO DETER HGVS

Cllr Reynolds agreed to check whether the new signs are adequate.

BLUE BRICK PATH AND OCC TREES

A representative from Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) visited the village on 17th December and inspected the blue brick path. He advised that there will always be problems due to the trees planted on the verge at the side. He agreed to relay the existing bricks with a thick layer of sand, but warned that the tree roots will move the bricks again so a further repair will be needed at some time in the future. The trees are also encroaching into the road and require pruning. This will take place this year in line with the OCC 5 year tree maintenance schedule.

MAIN STREET FLOODING

Although the puddle at the corner of Main Street and Church Lane was dry for a short period, the problem has returned. There is a possibility that the drain has collapsed. The next step will be to use cameras to survey the situation. Cllr Reynolds reported that with joint working of the County and District Councils going ahead, although the responsibility of managing land drainage will pass to Cherwell District Council, the existing problem with drainage on the highways will remain with the OCC Highways team.

SEWAGE COVER LEAK

The recent incident of rain water causing an overflow from a manhole cover has been reported to Thames Water.

WEBSITE

Councillor Denham has set up a Google Docs file containing all of the relevant Parish Council documents and a link has been set up from the village website.

PLANNING

Rozel, Mollington Road

A variation of the condition imposed when granting permission for an extension, to remove the requirement for a stone panel and substitute with render. It was requested that the colour of the render should be in keeping with the existing building.

Haybridge Meadow, Boddington Road

The Parish Council objected to the erection of a static home and stable building for various reasons (all available to view on the CDC Planning site) including the sustainability of the business plan.

HS2 CONSTRUCTION

Cllr Reynolds warned that in order to relieve the congestion caused by construction traffic on Hennef Way, there are plans to create two slip roads from the M40 to the Southam Road.

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLAN

It was agreed that an emergency plan should be completed and Cllr Ames would bring further information to the next meeting. Such a plan would collate all of the information required to provide a rapid response to a parish emergency, such as how to access the Church Room as a place of safety, who relies on medical equipment which may require electricity and who would go to assist them.

FINANCE

It was agreed that the Parish Council would make a Contribution of 8% to a pension for the Clerk.

PLAYING FIELD FUNDRAISING

The appeal for funds to replace the slide on the Playing Field is now part of the Tesco 'Bags for Life' appeal. Villagers have until **31st March** to use their tokens in aid of this cause.

WARNING

The old problem of not clearing dog poo is still with us, particularly in the Crossing Lane area. Please be a responsible dog owner / walker and pick up after your dog.

Please **DO NOT** throw bags into hedges or leave at the side of the road, hoping someone else will dispose of it. **TAKE IT HOME - PUT IT IN YOUR GREEN BIN.** Remember the minimum fine is £50 for not clearing the poo and £75 for littering with a poo bag.



What do you do on the last Wednesday in the month?

Not a lot?

Then why not join us at our

Coffee and Borrow a Book Morning?

from 10.00 am to 12.00 pm

in the Church Room, Claydon

Pop in for coffee (or tea), biscuits a chat and borrow a
book or two

You will be very welcome and it will only cost you £1

We do have some very good books

Donated paperbacks very welcome

Please contact Margaret on 01295 690680

or Glenis on 01295 690241

Ashtanga Yoga, Claydon:

Weekdays: classes at 11 Bignolds Close.

Saturdays: in the Church Room.

First class free. £8 drop in. £7 class pass.

Monday

7.15pm - 8.30pm *AshtangaYoga led class*

Tuesday

7.15pm - 8.45pm *AshtangaYoga Half Primary led class*

Thursday

7.15pm - 8.45pm *AshtangaYoga led class*

Saturday

9am - 10.30am *AshtangaYoga led class*

Beginners welcome. Email me for more info, I can advise which class has most space/ is most suitable and add you to the mailing list. Private lessons are also available.

Ashtangayogaclaydon@gmail.com

Adele (Pom) 07963 636 123

Diary Dates

COFFEE MORNING

Wednesday 19th February 10:30 am in the Church Room

LITTLE LIGHTS

Thursday 20th February 10.30 to 12.00 in the Church Room

HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday 23rd February 11.00 am at St James Church

COFFEE AND BORROW A BOOK MORNING

Wednesday 26th February 10.00 am to 12.00 pm in the Church Room

EVENING PRAYER

Sunday 1st March 6.00 pm at St James Church

BEETLE DRIVE

Wednesday 4th March 2.30 to 4.30 pm in the Church Room

UNITED BENEFICE COMMUNION

Sunday 8th March 10.00 am at St James Church

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 10th March 7:30 pm. in the Church Room

BCP HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday 15th March 8.30 am at St James Church

COFFEE MORNING

Wednesday 18th March 10:30 am in the Church Room

LITTLE LIGHTS

Thursday 19th March 10.30 to 12.00 in the Church Room

MOTHERING SUNDAY FAMILY SERVICE

Sunday 22nd March 4.00 am at St James Church

COFFEE AND BORROW A BOOK MORNING

Wednesday 25th March 10.00 am to 12.00 pm in the Church Room