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ALDERTON NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN – The appointed Independent Examiner undertaking the Examination of the Alderton Neighbourhood Plan has called a hearing session to further explore some of the issues raised, before reaching her conclusions and completing her report. The hearing will be held on **Monday 26th February** 2018, in the Council Chamber at Tewkesbury Borough Council's Offices and will begin at 11am.

Whilst the hearing is open to the public there is no right to speak or participate. Participation is by invitation by the Examiner and will include those who have made written representations on the issues to be discussed and who have sought some change to the plan.

LAND AT DIBDEN LANE – GREENVOLT PUBLIC CONSULTATION DROP-IN ON 11.1.18. The proposals for development included 60 houses along with an area of employment use on the eastern edge of the field. Greenvolt have stated that they are intending to submit a planning application to the Borough Council in February 2018. The Parish Council will be notified when this is received.

PLANNING NEWS – Two new applications have been received: 27 Willow Bank Road, Alderton (17/01344/FUL) – Construction of new dwelling to rear (Revised scheme following approval of application no. 15/00512/FUL) and Part Parcel 8900, Dibden Lane, Alderton (17/01364/FUL) – Change of use of land, erection of timber building and access track to be used for agriculture and private equestrian uses.

The following application has received permission for development: Cherry Tree House, Gretton Fields, Gretton (17/01140/FUL) - 2 storey side extension and single storey rear extension. French doors at rear first floor level with juliet balcony. Existing single storey rear extension and conservatory to be integrated into the house.

B4077 ROAD SAFETY – We're currently awaiting an update on the progress of our Community Match funding bid for the purchase of a speed indicator device.

PLAY AREA UPDATE – We should receive confirmation by the beginning of February as to when the new equipment and surfacing will be installed.

NEW DOG WASTE BIN - A new bin will be purchased using some S106 funding arising from the housing developments and will be sited on the bank to the left of the village hall.

There are already five dog waste bins located around the village: by the war memorial, on the verge outside the allotments, at the entrance to the Playing Field, in the churchyard and Dibden Lane.

ALLOTMENT PLOTS – The site is currently full, but please get in touch with the Clerk if you wish to add your name to the waiting list.

Next Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday 20th February 2018 (if required) or 20th March 2018, 7.30pm, in the Village Hall. All welcome.

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VILLAGE NEWS

VILLAGE HALL COFFEE MORNING

This month's coffee morning will be on **Thursday 1st February** 10 - 12 noon. Takings for December were £76.00 and January was £69.30, both given to village hall funds.

Thank you for your continued support and look forward to seeing you all next month.

ARC GROUP will meet for lunch at the Hobnails Inn on **Wednesday 7th February** at 12. Noon.

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Thank you to everyone who returned their survey. We have collated the results and the top 5 suggestions for activities are : Cinema nights, Fitness classes, Visiting speakers, Quiz night and Gardening club. We are looking into the possibility of including these sort of events in the coming year.

Village Hall e-mail address. Many apologies as the wrong address was given out. Correct address is aldertonvillagehall2017@gmail.com

Table top sale. Sat Feb 3rd 10 -12. Come and find yourself a bargain. Lots of sellers

Tai Chi Taster Session. Sat March 3rd, 10.30am, £1. Suitable for anyone with normal balance for their age but maybe not for anyone who relies on a stick or frame.

Did you know the hall is available for hire at reasonable rates. You can also hire out the tables, chairs, glasses, cutlery and crockery. Contact Janet Holman for bookings on 620625

Alderton Gardening Club

Calling all Alderton Horticulturalists . Anyone interested in a Gardening Club?

For quite a while, I have been pondering the above question. On the negative side, many clubs that we once had in the village have folded due to lack of interest. On the positive side, after sounding out several villagers with this idea, I have received nothing but positive feedback. In a recent survey ,conducted in order to find out popular suggestions for events to be held at the village hall, a gardening club was in the top five of choices. Sian Tryner, secretary of the hall's management committee has asked me to move this project to a further stage.

My own idea is for a committee to be formed to organise a club that will meet at the village hall one evening every month from September to the following May with a guest speaker to talk about a gardening related subject. The usual half time break with refreshments, a raffle and possibly a plant and seed exchange as well. During the summer months, we could organise a coach trip to a gardening related venue or event. Sian is also keen to re start the Craft and Produce show, something the club may wish to assist with.

So if this seed of an idea has germinated with you and you are keen to nurture it further and bear fruit, please contact Tom Cullimore on 01386 882046 after 7.00pm or during the day on 07772965124 by phone or text. You can also just stop and have a chat, when you see me in the village.(Most people do) For those of you who don't know me ,I'm the guy with the old red pickup truck, trailer, boiler suit and hat. Alternatively, email the newsletter at aldertonnewsletter@googlemail.com

If sufficient interest is expressed, a meeting will be called to take things forward with a view to getting this project underway during 2018.

ALDERTON ACORNS PRESCHOOL PLAYGROUP AND TODDLERS

Happy New Year to you all....but back to December!

Christmas saw a beautiful performance of 'Sleepy Jesus' which took place in the Church. Parents, grandparents and members of the 'Mothers Union' came along to share in the excitement. A big thank you to Julia Hook for accommodating us and Carla Edelston for ensuring we were all nice and warm! The children thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience, which was a emotional event for all.

The children have started back with a 'spring' in their step as they eagerly await the appearance of blossom on our tree. The bulbs are all growing which has been a talking point as we tried to avoid snow, winds, torrential rain and freezing temperatures in the outside space!

Our first topic has been nocturnal creatures, last week the children met hedgehogs Flip and Flop who have chosen Alderton for their winter vacation!

Our Friday morning toddler group (10 till 12) has enjoyed much messy fun, from sand pancakes to tracks with paint. The music company 'Boogie Beats' will be attending the group for three Fridays - **February 23rd, March 23rd - and April 27th** at 10.30 am. This is a popular music session which offers all early years children a fun, creative experience. For more information call Acorns on 07842161159 within school hours, email us at aldertonacornspreschool@hotmail.com or visit us on Facebook.

Calling all cricket players.

Overbury Cricket Club start their preseason nets for senior players at Winchcombe Sports Hall this **February 11th, 18th ,25th and March 4th, 18th, 25th.**

New players of all ability and ages made very welcome. For details email Rob Hayden at robhayden68@hotmail.com or call 07527 340320

“Quick Cricket” Tournament

Saturday, 5th May, 2018 – Alderton Playing Field. What’s “Quick Cricket? Think of a less strenuous combination of cricket and rounders and you pretty much have the idea. Teams of 6 (squads as large as you like!) and for all ages 10-110! If you can move (slowly or quicker than slowly) and can grip a bat or ball then you have all the necessary talent to participate. Gather your friends/relatives/neighbours and get your team together for a healthy (though competitive) afternoon. They’ll be a BBQ and bar and other activities. Keep your eye out for more details to follow in the coming months. Any questions please email – Rupert@davidbrucerecruitment.com

Green Fields Trust - do you have a Project Eligible for Funding?

The Green Fields Trust was set up in 2015 by a group of residents in the Gretton and Alderton area to administer the funds (around £4,000 per annum) flowing to the community from the owners of the solar installation at Lower Stanley. A launch publicity flyer was distributed with the September newsletter - more

information including grant application process and forms can be obtained on the website at www.greenfieldstrust.co.uk or from any of the trustees.

The Trust seeks candidate projects from the Gretton, Alderton and Prescott areas which promote environmental objectives, such as: carbon reduction, energy efficiency, renewable local energy generation, biodiversity and wildlife habitat creation, sustainable, local food production, local flood protection, alleviation of fuel poverty, alleviation of food poverty, waste reduction and recycling transition movement objectives such as promoting a local economy, food, fuel and transport services.

The first application deadline is approaching - 31 March 2018.

GARDENERS ARMS gardeners1@btconnect.com. 01242 620257

The New Year festivities may be over, but there's always something to look forward to at The Gardeners Arms and February is no exception. February's Gin of the Month is Gin Lane, a well-balanced and smooth floral gin with a harmonious balance of herbal and spiced bitters.

Love is in the air and Valentine's Day will soon be upon us; why not surprise your loved one with our special Valentine's meal? Or if you enjoy a pancake but always end up with yours stuck to the ceiling, pop down and join us for Shrove Tuesday and let us take care of the flipping for you!

Join us every Friday for some live music, or perhaps our quiz – a little earlier this month on the 7th to allow for Valentine's! There's also the Six Nations to enjoy on our big screen throughout February and March, so come on in and let us entertain you!

Finally, if you're new to the village and are interested in playing cricket, Stanway CC are playing in the Cotswold Hills League and have their post-match meetings with us at the Gardeners Arms. They're always happy to meet a new face, contact: Tony Revell, Hon sec on 07876 742347 or leave a message at the pub.

If you haven't yet signed up for our newsletter, then drop us an email at gardeners1@btconnect.com to be kept up to date with our latest news. You could also pop by to view our menus, or phone us on 01242 620257 for more information.

<p>NEXT NEWSLETTER Deadline for copy is Sunday 25th February 2018 All items must have Name & Tel No. of sender. Our e-mail address is: AldertonNewsletter@googlemail.com or deliver to Caroline Page, Corner Cottage, Stow Road. The newsletter is also available at www.aldertonvillage.co.uk</p>
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