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PARISH PLANNING – The following new application has been received: 54 Willow Bank Road, Alderton (20/00631/FUL) - Erection of a single storey side/rear extension.

PLAYING FIELD MEMORIAL BENCHES – The Parish Council have created two bases on the perimeter of the Playing Field, with the intention of placing memorial benches there. One bench has already been donated but if any parishioners would be interested in placing a bench in memory of a loved one then please get in touch with the Parish Council.

A46 RESURFACING WORKS ROAD CLOSURE – From 7th September 2020 to 3rd October 2020 Highways England will be carrying out resurfacing works on the A46 between Grafton to Ashton under Hill. As a result the road will be closed during the hours of 8pm to 6am, Monday to Friday. From 5th to 16th October 2020 the A46 will also be closed for resurfacing works between Hinton Cross to the A4184/A46 roundabout at Evesham. The same days/times of closure will also apply. The B4077 forms part of the diversion route during the closure so please be aware that there will be extra traffic on this road.

TEDDINGTON HANDS ROAD CLOSURE – The A46 will be closed from 8pm on Friday 11th September to 6am on Monday 14th September. Severn Trent will be working to install a new sewer main just off the Roundabout. A contingency closure for the following weekend has also been allocated (8pm Friday 18th September to 6am on Monday 21st September).

ALLOTMENT PLOTS – The site is full and we are operating a waiting list. If you would like to add your name to the list then please contact the Clerk.

Next Parish Council Meeting: 22nd September 2020, 7.30pm (venue to be agreed and subject to guidelines). Further details will be available nearer the time on the Parish Council website and the village noticeboards.

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VILLAGE NEWS

ALDERTON VILLAGE SHOP.01242 620201

The situation has gone to nearly normal, I have managed to get the shop stocked up, and level of products are back to what it was before. However, as we all know we are not out of danger yet and have to comply with new regulations. As you all know from now on, in line with Government guidance, all customers must wear face covering when entering the shop. It is very important, in order to keep *me* and the rest of community safe. If you are exempt from wearing the face covering for medical reasons, please let know. But if you have not got any mask or have left it at home, PLEASE stay outside and call me. I am always happy to serve you outside, so you do not have to come into the shop without the face covering. A little bit of bad news is, Post Office has stopped their foreign exchange service indefinitely. Lots of costumers are still confused about the shop's opening hours. he shop's opening hours are **Monday to Saturday 8am to 1pm**. **The post office** is open form **9am to 1pm**. Parcel collection from Post office is at 11:30am. Thank you for supporting your village shop during these difficult times.

ALDERTON CHURCH NEWS

St Margaret's Gift Day and Harvest Market: on Saturday September 19th from 2 - 5pm in the Churchyard (under gazebos) Because of the Covid19 restrictions there will be a few stalls selling jams, cakes, plants, fruit and vegetables and books but unfortunately on this occasion we will not be able to serve any refreshments. We will be asking everyone to respect social distancing but we do hope that you will feel able to join us at some stage during the afternoon. This is an opportunity to use your gift envelope for your donation - please see the separate insert in the church newsletter.

Friday September 25th: As this would have been our Harvest Supper evening, but again Covid19 prevents us from doing so, we are instead going to offer a takeaway meal service. Helen West and Gill Cogzell will be preparing the meals, as in previous years. The menus (please choose 1 main and 1 dessert for £10) are:

Main Beef Casserole with Jacket Potato ,Lamb Casserole with Jacket Potato Gluten Free, Vegetarian Chilli with Rice - Gluten Free, Beef Chilli with Rice **Dessert** Apple Pie , Fruit Crumble (Gluten free available) Please order your meal by September 19th by contacting Helen West 620587 / 07941 373030 or <a href="maintenant-newfall-n

preferred time slot: 5-5.30, 5.30-6, 6-6.30, 6.30 - 7pm. Please have the correct money ready in an envelope with your name on.

ALDERTON ACORNS PRE-SCHOOL AND TODDLER GROUPSeptember has arrived...With the endless summer drawing in, we start the first 'ber' month with a continuous smile on our faces! The grass is being cut, the vegetable patch tidied, the floor polished and the toys repeatedly cleaned as Acorns brings out the register and shouts out those beautiful names! At last, life for the little people will take on the normal daily routine they had grown so accustomed to. With some moving on to big school, sharing the excitement of making new friends while others are reuniting with old friends, they are all however, stepping forward into fresh adventures! Acorns has and will always be an outdoor setting. The world is our classroom, so the garden will again be full of laughter, and so begins the hunt for winter vegetables! The hedgehog house will be checked and made ready for the return of our spiky friends. Fatballs will be rolled to ensure the increasing volume of birds are fed throughout the chilly months. Being outside will also help keep us safe and well, something we have been told for generations and now has become more important than ever!.Doors will reopen on Wednesday 2nd September for Pre-school, but with regret we are still unable to put into place the safety precautions necessary for the Friday mornings Toddlers Group to reopen. Please be assured this is a priority for Acorns. If you would like any further information regarding the group please contact Acorns on 07842 161159 Staff faces within the group will remain familiar to the children, with their main focus being happy, healthy little ones who have an eagerness to learn. Acorns would like to thank Alderton for their continued support as we all step forward into new times. Please note, we now have a new email address for the group.aldertonacorns@gmail.com

THANK YOU. I would like to say a huge, heartfelt thank you to friends, neighbours and people I know in the village who have supported me during my recent illness. The help and support that you give me is much appreciated. So again, thank you very much. Sheelagh Boulter.

ONLINE DOG SHOW:. Entries are now open for the 2020 Cotswold Riding for the Disabled online dog and horse show to be judged on 19th September! To enter, complete the online application form and upload a photograph of your best friend at https://www.cotswoldrda.org.uk/dog-show-2020-entry/. Each class costs just £2.50 and includes automatic entry into Best in Show. Don't forget to buy some raffle tickets as well to help the RDA continue its invaluable work. For more information on the RDA, visit www.cotswoldrda.org.uk or call 01242 584420.

EVESHAM BAT CARE

I hope everyone survived the heat wave, our 11 month old golden retriever certainly didn't enjoy it much. Here at Evesham Bat Care we're having our busiest year ever. Our total for last year was 146 bats and we're already up to 199, with 4 months left to go. I have had 8 baby bats, though sadly the three tiny babies who were barely a week old when they came in didn't make it. The others though, Bobby, Beaufort, Bart, Jennifer and Biff, have all since progressed to the flight cage where they can learn to fly and hunt like adult bats before being released. It was hard work at one stage, getting up every 3 hours to feed them all, but it is very rewarding and I'm looking forward to seeing them all return to the wild. Like many charities the lockdown restrictions have hit our fundraising activities hard. One way you can help us out and reduce your plastic waste at the same time is by collecting toothbrushes and other oral care items for us as part of a Teracycle scheme. There is a white box under the carport of 12 Orchard Road that you can drop these items off too as well as any stamps you have. Every item will contribute towards our points total which is turned into a cash payment every quarter. Thank you so much to everyone who has already dropped items off, they really have been helping us keep going and keep feeding the baby bats during this busy time.

Gardeners Arms

We know how popular the 'Eat Out to Help Out' scheme has been, so we have decided to extend this. It is the same great deal – 50% off your food and soft drinks every Monday to Wednesday throughout September and October. No vouchers, no hassle just up to £10 off per person. Book a table on 01242 620 257 or via www.gardenersarms.biz – we look forward to seeing you soon.

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